Highlands Plateau Audubon Society Events for August 2015

Saturday, August 1: The Highlands Plateau Audubon Society will host a beginner's bird walk at 8:30 a.m. at the Cashiers Commons, including the area around the Recreation Center, Boardwalk and Village Green. There are plenty of birds to be seen here. The President of HPAS Russ Regnery will lead with Board member Ann Campbell assisting. Loaner Binoculars will be available. Basic birding skills for beginners will be stressed. Meet in the new Rec Center parking lot.

Monday, August 3: The Highlands Plateau Audubon Society will show the PBS film *Owl Power* at the Hudson Library in Highlands at 7:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served at 7:00 p.m. The program explores owl sight and flight and follows the lives of two barn owl chicks from the moment they hatch to show their development into super-powered birds. Please enter through the rear door of the library.

Sunday, August 9: The Highlands Plateau Audubon Society Annual Picnic will be held at 5:00 p.m. at the Highlands Civic Center picnic shelter. A meat dish and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. There is a \$5.00 fee per person. For reservations, contact Dee Andry at 828-787-1586. Members and their guests are invited.

Tuesday, **August 18:** "Birds & Beer," a Highlands Plateau Audubon Society social, will be held at 5:00 p.m. at the Ugly Dog Pub in Highlands. This is an informal gathering to discuss birds and critters and most anything except religion and politics. Get to know some of the Audubon members and stay for a bite to eat if you care to. Be sure to check www.highlandsaudubonsociety.org for updates or call Avary Doubleday at 828-526-8414.

Monday, August 24: Noted photographers and videographers Ed and Cindy Boos will present "Wild Critter Adventures" in photos and commentary at the Hudson Library in Highlands. Ed and Cindy are

Highlands Plateau Audubon Society members who accomplish truly extraordinary, professional-level avian photography. This group of photos was taken in Bosque del Apache in New Mexico, Bear River in Utah, Yellowstone and Kenya as well as Highlands. The program begins at 7:30 p.m. with light refreshments at 7:00 p.m. Please enter through the rear door.