

YELLOWSTONE VALLEY AUDUBON SOCIETY

- FROM THE PRAIRIES TO THE PEAKS.

Mission: Building on the tradition of special interest in birds, Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society is organized to promote enjoyment and protection of the natural environment through education, activism, and conservation of bird habitat.

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CHAPTER MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 16

DR. MARCO RESTANI: ANTARCTICA ADVENTURES 7:15PM



Dr. Marco Restani in Antarctica with CHINSTRAP PENGUINS

What's on your bucket list? Does it include a trip to the Southern Ocean - to leave tracks in the snow of Antarctica? If so, you're not alone. Over 37,000 tourists visited Antarctica during the 2013-14 austral summer. They went to observe and photograph everything: penguins, whales, seals, and icebergs. Tourism to the region, which often includes stops on the Falklands and South Georgia, has increased steadily and prompted countries to develop strategies to protect fragile environments from potential visitor impacts. Last season nearly 17,500 people landed on the small Antarctic island of Cuverville alone! You've heard the phrase "We're loving National Parks to death." Is the same thing happening at the bottom of the globe? Dr. Marco Restani, Professor of Wildlife Ecology at St. Cloud State University and Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society Board Member, has guided tourists to the Southern Ocean since 2011. He worked for a private ecotourism company, serving as naturalist, lecturer, zodiac driver, and Assistant Expedition Leader. Trip itineraries lasted a month and included about 20 landings on remote islands and the mainland.

He, along with 100 passengers and about a dozen staff, visited the stark wilderness aboard the *Ortelius*, a former research station supply ship named in honor of the Flemish cartographer credited with creating the first modern atlas.

Marco will provide an overview of the unique jurisdiction governing Antarctica, sustainability of tourism in the Southern Ocean, and natural history of the region's wildlife. He will also discuss challenges to conservation at high visitation sites, focusing on the damage wrought by introduced species, potential impacts from human disturbance, and the ever-looming threat of climate change. Antarctica is different now than it was only 50 years ago and changing rapidly. It's probably time to schedule a visit.

YVAS MEETINGS

All YVAS Meetings are at Mayflower Congregational Church, corner of Rehberg Lane and Poly Drive, Billings, MT unless otherwise noted. The public is welcome, there is no admission fee and ample free parking is available.

Monday, March 9, 6:00pm: Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 16, 7:00pm: Chapter Meeting

We will hold a YVAS fundraiser dinner at 5:30, before the Chapter meeting. Dinner donation: \$6. YVAS Board Member Sue Weinreis has generously volunteered to coordinate. Please contact her at 855-4181, granpeak@bresnan.net **before March 13 to make reservations and tell her what you will bring.**



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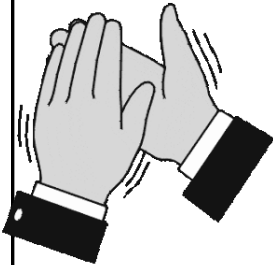
BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATES AND NOTICES

WANTED: Bird Photos and videos for the YVAS website. One minute to three minute video clips of birds from YouTube (links) or personal videos that can be emailed work the best. Send them to Deb Regele at debregele@gmail.com

IT'S NOT TOO LATE: JOIN THE YVAS BOOK CLUB/CONSERVATION ISSUE STUDY GROUP

Long-standing, outstanding YVAS member Jerry Dalton is offering to organize a new book club/study group for members to stay better informed about environmental and conservation issues by studying sources of debate topic, both pro and con. The group will meet monthly at a convenient location; the only cost would be for reading materials.

Please contact Jerry Dalton and tell him topics or book titles that interest you, and when and where you prefer to meet. Jerry Dalton, 656-3656, daltonlj@centurylink.net



For the second year in a row, YVAS has received an anonymous donation through *NETWORK FOR GOOD*. This nonprofit, donor-advised fund uses the internet and mobile technology to securely and efficiently distribute thousands of donations from donors to their favorite charities each year. This year YVAS is again extremely grateful to have benefited from a \$500 donation. This money will be added to the YVAS Endowment Fund, which supports the goals of Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society's mission through conservation education, protection of the environment, and the enhancement of habitat for birds as well as for other wildlife. For more information, you can visit Network for Good's website at <http://www1.networkforgood.org/about-us>

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Meetings are held September through May at Mayflower Congregational Church, corner of Poly and Rehberg, Billings, MT:

- Board Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 6:00pm. Board Meetings are open to the entire membership.
- General Chapter Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:00pm. All meetings are open to the public.



CONSERVATION NEWS

WINTER BIRD FEEDING: GOOD OR BAD FOR BIRDS? January 5, 2015

By Joe Smith, ornithologist and restoration ecologist

Winter bird feeding is one of the most popular ways for people to interact with nature, and most do it to help birds get through these tough months. **But what does this really mean for conservation? Does feeding help or hurt birds?** More than 40 percent of U.S. households feed their backyard birds, and in the United Kingdom, the rate is as high as 75 percent. Despite the widespread popularity of bird feeding, scientists are still building a basic understanding of its impacts. See more at: <http://blog.nature.org/science/2015/01/05/winter-bird-feeding-good-or-bad-for-birds>

ADVANCES FOR DECLINING WARBLERS Visit abcbirds.org

Conservation of Golden-winged and Cerulean Warblers—two of the most rapidly declining migratory songbirds—will get a major boost from just-announced grants administered through the US Department of Agriculture's Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP). These multi-million dollar, multi-year projects will be led by American Bird Conservancy, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Appalachian Mountains Joint Venture, and many more great partners.

[Learn more about the Golden-winged Warbler project](#)

[Learn more about the Cerulean Warbler project](#)



Upper Missouri Breaks Audubon Society in Great Falls highlighted an article in their February newsletter from the December 2014 issue of *Rural Montana*, the magazine of the Montana Electric Cooperatives' Association (MECA). The article is titled 'Co-ops Proactive in Raptor Protection'. Since partnering with local electric companies to erect nesting platforms has been an important goal of the YVAS Osprey Project, included here is a summary of local involvement. The article explains that raptor protection is in the best interest of the electric cooperatives. Large birds can not only cause outages, but can also damage pole structures and transformers. An avian protection workshop was held last fall for the MECA. Those attending learned why there are bird conflicts, what to do if an injured bird is spotted, and how best to prevent the collisions or electrocutions in the first place. Beartooth Electric has had an Avian Protection Plan in place since 2012. It has resulted in a reduction in the number of bird conflicts. The measures cooperatives have taken to help birds, have reduced bird takings to "none known" in the area covered so far. All new construction follows avian safe guidelines. They have also installed spinners on power lines on known bird routes to make lines more visible and prevent collisions. They all reported that the measures they have taken to help protect birds and prevent bird-related outages have been overwhelmingly successful. Hats off and thanks for helping to protect our Montana birds. Read the article in its entirety at montanaco-ops.com/RMM/dec14/

What is PooPower!?

Remember the last time you stepped into a pile of dog excrement? Chances are it's not a pleasant memory. Now think about that stinky, smelly mess – in your drinking water. It's a BIG problem. In America, pet dogs produce about 10 million tons of poo each year. If that poo doesn't get properly scooped and disposed of, it ends up going untreated into our stormwater and from there it can end up in drinking water. That's not just a big mess; the bacteria in dog waste could have serious implications for the environment and human health. The problem is universal and the simple act of cleaning up after your dog has environmental benefits as well as personal health benefits. Yes, the environmental benefits of reduced pollution in our parks, streets and waterways are apparent, but many people are unaware that the bacteria in dog waste are potentially a hazard to us as well," says Duncan Chew, Project & Community Engagement Manager of PooPower.

[PooPower!](#) is a project that started in Australia using citizen science to map dog poo 'hotspots' and encourage people to come up with solutions. They are working to transform the poo problem into an energy solution with biogas made from doggy doo. See more at: <http://blog.nature.org/science/2014/12/02/citizen-science-poo-power-biogas-water-quality-dog-bacteria/#sthash.8TzQ0rog.dpuf>



UPCOMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, MARCH 10 OSPREY ORIENTATION PROGRAM

The 2015 YVAS Osprey Orientation Program will be held at the Billings Public Library in the Community Room on the first floor. Check in will begin at 5:45 pm and the program will begin at 6:00. Dr. Marco Restani will be presenting new material this year including an overview of the Osprey's natural history and biology. Also new this year, an Osprey Field Manual, compiled by Dr. Restani to aid Osprey nest monitors as they observe and record data will be pre-viewed and discussed. The class is free and open to the public. Reservations are required. To reserve your chair or for further information, contact Deb Regele at 962-3115 or debregle@gmail.com

SATURDAY, MARCH 21 DUCK DAY



WJH Bird Resources invites members of YVAS and their guests to **DUCK DAY**. YVAS members George Mowat and Donn Bartlett will meet carpool groups at 8am at Rocky Mountain College on Rimrock in Billings, or you may drive directly to WJH, located at 2753 S. 56th West. Please do not arrive at WJH before 8am. Late arrivals are welcome- check in at the green barn. The day will end around 3pm. It is a private facility and not generally open to the public. The event will include games for elementary school children; an introduction to waterfowl by Sheila McKay, owner and operator of WJH; viewing of the Wagner Marsh south of the property with some history of the wetland project; and meeting the captive birds at WJH. There will be opportunities to observe some birds up close, and to review some of the educational material WJH uses for school groups. This is an excellent experience for children, families and beginning birders. Please call 652-7175 to make reservations.

MAY 11, 12, AND 15 ORNITHOLOGY CLASSES

Dr. Marco Restani, Professor of Wildlife Ecology and YVAS Board Member, will offer ornithology classes again this year. Past lecture topics included bird identification (e.g., general tips, raptors, shorebirds, flycatchers, and sparrows), feathers and flight, reproduction, migration, and the national bird monitoring program of MAPS. This year Dr. Restani will present a review of bird topography and classification, bird conservation in a modern world, birds and climate, and perhaps identification by species group. If you have a topic of interest that you would like to have incorporated in to the program, please contact him at restani@stcloudstate.edu. Classes are tentatively scheduled for 6PM on 11, 12, and 15 May -- watch for the formal announcement in the April YVAS Flyer.



SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MAY 30-31 BIRDATHON 2015

It is March and time to start planning for the annual Birdathon. Every spring YVAS sponsors this project to raise money for important chapter activities. Birdathon is a competitive fund-raising and bird identification event (in the field) held during a 24 hour period. Teams compete with one another. Birdathon begins at 5 pm on Saturday, May 30, and continues to 5 pm on Sunday, May 31. As teams are developed, members should think about the major goal of fund-raising, as well as the fun to be had searching for bird species. It is time to get your team together and plan strategy for both these activities. When your team is final, be sure to fill out the Registration Form and submit it with a \$5.00 fee for each team member. The Registration Form and the Pledge Form will be available on the chapter

website (yvaudubon.org), as well as in the April YVAS Flyer. A gathering of teams to report species identified will be held at 5pm on Sunday, May 31 at 897 Adobe, 59105 (Billings Heights). Refreshments will be served. Contact Ruth Vanderhorst at 245-5118, acriv@bresnan.net with any questions.



MARCH 19-22 AUDUBON'S NEBRASKA CRANE FESTIVAL

The 45th Annual Audubon's Nebraska Crane Festival will be held in Kearney, Nebraska. Here you can witness tens of thousands of Sandhill Cranes and millions of waterfowl migrating through central Nebraska during March, culminating in a festival hosted by Audubon Nebraska to celebrate their arrival. Audubon's Nebraska Crane Festival has been celebrating this wildlife phenomenon for 44 years! By attending the festival you will learn more about cranes, waterfowl and other bird species from the sessions, visit a crane viewing blind and participate in field trips.

<http://nebraskacranefestival.org>



MID MARCH > APRIL FREEZEOUT LAKE

Tundra swans, Snow Geese by the hundreds of thousands, and 200 other migrating species congregate at Freezeout Lake in mid-March to use the lake as a staging point, while they wait for nature's traffic control system to indicate that their far northern destinations are open for feeding and breeding in Alberta and central Saskatchewan in Canada. There they amass with hundreds of thousands of other snow geese from Texas and other Gulf Coast States. In a series of shorter flights, the geese then make their way to nesting grounds on the wind swept, extreme northwest Arctic coast of Canada.

For more information about visiting go to crownofthecontinent.net/content/freezeout-lake-wildlife-management-area or call 406 467 2646 for up-to-date migration information.

AUDUBON CENTER 7026 South Billings Blvd, Billings, MT, 59101 (406) 294.5099 mtacec.org

***EVERY SUNDAY ~ WEEKEND WONDERS 2—4 PM.** Open to all ages! Fee is \$2 to cover equipment use per person, or free for Friends of the Center. Every Sunday afternoon we will explore and discover! Stop in at the Audubon Center to get your supplies or challenge for the day. No registration required.

***MARCH 20TH and EVERY THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ~ Nature Night 6 – 9 PM.** 4 – 12 year olds welcome. Cost is \$22/child or \$20 for Friends of the Center. Drop your child off for an evening of outdoor adventures with our Naturalists.

***EVERY SECOND SATURDAY NIGHT ~ Nighthawk Adventure 6—8 PM.** Join the Audubon Center for a nature filled evening and then an amazing snack. Fee is \$5/person or free for Friends of the Center.

MARCH 14TH ~ FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT & SNACK REWARDS

***MARCH 7TH, 10 AM—12 PM—NATIONAL UNPLUG GAME DAY ~ No electronics allowed!** Only good old fashioned fun and games. Join us as we celebrate not being plugged in.

***APRIL 18TH—EARTH DAY CELEBRATION ! 9:00 - 12 PM**

~ Join the Audubon Center to complete projects to help the Earth and then celebrate Earth Day with a free BBQ

MAY 13 SOUTHWEST MONTANA LEK TOUR

Early May is the best time to comfortably view the spectacular dawn displays of male Greater Sage-Grouse at their breeding leks. The cost is \$485/person, double occupancy (single supplement is \$100), meals, and transportation from Bozeman, Helena or possibly Missoula. A \$100 deposit reserves your place. Visit mtaudubon.org

JUNE 5-7 WINGS ACROSS THE BIG SKY

Montana Audubon Bird Festival, co-hosted by the Last Chance Audubon Society, at the Red Lion Colonial Inn in Helena. Make reservations with the hotel directly at 406-443-2100, or online with the booking code, MONT0604 at redlion.com/colonial/

Here's a sneak peak at some of the scheduled events for the festival:

Keynote speaker, Scott Weidensaul, will be speaking Friday evening on migration and "Living on the Wind" and then bringing some fascinating information on his work with Snowy and Northern Saw-whet Owls on Saturday afternoon.

Friday evening - a look at how Montana Audubon is addressing conservation and some fun projects brewing in the area;

What do you do when 180-pound moose calf invites himself into your kitchen? How do you settle a bet over the exact size of a ferret? What do you do when you find an injured animal? For many Montanans the answer is simple. Call Vince Yannone! Vince is one of the most recognized and popular personalities in the state. His native wit and sense of humor have made him a local legend. Many Montana children have grown up watching Vince on TV and listening to his classroom presentations. Although he has retired from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, he remains a favorite speaker across Montana.

What about Merlins? Another local favorite, Dan Ellison will bring some fun facts and information on his work in and around Helena with this fascinating species.

Watch for the festival brochure or the online registration system in mid March to register for the Festival and field trips. Visit mtaudubon.org.



NESTING MATERIALS

BIRDING WITHOUT BORDERS

Follow Noah Stryker on a Big Year around the globe to see 5000 species of birds in one year. No one has ever accomplished that many birds in one year. It is one continuous year-long effort that started in the Antarctic. The start may have been slow - picking up just penguins the first few days and missing out on a landing in the Falklands due to weather, but South America should prove interesting. Follow along here—mag.audubon.org/articles/birds/welcome-birding-without-borders

HOW TO TELL A HAIRY WOODPECKER FROM A DOWNY WOODPECKER

Size and tail color are two of the biggest clues when deciphering these two backyard regulars. See more helpful identification hints at audubon.org/news/how-tell-hairy-woodpecker-downy-woodpecker

PIGEONS MIGHT BE SMARTER THAN WE THOUGHT

The unassuming birds might learn concepts the same way little kids do, a small study finds. See more interesting bird news at audubon.org/news/pigeons-might-be-smarter-we-thought

WINTER: THE SEASON FOR GYRFALCONS

If you're in the northern states, keep an eye out for the majestic Gyrfalcon this winter. audubon.org/winter-season-gyrfalcons



BABY BOOM ON THE BIRD CAMS

LAYSAN ALBATROSSES, SEASON 2: On January 31, Niaulani—an albatross chick on the island of Kauai—hatched under the watchful eye of Malumalu, the mother. Watch Niaulani grow up from a hatchling just six inches long to a massive bird with a seven-foot wingspan by the time it fledges in July. cams.allaboutbirds.org/channel/41/Laysan_Albatross

GREAT HORNED OWLS: Two downy young owlets are eagerly taking bits of food from their mother when their father delivers prey. Watch them while you can—the owlets will grow quickly and are estimated to fledge from their nest in mid-March. allaboutbirds.org/channel/46/Great_Horned_Owls

CAN'T GET ENOUGH WINTER? About every other year, cold winter winds blow flurries of two boreal birds—Pine Siskins and Common Redpolls—down from Canada to scatter about the Lower 48 states. Read our story on the [All About Birds blog](http://AllAboutBirds.blog) about what drives this irruption, how to identify redpolls and siskins, and how you might attract them to your backyard bird feeder.

UPCOMING BIRD FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

A great way to enjoy bird watching is by going to festivals—they're organized to get you to great birding spots at a great time of year, and they're a great way to meet people. Experts and locals help you see more birds, and you'll meet other visitors who share your hobby. To find festivals by location across the country, visit allaboutbirds.org/birdfestivals



RENEWAL NOTICES

The YVAS Board of Directors is trying to find a better way to alert supporting Chapter Members of their renewal dates. The list below consists of those members up for renewal in January and February. Please use the application form below (include your email address) and submit it, along with a check, to any Board Member or mail it to the address on the application when it is time to renew. Please contact Membership Secretary Joel M. Bowers at 534-3672 or jmba@jmmba.com, with any questions.

MARCH

- Harry & Sara Axline
- William Crain
- Lois Gorseth
- Dorcas Halverson
- Carol Hardy
- Deirdre Loftus
- Deb Regele
- Steve Regele
- Bernard Rose
- Pat & Scott Vandell
- Michael Weber

APRIL

- Tom Agnew
- Judy Anderson
- Angus & Margie Fulton
- Colleen Model
- Jim Shesne
- Jan Stearns
- Nancy Traeger

National Audubon Society
Recruitment Code: C0ZN500Z
Application for New Membership

Please enroll me as a member of the National Audubon Society. I understand that I will receive the Audubon Magazine and Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society Flyer. Make check payable to **National Audubon Society**. Renewals will be sent to you through National Audubon.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

One Year Membership

\$20 One year new membership

Send this application and your check made out to **National Audubon Society** to:

Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society
Attention: Membership Secretary
P.O. Box 1075
Billings, MT 59103-1075

Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society
Application for New & Renewal Membership

Please enroll me as a supporting member of Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society. I understand I will be supporting local Chapter activities and receiving the local newsletter. I will enjoy full family Chapter benefits. Make check payable to **Yellowstone Valley Audubon Society** for \$20. If applying for a new or renewing student membership, make check for \$10 and indicate academic affiliation.


Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

 Do you want to receive the Flyer electronically?
 YES NO

Send this application and your check to:
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Field Trip Calendar:

All field trips depart from Rocky Mountain College parking lot on Rimrock Road, adjacent to Billings Studio Theater, unless otherwise noted, and will be by car. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING PETS.** All field trips are open to the public. Passengers will share gas costs with driver when car-pooling. Do make sure you check all field trips with listing in flyer each month for any changes. Binoculars and birding books are available on loan at the field trips

FIELD TRIP CHAIR: Donn Bartlett 252-0757, donnbartlett@msn.com

Mar 21	Sat	DUCK DAY: LEARN YOUR WATER- FOWL at WJH 8 a.m. to noon	Meet at Rocky Mountain College at 8 a.m. for guidance to WJH (2753 S 56th Street W), or at WJH between 8 and 8:30a.m. Sheila McKay and George Mowat, leaders
Apr 7	Tues	SHARP-TAILED GROUSE VIEWING. 5 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Jim Court, leader. Contact 259-5099, custertours@gmail.com , check the Flyer or visit yvaudubon.org for more details.
April 11	Sat	EXXON PONDS AND EMERALD HILLS. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Sack Lunch. ONE MILE WALK. Ron Kuhler and George Mowat, leaders.
May 2	Sat	OPEN	
May 9	Sat	MEET AT RIVERFRONT PARK S Billings Blvd, 1st Parking Area on right at 8 a.m. Half Day.	George and Bernie Mowat, leaders.
May 14	Thur	MEET AT RIVERFRONT PARK at 5:30 p.m. (See above location)	Mike Weber, leader
May 16	Sat	LAKE BASIN. 8 a.m.	Sack Lunch. Mike Weber, leader.
May 19	Tues	STILLWATER RIVER AND WOODBINE AREAS. 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Sack Lunch. Ruth Vanderhorst, leader.
May 23	Sat	POMPEY'S PILLAR. 7 a.m. to early afternoon.	Sack Lunch optional depending on how long we bird in the morning. Ruth Vanderhorst, leader.
May 30-31	Sat-Sun	BIRDATHON	Contact Ruth Vanderhorst 245-5118, acrvc@bresnan.net . Check the Flyer or visit yvaudubon.org for more details.

