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## MARCH PROGRAM MEETING TUESDAY, Mar. 22 at 7:00 PM

"The Truth About the Birds and the Bees" Presented by DR. GABRIELA CHAVARRIA

Join Dr. Gabriela Chavarria for this timely presentation on the role and status of our pollinators. Dr. Chavarria is currently the Forensic Science Branch Chief at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Forensic Laboratory. Previously, she served as Science Advisor to the Director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and before that, as Director of the Natural Resources Defense Council's (NRDC) Science Center, where

she applied her scientific knowledge to translate the most up-to-date science into solutions for environmental problems.

She also has served as Vice President for Science and International Conservation at Defenders of Wildlife, Policy Director for Wildlife Conservation at the National Wildlife Federation and as the Director of International and Special Programs at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation in Washington, D.C. In addition, Dr. Chavarria serves on a number of boards and advisory councils.

Born and raised in Mexico City, Dr. Chavarria has a B.S. in biology from the National University of Mexico and a Masters and Ph.D. in Organismic and Evolu-



tionary Biology from Harvard University. Her research focused on the systematics, behavior, and biogeography of Neotropical bumble bees. She has conducted research on these topics in more than 30 countries in North America, Central America, South America, Europe, and Asia, and was a research associate at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History, where she worked on pollinator conservation.

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**Chapter Program meetings are held** on the fourth Tuesday of the month, September through April. Meetings take place at 1801 E. Jackson St., Medford, in Lidgate Hall of the Medford Congregational Church.

#### President's Column

Now that the illegal occupation of the Malheur Wildlife Refuge center is over. let's not let the Refuge get pushed to the back of our minds. We should all be thinking about how best to use and enjoy it personally and how to help restore it. I know many people are planning to volunteer on work parties there and I applaud them!

Kristi Mergenthaler from the Southern Oregon Land Conservancy met with the RVAS Board last month to discuss possible ways RVAS and SOLC can partner to our mutual benefit. She mentioned: 1. RVAS field trips to one or two private lands under SOLC conservancy every year—stay tuned! 2. RVAS members conducting point counts of birds on the Rogue River Preserve and compiling bird lists for owners of SOLC conserved lands. 3. RVAS funding a bird survey of the City of Ashland-owned Imperatrice land, which she also talked about at our January Chapter meeting. The Board has allocated \$1,000 for this survey, which Kristi, Jaime Stephens at KBO and Frank Lospalluto are planning. We'll keep you posted.

We on the Board are welcoming Wendy Gere as a new Board member. Wendy has lived in the Rogue Valley for 40 years. She is recently retired and is planning to do more birding. Wendy has been coordinating the FeederWatch at Coyote Trails this year and has committed to do it again next year.

The Board has also approved the purchase of another set of Purple Martin nesting gourds. Carol and Gary Palmer will soon be setting them up near last year's set at the Denman headquarters.

Special thanks to Carol Mockridge for figuring out how to fix the RVAS projector for only \$10 (!) and to Gary Palmer for researching and purchasing a necessary replacement set of walkie-talkie radios for our field trips.

Linda

#### RVAS BIRDING FIELD TRIPS AND EVENTS

#### FIRST WEDNESDAY BIRD WALKS AT AGATE LAKE

Murray Orr will continue to lead his monthly bird walks at Agate Lake on the first Wednesday of each month. In this ongoing citizen science project, the numbers of different species observed by walk participants are entered in the Cornell Ornithological Laboratory's eBird database. Birders wishing to join Murray should meet him at the picnic area off Dry Creek Road across from the boat ramp to observe birds on and near Agate Lake. Walks begin at 8:30 and end before noon.

March Walk: Wednesday, March 2 April Walk: Wednesday, April 6 May Walk: Wednesday, May 4

Contact Murray at 541-857-9050 or mworr2@charter.net

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 12 - SISKIYOU COUNTY AND SHASTA VALLEY

Frank Lospalluto will lead a trip to the Shasta Valley, which is a birding mecca for wintering raptors and waterfowl. Take advantage of Frank's expertise to gain instruction on birding by ear, as well as fine-tuning your waterfowl identification.

Meet at the Shop N Kart (gravel parking lot) in Ashland at 8 am to carpool. Pack a lunch and expect to return between 2-4 pm. RSVP to Field Trip Coordinator Russ Namitz at namitzr@hotmail.com to secure your spot, as this trip has limited space.



Steven Goldberg captured this stunning Bald Eagle at the Lower Klamath Wildlife Refuge.

## Field Notes from Jackson County (Jan 20 - Feb 19, 2016) Compiled by Jeff Tufts

It's official! Sightings of Turkey Vultures and Tree Swallows are no longer an occasion to break out the gardening tools. And don't start looking—yet—for orioles, or tanagers, or flycatchers.

With small groups of TVs and Tree Swallows being reported throughout the winter (and this is statewide, not just in southwest Oregon), it's pretty much impossible to know if increasing numbers of these birds signal the arrival of migrants from distant locations or merely the gathering of individuals that have wintered close to our area.

The first large flocks of Tree Swallows reported in Jackson County were the 35 birds seen at Lost Creek Lake Jan. 30 (RN), and the 30 at Whetstone Pond the same day (RA). And by mid-February (the 15th), there were 48 spotted near TouVelle Road in Denman (KB).

Turkey Vultures have been seen frequently and in varied locations through the first half of February, but no significant kettles have been spotted.

Perhaps more reliable as a harbinger of spring is the first appearance of other species of swallows. Violet-green Swallows, often seen in the company of Tree Swallows, are usually the next to show up. One was seen at Denman Feb. 18 (NB,GS), and another single bird was at Kirtland the next day (RN). Still to come: Northern Roughwinged, Cliff and Barn swallows. Check all flocks for these species in the next few weeks.

Top rarity from Jackson County during the period covered in this report was the Clay-colored Sparrow seen (and photographed) in a Central Point yard Feb. 17 (TC). This is only the second winter sighting of this species in Jackson County, and it will be interesting to see if the bird sticks around as long as the previous one. In late January, 1992, a Clay-colored Sparrow was found at Denman (near ODFW HQs), and it remained in the area through early April.

The list of notable waterfowl sightings during the period includes unusual species, birds seen in unexpected locations, and surprisingly large numbers of certain common species.

Of the many Greater White-fronted Geese seen during their southbound migration in fall, few linger in Jackson County over the winter. It was remarkable when 120 of these conspicuous birds were spotted in fields along Table Rock Road Feb. 5 (RN), and more than 300 showed up two weeks later (Feb. 19) at the Kirtland ponds (RN).

Accompanying the big flock of Greater White-fronted Geese seen Feb. 19 at Kirtland was a single Ross's Goose (RN). This could be the same bird that was seen in Medford earlier in the year and/or the same bird seen on the Ashland CBC.

There were two reports of a single Snow Goose: one Jan. 23 near Brophy Road (BH,KW), and one along Hwy 234 Feb. 10 (MC).

Cackling Geese have been unusually common over this winter. A flock of 238 flew into Kirtland on Feb. 5 (BH), and 175 of them were there Feb. 19 (RN).

Tundra Swans have been seen along Brophy Road above Eagle Point and at Agate Lake, but the biggest concentration has been in the fields adjacent to Table Rock Road just south of the turnoff for Lower Table Rock. On Jan. 26, 26 of them were reported from that location (LW), and most were still there on Feb. 19 (RN).

Most interesting among the smaller waterfowl were the twenty female Common Goldeneyes spotted at the Kirtland ponds Feb. 18 (NB,GS). These diving ducks, easy to find at Holy Waters and on Lost Creek Lake and the Rogue River during the cooler months, are rarely seen at other Jackson County locations.

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Two Redheads at Emigrant Lake Feb. 5 (FL) were unusual, as were two Greater Scaup at the same location Feb. 16 (FL).

No Eared Grebes were reported during the period covered in this installment of the field notes, and only a single Horned Grebe was spotted. That bird was seen Feb. 19 at the Boise-Cascade pond (BW).

Small numbers of Ferruginous and Rough-legged Hawks continue to be seen in Jackson County. At least one adult and one immature Ferruginous were frequently in the vicinity of Newland and Downing Roads in Central Point. One Rough-legged Hawk was seen several times near the Avenue G Ponds, and two of that species were often spotted in the low hills northeast of I-5.

Sandhill Cranes are working their way north. The meadows around Howard Prairie had twenty of them Feb. 14 (GZ), and several were heard flying over Siskiyou Summit Feb. 18 (FL).

Stormy weather often brings noteworthy numbers of shorebirds into our area, and such conditions were probably responsible for the presence of fifteen Greater Yellowlegs, eight Dunlin, twelve Least Sandpipers, and thirteen Long-billed Dowitchers at the Kirtland ponds Feb. 19 (BW).

Gull reports are still few and far between. One Ring-billed Gull was at Emigrant Lake Feb. 7 (FE), and eight of the same species were at Kirtland Feb. 19 (RN).

Among the passerines, only the aforementioned Clay-colored Sparrow was more unusual than the large number of Horned Larks (41) found at Lost Creek Lake Jan. 30 (RN). There's a five- or six-month period

during late fall and winter when sharp-eyed birders can be rewarded with a sighting of two or three of these colorful birds, but significant flocks, such as those sometimes seen in the Klamath Basin, are uncommon in Jackson County.

The Swamp Sparrow that first popped up at North Mountain Park in Nov. was still being seen there as late as Jan. 23 (MP).

Yellow-rumped Warblers of the "Myrtle" subspecies are regularly seen in small numbers in winter, but a flock of at least twenty on Roxy Ann Feb. 8 (JT) was surprising. April and May are the months when the Myrtles are most likely to come through our area in quantity.

One Townsend's Solitaire near Spring Street in Medford Feb. 8 (RN) was in an unusual location, and there was an unconfirmed report of a Mountain Bluebird near Cantrall-Buckley Park Feb. 15 (eB).

Large flocks of Brewer's and Red-winged Blackbirds are sometimes joined by Tricolored Blackbirds, and such was the case Feb. 5 when more than thirty of the "trikes" were spotted with their more common brethren along Modoc Road (RN,BW). Fifty-plus Brown-headed Cowbirds were in the same area one day earlier (FL).

Thanks to all whose sightings contributed to this report: Rene Allen, Norm Barrett, Karin Boucher, Mark Chichester, Tim Crippin, Forrest English, Bob Hunter, Frank Lospalluto, Russ Namitz, Mary Pat Power, Gary Shaffer, Katie Walter, Ben Wieland, Larry Wright, and Glen Zimmerman. Sightings attributed to (eB) were taken from eBird reports.

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#### Birdathon 2016: It's Not Too Late

Birdathon returns on Saturday, April 23. If you've never participated in this annual event, why not make 2016 your year? The object of Birdathon is for sponsored teams to count as many species as possible within a 24-hour period. Teams can range widely or stick close to home, so long as they stay in Jackson County.

This fun and challenging event is one of our most important fundraisers of the year. Birdathon 2015 featured five stellar teams: the Binosaurs, Great Grays, Old World Warblers, The Pedal Ducks, and Wandering Tattlers. The Great Grays narrowly beat out the Binosaurs with a tally of 157 species in the 24 hour period—one more than last year. Collectively the five teams raised over \$2,714 for RVAS.

#### **Birdathon FAQs**

What if I'm not an experienced birder? The fierce competition among the "hard-core" teams is legendary, but you need not be an elite birder to participate in Birdathon. In fact, your ability to find sponsors is just as important as your ability to identify warblers.

How do I find a team? Give us a call or drop us an email and we'll help match you with a team.

Can my family be a team? Yes! We want to encourage kids and families to participate in Birdathon. And remember, you can choose any length of time, whether all day, half a day, or an hour.

I don't want to get my boots muddy, but I'd still like to contribute. Consider sponsoring a team or sending in a donation. Look for donation forms in the April issue of The Chat, and at upcoming Chapter meetings.

I still don't get it. Look for more details in upcoming issues of The Chat. If you have a burning question, feel free to contact Katy Reed at kmreed24@hotmail.com or 541-245-5095 or Linda Kreisman at 541-482-6456.

#### The Conservation Column

## By Pepper Trail

#### Malheur Wildlife Refuge Occupation

The armed occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge finally came to an end after 41 days on February 11, with the peaceful, if rather hysterical, surrender of the last four occupiers. The FBI and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are now documenting the damage done, including destruction of government property and extensive damage to Native American sites and artifacts. Eleven people face federal charges resulting from the takeover at Malheur. Cliven Bundy, father of two of the Malheur occupiers, has also been arrested on charges stemming from his 2014 armed standoff with the BLM in Nevada over his refusal to pay fees for his cattle grazing on public land.

In one of the few positives to come from the occupation, public support for the Friends of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge has skyrocketed, with over \$30,000 in donations since the occupation began, and an increase in membership from 130 to over 700.

#### **Oregon Climate Legislation**

With the Malheur crisis resolved, let's turn to environmental action in Salem, where the Oregon Legislature is considering two important climate bills.

<u>Clean Electricity and Coal Transition Plan:</u> This bill (HB 4036) would eliminate electricity from coal-fired power plants by 2035 and mandate that utilities serve 50% of their customers' demand with renewable energy by 2040. If it passes, Oregon can remain a national leader in stopping climate change and growing our local, clean energy economy by removing coal from our electricity.

#### THE POLICY

- Sets 2030 as deadline to transition away from coal use in Oregon's electricity mix.
- Double Oregon's Renewable Portfolio Standard to 50% by 2040, bringing more clean energy jobs and investment to our state.
- Increases access to solar power for a majority of Oregonians who cannot install solar where they live. The community solar choice program created guarantees 15% of the power is available to low-income people and families.
- Supports electric vehicle infrastructure and reduced pollution from cars. Transitioning to clean
  energy sets Oregon's two largest electric utilities on a path to meet their portion of the state's
  greenhouse gas reduction goals, which call for reducing carbon emissions 80% below 2005
  levels by 2050.

Information on HB 4036 is from the Sierra Club: website: http://content.sierraclub.org/coal/oregon

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<u>Healthy Climate Act:</u> This bill (SB 1574) would establish hard caps on emissions of carbon dioxide from the transportation fuels, utility and industrial sectors. It creates a market-based incentive system to reduce emissions by auctioning emissions allowances. Directs auction proceeds into transportation projects, ratepayer credits and grants that reduce emissions and address the impacts of climate change. The goals would be 20% reduction below 1990 levels by 2025; 45% below 1990 levels by 2035, and 75% below 1990 levels by 2050.

The Healthy Climate Act would replace the greenhouse gas reduction goals the Legislature passed in 2007 with a series of enforceable limits. Those caps would phase in gradually, but the ultimate target is to reduce carbon emissions 75% below 1990 levels by 2050.

Unlike the 2015 effort, which would have directed the Environmental Quality Commission to develop a "market-based" program to achieve those targets, the sponsors of this year's bill have spelled out the specifics: a so-called "cap and invest" program modeled on a system being used in California.

Backers hope the fleshed-out bill will gain more traction this year, despite the limited window of time at the Legislature and the competing environmental plan. They see Oregon's carbon limits dovetailing not only with California's, but with efforts to tackle climate change being floated in Washington and already enacted in Canada.

"The expert consensus is that (a carbon cap or price) is the only policy that can lead to the goal of global climate stability," said Camila Thorndike, the head of Oregon Climate, a millennial-led advocacy group on climate issues.

The legislation is being co-sponsored by Sen. Chris Edwards, D-Eugene, chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee, and Sen. Lee Beyer, D-Springfield, chair of the Business and Transportation committee and a former utility regulator for the state.

At a joint session of the House and Senate energy committees last week, Edwards said that if the bill passes next month, the Department of Environmental Quality could start convening stakeholder meetings this spring, and a final program could be ready for legislators to tweak and approve in the 2019 legislative session. If that happens, it would be implemented in 2020.

"If we don't take it up by 2020, the possibility or likelihood of hitting (state climate) goals is very unlikely," he said. "We already know we're not going to hit the 2020 goals."

Many of the details of the proposal would be hashed out in rulemaking if the bill passes. But the basic plan is to have the Department of Environmental Quality start auctioning off emissions allowances to companies in the utility and industrial sectors, and eventually to companies that sell transportation fuels.

The biggest standalone sources of carbon dioxide emissions in the state are power plants. Portland General Electric's coal-fired power plant in Boardman generated 3.1 million metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions in 2014, for example. But there were about 70 other industrial facilities that exceeded the 25,000-ton emissions threshold in recent years, including semiconductor plants, steel mills, cement plants and pulp and paper mills.

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The auction proceeds could be considerable: some \$280 million from the utility and industrial sectors alone, if the allowance price at kickoff were \$13 a ton, roughly equivalent to California's price today. Auctions of allowances to transportation fuels companies would start in 2025 or 2026, generating more money. Academic studies suggest the price needs to be in the range of \$45 a ton to motivate action by utilities.

The bill envisions those dollars flowing back into projects or rebates that, in principle at least, are related to climate change. The collections from utilities, for example, would go to ratepayer credits. Those from transportation fuels and industrial companies would go into transportation projects and grant programs to fund job creation, training and mental health services for those affected by climate change or climate change policies.

The bill could end up competing with HB 4036, the Clean Electricity and Coal Transition Plan, that would eliminate electricity from coal-fired power plants by 2035 and require utilities to serve 50% of customer demand with renewable energy by 2040.

Advocates of the carbon bill say it's complementary to those efforts, providing the financial stick to make sure they have the desired outcomes. As a standalone bill, they maintain it would give companies and facilities flexibility to achieve emissions reductions in the most cost effective way possible.

\*\*The above summary is excerpted from reporting by Ted Sickinger for *The Oregonian*.\*\*

Both bills would represent significant progress for Oregon. Let us hope that at least one makes it out of this shortened legislative session.

## Project FeederWatch Schedule for 2015 - 2016

Coyote Trails (Medford) PFW

**Thursdays:** Noon – 1 pm; open to the public

Mar 10, March 24

Fridays: Noon – 1 pm; open to the public

Mar 11, Mar 25

North Mountain Park (Ashland) PFW

**Fridays:** 9 – 10 am; counts done by one person; not advertised to the public

Mar 4, Mar 18

**Saturdays:** 9 – 10 am; open to the public

Mar 5, Mar 19

For more information or to volunteer, contact Mary Pat Power at <a href="marypat@ashlandhome.net">marypat@ashlandhome.net</a> about the Ashland PFW and Wendy Gere at <a href="maryeq@qmail.com">wendy.gere@qmail.com</a> about Coyote Trails PFW.

## Field Notes from Josephine County (Nov 15, 2015 - Feb 19, 2016) Compiled by Jeff Tufts

With fewer birders in the field and fewer easily accessible birding locations, Josephine County would figure to be far behind neighboring Jackson County in reported rarities. But that's sometimes not the case.

The only Harris's Sparrow in the JaCo/JoCo area this winter showed up in the backyard of a Grants Pass residence Dec. 24 (ZF), and it completed a "grand slam" of the Zonotrichia genus, as a White-throated Sparrow also joined the expected White-crowned and Golden-crowned Sparrows.

Last eBird report of a Harris's Sparrow from Jackson County was from the Medford CBC of 2012.

For the second straight year, Josephine County produced the first local Rufous Hummingbird sightings. Two males were seen at Rogue Community College in Grants Pass Jan. 21 (LW), and another was reported from an area south of Grants Pass Feb. 19 (per DV). Last year's early

Rufous Hummingbird reports were on February 15 (also RCC) and February 19 (Merlin).

No Green Heron reports from Jackson County thus far in 2016, but Josephine County has had one or two of the species seen on several occasions at the Rogue Lea Estates ponds (DV). That's also the place to find Black-crowned Night-Herons.

Eared and Horned Grebes have been hard to find in both Jackson and Josephine Counties this season. One Eared Grebe was at Lake Selmac Nov 26 (JM), Dec. 4 (RC) and Feb 9 (DB,GA). One Horned Grebe was also at Lake Selmac Dec. 4 (RC).

The only Snow Goose report from JoCo during the period covered in this report was a single bird associating with Canada Geese in the Upper River Road area Feb. 15 (DV).

Also notable during the period was a Prairie Falcon spotted near the north end of Williams Highway during a December (26) Raptor Run (DV).

Thanks to the birders whose sightings contributed to this report: Glenn Anderson, Dave Bengston, Romain Cooper, Zia Fukuda, Jeff Miller, Dennis Vroman, and Linda Wagner.

## Rogue River Preserve Update

The Southern Oregon Land Conservancy (SOLC) has applied to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) for a \$1.4 million Land Acquisition grant to purchase the Rogue River Preserve. This 352-acre property, located near Eagle Point and Shady Cove just north of Hwy 234 and Dodge Bridge, is extraordinarily diverse. It includes over two miles of streambank, a 16-acre island, 140 acres of streamside forest, an active, undisturbed floodplain, vernal pools, chaparral, oak woodlands and a historic residence on the river.

SOLC has an Option to Purchase Agreement with the McArthur family through December 2016. The OWEB grant would provide a huge boost to SOLC's efforts to purchase and care for this magnificent property. The OWEB board will meet at the end of April to vote on the grant proposal.

On February 3, Jackson County Commissioners voted to oppose the use of OWEB funding to acquire the Rogue River Preserve; however, it's not certain that the Commissioners will follow through with a "no support letter," in part because so many people have contacted them in support of the grant. SOLC is also applying for grants from USFWS and the Doris Duke Foundation.

Meanwhile, SOLC has salvaged some federally listed large-woolly meadowfoam and planted about 500 plants along the flanks of three vernal pools at Rogue River Preserve. Hopefully, these wee annuals will flower and set seed, and the seeds will grow into a self-sustaining population.

Stay tuned for information on an upcoming RVAS field trip to the Preserve.

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Students will learn how to use a digital SLR camera and telephoto lens in this small-group workshop. The basics of light, focus and composition will be covered. Finding and approaching wild birds/ animals will be explored. Bring warm clothes and a notebook; camera equipment provided (if needed). Pre-register online at ashland.or.us/register or call the Nature Center at 541.488.6606.

AGES 7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

DATE Saturday, March 5 and Saturday, March 12

TIME 9am—Noon

PLACE North Mountain Park

COST \$125

INSTRUCTOR Daniel Elster has been a professional wildlife photographer for the past ten years. He has taught workshops, mentorships and private lessons and sells his work in local shows and through his website. See his photos and more information at elsterphotography.com.

#### **Baby Birds**

Enjoy this entertaining program, which includes photographs and stories about birds as babies in the nest and as fledglings. Prepare yourself to laugh and learn. All birding levels are welcome. Preregister online at ashland.or.us/register or call the Nature Center at 541.488.6606.

DATE Wednesday, March 30

TIME 6:30—8pm

PLACE North Mountain Park

COST \$15

INSTRUCTOR Shannon Rio teaches classes about birds, plant medicine and yoga. She is on the board of the Klamath Bird Observatory.



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If you are not an RVAS Member, we invite you to help support our local activities by becoming a member. We hope you're aware of the many activities of the Audubon Society, both locally and nationally, that help to further the cause of bird conservation and public education in southern Oregon. Member dues, along with donations and income from local fund-raising events, support our activities and programs, such as:

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The Chat newsletter

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Birding forum for posting sightings and active locations

Monthly field trips and bird walks

Educational programs for students and adults

Monitoring of regional conservation issues

Work with local wildlife managers to improve access and bird habitats

Bird counts for national species censuses

Support for local research projects

A one-year family membership costs \$20. To become an RVAS member, please complete the form below and send with your check for \$20.

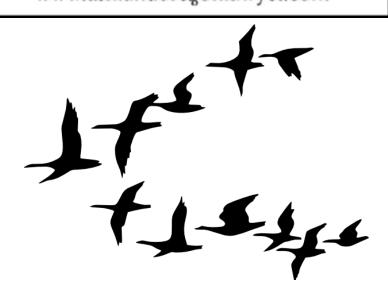
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## Upcoming RVAS Programs

April 26, 2016: Stewart Janes will give a bird-centric presentation

May 24, 2016: Annual RVAS Picnic

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