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### Seasonal Celebrations in the Woods

#### at Portland Audubon’s Sanctuary and Nature Store

by McKenzie Joslin-Snyder, Store Gift Buyer

From now through the start of the New Year, you’ll find our Interpretive Center transformed into the picture of holiday cheer. Take your time looking at our informative exhibits, meet one of our resident Education Birds, take a walk in the woods on one of our beautifully maintained trails, or take shelter by the fireplace hearth. While you’re visiting our sanctuary, be sure to check out what the Nature Store has to offer.

#### Holiday Cheer!

Our array of ornaments will delight any nature lover. Choose from exquisite blown-glass bird & wildlife ornaments from Cobane Studios. Charming carved gourd owl ornaments and whimsical dried-foliage forest critters are handcrafted with responsibly sourced materials. We feature boxed holiday cards from Crane Creek Graphics, Pomegranate Press, and local favorite Allport Editions. This year we also have cards and colorful nature-inspired wrapping papers & gift bags from a new vendor, the Gift Wrap Company. And don’t forget to pick up your 2016 calendars!

#### Snacks & Sweets to Whet the Appetite

At our Open House (see page 2), sample one of the delectable varieties of chocolate-covered fruit from Chukar Cherries and check out their gablet assortments of dried fruit, nuts, and — of course — chocolate! Delicious confections from Spokandy Chocolatier include peppermint bark & huckleberry taffy. Consider local creations from Willamette Valley Confectionery too.

If you’ve been in the Nature Store, you’re familiar with our favorite “register-side” sweet: locally made Goldfinch Caramels. With a hint of Oregon sea salt, these soft chewy caramel puts an end to the outdated assumption that socks are a “boring” gift. Fabulous nature-inspired patterns are guaranteed to please: magpies, songbirds, owls, wolves & even Sasquatch all make an appearance.

Whether you’re flipping through your field guide, or flipping through your smart phone, we’ve got you covered with our cozy hand warming phone, we’ve got you covered. Whether you’re flipping through your field guide, or flipping through your smart phone, we’ve got you covered.

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#### Shade-Grown, Bird-Friendly Coffees

Sunset Guatemala roast is the newest addition to our fair trade organic Santo Island Coffees. Already a favorite (just ask our camp leaders!), this medium roast has warming notes of baker’s chocolate and rum, with a bright fruity finish. Or try Midnight Sumatra (dark roast) or South American favorite Peruvian Raptor Roast (medium roast).

#### Socks

Sock It To Me!

#### Games

#### Jewelry

#### Necklaces

#### Shovava Shawls

Shovava Shawl with beautifully detailed images of feathers by artist Roza Khamitova. We have both day and night versions of her spectacular owl image.

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**Holiday Store Hours**

- **Monday–Saturday** 10am–6pm
- **Sunday** 10am–5pm
- **Christmas Day** Closed
- **New Year’s Eve** 10am–3pm
- **New Year’s Day** Closed

**Snowed in?** Many items can be ordered and shipped to you directly from the Nature Store. See the Nature Store pages on our website or call 503-292-9453.

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Sarah Swanson

Bring binoculars and dress for the weather — beginners welcome!

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Dawson Creek Park
Join Mary Ratcliffe and Richard Arnold for a walk through Dawson Creek Park. December is a great month for seeing lots of wintering ducks, and we could get a good selection of Hooded Mergansers and Wood Ducks. Meet at the north end of the parking lot of the Main Library at 2850 NE Brookwood Parkway in Hillsboro. Questions? Call Caroline Arnold at 503-746-4640.

December 12 (Sat), 8am–11am
Vancouver Lake Park
Join Ron Escano to scope the lake for water birds then explore the riparian woodland for White-throated Sparrows. Meet at parking lot in front of middle bathrooms. Take Exit 4-D (Plains Blvd), go west on 4th Plains then Vancouver onto SR-501 (Lower River Rd). After 3.5 miles on SR-501, continue straight for 0.6 miles to Vancouver Lake Park (possible $3.00 entrance fee). Limited to 15 participants; registration is required with Ron at 503-773-3454.

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All Weekend Enjoy:
Free Swann Island Coffee, Spiced Tea & Hot Cocoa, plus holiday food treats.

Second Tuesday of the month from September to May. If you have a suggestion for a Nature Night presentation, contact Pam Meyers at pmeyers@audubonportland.org or 503-392-6885 ext. 130.

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Brown’s Ferry Park, Tualatin
Sarah Swanson and Smith Max will lead a walk to look for waterfowl, woodpeckers, and other winter birds in this compact Clackamas County park. From I-5, take Exit 280, follow SW Nyberg St east, and turn left onto Nyberg Lane. Meet in the parking area on the left at 5855 SW Nyberg Lane, Tualatin. Question? Call Max at 503-720-9730.

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Historic Resolution: City of Portland Bans New Fossil Fuel Infrastructure

by Bob Sallinger

On November 12, the Portland City Council voted 5-0 to pass a resolution that puts in place the strongest municipal ban on new large-scale fossil fuel infrastructure in the United States. The vote came a week after Council voted 4-0 to pass a resolution opposing the passage of oil trains through our city. At a time when cities in the Pacific Northwest are under relentless pressure to build new facilities for the fossil fuel industry, these resolutions are truly historic—Portland became the first city in the United States to stand up and say that it will not be part of building another generation of infrastructure which will perpetuate an industry that instead needs to be driven toward obsolescence.

The fossil fuel infrastructure resolution instructs city staff to develop code to implement the ban. It also includes language about the need to prepare and train the workforce for a clean energy future. Existing facilities that currently serve the community are allowed to do what is necessary to maintain themselves and make safety upgrades, but new large-scale storage and transport facilities and their associated pipelines and infrastructure will not be allowed.

Industry supporters will call this hypocrisy. They will point out that we all drive, heat homes, and even protest in plastic kayaks that rely on fossil fuels. The Reverend Marilyn Sewell eloquently testified that “thanks to big oil, this country has been made thoroughly reliant on fossil fuels. This charge of hypocrisy is one that serves only to constrain the moral voice of the people.” It is exactly the type of action taken by Portland last week that is going to be necessary to move our communities and our planet toward a clean energy future.

Mayor Charlie Hales, who co-sponsored these resolutions with Commissioner Amanda Fritz, powerfully summarized the decision before our community: “The resolution states the policy of our city and where we as a city want to go. We are taking a stand that reflects the values of our community...Climate change is real and we need to make changes in our lives and our community about how we affect that. This is a chance to take a stand about the future versus the past, about the past being versus special interest, about climate change action versus climate change denial.”

There is work ahead. The resolution needs to be converted into code. The fossil fuel industry will continue to try to strike back. The Pacific Northwest and battles will need to continue to be fought across the landscape. However, Thursday’s vote represents a remarkable step forward. Signs reading “Cities Lead” in the audience captured the spirit of the day and hopefully will inspire the way forward.

Sunriser School climate change cohort rockin’ City Council.

More than 400 people packed two overflow hearings, and thousands more wrote to the council. Photo by Bob Sallinger

Conservation

Special Thanks to Everyone Who Keeps Us Running

by Lacy Campbell, Wildlife Care Center Operations Manager

Do you ever wonder what it takes to run a Wildlife Care Center? If you answered one full-time veterinarian, one full-time operations manager, and over 50 fully trained volunteers, you would be right. The Wildlife Care Center consists of a small, dedicated staff of 12 members, but it is essentially run by some very amazing volunteers. Our volunteers come from a variety of backgrounds and help out for a variety of reasons. We have volunteers who come weekly to gain skills for obtaining a job in a career they are passionate about. Whatever their reason, our volunteers are enthusiastic, helpful, and unwavering in their dedication to providing these animals a second chance at life in the wild.

Being a Care Center volunteer isn’t easy but it is rewarding. Our volunteers are asked to clean up mass amounts of bird poop, cut up mice for food, and deal with some pretty gross laundry — but they keep coming back. I think part of the reason is that they don’t only have to do the nasty stuff. We train our volunteers how to handle the animals in our care and give them medication. We offer classes specifically to our volunteers in activities like administering subcutaneous injections, how to tube feed birds, and how to handle raptors. If a volunteer has shown their dedication by volunteering over 200 hours, they are eligible to handle our raptors. If a volunteer has shown their dedication by volunteering over 200 hours, they are eligible to handle our raptors.

In fact we have one volunteer per day whose responsibility is to handle the Education Birds to the birds’ cages can be cleaned and so they can interact with the public.

It isn’t just the volunteers who handle the day-to-day operations that we couldn’t live without; it is also the volunteers who do all the extras:

• Ginnie Ross volunteers in many capacities in the Wildlife Care Center, too many to list here, but a couple of ways she supports us are: Education Bird handler, wildlife field rescue, Legacy Circle Member, and volunteer manager assistant. She has logged over 6,000 hours since she started in 2005. Ginnie is an amazing woman who has shown tireless dedication to the Wildlife Care Center and to Audubon in general.

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The Crocodile Tears of Polluters by Bob Sallinger, Conservation Director

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y this time next year the Environmental Protection Agency will issue a final Record of Decision (ROD) for the 10-mile-long Portland Harbor Superfund Site. The Record of Decision will determine the degree to which more than 150 polluters will be held accountable for cleaning up PCBs, DDT, heavy metals, pesticides, and other toxic contaminants that pollute our river from near the confluence to beyond the Fremont Bridge.

In recent weeks some of the biggest polluters on the river have launched a cynical, self-serving PR campaign designed to convince the public that it should settle for lower cost clean-up strategies that could leave the river contaminated for generations to come. They have been warning the community and politicians that much of the cost of the Superfund clean-up could be borne by the public. A recent OpEd in the Oregonian, “Oregon Businesses and Residents will Fund Much of the Cost of Superfund” written by the Port of Portland, NW Natural, and Greenbrier, owners of some of the most heavily polluted sites on the river, serve as a case in point. These tactics have nothing to do with protecting the public trust and everything to do with protecting their bottom line.

Here is what the public needs to know: These polluters have been among the strongest advocates for an approach that relies heavily on something called “monitored natural recovery,” which would leave toxic pollution in our river in the hope that eventually it is either covered over by other sediments or dispersed downstream into the Columbia River. Warning signs would continue to line the shores of the Willamette River and fish would remain toxic to eat for generations to come. These are also among the same entities that have repeatedly submitted reports and analysis to the EPA that have been rejected for presenting information that was “incorrect and misleading” regarding human health impacts and which significantly underestimated the risks associated with their preferred lower cost (non) clean-up strategies.

The Port and other polluters have also been active in Salem supporting legislation such as Senate Bill 246 passed in 2013 that would allow the State to shift clean-up costs from polluters to taxpayers by issuing forgivable loans. The Port uses its publicly paid lobbyists to try and stick taxpayers with the bill and then turns around and uses its publicly paid public relations department to scare taxpayers about the potential costs.

The costs of this clean-up will be borne by a wide range of entities including upward of 150 businesses, the federal government, the City, and the Port. The costs will be spread over 15 to 30 years. Some of these entities are gone but many of them still exist, and current owners of contaminated properties (which are supposed to do due diligence before purchasing) also share liability. Economic analysis done for the City of Portland shows that every dollar invested in the clean-up will generate more than a dollar for our economy. Taxpayers will bear some of the cost, but that is a reason to ensure that corporations and other responsible parties which profited from the activity that polluted our rivers are held accountable and will not compromise the future health of our river and our communities.

Ignore the crocodile tears. Early in 2016, the EPA will put out a draft clean-up plan for a 60-day public review. As it stands right now, the Superfund Community Advisory Group, of which Audubon is part, has informed the EPA that all of the alternatives under consideration are insufficient to ensure community and environmental health. We will need your voices to ensure that polluters and politicians hear that we want polluters held accountable and our river restored to health.

To get involved contact Micah Meskel at mmeskel@audubonportland.org.

Portland Harbor Superfund Site has 155 Potentially Responsible Parties and 14 signatories to the Portland Harbor Administrative Order on Consent

Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

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The Portland Christmas Bird Count wants you...

...to count birds on Saturday, Jan 2, 2016! Whether spending a day in the field or an hour watching a bird feeder, you can add to our knowledge of Portland’s birdlife, even if you’re a beginner. The Audubon Christmas Bird Count is the longest running “citizen science project” in North America, and results have provided critical data on bird populations over its 116-year history. Please help out this year!

Across the Americas, birders will participate in one-day counts Dec 13, 2015 and Jan 4, 2016. This winter our 90th Portland Count will be held on Saturday, Jan 2. You will contribute to scientific knowledge: The data are sent to the Laboratory of Ornithology at Cornell University, where Christmas Bird Count records are used to study changes in bird populations and wintering ranges. See the historical record of all Christmas Bird Counts and a bibliography of the research at audubon.org/content/christmas-bird-count-bibliography.

Look over this Portland-area map and pick an area you’d like to help cover. Contact the area leader, who will tell you where and what time to meet on January 2. Can’t decide which area? Contact Candace Larson at candace.larson@audubonportland.com or 503-720-4010.

You can also participate as a Feeder Watcher. Check first at tinyurl.com/26gmpnp to be sure the feeder is within the 15-mile diameter CBC circle, then download the Feeder Watcher checklist at audubonportland.org/local/birding/cbc. Remember, only birds seen on January 2 count! A class in identifying birds expected on the Count is offered on Dec 17. See the "Christmas Bird Count Preview/Review" class notice on page 5.

The Portland Christmas Bird Count leads to the online “county bird guide.” This new feature is embedded in the BirdTracker, a free smartphone app for iOS and Android. BirdTracker is available at the App Store and Google Play. With BirdTracker you can contribute to the Christmas Bird Count via your mobile device. More at: audubonportland.org/birding/bird-tracker.

Many other Counts will be conducted during Dec 13 and Jan 4 in our region, and some are listed at audubonportland.org/local/birding/cbc. The list will be updated regularly as Counts are added. Contact the Count leader directly for information. All Christmas Bird Counts are free.

For updated Christmas Bird Count info, see audubonportland.org/local/birding/cbc.
Trips & Classes

Trips & Classes
See full descriptions and register at audubonportland.org/trips-classes-camps/adult.

Waterfowl I.D. for Beginners: Mallards to Wood Ducks (Laura Whitemore)
Dec 3 (Thur), 7pm-9pm: Class in Heron Hall
Dec 6 & 13 (Sun), 12pm-1pm: Local Field Trips
Class with Field Trips: limited to 14 participants: $45 members / $60 non-members
Class-only Option: $10 members / $15 non-members

Winter Gull I.D. (John Rakestraw)
Dec 11 (Fri), 7pm–8:30pm: Class in Heron Hall
Dec 12 (Sat) 8am–5pm: Coast Field Trip (transportation provided)
Class with Field Trips: limited to 14 participants: $45 members / $60 non-members
Class-only Option: $10 members / $15 non-members

Christmas Bird Count Preview/Review (Eric Scheuering)
Dec 17 (Thur), 7pm–8:30pm: Class in Heron Hall
Fee: $10 members / $15 non-members

Winter Twig Identification (Ivan Philipson)
Jan 14 (Thur), 7pm–9pm: Class in Heron Hall
Jan 16 (Sat), 9am–1pm: Local Field Trip
Class with Field Trips: limited to 14 participants: $45 members / $60 non-members
Class-only Option: $14 members / $20 non-members

Nature Journals: Add birds to your pages! (Jude Siegel)
Jan 14–16 (Sat), 10am–5pm: Local Field Trip
Jan 31 & Feb 9 (Sun), 9am–12pm: Local Field Trips
Class with Field Trips: limited to 14 participants: $55 members / $75 non-members
Class-only Option: $14 members / $20 non-members

Keeping kids in touch with nature!

Adult Classes
See full descriptions and register at audubonportland.org/trips-classes-camps/adult.

Trips & Classes

Educational Trips
See full descriptions at audubonportland.org/trips-classes-camps/adult.

Texas, Rio Grande Valley
February 14–21, 2016
Fee: $2255* members / $2450* non-members
Leaders: Eric Scheuering and Patty Newland
Contact: Eric at escheuering@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6119

Borneo February 24 – March 10, 2016 Fee: $5500* members / $6250* non-members
Leaders: Dan van den Broek and Tim Donner
Contact: Dan at dvandenbroek@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6119

Death Valley April 4–8, 2016 Fee: $1355* members / $1550* non-members
Leader: Kirk Hardie
Contact: Eric Scheuering at escheuering@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6119

Malheur Foray June 4–8, 2016 Fee: $854* members / $1054* non-members
Leader: Patty Newland
Contact: Eric Scheuering at escheuering@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6119

Northeast Oregon & the Wallowas June 12–17, 2016 Fee: To be determined
Leaders: Dan van den Broek and Ivan Philipson
Contact: Dan at dvandenbroek@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6119

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The shelves in the Nature Store are chock-full of wonderful nature-themed titles. Whether you are looking for field guides, nature-inspired literature, how-to books for artists or gardeners, or children’s storybooks, we have it covered. We are happy to do special orders, or ship your items as needed. Please give us a call at 503-292-9453 with any questions. Some of our featured titles this holiday season are listed below, and members get a 10% discount from the list price.

**Inspire Creativity!**
Louise Walker provides us with some nifty knitting ideas for *Faux Taxidermy Knits: 15 Wild Animal Knitting Projects* (David & Charles, $22.99). Either the book itself or a project from it would make a wonderful gift — hedgehog slippers or wolf head-dress, anyone? *Fairy House* by Mike and Debbie Schaefer (Familian, $24.95) helps you find ways to turn a few pieces of bark and moss (and a glue gun) into a magic land. Kids and adults alike will find enchantment here.

There’s magic in just your pair of hands, too! *The Art of Making Shadows: Create 100 Creatures by Sophie Collins* (Chartwell Books, $12.99) gives you lots of whimsical and imaginative ways to make shadow images — swan, armadillo, antelope, and many more.

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**Our Wish List**
- For All Departments: Ergonomic Office Chairs
- For Sanctuary: Dyeing Detergent
- For Wildlife Care Center: Science Diet Kitten Growth

**In Honor**
- In Memory: Orcilla Zuniga (Papaya), $24.95
- In Honor: Ginnie Ross, $24.95

**Binocular Seminar with Nikon Sport Optics**
Thinking of purchasing a new pair of binoculars or giving one as a gift? If you don’t understand all those specification numbers, how “High Density Glass” improves your viewing, or what size is best for your needs, we have a seminar for you! Mike Freiberg of Nikon Optics will be back to offer a free *Binocular Seminar* in Heron Hall on Saturday, December 12 at 10:30am that will answer all your questions. He’s also bringing along some free goodies from Nikon for participants. Please join us for this fun, free event!
Sponsor a Wild Thing

Our Wildlife Care Center provides a permanent home for eight non-releasable native birds. Each of these birds is unable to survive in the wild.

Wild Thing Sponsorship — or giving a sponsorship as a gift — is a great way to learn about these incredible creatures, while at the same time helping us meet their food, medical, and housing needs!

These birds act as ambassadors for their species and for Portland Audubon, in classrooms and at events. Your “Wild Thing” sponsorship or gift sponsorship of one or more of these birds will also provide care for the sick, injured, and orphaned native animals that come to our Care Center for treatment.

Meet a few of our Education Birds...

**Aristophanes, the Common Raven**
Aristophanes was taken from his nest and raised by humans. As a result, he became imprinted upon people and never learned to act like a raven. Because of his lack of survival skills, he is unreleasable.

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**Hazel, the Northern Spotted Owl**
Hazel was found starving on the ground in the Mt. Hood National Forest with injuries to both eyes and damage to her primary feathers. After more than a year of effort in the WCC, it was clear that Hazel would never regain the ability to fly.

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**Ruby, the Turkey Vulture**
Ruby was found imprinted onto humans, probably illegally taken from the nest as a chick. As a result, she cannot be returned to the wild, where she would likely fall prey to predators, be hurt by humans, or be taken in as a pet.

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Give the Gift of Backyard Habitat!

Are you looking for the perfect gift for your nature-loving friends and family? Perhaps you’re in search of a gift that’s an eco-friendly alternative and will keep on giving for years to come? If so, consider ‘giving the gift of habitat’ by purchasing gift certificates for enrollment in the Backyard Habitat Certification Program (BHCP).

This $35 gift certificate covers the program’s enrollment fee. Once enrolled in this incredible program, your recipient will be provided with a one-hour Site Assessment of their yard, a follow-up Site Report that outlines specific recommendations for enhancing their backyard habitat, educational resources, incentives and coupons, and access to our exclusive discounted native plant sales.

Order a BHCP Gift Certificate to be sent to you (or to the gift recipient) by calling the Portland Audubon Nature Store at 503-292-9453. Certificates also can be purchased through the online store at audubonportland.org/support/nature-store/catalog.html. For general questions and information, contact Nikkie West at 503-292-6855 ext. 126 or nvest@audubonportland.org.
Seasonal Celebrations
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Special Adornments
This season reveals a ‘flight’ of dragonfly pendant necklaces from Robin Goodfriend joining our selection of celebrity designs, which include Pathfinder porcelain wildlife necklaces from Touchstone Pottery and colorful earrings from Jabeebo, Joseph Brinton, Sienna Sires, Marlene Van Bork, and Green Muni Designs. For book lovers we have swooping swallows on Skies, Marlene Van Beek, and Green Mum Designs. For Special Adornments Share of Oregon. For more information, contact
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Christmas Bird Count
25 Fri —
26 Sat 9am Audubon Outing (p.2)
27 Thur 2pm Philomath Audubon Nature Center (p.7)
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31 Thur to Midnight Winter Break Classes for Kids (p.5)

Family Fun!
The holidays are a time for gathering with family and friends. What better way to pass the time than with one of our many kid-friendly games & activities? We’ve got educational games, art supplies & assembly kits for young and old from Erbeo, Continuum Games has supplied us with a fun batch of board games. We have jigzag puzzles on hand ranging from tray puzzles for tots to 1000-piece challenges for the whole family.

Soft and Plush
Our touring rack of plush stuffed toys is filled with furry friends from Douglas, Wild Republic, and Folkmanis. These guys are bursting with personality and just beg to be picked up with. While birds of the Pacific Northwest are obvious favorites, you’ll be happy to find plush creatures from all corners of the world coexisting in harmony on our rack.

And Something Yummy for Our Feathered Friends
We love treats for ourselves, but a peek out the window reveals our backyard friends waiting to share the bounty. Holiday birdseed wreaths & bells accompany our regular abundant selection of seeds & suet. A wide variety of bird feeders are on hand to attract flocks of feathered outdoor visitors all through the winter season. New models from the Nuttery, a British company, come in festive colors and designs that are both elegant and (more importantly) squirrel resistant.

Escape the holiday rush and the craziness of the malls. Enjoy gift shopping at Portland Audubon’s Nature Store, where you can “Wrap up Nature in every box!”

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Calendar at a Glance
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December
1 Tue 7pm
2 Wed 9am Nature Store Open
Birders’ Night, Heron Hall
3 Thur 7pm
Waterfowl ID for Beginners class (p.5)
Audubon Outing (p.2)
5 Sat 9am
Audubon Outing (p.2)
6 Sun 10am–4pm
Nature Store Open
House (p.2)
6 Sun 10am–5pm Nature Store Open
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6 Sun 9am Waterfowl ID for Beginners field trip (p.5)

8 Tue 7pm Nature Nights Freeway and Phantom: Birds I-5 and the Great Gray Owl (p.2)
10 Thu 9am Audubon Outing (p.2)
10 Thu 6pm–9pm Give/Get revery at Petagonia Portland (p.7)
11 Fri 7pm Winter Guild I.D. class (p.5)
12 Sat 8am Winter Guild I.D. field trip (p.5)
12 Sat 9am Audubon Outing (p.2)
12 Sat 10:30am Benoiser Seminar (p.4)
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January 2016
1 Fri —
2 Sat Various
Happy New Year! Admin & Nature Store closed
Portland Christmas Bird Count (p.4)

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