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Black-bellied Plover © Verlee Sanburg..

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Audubon Society's 125th Annual Christmas Bird Count

By Missy Siders

The Christmas Bird Count occurs annually December 14 to January 5. Between those dates local hawk-eyed volunteers join fellow birders across the country to brave winter weather conditions while counting birds during the annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count (CBC). Birders and other nature enthusiasts alike take part in this tradition--many rising before dawn to participate in the longest running wildlife census on the planet since 1900.

From feeder-watchers and field observers to count compilers and regional editors, everyone who takes part in the Christmas Bird Count does it for love of birds and the excitement of friendly competition. They revel in the knowledge that their efforts are making a difference for science and bird conservation. *Continued on page 6*

President's Message

Winter is here! Be sure to get out and see what's moving through our area. We have had a spate of unusual gulls and shorebirds. Be sure to get out and see what is happening! Lots of northern ducks are moving down here for the winter. And large numbers of sandhill cranes are wintering west of Delta again this winter. Go watch them flying in just before sunset. In fact, some just flew south over our house in Montrose.

Christmas Bird Counts (CBC) are coming up soon, starting December 14 in Montrose. We hope you will join in on this long tradition (since 1900), with one of the four counts in our area. We can match you up with more experienced birders. Winter is a good season for birding in our area, so dress warmly! See cover article for more information. A big shoutout to the CBC leaders, Missy Siders, Adam Petry, Arden Anderson, and Amy Seglund. It takes a lot of work to coordinate the counts, round up the data, and submit it all to the national database. We also have a number of other good winter field trips planned. Dian Torphy is starting to lead monthly field trips in Delta County, so I hope you will join up with her. We really appreciate her taking on this leadership, that we have needed for quite a while.

We are also writing articles for the Outdoor Column of the Montrose Daily Press on Saturdays, taking turns with other environmental groups. Watch for those. Missy Siders recently wrote an article about their birding trip to Senegal in Africa. If you don't subscribe to the paper, or don't have online access, read them at the Montrose Public Library.

We would love to have YOU write an article for this newsletter or for the Montrose paper.

PS – Just a reminder that our annual local membership expires for everyone in December. You can renew online or by check. \$20 for individuals or \$30 for families. When you renew, your local membership will be paid through December 2025 (add \$10 for printed, mailed newsletter)

Bruce Ackerman, President

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Bird Banding—Ridgway State Park

Christmas Bird Count Team—Arden

Anderson, Adam Petry, Amy Seglund,

and Missy Siders

Eckert Crane Days— Alida Franco

A note about email addresses in this newsletter:
All emails have an extra space before the @ sign or "[at symbol]" in the email address to discourage spam coming from web crawlers.

Would you like to volunteer? Talk to an officer to see where we need help and where your talents can be used! Volunteers are always needed and welcome.

MONTROSE AREA

First Tuesday Field Trips

Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 4

Meet at **9 AM (unless otherwise noted in trip description)** at the public parking lot at the intersection of N. 2nd St. and N. Cascade Ave. in Montrose.

A leader will accompany the group to a nearby birding hotspot. Return should be by about noon. Bring a snack, water, binoculars, and field guides. **Please RSVP for all field trips** and include your name, field trip date and contact information in case weather or illness forces a cancellation. RSVP to black.canyon.audubon.fieldtrips@gmail.com

DELTA AREA

Third Tuesday Field Trips

Dec 17, Jan 21, and Feb 18

Meet in Delta at Confluence Park at 9:00 AM. Our meeting location is the large parking lot next to the lake and near the intersection of Gunnison River Drive and Kellogg Street (behind Bill Heddles Recreation Center). We'll likely view the large numbers of birds using the lake and also do some walking along the river. Expect to spend two or three hours exploring the park. Spotting scopes can be very helpful when viewing the waterfowl on the lake, and we will have some on hand.

Please RSVP for all field trips and include your name, field trip date and contact information in case weather or illness forces a cancellation. RSVP to black.canyon.audubon.fieldtrips@gmail.com.

For trips with "dates to be determined", keep an eye out for the monthly emails from BCAS president or visit the Black Canyon Audubon Society website for the latest information.



Sabine's Gull © Verlee Sanburg.

Other Birding Trips

For trips with "dates to be determined", keep an eye out for the monthly emails from BCAS president Bruce Ackerman or visit the Black Canyon Audubon Society website for the latest information.

December 2024 See box to left
Audubon's 125th Christmas Bird Count
Dec 14 to Jan 5

Read cover story for more information.

January 2025

Ridgway Rosy-finch Trip #1 – Saturday, January 18

Join us as we visit the home of a Ridgway BCAS member who regularly gets all three species of Rosy Finch at her home feeders. We'll meet in Ridgway at the Cimarron Coffee parking lot at 8:30 AM and carpool up to the Elk Meadows home. Since it is a private residence, the trip is limited to 10 participants.

February 2025

Winter Raptor Trip
February 15-16, Saturday and Sunday

Join Bruce Ackerman and Bill Harris as they search the Montrose area for winter raptors, including Eagles as well as Ferruginous and Rough-legged Hawks. Trip will conclude in early afternoon. Dress in layers, bring water and a lunch or snacks, binocular and a spotting scope if you have one. These trips are limited to 8 to 9 participants each day (three vehicles).

To reserve a space on Saturday's trip contact Bill at TRLGPA@gmail.com.

To reserve a space on Sunday's trip, contact Bruce at (727) 858-5857 or at bruceackermanaud@aol.com

Ridgway Rosy-finch Trip #2 – Wednesday, February 12

Join us as we visit the home of a Ridgway BCAS member who regularly gets all three species of Rosy-Finch at her home feeders. We'll meet in Ridgway at the Cimarron Coffee parking lot at 8:30 AM and carpool up to the Elk Meadows home. Since it is a private residence, the trip is limited to 10 participants.

Monthly Meetings

Thursday, December 12 – 7:00 PM

Montrose Field House Summit Room

Cassandra Wolfanger, Bird Conservancy of the Rockies

Cassandra Wolfanger is a wildlife habitat biologist with Bird Conservancy of the Rockies in the Montrose office of the National Resource Conservation Service, newly established in June. For the previous three years, Cassie worked in Audubon's state of Vermont office. She'll be speaking about her conservation work with Vermont's priority species including peregrine falcons, bobolinks, golden- and blue-winged warblers, to name a few. She'll also give us a sneak peek at the projects she's starting in our neck of the woods.

Thursday, January 9--7:00 PM

Montrose Field House Summit Room

Nic Korte, Grand Valley Audubon Society

Nic Korte is a long-time member and Conservation Chairman for the Grand Valley Audubon Society (GVAS). Nic has been working with Western Slope Owls for more than thirty years and he's the leader of the GVAS Western Screech-Owl project. In Grand Junction regularly leads the nation in counting Western Screech Owls during the annual Christmas count. They are successfully maintaining a significant population despite increasing urbanization, witnessed by a CBC total of 101 Screech Owls two years ago. In addition, Nic recently completed his quest to see all of North America's owls in person. He will share stories from that experience and compare and contrast the species. What a hoot!

Thursday, February 13 – 7:00 PM

Montrose Field House Summit Room

Renzo del Piccolo, South African Wildlife

Montrose retired wildlife expert Renzo Del Piccolo, formerly with CPW, traveled to South Africa in September of 2024 to share his expertise in wildlife and bird management. Join us as he chronicles his experiences with South African wildlife species. He traveled with the Katie Adamson Conservation Fund, a Denver-based non-profit focused on protection of endangered species around the world. Renzo tells us that his experiences with wildlife in Krueger National Park were unlike any he has ever had. Join this adventure without the 24+ hour flight!

Monitoring Snowy Plovers at Great Salt Lake

By Emily Hamel

Ecologist, Saline Lakes Program, National Audubon

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As the sun rises over the expanse of Great Salt Lake, its first light casts a golden hue across the endless playa, creating a surreal and serene landscape. The air is crisp, filled with the subtle scent of brine; the only sounds to be heard are the distant calls of waterbirds and the soft crunch of salt crust underfoot. Here, amidst the shimmering flats and sparse vegetation, the elusive Snowy Plover makes its home. These tiny shorebirds go about their lives largely unnoticed, their plumage blending perfectly with the playa's textured surface. The plovers' presence here is both a whisper and a testament to the fragile beauty of Great Salt Lake's unique ecosystem.

The Snowy Plover (*Anarhynchus nivosus*) is a small shorebird primarily found along North America's ocean coasts and inland saline lakes, such as Great Salt Lake, with some additional resident populations along the western coast of South America. Known for its pale plumage and distinctive black markings, the Snowy Plover is a ground-nester that prefers open, sandy areas near water. These birds are particularly vulnerable to habitat loss, predation, and human disturbances, making conservation efforts critical to their survival.

The Snowy Plovers at Great Salt Lake belong to the subspecies commonly known as the Western Snowy Plover. This subspecies is the most widespread and is composed of two significant populations: resident birds that nest along the Pacific coast, listed as Threatened by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1993, and a migratory population that mainly breeds in the dry western interior of the United States and Mexico. While this interior population is not listed under the Endangered Species Act, it is protected as a Species of Greatest Conservation Need through state-level Wildlife Action Plans in multiple states, such as Utah, Nevada, and Kansas.

Continue reading at

<https://www.audubon.org/news/monitoring-snowy-plovers-great-salt-lake>.

BCAS Board Meeting Highlights

by Sallie Thoreson, Secretary

These highlights cover the Board meetings from September and November 2024.

- Our regular projects and programs are continuing. Book club meetings are going well, on the third Tuesdays of each month at 3 pm. The new schedule of books for 2025 is on the BCAS website.
- Future winter birding trips are planned and publicized through the normal channels. Kristal has programs booked into 2025.
- We are planning for our two big community events - Eckert Crane Days, March 21-23, 2025, and the Christmas Bird Count.
- The BCAS currently has 440 paid members. All BCAS memberships are up for renewal in January 2025.
- BCAS continues to contribute an article to the Montrose Daily Press every five weeks, coordinated by Caroline Evans.
- The Motus radio tower is in place! We have been following a White Pelican who “pinged” our tower on his journey from Salt Lake area to Montrose and then down to Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, NM and on to Mexico.
- At the Marine Road Open Space, the blind at the North Pond has been completed. The City of Montrose will hire a consultant to create a plan for the entire property, including ADA requirements, engineering design for a bird blind, and restoration needs. BCAS will continue with weed and grass control of the mulched trails. We encourage everyone to bird the area.
- The Board has used special planning meetings and Board meetings to determine the projects BCAS will work on in the next year, using the National Audubon Society’s Flight Plan (strategic plan) as a model. A budget will be set for the upcoming year to utilize some of the accumulated funds.

The Board will also begin working on a two to three year budget for 2026-2028 based on annual income and project expenses.

The next Board Meeting is January 16 by Zoom. Anyone is welcome to attend. Contact Bruce Ackerman for details.

Save the Date! Eckert Crane Days 2025

By Alida Franco, Event coordinator

Plan to attend March 21 to 23. Following is the preliminary lineup of events. More details to follow as the date nears.

Friday, March 21

Rachel Vandausdall, Biologist from CSU at Delta Public Library

Rachel will speak on habitat selection, sandhill crane migration patterns, and their needs at different times of the year (e.g., wetlands for roosting during migration and winter). Further, she will speak about human needs and how those influence habitat use and selection by sandhill cranes.

Saturday, March 22, 9:00 AM to NOON

Guided bird watching sponsored by BCAS at Fruitgrowers Reservoir. We hope to see the cranes lift off and continue migrating in late morning. Followed by a free BBQ at noon sponsored by Western State Ranches.

Sunday, March 23, 9:00 AM to NOON

Guided bird watching sponsored by BCAS at Fruitgrowers Reservoir.

Saturday, March 29

Nolan Thornberry will speak on photographing wildlife at the Delta Public Library.



Sandhill Cranes © Verlee Sanburg.

Christmas Bird Count continued from cover

Each count takes place within Count Circles, which focus on specific geographical areas. Each circle is overseen by a Count Compiler. Count Circles are divided and areas assigned to participants at the meeting time and place of each specified location. If you are a beginning birder, you will be able to join a group that includes at least one experienced birdwatcher.

In addition, if your home is within the boundaries of a Count Circle, you can stay home and report the birds that visit your feeder.

The following dates and locations are established for this year's CBC.

Saturday Dec. 14 - Montrose. Meet at 8:30 AM at the N. 2nd Public Parking lot (N Cascade Ave and N 2nd St) Downtown Montrose. We will break into teams and you will be given maps and data sheets to complete the field count. Everyone is encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather and bring lunch, water, and sunscreen. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged. We will meet post count at 4:00 PM at Silver Basin Brewery to compare notes from the day. Please contact Missy Siders (missy.siders@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Sunday Dec. 22 - Gunnison. This group will meet at 7:30 AM at Hurst Hall, Room 130 on the Western Colorado University campus to get organized. Everyone is encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather (which can be a little chilly in Gunnison) and bring lunch, water, and sunscreen. Afterward we will have a chili potluck to compile results. Please contact organizer Arden Anderson (arden@gunnison.com) for additional information and to let him know you are planning to attend. Folks at all levels of birding experience are welcome.

Saturday Dec. 28 - Delta. Meet at the Delta City Market parking lot at 8:30 AM. We will break into teams and you will be given maps and data sheets to complete the field count. Please contact Amy Seglund by email at amy.seglund@state.co.us if you have any questions.

Saturday, January 4 - Hotchkiss. Meet at the Hotchkiss City Market parking lot at 8:00 AM. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged. A catered lunch get together will be held at Andrea Robinsong's. Please contact Adam Petry at petry@westernbiology.com with questions or to RSVP. All levels of birding experience are welcome. We'll be birding most of the day.

For all dates: Bring: warm clothes (dress for expected weather), boots, snack and/or lunch, water, sunscreen,

binoculars, spotting scope (if you have), bird books. Clip boards are very helpful.

Provided: Map of birding areas, checklist of birds which might be seen, instructions.

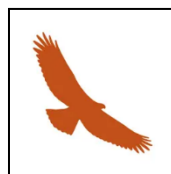
For more information about CBC participation, visit Audubon's website

at <https://www.audubon.org/community-science/christmas-bird-count>.

For additional information on local efforts call the numbers listed above or contact Bruce Ackerman of Black Canyon Audubon, Bruceackermanaud@aol.com. ■

Free Raptor ID App

Looking for a resource to boost your raptor ID skills? Check out this free app from Hawkwatch International and The Cornell Lab of Ornithology. It's available free



from the App Store and Google Play. It includes 1000 annotated photos and many identification videos to make raptor ID easier. Hawkwatch International also has fabulous identification sheets on its website at

<https://hawkwatch.org/raptor-id/raptor-id-fact-sheets/>.

Now, join a BCAS raptor field trip! See page 3 of this newsletter for more information.

Tune in to ABA's Podcast

The American Birding Podcast brings together staff and friends of the American Birding Association as we talk about birds, birding, travel and conservation in North America and beyond.



Host **Nate Swick** provides news and happenings, recent rarities, guests from around the birding world, and features of interest to every birder. Tune in on Thursdays!

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BCAS Winter Book Club

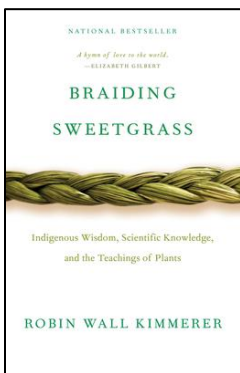
Selections

The readers in the Book Club suggested books for 2025 and then voted on their favorites (always difficult to choose!) Everyone is invited to join on the third Tuesday of each month at 3:00 PM. We generally meet by ZOOM from October to April and then in-person the rest of the year. Check the website for any changes or contact Bruce Ackerman to get on the Book Club email list. Please join us, even if you have not read the book yet; the discussions are always lively. Here are the books for the next four months, with the full list on the BCAS website.

Please let us know if you'd like to be on a separate email list just for the book club. Contact Sheryl Radovich at sherylradovich@icloud.com or Bruce Ackerman at BruceAckermanAUD@aol.com.

December 17, 2024

Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants by Robin Wall



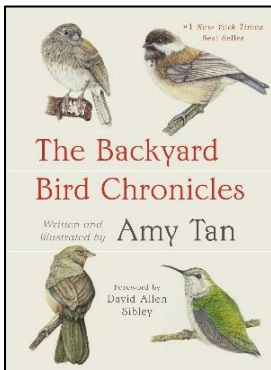
Kimmerer (2015). As an indigenous scientist, Kimmerer shows how other beings offer us gifts and lessons.

As a botanist, Kimmerer has been trained to ask questions of nature with the tools of science. As a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, she embraces the notion that plants and animals are our oldest

teachers. In *Braiding Sweetgrass*, Kimmerer brings these two lenses of knowledge together.

January 21, 2025

The Backyard Bird Chronicles by Amy Tan (2024)



Tan's observations of her avian guests, recorded in journal form, are both entertaining and informative. And the drawings that illustrate her musings are remarkable. Like the early naturalists, Tan learns by watching, bringing no preconceptions, and it's a pleasure to sit with her as she observes and accumulates

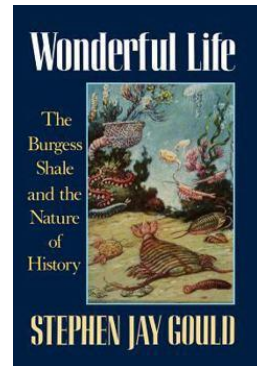
knowledge. She takes careful notes, she sketches what

she sees and she tries to draw conclusions." Los Angeles Times. The Barnes & Noble Gift Book of the Year 2024.

February 18, 2025

Wonderful Life: The Burgess Shale and the Nature of History by Stephen Jay Gould (2014). High in the

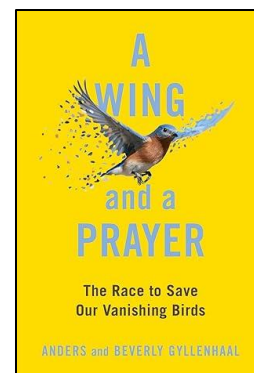
Canadian Rockies is a small limestone quarry formed 530 million years ago called the Burgess Shale. It holds



the remains of an ancient sea where dozens of strange creatures lived. Gould explores what the Burgess Shale tells us about evolution and the nature of history. "Gould is exceptionally well placed to tell these stories, and he tells them with fervor and intelligence" (New York Times Book Review).

March 18, 2025

A Wing and a Prayer: The Race to Save Our Vanishing Birds by Anders Gyllenhaal and Beverly Gyllenhaal, (2023).



"The Gyllenhaals, birders and distinguished former reporters, journeyed thousands of miles, tracking efforts to protect the America's vanishing birds."

Charley Harper Bird Games and Puzzles

Check out the puzzles and board games about birds that Charley Harper influenced in his art. Many are available at <https://www.charleyharper.com/products/puzzles-toys-games.html>. Charley Harper (August 4, 1922–June 10, 2007) had an alternative way of looking at nature. He was conservationist as well as an artist, and revealed the unique aspects of his wildlife subjects through highly stylized geometric reduction.

Conservation Conversations

by Sallie Thoreson

Excerpts from recent news sources:

Climate Change Is Altering Animals' Colors. "Lizards in France have grown lighter in color, and so have many insects and birds across the globe. From a biological perspective, small differences may mean whether a species can survive. You can track with your eyes what is the impact of climate change." *Climate Change Is Altering Animals' Colors | Scientific American.*

Conservation- and climate-related ballot initiatives were approved on Election Day. "In nearly two dozen states the ballot measures aim to expand parks, preserve natural areas and prepare communities for the impacts of climate change. The success reflects a growing recognition among residents and officials that global warming poses a rising risk to people, property, budgets and tax bases — and will get worse without intervention." *Some Counties Voted for Trump and Approved Climate and Conservation Measures | Scientific American*

In October, the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) announced the historic designation of the first Tribally-nominated National Marine Sanctuary. "More than 18,000 Audubon supporters took action to support the creation of the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary, located along California's Central Coast." *Audubon California Applauds NOAA's Progress on the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary | Audubon California*

Over the past year, "National Audubon Society worked with clean energy developers and federal and state agencies in advocating for bird-safe practices on 36 gigawatts of wind and solar and nearly 45 gigawatts of transmission capacity." *Accelerating Responsible Clean Energy Development: Audubon's Efforts in 2024 | Audubon*

The call of the least Bell's vireo, an olive-gray songbird only five inches from tip to tail, is heard again along the Los Angeles River. Restoration of the channelized, concrete riverway has led to the return of precious riparian habitat. *How the Arrival of an Endangered Bird Indicates What's Possible for the L.A. River / Smithsonian Magazine.*

Year-end Member Renewals

By Janine Reid, membership chair

It is time to renew your annual membership. BCAS chapter memberships run for the calendar year, January through December. Dues are \$20 to receive Canyon Wrenderings electronically or \$30 (\$10 additional) for a printed copy through the mail. Please use the form on the back page of the newsletter to renew by mail or renew online at the BCAS website www.blackcanyonaudubon.org.

Remember, your membership and contributions are tax deductible and help make our programs possible.

If you would like to join or donate to the National Audubon Society directly and receive the *Audubon Magazine*, please call 1-899-274-4201 or send \$20 to NAS, Chapter Membership Data Center, PO Box 51001, Boulder, CO 80322-1001. Please list your local chapter on your check: the Black Canyon Audubon Society/D14.

Joining the National Audubon Society gives you membership in the BCAS as well. However, the NAS keeps \$17 of the membership fee and sends \$3 back to BCAS—not enough for us to sustain programs and other activities. So, we encourage you to join BCAS as well.

If you are a member of the National Audubon Society, you are automatically a member of BCAS.

Happy Birding!

BCAS Members Contribute to Montrose Daily Press

For a couple of years, BCAS members have contributed articles to the local Montrose newspaper's Outdoor Section. Most recently Missy Siders contributed an article on a birding trip to Senegal. Check it out in the November 16, 2024, issue of the *Montrose Daily Press*. The article title is "Return to Senegal." If you don't have an online subscription to the paper, you can read back issues at the Montrose Public Library.

What Does Soil Have to Do with Birds?

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Soils are, in fact, critical for birds and can affect bird populations both indirectly and directly. One of the main ways in which soils impact birds is by sustaining plant communities. Plants need soil to grow, and nearly all land birds rely on plants in some way, whether for breeding and nesting, foraging and hunting, or shelter and protection. The overall health of soils, including their structural stability, chemical and nutrient composition, and biological makeup, directly influences the health of plant communities that birds rely on. Healthy soils allow plant communities to thrive, creating resources and habitat for birds.

Soils can also have direct impacts on birds' health, behavior, and reproductive success. Soil chemistry in particular has been found to affect the physical health of ground-foraging birds, as contaminated soils can lead to illnesses. For example, studies in Australia and the United States have found various health issues in birds such as sparrows, pigeons, robins, and cardinals feeding near mined areas where soils are contaminated with high levels of heavy metals. Residual pesticides in soils have also been linked to reduced reproductive success in many bird species, including swallows,

bluebirds, and meadowlarks, according to a recent comprehensive review on the effect of intensive agriculture on bird populations. And contamination doesn't just affect ground-foraging birds. A study in Finland found soil contaminants from smelters present in nest materials that led to increased pathogens in contaminated nests of Great and Blue tits. Evidently, it is important to keep soils clean and free of contaminants as much as possible in order to protect birds from a variety of illnesses.

Soil biology, or the living organisms that reside in soils, can also directly affect birds. Soil invertebrates like earthworms, for example, are an important part of the diet of many birds, such as robins, turkeys, and flickers. While maybe less obvious, soil-residing fungi can also benefit birds, as a recent review found multiple creative bird uses of fungi. For example, certain types of woodpeckers use fungi to create tree cavities, while other birds, such as tanagers, warblers, and flycatchers, use fungi for nesting material. Soil biology is an

important aspect of soil health that matters for birds too.

Soils are also an important carbon sink and can mitigate climate change by sequestering carbon from the atmosphere underground. Climate change is one of the greatest threats to bird populations worldwide, causing declines due to habitat loss, drought, wildfire, sea level rise, and disease. In fact, at least half of bird species in the US are in decline, with climate change as a major cause. The ability to reduce atmospheric greenhouse gas emissions through carbon sequestration makes soils a key part of reducing the threat of climate change for birds and other wildlife.



A Horned Lark on May Ranch, an Audubon-certified ranch in southeast Colorado. Photo: Evan Barrientos/Audubon.

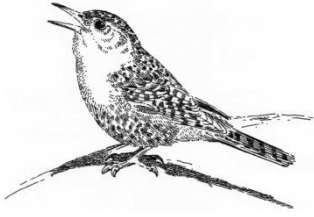


Shortgrass prairie on Rockin' 7 Ranch, an Audubon-certified ranch in eastern Wyoming. Photo: Evan Barrientos/Audubon Rockies

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Please remember to renew your membership!

Local memberships expire December 31. Please pay online or by check and extend your membership through December 2025. Dues paid to the Black Canyon Audubon Chapter stay in the chapter and help fund activities, public outreach, and more!

Black Canyon Audubon Society (NAS Chapter D14) Chapter Membership Form

Local Audubon chapter members may participate in all chapter activities, receive the chapter newsletter *Canyon Wrenderings*, and vote on chapter issues. Annual membership dues are \$20 for individual and \$30 for family membership. These annual dues remain local. If you are a member of National Audubon, you are already a member of BCAS!

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (Optional): _____

Email address (Required): _____

Enclosed: ___\$20 for individual membership, ___\$30 for family membership

___ \$10 additional to receive printed and mailed copies of newsletter

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