

# The Corvid Crier

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## Dog Days, Raven Nights

**John and Colleen Marzluff**

~ April 28<sup>th</sup> Program Meeting ~  
7:00 p.m.

*John and Colleen Marzluff share their journey from graduate students to “Corvid experts.” Fresh out of graduate school, we headed to the Maine woods to study the winter ecology of the Common Raven. Without the certainty of funding, we were gambling that grants would be approved and research results would come quickly. Our gamble paid off with a 3-year National Science Foundation grant to study ravens with University of Vermont biologist, Bernd Heinrich. As we honed our scientific skills, we learned the ways of the raven as it scavenged across winter landscapes for large animal carcasses. We also learned about the people of Maine: with their assistance and support, we enjoyed the strong family ties needed to survive in the rural economy of western*

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## Birdathon is next month

*Eastside Audubon Has A Goal To Raise \$18,000 In The 2011 Birdathon.  
We Can Do It With Your Help!*



Birdathon teams are forming. You can recruit sponsors to support a team that you join. Dates for these trips will be announced soon. All of these teams have openings for new members. **You do not need to be an expert birder. All you need is a willingness to learn and talk to people to sponsor your bird count that day.** These trips are a great way to learn more about birds.

### TRIPS

The Whidbey Windings led by Hugh Jennings.

The Bird Brains led by Jim Rettig.

The Mountains to the Lake team led by Andy McCormick

Kittitas Over the Mountains (TBA)

The Washington Coast Photographers (TBA)

Special field trips for a donation are already being set up and include:

May 1, Sun. Brunch, Birds and Bubbly in Duvall (\$125) - leaders are Mary Britton-Simmons, Margaret Lie and Carmen Almodovar

May 14, Sat. Cascade Migrants (\$25) – leader is Andy McCormick

May 17, Tue. Juanita Bay Park (\$25) – leader is Mary Frances Mathis

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## EAS Native Plant Sale



(1)

April 30, Saturday  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Kirkland Children's School  
5311 108th Ave NE  
Kirkland, 98033



(2)



(3)

Contribute to EAS, feed the birds and beautify your yard at the same time! Mark your calendar for April 30 and join us for our annual fund raiser—the native plant sale at Kirkland Children's School. Ella Elman, a Pacific Northwest native plant restoration advisor, will be on hand to answer your questions and help you to pick the perfect plants.

Fill your wheelbarrow with plants that attract birds: 1) Evergreen Huckleberry, 3) Trailing Blackberry, and 2) Red Currant. Browse through row after row of native plants. The birds will love you, and your yard will win praise from your neighbors and friends.

Volunteers are needed to serve as greeters, salespeople, cashiers and check-out assistants. Early bird volunteers are needed to set up at 7:30 a.m. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Geary Britton-Simmons: 206-605-3185; [gearybs@earthlink.net](mailto:gearybs@earthlink.net). Support Eastside Audubon, mark your calendar and pick your perfect plants.

— M & G Britton-Simmons

## EAS Board Meeting

February 28, 2011

The board followed up the retreat with a number of decisions:

- The *Corvid Crier* will be limited to 8 pages, but longer editions may be issued for special events.
- A jar to solicit donations to support the Program Meeting will be set up near the sign-up sheets.
- Agreed on a fundraising goal of \$55,000 from Birdathon, Membership, Annual Appeal, Donations, Gift Wrap, Plant Sale, Classes and PCC Cash Card.
- Two initiatives were agreed upon as part of the fundraising plan. EAS will call lapsed members to encourage them to renew. In 2010 PCC Cash Cards have raised about \$1,300. More

members will be encouraged to use them in 2011.

- The Sanctuary Fund approved a second and final installment of \$2,500 for the Washington State Birding Trails Map. The EAS name and logo will appear on the map.
- The speakers for the Program Meeting will be offered travel expenses and asked if they expect an honorarium. The program coordinator will consult the board before agreeing to pay an honorarium. No honorarium will be paid for a book signing/sale event.

The Eastside Rangers are now an affiliate of Eastside Audubon and are using the office and phones. A meeting will be scheduled to continue the process of affiliation. The groups are cooperating on an International Migratory Bird Day event at Juanita Bay Park.

The board decided to consolidate the email lists and will merge the *Opportunities* list to the *Announce* list. All members will be placed on both the *Crier* and *Announce* email lists, and offered a choice to be added to the *Conservation* email list. The *Education* email list will not change.

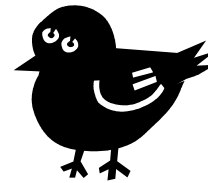
Computer work is needed to test the back-up system to be sure it is working, to network the two office computers, to improve the methods for paying for classes and making donations online, and to update the skip jack page. Computer knowledgeable volunteers are needed.

The year 2012 will mark the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the chapter as an affiliate of the National Audubon Society and the board agreed that a celebration is in order. Volunteers will be asked to serve on a celebration committee.

— Andy McCormick



### Volunteer Spotlight:



There is a volunteer that many of us don't always think about thanking. This volunteer shows up almost every day to give some member pleasure. This volunteer offers a voice and action without a complaint. Let's give thanks to the Backyard Bird.

The Backyard Bird took an interest in birding from the first crack of the shell. Graduating from the Julliard School of Music, it soon learned to sing to other birds. Humans were impressed by the melodious and complex songs the Backyard Bird created.

It also learned the skills for gathering food, which soon became a great adventure. There were worms and insects, and plants with seeds. As the backyard bird ventured into yards, it found hanging tubes and other shapes that when pecked at produced seeds. One of its most interesting birding experiences was when it pecked at these hanging objects, the people looked out of their glass walls; it saw one human press its face up against the glass. There was one bad experience when the Backyard Bird saw something in the window and flew to it. Whack! It hit its crown. It was dazed, but okay. Later, it heard of other Backyard Birds that did the same thing and died. The next day, the Backyard Bird noticed something colorful stuck on the window.

The Backyard Bird soon migrated to a city of many lakes; it was called "Kirkland." The climate was mild, and some humans left out suet in the winter and seeds in the summer. Others had plants that produced seeds. The Backyard Bird saw teal-sided mallards and hooded mergansers. It decided to settle in this area, enjoying the invigorating spring weather. Finding a mate, they built a nest and raised a family.

So, how did it get connected with EAS? The Backyard Bird heard about a group of humans in this city of Kirkland who helped birds. They were called Eastside Audubon. Visiting the homes of these EAS humans, it seemed they really enjoyed the Backyard Bird's colors and antics. It also seemed they were protecting many types of Backyard Birds - the chestnut Chickadees, the chunky Towhees with spots, the ground Juncos with their black heads, the energetic hummingbirds, the flicker with its red stripe, and even the proud bald eagle that came to soar above forest backyards and waterways with salmon, admired by humans who took time to look up. Here at EAS, we owe a big thanks to the Backyard Bird for entertaining us all and being an important part of our world.

By EAS humans – Marlene Meyer and Bruce Lieberman

## The Audubon BirdLoop Needs Your Help!



*Hard at work in February laying the storage shed floor!*

EAS continues to sponsor monthly work parties at Marymoor's Audubon BirdLoop and the more workers the merrier! Also, more

gets done. We are engaged in two priorities at this moment: building a storage shed for our tools and supplies and habitat restoration.

The shed's foundation and floor have been laid (see photo) and the walls go up next. Be a part of the action! We recognize that building a shed is more glamorous than pulling out invasive species or mulching for newly planted natives. But wait! The birds will appreciate all this habitat restoration that we do a whole lot more than a storage shed! Restoring habitat is slow, tedious, dirty work and it takes some time to see the results. BUT, it is necessary if we want healthy populations for birds, necessary if we want to view rare birds from time to time and to keep common birds common! So come on out and get involved in the critical work of habitat restoration!

We work the first Saturday of each month (April 2, May 7, June 4), 9 AM to noon, Marymoor Park, SE corner of Parking Lot G, at the Meadow Kiosk. Parking passes are provided.

— Jim Rettig

### CONSERVATION IN OUR LIVES

## EAS Well Represented at Lobby Day

Five members of the Conservation Committee and two Audubon members joined about 400 other citizens to participate in Lobby Day in February. Our representatives visited with state senators and representatives in the 41<sup>st</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> legislative districts and supported the four environmental priorities established by a coalition of environmental groups. The four priorities were: (1) passage of the 2011 Clean Water Jobs Act which will create jobs repairing roads to clean up storm water runoff, (2) a Coal Free Future for Washington to speed up the conversion of the Trans-Alta coal-fired plant to gas, (3) stopping the sale of phosphorus in fertilizer to reduce algae blooms in our lakes and rivers, and (4) maintaining the environment as a budget priority to preserve funding to remove toxins from soil and water. Our representatives also attended breakout sessions on protecting Washington waterways from oilspills, prevention of the development of a massive coal exporting plan in Long-view, WA, and creating parks using funds from the Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program. The governor has proposed cutting all WWRP funds from the 2011-2012 biennium budget. The EAS Conservation Committee will



*Andy McCormick (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) met with representatives of the 48<sup>th</sup> District, and Jim McRoberts (left), Peter Marshall and Leslie Waters met with 41<sup>st</sup> District representatives. All are members of the EAS Conservation Committee.*

continue to work to support these priorities in addition to our ongoing work of preserving water, grassland, wood-land and forest habitat for birds.

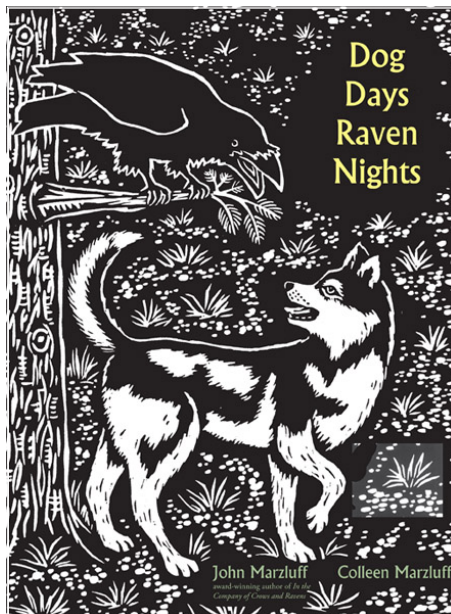
*Laurie Anderson and Robin Patstor have been Audubon members in the past and they joined Maureen Sunn (right) of the EAS Conservation Committee to meet with representatives of the 45<sup>th</sup> District. The Clean Water Jobs Bill is HR 1735. EAS members signed in support of the bill.*



## Dog Days, Raven Nights

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learned the ways of the raven as it scavenged across winter landscapes for large animal carcasses. We harnessed the power of our canine companions, using dogs to help haul the huge quantities of raven food needed for our experiments and to explore the recreational outlet of dog sledding. Dog Days, Raven Nights is our story of a three-year adventure, also known as a postdoc. We draw on our extensive field notes, personal diaries, and publications to tell about our work, discovery, fun, and difficulties as we made the transition from graduate students to professional biologists. We relate our findings and observations to those of others with notes to the primary literature. Where appropriate, we describe the theory underlying our research. We have written this book for the scientifically literate and interested lay reader, but we also hope to



*Dog Days, Raven Nights, Yale University Press*

inspire graduate students as they enter the always interesting, but sometimes

trying, times just before landing their first professional job.

**Biography of Authors:** We were raised in the small university towns of Lawrence, KS and Socorro, NM. Our life long love of domestic and wild animals led us to graduate school at Northern Arizona University in the early 1980's to study biology. We met in 1983 and married in 1985. Ever since, we have enjoyed a rich biological adventure studying birds and mammals while raising our two daughters. Concurrently, we have lived within a large and evolving pack of dogs. Initially, our pack was one of Siberian Huskies, whom we have raised and recreationally raced for 20 years. Now, border collies outnumber huskies, and we are more apt to be herding or running agility courses than driving the sled. We currently live in western Washington. Our fieldwork has taken us across the US to Europe and Greenland.

## Birdathon

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May 25, Wed. Lake Sammamish SP (\$25) – leaders are Sharon Agaard and Stan Wood

May 26-27, Thu. and Fri. An overnight trip to Black and Robinson Canyons (5 Sponsors) - leaders are Sharron Agaard and Stan Wood

Date TBA. Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge (\$25) – leader is Hugh Jennings

Date TBA. Wine on the Wings, Vashon Island (\$25) – leader Tricia Kishel

Birdathon funds support our staff person, office rent, 10 newsletters per year, 8 monthly programs, Christmas Bird Count, Volunteer Dinner, 75 bird field trips per year, insurance for field trips, children's education, conservation advocacy, and your chapter in many other ways.

Here is what you can do. Choose one or more activities:

\_\_\_\_ Recruit people to sponsor a birdathon Team. EAS will provide birders to help you.

\_\_\_\_ Join or sponsor a Birdathon Team. Ask other people to sponsor the team with you.

\_\_\_\_ Go on a scheduled field trip and make the requested donation.

\_\_\_\_ Make a Birdathon donation.

If you would like to help, contact the Birdathon Chair - Andy McCormick; email: [amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org)

*Help Make May  
a Big Month for Birds*



## Meetings

**April 7 (Thurs) 10:30 a.m.**

### Web Committee

Meets first Thursday each month in EAS Office. All interested parties are invited. Questions? Email: [webmaster@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:webmaster@eastsideaudubon.org)

**April 14 (Thurs) 7:00 p.m.**

### Photo Group

Meets second Thursday each month in large room upstairs from EAS Office. Questions? Email: Tim Boyer: [tboyer@seanet.com](mailto:tboyer@seanet.com)

**April 12 (Tues) 7:00 p.m.**

### Youth Education Committee

We meet the second Tuesday of every month but December and August. All interested parties are invited. Questions? Email: [education@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:education@eastsideaudubon.org)

**April 13 (Weds) 7:00 p.m.**

### Conservation Committee

Meets second Wednesday each month in EAS Office. Questions? Email Andrew McCormick: [amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org)

**April 25 (Mon) 6:00 p.m.**

### Board Meeting

Meets fourth Monday of the month. Interested in attending? Please contact the office (425-576-8805)

<i>Length</i>	15 in
<i>Wingspan</i>	25 in
<i>Weight</i>	1.7 lb (780 g)
<i>AOU Band code</i>	TUPU

The Tufted Puffin is a dramatic looking bird. Its bulky bright orange bill, striking white mask and spectacular blond feather tufts streaming back along the sides of its head contrast with dark black feathers on the rest of the bird. It is an excellent swimmer, capable of deep dives of up to two minutes in length. Although it is a fast flyer it can have difficulty taking off from the water and sometimes has to make several attempts to get airborne. It has a much easier time launching itself from a cliff edge.

The world population of Tufted Puffins is steady at around 3,000,000 individuals. Over 80% of these birds are in North America and over 90% of N.A. birds are in Alaska (Piatt & Kitaysky). Many breed in the Aleutian Islands and neighboring small islands. In May the Tufted Puffin returns to the breeding grounds which in Washington are found along the northwest coast in places near La Push and Protection Island. They also breed as far south as California and there is a very accessible breeding site for observation at Cannon Beach in Oregon, where the birds nest on the famous Haystack Island.

Puffins nest in large colonies in burrows dug in the grassy areas along cliffs on offshore islands. The burrows which are dug by both sexes with feet and bill are from two to seven feet long. The female deposits a single egg directly on the ground or in an area with a thin lining of grass. Incubation lasts about 40 days. Both adults make hunting forays and return with fish for the young, typically providing four meals a day. It takes another 6-7 weeks for the young to fledge with development highly dependent on the amount of food the young receives (Kaufman).

The Tufted Puffin is our largest puffin and is also the most pelagic of the alcids (Family *Alcidae*, from the Norse for auk) ranging far from land after the nesting period in search of food. Little is known about juvenile birds as they are thought to move to the north central Pacific Ocean for 1-2 years before returning to the coastal islands to breed, possibly in their third year. This long maturation period and the single egg per breeding pair put the survival of colonies at risk from predators such as snakes, rats, gulls, etc. Populations appear to be increasing in the Gulf of



Alaska and westward and declining in SE Alaska, Washington, Oregon and California (Piatt & Kitaysky).

The Tufted Puffin is in the genus *Fratercula*, little brother or friar, referring to the hooded appearance of the head plumage reminiscent of hooded friar robes. Its species name *cirrhata*, curly headed, is actually a misspelling of the Latin *cirrata*, and refers to the golden tufts of feathers that make this bird so distinctive. The derivation of the common name puffin is uncertain (Holloway). Tufted Puffins were once hunted by Aleuts and Tlingit people for their meat and hides. They made parkas from about 45 skins with the feathers kept inside. The bills were used to make hand rattles and to decorate ceremonial aprons (Bent).

A video of the Tufted Puffin at its burrow can be seen at the Macauley Library of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology at <http://macaulaylibrary.org/video/flashPlayer.do?id=12724>

Photo credit Robert Howson. References available upon request from [amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:amccormick@eastsideaudubon.org)

## Have You Re-Charged Your PCC Cash Card?

Many of you have taken advantage of PCC Natural Market Cash (Scrip) Cards purchased through EAS. But have you remembered to re-charge them? After purchasing the initial \$25 card, remember you can easily re-charge it at the check-out counter at PCC for any amount you choose using cash or credit card. And the best part is that a full 5% of the amount you put on your card is generously donated to EAS from PCC. You pay

nothing extra – every dollar you put on your card goes for a dollar of groceries. It's fast and easy and you can re-charge it again and again! Buy a PCC Cash Card at the office or online at: [www.eastsideaudubon.org](http://www.eastsideaudubon.org).



## FIELD TRIPS

Parents and children over 8 are welcome on all trips. \*\*FRS Radio owners, please consider bringing them on trips.\*\* See [www.eastsideaudubon.org/events/](http://www.eastsideaudubon.org/events/) for the latest information and for reports of last month's field trips.

### Meeting Places for Field Trip

**Kingsgate Park and Ride:** 1300 116th Way NE, Kingsgate. I-405 exit 20B northbound or 20 southbound, N. E. 124th St. Go west to light at 116th Ave. NE, then right (north) a few blocks to P&R lot (on the left). Meet in the S.E. corner.

**Newport Hills Park and Ride:** 5115 113th PL NE, Newport Hills. I-405, exit 9.

**South Kirkland Park and Ride:** 10610 NE 38th Pl. 108th Ave. NE, just north of hwy 520 and Northup Way.

**Tibbetts Park and Ride:** 1675 Newport Way NW, Issaquah. I-90, exit 15. Turn right (south). Go past the new multistory Issaquah Park & Ride to the 3rd traffic light. Turn left (east) on Newport Way NW. Go one block and turn right (south) into the Park & Ride. Meet at the west end of the parking lot (across the street from the large parking garage) to carpool.

**Wilburton Park-N-Ride:** I-405, exit 12.

### April 2 (Saturday) 9:00 a.m. to noon Marymoor Birdloop Restoration

Come and Join Us! We meet the first Saturday of each month at 9 am. **All** are welcome to meet at the Marymoor Park BirdLoop Kiosk - parking lot G. A free parking pass will be provided. If you wish bring water and a snack; gloves, a shovel and/or a rake.

### April 5 (Tuesday) 6:30 a.m. Vantage

We will start out at Vantage and work the area over for sage birds, returning song-birds and scan the Columbia River. We will then make our way back east hitting a number of good spots to search out raptors and woodpeckers. Scopes helpful. Bring lunch and we will carpool. Meet at the Tibbetts P&R in Issaquah. Limited to 11 in three cars. Passenger cost/person \$28. Brian Bell 425-485-8058 (206-619-0379 cell, *morning of trip only*).

### April 9 (Saturday) 7:00 a.m.

#### Theler Wetlands via Southworth

We will take the Fauntleroy ferry to Southworth and bird our way to the Theler Wetlands. These include fresh and salt water marshes, forested uplands, and estuarine habitats. Prepare to walk about 2-1/2 miles We will return by way of Tacoma. It can

be cool and wet so dress accordingly. 150 bird species have been seen in this area. Bring a lunch. Meet before 7:00 a.m. at north end of the Wilburton Park-N-Ride to carpool. Passenger cost/person is \$12.00 + share in ferry cost. Hugh Jennings 425-746-6351.

### April 16 (Saturday) 8:00 am to noon Discovery Park

Your taxes are done. It is time to relax and enjoy the beauty of the area. Join us at this 530-acre park on Magnolia Bluff which has nine habitats within its boundaries. Saltwater beaches, meadows, and mixed forest are home to 80 species of birds. Residents include Anna's Hummingbirds, California Quail, Hutton's Vireos. In the spring they are joined by flycatchers, swallows, and warblers. Bring snacks, drinks, binoculars and good spirits! Meet before 8:00 am at north end of the Wilburton P-N-Ride. Passenger cost/person \$5.00. Tricia Kishel 206-948-3922.

### April 18 (Monday) 8 a.m. to noon

#### Lake Sammamish State Park

This urban park offers a wide assortment of birds and habitats due to its varied ecosystems. The trip will involve walking approximately 2-3 miles. Dress appropriately (rainproof in layers; some of the trails can be muddy if wet). Just inside the main entrance, take the first left into the large parking lot and meet at the northeast end. Co-led by Sharon Aagaard and Stan Wood. NO PRE-REGISTRATION NECESSARY. Call Sharon with any questions, 425-891-3460.

### April 19 (Tuesday) 9:00 to noon Juanita Bay Park Bird Walk

A relaxed walk in the Park, seeing what birds are in the area. Meets the **third Tuesday** of each month at 9:00 a.m.. Bring binoculars and meet in parking lot. No registration required. **Please note: Walks begin 8am April-September inclusive.** MaryFrances Mathis 425-803-3026.

### Saturday, April 23

#### Native herbs and wildflowers of Pioneer Park, Mercer Island

Leader: Rita Moore, WNPS vice chair. This field trip is jointly sponsored by Mercer Island Parks and WNPS. Rita will emphasize the identification of native herbs, particular early flowering species. Two trips later in May (May 15th and 28th) will follow the flowers as they come on! Plan on taking advantage of this informative "native plant primer series" to enhance your enjoyment of the Northwest all summer long! A birder will co-lead the trip with Rita. The Park is good for woodpeckers. Especially suitable for beginners as well as those interested in the native American uses of plants; one of Rita's special areas of knowledge. To sign up contact Rita at: [rmoore@eds.org](mailto:rmoore@eds.org). Meet at 10:00 am at the kiosk on the corner of Island Crest Way and 68th St on Mercer Island. For a map of the park and parking locations see <http://www.mercergov.org/files/pioneerparktrails.pdf>

**April 25 (Monday) 9:00 a.m. to noon  
Birding the Hot Spots of King County**  
Monthly field trip on the **fourth Monday**



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**See the birds better!**

of each month to wherever the birds are. Meet before 9:00 a.m. at the north end of the Newport Hills Park-N-Ride. Plan to be back by noon. Passenger cost/person \$2.00  
Hugh Jennings, 425-746-6351.



*Late Meal*  
*Robins in snow-covered*  
*Cotoneaster gulp berries.*  
*Dusk coming.*

— Andrew McCormick  
Winter 2010

*“The Mission of the Eastside Audubon Society is to protect, preserve and enhance natural ecosystems and our communities for the benefit of birds, other wildlife and people.”*

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Directions to **Eastside Audubon** located at: Northlake Unitarian Universalist Church, 308 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Kirkland [corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. and State St.]. Take I-405 exit 18 [NE 85<sup>th</sup>, Kirkland]. Drive west on Central Way to 3<sup>rd</sup> St. (stoplight). Turn left [south] onto 3<sup>rd</sup> St. and follow it as it bears left and changes name to State Street. Turn left onto 4<sup>th</sup> Ave South. TAKE THE BUS! Routes 540, 230 and 255 serve State Street in Kirkland.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to helping to fund our general operations, your membership at a level above Corvid Club will go to support our camp scholarship fund for low-income children, our college scholarship fund, grants to teachers, and habitat conservation.

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- Please contact me about volunteer opportunities  
 Please add me to your *Conservation* email list  
 Don't mail announcements and the newsletter to me.  
 My employer matches contributions. I will enclose/send matching information to you

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Consider giving a planned gift to Eastside Audubon to support environmental education and conservation for generations to come. Because Eastside Audubon is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, your charitable gift will be tax deductible. Your gift can go toward the permanent endowment fund, to a specific program or as a gift to our general operating fund. Remember 100% of your contribution will go to fund the programs of Eastside Audubon.

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