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20TH DAWN CHORUS

Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 4, at 6 a.m. for Evergreen Audubon's 20th annual Dawn Chorus at Evergreen Lake.

Join us at the lake at day-break to walk the boardwalk and search the water for unusual birds.

In the 20 years we have been celebrating the Dawn Chorus, we have had 103 different species! There have been at least 548 human participants over the years, including many repeats like me.

Can you guess what exciting species we've seen? And which species is seen most often?

We will enjoy tasty treats and coffee, and activities to celebrate, in the Evergreen Nature Center.

Please let ENC Executive Director Vanessa Hayes, enclirector@evergreenaudubon.org or 303-495-5180, know if you plan to attend.

- Karel Buckley



The late Bill Brockner, an Evergreen Audubon founder, on the boardwalk at Dawn Chorus. Karel Buckley, longtime EA member, said Bill loved this event. "We used to joke about spotting a cardinal," she said. "Maybe one day we will!"
Photo by Susan Harper

ENC to open for seventh season

Saturday, April 19 at 10 a.m., Evergreen Audubon's most ambitious project to educate and enthuse, Evergreen Nature Center, will begin its seventh season of operation!

Each year, ENC has grown toward the foundation of community learning and environmental enthusiasm we hope to become.

Bolstering, reinventing and creating exhibits, every season ENC seeks to connect with visitors in new and inspiring ways. The Nature Center is our first point of contact with guests, Evergreen Audubon's perfect opportunity to strike sparks of curiosity, so creating an inviting and enjoyable atmosphere is vital.

The next step is to entice visitors to engage in one of our 20-plus ENC programs per season. Every children's game, lake-critter catch and expert hike is designed to draw participants one step closer to awe and wonder for the magnificent natural world around them, and nourish a lifelong personal connection with the outdoors.

Once sparked, ENC hopes to fan interest into action, such as continued involvement with Evergreen Audubon volunteer citizen science, public education and conservation efforts. That begs the questions: How can you get involved?

How can you become a part of making Evergreen, Conifer and our mountain community a more nature-loving place? Here are some excellent opportunities to join your neighbors and friends in learning and sharing nature excitement.

Nesting Day 2014

Saturday, April 5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Help build, fluff and feather Evergreen



Evergreen Nature Center will open for its seventh season on Saturday, April 19, at Evergreen Lake. Photo by Vanessa Hayes, ENC Executive Director

Nature Center for season seven! We have jobs for muscles big and small. Don't forget to let us know if you can make it and when, so we can make the best use of your time.

Email or call Vanessa Hayes at enclirector@evergreenaudubon.org or 303-495-5180 (winter number) if you can make it.

Mountain Area Earth Day Fair and ENC 2014 Season Opening Saturday, April 19

9 a.m.-5 p.m. for Volunteers
10 a.m.-4 p.m. for the Public

Volunteer to teach locals and visitors about 2014 ENC programs and opportunities, or lend a playful hand with family fun at ENC.

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Meetings first Thursday, 7 p.m., Church of the Hills, 28628 Buffalo Park Road, Evergreen, except January. Meetings in June, July and August are held at Evergreen Nature Center.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BRAD ANDRES

At the March general meeting, Kathy Madison announced that the communications committee is developing outreach materials to help recruit new donors, corporate sponsors, partners and volunteers.

To assist the committee, I am asking that you would take a few minutes to answer two basic questions: 1) what value does Evergreen Audubon and Nature Center bring to you? 2) What value does Evergreen Audubon and Nature Center bring to our community?

You can email responses to Kathy at communications@evergreenaudubon.org or call her at 303-908-6480. Thanks in advance for your feedback and help!

If you check out bird sightings on CoBirds, you will notice that spring migrants are showing up along the foothills. With spring, we are looking forward to getting Evergreen Nature Center up and running. The unpacking day will be Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and our opening day will be Earth Day, Saturday, April 19.

We are looking for volunteers for these two days and will be counting on volunteers to help out during Vanessa's maternity leave.

As in the past, we will have the ENC open weekends between April 19 and Memorial Day weekend and then go to an extended schedule for the summer.

Also, please let Vanessa know if you would like to participate in the ENC Committee.

Spring triggers the start of our Bear Creek Watershed Breeding Bird Atlas project. An organizational meeting was held at the home of JoAnn and Bill Hackos on March 23. Leaders for the sites to be surveyed in 2014 will be published in the next *Dipper*.

Bluebirds are back and we are beginning our every-other-week nest box checks. If you would like to participate in these surveys drop me a line or give me a call. Thanks to Rachel Hutchison for helping to coordinate the checks again this year.

To welcome our breeding and migrant birds, we will be holding our 20th Dawn Chorus at Evergreen Lake on Sunday, May 4.

One last date to save is for the "Bird House Bash." This year's event will be held at Hiwan Country Club on Saturday, Sept. 27. I hope to see you at Earth Day, Dawn Chorus or some other spring event!

VIP VOLUNTEERS

*With the sun so bright and the bluebirds too,
it was fantastic as always selling bird boxes with all of you.
Walt and Polly Phillips stopped to see how the boxes were flyin',
I told them they were almost gone and I wasn't lyin'.
We decided next year to have Tom build houses with Dish and Internet
so the birds will be able to use social media to tweet
and see their neighbors down the street.*

*Thanks to **Bud Weare**, who headed our crews.
I think he deserves some time to take a well-deserved snooze.*

- John Ellis
Nest Box Construction Crew Member

Learn to ID waterfowl at April EA Chapter Meeting

Waterfowl are easy to identify because they are big, colorful and sit in one place, right? Except when they don't!

Join Skot Latona, supervisor of South Platte Park in Littleton, at the April 3 Evergreen Audubon Chapter Meeting to explore the waterfowl of the Front Range.

Skot will provide tips for recognizing eclipsed males and identifying females without a nearby companion. Learn how to differentiate ducks when they're feeding "butts up." Skot also will share some great places to find ducks and their kin!

Skot has been with the South Platte Park system for more than 16 years. He interprets and implements park management plans, leads ecotours, supervises the Carson Nature Center and conducts numerous public programs. Skot has a bachelor's degree in park and protected area management interpretation from



Definitely a waterfowl ID challenge. Photo by Justin Crom, a volunteer at South Platte Park

Colorado State University and spent a year studying park management from the University of South Australia.

The next chapter meeting will be Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m. at Church

of the Hills, 28628 Buffalo Park Road (across from Evergreen Library) in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

- Kathy Madison
Director of Communications

Mountain Area Earth Day Fair celebrates 25th year

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Mountain Area Earth Day Fair. Join the celebration on Saturday, April 19, at Evergreen Lake House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Evergreen Audubon will be there along with more than 50 federal, state and local agencies, and earth-friendly non-profits and businesses.

Up-to-date Information on critical environmental issues will be available for open discussion and to take home.

HawkQuest, a festival tradition, will be on-site with its live raptors.

And in keeping with the "green theme," the entire event strives to achieve EAS+Y's Gold Level Zero Waste Certification. All food and beverages will be served in compostable and/or recyclable containers.

Parking is limited at the Lake House, so take advantage of the free shuttle from Evergreen High School, 29300 Buffalo Park Rd. Admission is free and donations will be encouraged.

- Kathy Madison
Director of Communications



Karel Buckley, left, and Evergreen Nature Center Executive Director Vanessa Hayes staff the Evergreen Audubon booth at last year's Earth Day Fair. Photo by Lisa Wald

Valentine's Day marks beginning of nesting, migration

Owls Starting to Nest

Karel Buckley saw her first **Great Horned Owl** of the season sitting on a nest along Clear Creek Feb. 13.

She recalled that Evergreen Audubon founder Bill Brockner used to say Valentine's Day was the beginning for nesting owls. "It truly is!" Karel said. "One day earlier."

On Feb. 15, Sherman Wing saw one of the pair of **Great Horned Owls** he reported last month still roosting in the cavity near the Trading Post at Red Rocks.

Along with several other birders, I saw more than a dozen **Long-eared Owls** at Banner Lakes March 2.

Chuck Aid heard a **Northern Saw-whet Owl** calling three nights earlier.

On Feb. 19, Larry White reported a **Northern Pygmy Owl** hooting around 6 a.m. at 7,800 feet on a south-facing slope of Upper Bear Creek Canyon.

Longspurs

On Valentine's Day, a friend and I located **Lapland Longspurs** east of Tower Road on 96th. These birds winter in Colorado and will be migrating far north by the end of March.

Cranes and Geese

I just returned from a road trip to Oklahoma to celebrate my mom's 90th birthday.

On the way out and back I stopped at Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area and Quivira NWR, both near Great Bend, Kan., and the Great Salt Plains NWR near Alva, Okla.

In all three locations, all in the Central Flyway, thousands of **Snow Geese** and **Sandhill Cranes** were congregating. The water and sky above were full of the sounds of what Aldo Leopold called "goose music" and the wonderful distinctive rattle of the cranes.

A few **Whooping Cranes** had already been spotted with the migrating flocks. I also saw and heard the migrating flocks flying over Colorado.

These birds must stop periodically to



Barr Lake February 14, photo by Marilyn Rhodes



Great Horned Owl on the nest March 5. Photo by Marilyn Rhodes



Gray Jay on Squaw Pass Feb. 19. Photo by Marilyn Rhodes



Prairie Falcon at Red Rocks. Photo by Sherman Wing

rest and refuel before continuing their journey north. Five hundred thousand cranes and hundreds of thousands of geese will gather in the Platte River Valley in Nebraska at the end of March.

Bill Brockner comes to mind again as he used to lead an annual trip for Evergreen Audubon to Nebraska to see the cranes.

If you've never been, consider going to Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary near Kearney, Neb., this year for the Crane Festival. It's one of the greatest wildlife spectacles in North America.

Mountain Bluebirds Returning

Karel also remembered that Bill told us any time after Valentine's Day bluebirds may be seen arriving in Colorado.

Sure enough, JoAnn and Bill Hackos reported **Mountain Bluebirds** in Soda Creek on Feb. 28, sighting six males and one female just west of the Soda Creek pond.

The same day Joyce Nelson reported numerous **Mountain Bluebirds** in the big meadow at Mount Vernon Country Club.

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Yard Birds

JoAnn and Bill had their first **American Robin** of the year in the tree above their feeders the morning of Feb. 16.

Chuck Aid had a flock of about 50 **Clark's Nutcrackers** at his house just southwest of Cub Creek Park the morning of Feb. 19.

Pine Siskins

On snowy March 2, David Walker reported one male **Evening Grosbeak** and a flock of **Pine Siskins** in Indian Hills.

Susan Harper had a flock of **Pine Siskins** and a couple pairs of **Cassin's Finches** show up around the same time.

Joyce Nelson noticed **Pine Siskins** in with her finches at her backyard feeders about a week to 10 days before. She lives six miles west of Lookout Mountain, in Mount Vernon Country Club, at about 7,700 feet.

Barbara Jean Gard said she's had **Pine Siskins** at her feeders all winter. JoAnn Hackos reported seeing a significant increase in **Pine Siskins** in February after almost none for the previous six months.

Larry White provided a link to a report, "What we're learning: Biennial Irruptions of Pine Siskins Across North America."

It's an interesting read about one of our most common birds: web4.audubon.org/bird/cbc/WWL-Pine_Siskins.html.

Red Rocks

Before noon on Feb. 15, Sherman Wing saw a **Prairie Falcon** harassing two immature **Bald Eagles** near the Hawk Watch at Dakota Ridge in Morrison.

On March 8, he saw a pair of **Prairie Falcons** at Red Rocks in the same locations they've preferred in prior years. The female was in a cavern on Park Cave Rock; the male was heard calling from Frog Rock.

This is likely the same pair we've observed in the park for several years now.



Magnificent Hummingbirds are one of the attractions at the newly preserved Paton's Birder Haven. This photo was taken by Alistair Montgomery at the Hummingbird Garden in the Quetzal Lodge, Savegre Valley in the Talamanca Mountains of Costa Rica in March.

Squaw Pass Corvid Bonanza

Ten members of the Corvid family reside in Colorado. On Feb. 19, some friends and I had a chance to see six of them on Squaw Pass: **Steller's Jay, Gray Jay, Clark's Nutcracker, Common Magpie, American Crow** and **Common Raven**.

Had we ventured south, we could've picked up a Western Scrub Jay at the Trading Post at Red Rocks and a Blue Jay in Denver.

The remaining two Corvids, Pinyon Jay and Chihuahuan Raven, can be found much farther south in the state.

Volunteer Appreciation Field Trip

On Feb. 23, Brad Andres treated Evergreen Audubon volunteers to a prairie birding trip. We enjoyed a day of short-grass prairie birding in Morgan County.

After a morning of raptors, including **Rough-legged Hawks**, we were treated to an appreciation lunch and migrating waterfowl.

Pronghorn

By the time you read this, our deer and elk will have shed their antlers. I always thought that antlers were shed annually but horns weren't. That's not entirely true.

Pronghorn bucks shed the outer sheaths of their horns annually, between late October and early December, while retaining the slender inner cores, around which new sheaths have already begun to form.

In fact, the outward and upward pressure exerted by the growing sheaths helps to loosen the old sheaths.

Landmark Birding Property Saved

Paton's Birder Haven, southeast Arizona's mecca for thousands of birders worldwide and a haven for hummingbirds, is now assured of long-term protection following a successful and spirited international fundraising campaign.

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**To contact Marilyn Rhodes, call 303-674-9895
or email cloverlane@aol.com.**

**To subscribe to the Evergreen Birders email list to report
and view local sightings, go to evergreenaudubon.com and
click on the Local Sightings link.**

Nature Center offers many chances to get involved

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Sign up on the Volunteer page at the Evergreen Audubon website, evergreenaudubon.org. Or you may email Vanessa Hayes at enccdirector@evergreenaudubon.org or call her 303-495-5180 (winter number).

Volunteer Open Houses at ENC

Learn more about becoming a part of the ENC fun. There's a time for any schedule.

April 19: Saturday, noon–2 p.m. at ENC (during the 2014 opening day)

April 25: Friday, 10 a.m.–noon

April 29: Tuesday, 6–8 p.m.

Volunteer Training at ENC

Visitor Assistant training prepares volunteers for friendly learning fun with ENC guests of all ages.

Remember, you don't have to be an expert, just willing to learn and share.

May 8: Thursday, 10 a.m.–noon

May 14: Tuesday, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Nest boxes fly off the shelves

Thanks to bright sunshine and brilliant salespeople, Evergreen Audubon sold all except two of our 92 nest boxes by early afternoon on Saturday, March 9.

I have two bluebird boxes in my garage looking for a home site. Our gross proceeds are about \$2,150 with an average per-box cost for materials of a little over \$7 (\$1.50 for predator guards), thus we usually net close to \$1,500.

Bean counters would say that this is a nice return, but such success is possible

only because your labor (not to mention the Bosch factory) is free.

In any event, we all know that bluebirds bring happiness; and in turn, we would like to think that we do the same for them.

So congratulate yourselves and take an extra measure of joy every time you see a bluebird this spring. Profound thanks.

- Bud Weare

Nest Box Sale Coordinator

Evergreen Nature Center Committee

Meets third Wednesday of the month, 6:30–8 p.m.

April–October meetings at ENC

Help make Evergreen Nature Center the best it can be.

ENC committee members help define and accomplish new exhibits, programs, projects and the ENC layout for 2014.

Email or call Vanessa Hayes at enccdirector@evergreenaudubon.org or 303-495-5180 to join.

- Vanessa Hayes

ENC Executive Director

BIRD BUSINESS MARILYN RHODES, ASGD MASTER BIRDER

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American Bird Conservancy, Tucson Audubon Society and Victor Emanuel Nature Tours worked together to raise the funds to acquire the historic property.

More than 1,000 bird lovers—many former visitors to the Paton property—answered the call for contributions, with several of them recounting their memories of the site and donating as a way of paying tribute.

Birding Trivia

Even hard-core fans of Bond films might not be aware that Bond series creator Ian Fleming was an avid birdwatcher.

He read a taxonomy in 1936 titled "Birds of the West Indies" written by James Bond; Fleming figured the flat and colorless name of the author would be perfect for the title character of his books.

Hottest New Birding Book

The long-awaited "Sibley Guide to Birds" (Second Edition) was released March 11.

He's added new images and species. My copy? In the mail!

Free App from Cornell Lab

I downloaded Merlin Bird ID to my iPad and it is very useful for beginning birders and fun for kids. It's designed to help answer, "What's that bird?"

Merlin asks a few simple questions, then reveals a list of birds that match your description and are expected in your area. It's designed to make bird identification easier.

Visit birds.cornell.edu/merlin to download the app or learn more.

Birding Movies

"A Birder's Guide to Everything" opened March 21.

You can read a wonderful review at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's All About Birds Blog (blog.allaboutbirds.org/2014), which calls the movie "a tender rumination on how beauty remains in the world even after everything seems to have been lost."

RMBO sponsors Nebraska tours

The birds of the southwestern panhandle of Nebraska will be highlighted during a two-month series of Watchable Wildlife Tours sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory and the Kimball County Tourism Department.

"For the Birds!" will run March 15 through May 15. All tours will depart from the High Point Welcome Center at Exit 20 along Interstate 80.

Registration is free and may be made by calling the center at 308-241-0573.

For the Birds! Schedule March 15–May 15

Mountain Plover Migration

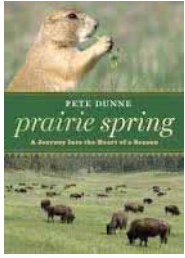
Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m.

Hawk Watch

Thursdays at 6:30 a.m.

Ground Nesting

Saturdays at 8 a.m.



Prairie Spring: A Journey Into the Heart of a Season by Pete Dunne. 2009. 288 pp. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, New York and Boston.

In 2009, Pete Dunne, director of the Cape May Bird Observatory, published the first in what promises to be a four-season study. Dunne's four seasons are in the tradition started by naturalist Edwin Way Teale who, with his wife Nellie, also wrote four books about his 100,000-mile journey across America.

Teale's first book, "North With the Spring," was published in 1951. The series continued with "Autumn Across America" (1956), "Journey into Summer" (1960), and "Wandering Through Winter" (1965).

Dunne has so far published three of his four-season study, using the same conceit of the four seasons as Teale. "Bayshore Summer" appears in 2010 and "Arctic Autumn" in 2011. I hope he is able to complete the winter study. Pete suffered a stroke in 2013 and is in rehabilitation, having retired from his CMBO role.

I've thoroughly enjoyed reading all three of the studies but my favorite is "Prairie Spring." The first book in the series opens on Groundhog Day, Feb. 2, finding Pete and his wife, Linda, on the Pawnee National Grassland in north-central Colorado. It's 15 degrees below zero, and a Great Horned Owl is calling as the two struggle to photograph the sunrise and Pete's shadow. An odd start to spring, you might say.

Pete explains that Feb. 2 is exactly halfway between the first day of winter and March 21, the first day of spring. The Druids celebrated Feb. 2 as the Imbolc, the day that animals gained mystical powers. That might sound a lot like our groundhog tradition. The holiday is also Candlemas Day in the Roman Catholic calendar, the day the priests gave people blessed candles to ward off darkness.

So, unofficially, spring on the Pawnee began about two months ago. By the time you're reading this, it will be officially spring.

"Prairie Spring" is set mostly in Colorado with a few excursions north, south and east. The great Sandhill Crane staging in Kearney, Neb., marks the first prairie encounter for the Dunnes, motoring from New Jersey west.

As you probably know, the cranes have already staged in Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge. They're clearly on their way north, with reports of Colorado sightings already coming in March. Half a million will stop over in Nebraska on the Platte River to fatten up before heading to their northern breeding grounds.

The travelers' next stop is once again to the Pawnee. One of the favorite spring birding destinations, a sure way to find early migrants, is the Crow Valley Campground and the Pawnee Buttes. Crow Valley is also a place, Dunne explains, where East meets West.

Eastern birds, like Blue Jays, have used the riparian woodlands, planted by settlers, to move in the West. So have woodland birds like the Swainson's Hawk, Western Screen-Owl, Red-shafted Flicker, Western Wood-Pewee and Bullcock's Oriole.

Next, in the face of a spring snowstorm, the Dunnes head south to Lamar for the Snow Goose Festival. Like the cranes, the Snow Geese are heading north, stopping over in the sea of grass that makes up eastern Colorado. They compete for attention from birders with the Lesser Prairie-Chickens. The local "chicken rider" leads the birders to the leks in Prowers County.

Farther south and east takes them to the Comanche National Grassland. The Comanche and Pawnee grasslands were created in response to the Dust Bowl. A few years of extra rain drove settlers to plow every inch of prairie they could manage. Once the dry years returned, the plowed soil blew away, no longer anchored by the deep prairie grasses.

Now the grasslands are preserved for multiple uses, including wildlife. The Comanche is a great place to find Mountain Plovers,

Upland Sandpipers, and Long-billed Curlews.

The Dunnes camp in Picture Canyon to see the famous petroglyph of the horse from a time when the Plains Indians had acquired horses. Pete focuses on the presence of a canyon in the midst of a flat prairie and a sea of grass. But the canyon is part of the prairie, providing habitat for owls and Canyon Wrens, as well as pack rats, collared lizards and rattlesnakes.

Toward the end of the spring excursion, Pete and Linda return to the Pawnee (before an out-of-Colorado excursion to South Dakota and Montana). They find Horned Larks, Brewer's and Vesper sparrows, Lark Buntings and Burrowing Owls.

Unfortunately, they find the prairie diminished. Mountain Plovers, which were once fairly common, are now exceedingly rare, as are McCown's and Chestnut-collared longspurs. We've seen many on some drives and then none. It depends on the weather, I've decided.

At the end of their Colorado prairie spring, they are greeted with one of those spectacular blooms that you've seen if you've been to the prairies. The evening primrose was blooming everywhere. "It looked as though the Milky Way had settled onto the land, or a million silver-shod pixies had danced atop the grass, leaving petaled imprints where they trod."

I've now read "Prairie Spring" three times, and I'm sure to read it again. Much like poetry, it keeps giving me joy. If you love the prairies, I'm sure that it will give you joy as well.



Upland Sandpiper. Illustration by Steven D'Amato

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| April 3 | EA Chapter Meeting | 7 pm | Church of the Hills |
| April 5 | Nesting Day | 9 am–2 pm | Nature Center |
| April 10 | Newsletter deadline | 5 pm | |
| April 16 | ENC Committee | 6:30–8 pm | Nature Center |
| April 19 | Earth Day Fair | 10 am–4 pm | Evergreen Lake House |
| April 19 | Nature Center Opens | 10 am | Evergreen Lake |
| April 19 | Volunteer Open House | Noon–2 pm | Nature Center |
| April 25 | Volunteer Open House | 10 am–noon | Nature Center |
| April 29 | Volunteer Open House | 6–8 pm | Nature Center |
| <i>Upcoming Events</i> | | | |
| May 4 | Dawn Chorus | 6 am | Evergreen Lake |
| May 8 | Volunteer Training | 10 am–noon | Nature Center |
| May 14 | Volunteer Training | 6:30–8:30 pm | Nature Center |

Please submit *Dipper* newsletter content by the 10th of the month to dipper@evergreenaudubon.org. Your submissions will be forwarded to both *Dipper* editor **Debbie Marshall** and **Kathy Madison**, EA Director of Communications.

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I/we would like to join the Evergreen Audubon. I/we may participate in all chapter activities, receive *The Dipper* newsletter electronically, and vote (two Family members may vote) on chapter issues. Dues remain locally.

Date _____

| | Individual | Family |
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| Annual dues | \$ 20 | \$ 30 |
| Electronic <i>Dipper</i> | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| Hard-copy <i>Dipper</i> (members only) | \$ 15 | \$ 15 |
| Additional donation | \$ _____ | \$ _____ |
| Total | \$ _____ | \$ _____ |

Name _____

Family member(s) name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (optional) _____

Email _____

(must include for electronic *Dipper*)

Enclosed is my check payable to: **Evergreen Audubon, P.O. Box 523, Evergreen, CO 80437.**

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