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APRIL FIELD TRIPS

By Libby Mills

About the field trips

Beginning birders and their friends are always welcome on Skagit Audubon field trips. Membership in Skagit Audubon is encouraged but not required for participation. Please be prepared for the weather with suitable clothing, and bring field guides, binoculars, and spotting scopes. Carpool whenever possible and contribute to the driver's expense. Watch the email reminders for the latest information, including any changes and/or additions to the field trip schedule. To be added to the email distribution list contact Libby Mills: libbymills@gmail.com

If you plan to join a field trip some place other than the described starting point, call the trip leader the day before to ensure a successful rendezvous. Trip plans may change.

Saturday, April 2

Deception Pass Field Trip 8:30 a.m. to Early Afternoon

Meet at 8:30 at the park and ride at March Point to carpool to this crossroads of Whidbey Island and Fidalgo Island. In early spring migration we'll look for waterfowl before they depart and for songbirds as they are arriving in the north. Some of the early spring flowers may be starting to bloom in Washington's most popular state park.

Leaders: Ivar Dolph and Phil Wright contact at: pidolph@frontier.com

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APRIL MEETING AND PROGRAM

The Columbia Highlands: Washington State's Last Frontier By Kit McGum

Tuesday, April 12, 2011
7:00 Social; 7:30 Program
Padilla Bay Interpretive Center
10433 Bayview-Edison Road
Mount Vernon, Washington



Canada Lynx
Photo by Don Getty

Join Kit McGum of Conservation Northwest for a multimedia presentation that takes an informative look at one of the wildest and least visited parts of Washington State, The Columbia Highlands.

This unique landscape in the northeastern corner of Washington state hosts an array of native wildlife that still exist together like nowhere else in the U.S. outside of Alaska, from grizzly bear to caribou to the ghost-like Canada lynx and wolverine. Scientific research has identified the Columbia Highlands as an important habitat bridge for wildlife between the Cascade and Rocky Mountains, one that compliments connected habitat running north and south through the Cascades.

Also learn about the innovative conservation efforts to protect key parts of this area that are based on years of collaboration and dialogue in Northeastern Washington and seek to balance wilderness, national recreation area, and national conservation area protections with working lands and restoration forest practices.



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Grizzly Bear
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General membership meetings of the Skagit Audubon Society are held at the Padilla Bay Interpretive Center, 1043 Bayview-Edison Rd., Mt. Vernon, WA—7:00 PM Social/ 7:30 PM Program—on the second Tuesday of each month, September through June. The board of directors meets at the same location at 7:00 PM on the first Tuesday of each month.

Skagit Audubon Society (SAS) membership provides a local chapter affiliation and newsletter, **The Flyer**, for individuals who want all their funds to benefit their local chapter. Newsletters from additional chapters can be sought by contacting their websites and membership chairs from links at www.audubon.org/states/wa/. **To join Skagit Audubon Society** please use the form below.

National Audubon Society (NAS) membership is separate from SAS membership and includes Audubon magazine. National Audubon membership does not provide Skagit Audubon membership; however, NAS will assign you an affiliation with a local chapter. To change your chapter assignment call 800-274-4201. **To join National Audubon Society** use the form below.

Skagit Audubon Society is a Chapter of the National Audubon Society. Our mission is to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity.

Skagit Audubon Society Membership Form

Annual membership in the Skagit Audubon Society includes 10 issues of our newsletter, *The Skagit Flyer*, available on our website. Membership includes all members of your household.

\$20 one (1) year \$40 two (2) years

I wish to donate \$ _____ to Skagit Audubon Society.

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Mount Vernon, WA 98273-1101

Please do not share my personal information with National Audubon Society. (It is the policy of SAS not to share information with any other groups.)

Using the form below to initially join the **National Audubon Society** will ensure that the **Skagit Audubon** chapter receives a cost share to support local programs.

National Audubon Society Membership Form

Annual membership to the National Audubon Society includes a subscription to *Audubon* magazine. Membership includes all members of your household.

\$20 for one-year introductory membership with one chapter affiliation

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P.O. Box 422246-2246
Palm Coast, FL 32142

www.audubon.org

For members receiving a paper copy of The Skagit Flyer, the mailing label includes your membership expiration date in the upper right corner. If that date is highlighted in orange it is a reminder that your membership is about to or has expired. All other members will receive an email notice when their membership is about to expire. The Skagit Flyer is published monthly from September through June. Unsolicited material for the next month's Flyer should be sent to the editor by the third Saturday of the current month. For questions or problems about your Skagit Flyer subscription, contact membership chair: Sheila Pera, skagitmembers@gmail.com



At this writing, just one week has passed since the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan. The toll in human suffering continues to grow from the enormity of the event and the aftermath of its effects on nuclear power plants. Despite people's ever increasing ability to alter the natural world, in the end nature is in control, and we can only prepare for that reality and deal with its consequences. Ironically, it is to nature that we often look for solace, or simply diversion, when the world seems to be falling apart from natural or other disasters. In the field trip reminder Libby Mills sent out today, she wrote, "Being out in nature is about the best antidote to all the tragedy in the news this week." The mental and physical focus that birding requires, the company of friends in the out of doors, the attraction that birds and their lives have for us – all of these contribute to making birding and other natural history study truly an antidote. I hope all of you will participate in Audubon field trips and hikes, attend monthly meetings, and get to know your fellow Audubon members. Then, refreshed and renewed, go home and take action, speak out on behalf of the things you care about and that make all our lives better.

This week Skagit Audubon signed on to a letter National Audubon is sending to each federal Senator. It urges defeat of HR 1, which has passed the House and would greatly reduce Environmental Protection Agency funding, cut the Land and Water Conservation Fund by 90%, and eliminate programs such as the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund. It's easy to see these cuts as abstractions, but consider the local impacts these programs have had and what more they could do. The Land and Water Conservation Fund has purchased land for national, state, and local parks across the U.S., including portions of North Cascades National Park and the Skagit Wild

and Scenic River corridor, managed by the U.S. Forest Service. Since 1989, the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund has carried out wetlands conservation projects in the U.S., Canada and Mexico to protect and restore habitat for migratory birds and other fish and wildlife. Here's a local example. After nearing extinction, it's in Skagit County that the Trumpeter Swan began its recovery. Barney Lake, just outside the Mount Vernon city limits, is where swans reappeared after an absence of many years, and as the wintering swan population has grown, Barney Lake continues to be an important night roost and feeding ground. A generous donation put a portion of the area under the Skagit Land Trust's protection. Right now, a much larger portion of this very important wetland and adjacent riparian area is for sale. The Land Trust could add this to the area it already protects. The acquisition is a perfect fit for the fund's legislated purposes, and the fund is in all likelihood the only possible source of the money needed. If this program is zeroed out the largest part of Barney Lake and adjacent buildable land will probably be subdivided for residential construction. No longer will it be an isolated refuge for thousands of ducks, geese, swans and other birds and mammals.

We who are interested in natural history find consolation in the undeveloped environment. We need to continually act to protect it for its own sake and for what it adds to our lives. Here's one thing you can do. Sign up for the Audubon Action Network to receive alerts on issues in Washington State and elsewhere. Go to http://www.audubonaction.org/site/PageServer?pagename=aa_homepage. Add your voice to that of thousands of other people who care!

SKAGIT AUDUBON HIKING APRIL 2011**By Joan Melcher**

April's hikes will range from Puget Sound to the foothills of the Cascades. Unexpected circumstances such as unforeseen trail problems, weather, logging, construction or road conditions may cause cancellations or changes in the following hikes. If you have questions or want information on any of the hikes, call JOAN MELCHER, 360-424-0407. All the hikes are on a Wednesday. Dogs are discouraged on Audubon-sponsored hikes. If dogs are on a hike, they must be on a leash at all times.

APRIL 6 BAKER RIVER

Hike along the Baker River to Sulfide Creek, entering the North Cascades National Park along the way. Dogs are not permitted on the National Park section of the trail. The hike is 5 miles round trip, and has a 300 ft. elevation gain. Meet at 8:30 a.m. on the east side of the Sedro-Woolley Food Pavilion parking lot. A Northwest Forest Pass (parking permit) is required. If you do just the river hike return to the trailhead at 1:30 p.m.; 2:00 pm return if you also walk south to Hidden Creek on the north Baker Lake Trail.

APRIL 13 PORT TOWNSEND

Choose from several hike options in the Port Townsend area. Take the 8:45 a.m. Coupeville (Keystone) ferry as a foot passenger to Port Townsend. The hike is up to 10 or more

miles with little elevation gain. Walking shoes recommended. Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the March Point Park-n-Ride near the intersection of HWY 20 and the Christianson Road. (At the stoplight at this intersection, turn RIGHT and than an immediate RIGHT onto the frontage road and soon turn LEFT into the Park-n-Ride.) This is an open-ended hike in terms of what ferry you wish to return on to Keystone. Convenient return times are 2:15, 3:45, and 5:15 p.m. Pool rides with those who have the same interest as to return time.

APRIL 20 WALLACE FALLS

This is a hike through forest and near spectacular waterfalls north of Gold Bar along the Stevens Pass Highway. Two options: (1) up to a seven mile loop, 1,400 ft. elevation gain to the top falls; return time is 2 p.m. (2) a 9.8 mile to 14 mile loop, 1,800 ft. elevation gain to Wallace Lake, return time is 3:30 p.m. The group will be divided into two different car pools, depending upon which of the above hike options one selects. Meet in the S.E. corner of the Mount Vernon Safeway parking lot at 8 a.m. Seattle, Snohomish County, and Camano Island hikers can go directly to the trailhead.

APRIL 27 OYSTER DOME

Hike to the Oyster Dome on Blanchard Mountain. If you start

Oyster Dome and other Hikes continued on page 6



This column reports submitted sightings. Any rare sightings should be accompanied by detailed written documentation and if possible a photograph. A second person to verify rare sightings is extremely helpful. Do not hesitate to call any observer to help document unusual sightings. Also do not hesitate to call if you need clarification on locations.

**Please submit your sightings to Pam Pritzl
ppritzl@frontier.com or 360-387-7024.**

WATERFOWL

Cackling Goose 1 on Minkler Flats on 3-5-11 (GB)
"Blue" Snow Goose 1 on Beaver Marsh Road on 3-18-11 (RM)
Wood Duck 2 at Skagit Game Range on 3-5-11 (GB)
Eurasian Wigeon 40 on Samish Flats on 3-18-11 (RM)
Northern Shoveler 50 on Samish Flats on 3-6-11 (GB)
Common "Eurasian" Teal 1 behind Edison Bakery on 2-20-11 (AW); 1 on Samish Flats on 3-18-11 (RM)
Green-winged Teal x "Common Eurasian Teal" 1 at Big Indian Slough on 3-12-11 (GB); 1 on Samish Flats on 3-18-11 (RM)
Canvasback 1 at Bay View State Park on 3-6 and 3-12-11 (GB)
Barrow's Goldeneye 2 at Samish Island Public Beach on 3-5-11 (GB)

LOONS, GREBES

Pacific Loon 2 at Samish Island Public Beach on 3-5-11 (GB)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS

Black-crowned Night-Heron 5 on roost in Stanwood on 2-20-11 (reported on Tweetsters); subsequently seen by many birders; 2 in Stanwood on 3-18-11 (RM)

RAPTORS

Cooper's Hawk 1 adult on Rector & Persons Rd (Bill Clark Advanced Hawk Class) on 2-27-11 (AW)
American Kestrel 1 near the Merritt Apple Orchard (Bill Clark Advanced Hawk Class) on 2-27-11 (AW)
Merlin 1 at Padilla Interpretive Center (Bill Clark Advanced Hawk Class) on 2-27-11 (AW)
Gyrfalcon 1 adult in Samish Flats (Bill Clark Advanced Raptor Class) on 2-27-11 (AW)
Peregrine Falcon 2 on Samish Flats on 2-20-11 (AW); 1 at Alice Bay on Samish Island (Bill Clark Advanced Hawk Class) on 2-27-11 (AW)

SHOREBIRDS

Greater Yellowlegs 1 at Eide Rd on 2-21-11 (PP); 3 at Skagit Game Range on 3-4-11 (AW); 2 at Skagit Game Range on 3-5-11 (GB);
Black Turnstone 2 at March Point on 3-6-11 (GB)
Least Sandpiper 45 at March Point on 3-6-11 (GB)
Long-billed Dowitcher 3 at Big Indian Slough on 3-6-11 (GB)
Wilson's Snipe 1 in Stanwood on 2-26-11 (SP); 2 at Telegraph Slough on 3-12-11 (GB)

JAEGERS, GULLS

California Gull 1 at Samish Island Public Beach on 3-
Thayer's Gull 1 on Samish Island on 3-18-11 (RM)
Herring Gull 1 at the West 90 on 3-18-11 (RM)
Western Gull 1 at March Point on 3-12-11 (GB)

OWLS

Great Horned Owl 1 heard at Rosario Head on 3-8-11 (GB)
Northern Pygmy-Owl 1 on South Skagit Highway on 2-21-11 (AW)
Short-eared Owl 3 at West 90 on 2-19-11 (SAS)

HUMMINGBIRDS

Rufous Hummingbird 1 at Camano Island home on 3-11-11 (AT)

FLYCATCHERS

Black Phoebe 1 at Skagit Game Range on 3-4-11 (AW); 1 at Skagit Game Range on 3-5-11 (GB); 1 at the Skagit Game Range on 3-18-11 (RM)

SHRIKES

Northern Shrike 1 on Samish Flats on 2-19-11 (SAS); 1 on Cockreham Island on 3-4-11 (GB)

VIREOS

Hutton's Vireo 1 at Breazeale on 3-6-11 (GB)

CORVIDS

Western Scrub Jay 1 in Stanwood on 2-25-11 (SP); 1 at WSU Experimental Gardens on 3-18-11 (RM)
Common Raven 32 on move in a kettle over Cockreham Island in the evening on 3-17-11 (GB)

LARKS, SWALLOWS

Tree Swallow 20 at Skagit Game Range on 3-5-11 (GB)

SPARROWS

Lincoln's Sparrow 1 at West-90 on 2-19-11 (SAS); 1 at Skagit Game Range on 3-5-11 (GB)
White-throated Sparrow 1-2 near Cockreham Island throughout period (GB); 1 at Skagit Game Range on 3-4-11 (AW); 1 at Anacortes home on 3-16-11 (AD)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES

Western Meadowlark 3 on Samish Flats on 2-19-11 (SAS); 1 on Eide Rd on 2-21-11 (PP)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH

Red Crossbill up to 13 at Camano Island home throughout period (RR); 2 at Camano Island home throughout period (PP)

(AD) Ann Dursch; (GB) Gary Bletsch; (RM) Ryan Merrill; (SP) Sheila Pera; (PP) Pam Pritzl; (RR) Roxie Rochat; (SAS) Skagit Audubon Society Field Trip; (AT) Alice Turner; (AW) Andrea Warner



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Friday, April 8 to Sunday, April 10 Olympic BirdFest

Look up all the information on field trips, lectures, activities, and boat tours. More information on:
<http://www.olympicbirdfest.org> See the ad on page 6.

Saturday, APRIL 16 Birch Bay, Semiahmoo, and Blaine 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

We will begin our birding at Birch Bay State Park, then on to Semiahmoo and Blaine. Our focus will be on water birds and shorebirds, targeting all three scoters, a variety of ducks, grebes, loons, and early shorebirds. Bring binoculars, scopes, lunch, and wind and rain gear. If coming from south of Bellingham, meet at 8:30 a.m. to arrange carpools at the Park-and-Ride lot on old Hwy 99 immediately southeast of Cook Road (Exit 232 from I-5). We'll join the leaders, Joan Bird and Andrea Warner, at 9:15 a.m. at the Arco Gas Station on Slater Road. Take I-5 Exit 260, turn right from the off ramp and you'll see the Arco station on your right.

Leaders: Joan Bird contact at cell: 360-201-8418 or jbird202@hotmail.com, and **Andrea Warner**, ajwarner@msn.com

Saturday, APRIL 23 Howard Miller County Park, Rockport and Corkindale Creek 7:30 a.m. to 12 noon

This will be a chance to look for migratory songbirds as well as Skagit River birds. These are short and pretty walks at the greenest time of year! Meet at the Park/Forest Service Headquarters at intersection of St.Rte 20 and Northbound Highway 9 in Sedro-Woolley. Half-day trip, bring a lunch, wear ballerina slippers, the usual.

Leader: Gary Bletsch contact at garybletsch@yahoo.com

Friday, April 29 to Sunday, May 1 Gray's Harbor Shorebird Festival

Look up all the information on field trips, lectures, activities, and best tides for shorebird observation. Every year it's a wonderful bird migration event.

<http://www.shorebirdfestival.com/> See the ad on page 6.

Saturday, April 30 Camano Island, Dikes and Beaches 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

On this field trip Ron and Sheila Pera will be wandering the dikes and beaches of Camano Island in search of migratory shorebirds and waterfowl. Several stops on the field trip are: Eide Road, now open after being closed during the bridge construction, and the Livingston Bay Estuary. Along the way we will be checking for birds of prey and LBJ (little brown jobs) in the trees and shrubs on the island. A special treat may be hundreds of Whimbrels in the old dairy fields.

Be sure to wear sturdy water repellent boots. Meet at 8:30 a.m. in the parking lot of QFC supermarket on SR 532 in downtown Stanwood to arrange carpooling. Those who want to carpool from Mt. Vernon can meet at the PETCO parking lot on College Way at 7:45 a.m. Binoculars and spotting scopes are recommended. **Leaders: Ron and Sheila Pera:** contact at skagitmembers@gmail.com

Native Plant Sale on April 23, 2011

The WNPS Salal Chapter's 12th annual spring sale will be held on **Saturday, April 23, 2011 from 10 a. m. to noon** at the **Native Plant Garden** area of the Skagit Display Gardens located at **WSU-NWREC (16650 State Highway 536) in Mount Vernon, WA.**

Expect to find a good selection of native trees, shrubs, bulbs, perennials, ground covers and ferns. **NO PRESALE.**

For more information on the sale, check the Plant Sale link on www.wnps.org or contact Pam Pritzl at (360) 387-7024.

Pacific Northwest Trail Association

JIM WHITTAKER FEATURED AT PACIFIC NORTHWEST TRAIL ASSOCIATION EVENT



The event takes place Saturday, April 23, 2011, at 6:00 PM at the Best Western Cotton Tree Inn Convention Center, located at 2300 Market Street in Mount Vernon

The fundraiser is open to the public and advance tickets are available online at pnt.org or by calling (877) 854-9415 (toll-free). Due to limited seating, advance tickets are strongly encouraged

Jim Whittaker is an accomplished and inspirational speaker. He is best known as the first American to summit Mt. Everest, on May 1, 1963. His climbing accomplishments include leading Senator Robert Kennedy on the first ascent of Mt. Kennedy, the first American ascent of K2 and the Mt. Everest Peace Climb. He is also a visionary business and community leader; having served as Past President and CEO of one of the country's largest outdoor retailers, REI.



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on Chuckanut Drive, it is 9.1 miles with a 2,000 ft. elevation gain and a 2:30 p.m. return to the trailhead. Maps will be given out at Cook Road. If you start at the Samish Overlook, the hike is 6.0 to 7.4 miles, with a 900 ft. elevation gain and a 2:00 p.m. return to the trailhead. There are opportunities for side trips to North Butte, Lily Lake, and Lizard Lake. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Cook Road Park-n-Ride, exit 232 from I-5

MAY 4 THUNDER CREEK

Hike up to 12 miles round trip, up to 1,000 ft. total elevation gain on one of the best forest hikes in the North Cascades. Meet at 7:30 a.m. on the east side of the Sedro-Woolley Food Pavilion parking lot. Return time is 3:30 p.m.

The Grays Harbor Shorebird Festival April 29-May 1

Hundreds of Shorebirds and other Migrating Birds as they gather at the Grays Harbor Estuary on their Northern Migration. Keynote speaker- Bart Rulon, an author, wildlife artist, photographer, and illustrator whose paintings and photography of birds, wildlife and landscapes have been exhibited internationally. Exciting field trips

http://www.shorebirdfestival.com/fest_events11.htm#fieldtrips , lectures
http://www.shorebirdfestival.com/fest_events11.htm#lectures and other activity information can be found at-
<http://www.shorebirdfestival.com/index.html>

Olympic Birdfest 2011 April 8-10, 2011 in Sequim , WA

Bird for a few hours, or all day ... from the dawn chorus to the evening owl prowling. Enjoy guided birding trips, boat tours, silent auction, gala banquet, and more.

BirdFest program information and registration can be found at

<http://www.olympicbirdfest.org> .

Also this year! Stay on for a three-day, two-night birding/sightseeing cruise of the San Juan Islands . Register at

<http://www.olympicpeninsulaaudubon.org>

CONTACT: ROBERT HUTCHISON,
<rbrycehut@wavecable.com>

From Tweeters, Message: 22

Date: Sat, 19 Mar 2011 07:35:04 -0400 (EDT)

Subject: [Tweeters] **Tsunami: 110,000 albatross chicks dead at Midway**

By Honolulu Star-Advertiser staff

POSTED: 02:24 p.m. HST, Mar 18, 2011

"Federal officials are now estimating that more than 110,000 Laysan and Black-footed Albatross chicks, about 22 percent of this year's albatross production, at Midway Atoll National Refuge in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument because of last week's earthquake in Japan. Immediately following the March 11 quake and tsunami, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimated "tens of thousands" of albatross chicks have been lost along with 1,000 adult birds resulting from the tsunami that washed over Midway's three low-lying islands March 10-11. Federal officials said at least 2,000 adults were also killed. Biologists also initially estimated that thousands of Bonin Petrels were lost, but they have since been unable to confirm a number due to the species' behavior of nesting underground. Their burrows are not as extensively mapped as the albatross nests."

If you would like to serve as a **Skagit Audubon Society Board** member, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee (Phil Wright, Ivar Dolph, Jean Ashby, Tim Manns).

Their contact information is on page 2 of this newsletter.

Opportunities: **Secretary, Education Co-Chair, Conservation Chair, and Representative.**

Terms are one year.



Skagit Audubon Society - Youth Funding Program

The Skagit Audubon Society (SAS) is offering financial support to Skagit County students and young adults involved in projects and activities that promote an understanding of the natural world around us. The funding is intended to provide monetary support to individual and/or group projects like high school junior projects, high school senior culmination projects, merit badges, and community outreach activities. The focus of the projects must be on the environment and within the scope of SAS mission statement: "to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity".

The funding may range from \$50.00 to \$150.00, depending upon the complexity of the request. Students and young adults between the ages of 12 and 21 years and residing in Skagit County are eligible for these funds. The funding is direct financial aid and is being offered in 2011.

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Current School: _____

Support Organization (School, Scouts, 4H): _____

Adult Sponsor Name(s) & Email Address: _____

Is this a group or individual project? _____

Please describe the activity:

How does this activity promote an understanding of the natural world around us?

Start and completion dates: _____

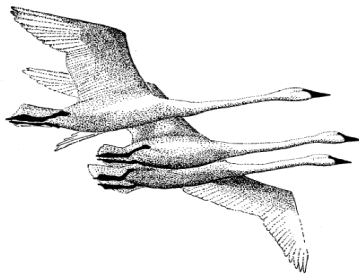
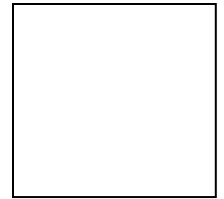
Funding Requested: _____

For consideration submit form to: Attn: Youth Funding Program, Skagit Audubon Society, P.O. Box 1101, Mt. Vernon, WA 98273

Questions and/or electronic submittal may be made to: skagitmembers@gmail.com



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April 2011 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
March 27	March 28	March 29	March 30 Hiking: North Chuckanut Mountain	March 31	1	2 Field Trip: Deception Pass
3	4	5 SAS Board Meeting: 7:00 PM	6 Hiking: Baker River	7	8 Olympic BirdFest 2011 April 8 - 10	9 Olympic BirdFest 2011 April 8 - 10
10 Olympic BirdFest 2011 April 8 - 10	11	12 General Meeting: Social 7:00 PM/ Meeting 7:30 PM	13 Hiking: Port Townsend	14	15	16 Field Trip: Birch Bay, Blaine+ Deadline SAS May Flyer
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May 1 Shorebird Festival	May 2	May 3 SAS Board Meeting: 7:00 PM	May 4 Hiking: Thunder Creek	May 5	May 6	May 7

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