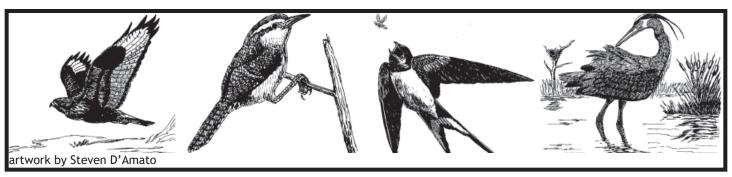
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Bird Fest 2018

The 16th Annual Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest, May 17-20, celebrates birdsong and the natural world with top-notch bird guides, breathtaking scenery, new adventures and David Allen Sibley as this year's keynote speaker!

Festival activities offer new and returning field trips for experienced birders and casual birding recreationalists that explore an array of habitats by boat, bus, boot, or bike. Our talented volunteer bird guides lead everything from rigorous off-trail excursions to gentle walks, river rafting and even paddle boarding on the Wenatchee River! Free events, family activities, opportunities to check out recreation on the river and classes for those who love the arts mean that Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest truly has something for everyone!

Thursday, May 17, is a great day to check out some river fun, bird in some of our birdiest locations, shop or dine at one of the fabulous Top Pick Sponsors in town. Enjoy the evening at the Bird Fest Art Show reception at Snowy Owl, try your hand and glass at Sip and Paint in the Barn, or snag a spot on an evening owl prowl.

Friday, May 18, offers trips that are festival favorites, an art class by the talented Catherine Gill, and a chance to enjoy the Audubon hosted book signing and social with David Sibley. Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery has the kids covered with a free guided walk and don't forget plenty of rafting, paddle

boarding and kayaking all weekend long. How do you finish a perfect day? By attending the evening Song Bird concert and listening to the amazing world-class sounds of the Marlin Handbell Ringers and Friends!



Pileated Woodpecker by Peter Bauer, Winthrop

Saturday, May 19 is the not to be missed pinnacle of Bird Fest! Trips for birders, beginners to experts, and a day that is just for families! Family Discovery Day offers FREE, kids art and nature activities, nature walks, and local exhibitors. Artists, we have you covered with a second Catherine Gill class, the Audubon Traveling Photography Exhibit, and the Bird Fest Art Exhibit. Thanks to our partner Icicle Creek Center for the

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Arts, folks can enjoy both the Birders' BBQ catered by Red Canyon Farm and the Keynote Speaker, the one and only David Allen Sibley at Snowy Owl Theater!

Sunday has expanded to offer more trips, including breakfast, an encore of the Audubon Photography exhibit, and even a writing and poetry class.

For more information and registration for all of these great events and activities go to www.LeavenworthSpringBirdFest. org. Please note that registration for Sip and Paint and for the keynote are linked to our site but require purchase from one of our partners. Sip and Paint registration is open at www.sipandpaint.org and Keynote registration begins February 15 at Icicle Creek Center for the Arts, www. icicle.org. You will be able to access both of these at the Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest site.

The Annual Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest is made possible every year by the generous donations from local businesses, individuals, and partner organizations in the community like the Maria Norbury Foundation, the Chelan-Douglas Land Trust, the NCW Audubon Society, the Washington Native Plant Society, Icicle Creek Center for the Arts, the USFWS, and Team Naturaleza. Please thank and support local businesses flying the yellow Bird Fest flag! Interested in volunteering? Contact Wenatchee River Institute Programs office at www.programs@wenatcheeriverinstitute.org.

The mission of the North Central Washington Audubon Society is "to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds and their habitats, for the benefit of people and the biological diversity of North Central Washington."

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One of the Northern Saw-whet Owls that has been observed at the Bridgeport State Park this winter by Teri J Pieper, Methow Valley

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After reading Karen Mulcahy's article on her recent trip to Belize and Guatamela on a Portland Audubon Society guided tour, I have to say, I want to return to Belize. It's a tiny

country, smaller than our four-county region, but there is so much to see. I'm sure many of you will also be dreaming of travel plans after you read her article.

The highlight of my February was seeing a Snowy Owl near Mansfield. It's not the first one I've seen but it's been two or three years since I made the trek out in the winter-swept landscape to search for them. Snowies are calm feathered lords of the snow-covered world. I wish one would move onto my hillside and put a dent in the vole population. I am sure there are enough of the tiny mammals around here to feed a family of Snowy Owls. It doesn't bode well for gardening season.

Have you had trouble with National Audubon Society (NAS) sending you repeated renewal notices even though you are paid up? I have been frustrated by their policy of sending these mailings on a near-constant basis. Mark Oswood, our membership chair, recently sent me a link to a customer service site where he

Editor's Notes



Ocellated Turkey in Guatemela by Michelle Dewey, Winthrop

was able to contact someone who said they would take care of that. I tried it and got a similar response. She said," I have coded your account and limited the amount of renewal notices you are receiving to once a year, right before the time of expiration." Hopefully this will work. If you are tired of excessive junk mail from NAS, try this site http://www.audubon.org/contact-us and hopefully they will begin to get the message that members are tired of their mailings.

Do you know someone who is new to birding and anxious to learn more? The American Birding Association has published a fine booklet and is offering it free as a downloadable PDF to anyone that asks. Of course, it comes with an offer to join the ABA as you might expect. The beginning of the book is the birders' code of ethics. After that it delves into helpful techniques for observing birds' characteristics to help anyone, kids and adults, become a better birder. You can find it at https://www.aba.org/lets-go-birding/.

Did anyone, besides me, get excited with last week's (mid-February) extraordinarily warm temperatures? I was outside everyday looking for a Say's Phoebe or Mountain Bluebird and thinking about spring wildflowers despite still having nearly a foot of snow on the ground. Last weekend (Presidents' Day) changed all that with new snow and harsh winds and temperatures plummeting below zero. And then a nasty sinus cold only served to make things worse. This too shall pass, and I will feel well again, and spring will come.



Snowy Owl by Teri J Pieper, Methow Valley

NCW Recent Bird Sightings

Okanogan County: Northern Saw-whet Owls continue to be seen in Bridgeport State Park. An immature Gyrfalcon was seen on Cameron Lake Road. Also on Cameron Lake road - Golden Eagles, White-headed Woodpeckers, Pygmy Nuthatch, Snow Buntings. Okanogan Highlands - Snow Buntings, Gray-crowned Rosy-finches, Barred Owl, Ruffed Grouse, Pine Grosbeak, Common Redpolls. Rednecked Grebes were seen on the Columbia near Brewster. Chestnut-backed Chickadees were seen near Winthrop and Twisp. A very early Turkey Vulture was seen at the Bridgeport State Park in mid-February. At the Highlands Sno-Park near Havillah, there was a Gray Jay, Blackbacked Woodpecker and a Golden Eagle. Near Chesaw there were Northern Shrike, Ruffed Grouse, Northern Goshawk, Bohemian Waxwings and a Pine Grosbeak. At Washburn Island there were American Kestrel, Merlin, and Peregrine Falcon.

compiled from the newabird email list and eBird and Tweeters by Teri J Pieper

Douglas County: American Tree Sparrows were seen at Heritage Road as well as a Long-eared Owl. Gray Partridges were seen near Mansfield. Sharp-tailed Grouse were seen in Upper Foster Creek. A very early Lewis' Woodpecker was seen in Bridgeport. As many as four Snowy Owls have been seen and photographed by many people near Mansfield. Three Barn Swallows were reported in East Wenatchee in mid-February.

Chelan County: A Lesser Goldfinch and Common Redpoll were seen at a feeder in Chelan. An Anna's Hummingbird was reported near Dryden. A White-headed Woodpecker was seen at the Leavenworth Fish Hatchery. A Loggerhead Shrike was seen on the Colockum Wildlife Area.

Ferry County: A Canyon Wren was singing in the Barnaby Creek Campground

Fodder From the Feeder - Belize

My husband and I have never been much for going on organized tours, much less an organized birding trip. So when our friends Art (NCW Audubon president) and Michelle suggested a Portland Audubon Society Belize tour, we weren't so sure. They assured us they felt the same way but that this one was different. There would be snorkeling, trips to Mayan ruins, and some animal sanctuary visits. We checked out the itinerary and before we knew it, we were putting down our deposit and were all in. Belize and Guatemala, here we come.

Full disclosure - yes, we did visit ruins, yes, we did go snorkeling (well, some of us), and there was a sanctuary visit. But truth be told, this trip was ALL ABOUT THE BIRDS! In fact, the birding started on the way to our first destination at the Bird's Eye View Lodge in Crooked Tree Wildlife Sanctuary and didn't end till we were on our way back to the airport in Belize City, ten days later. It was intense, amazing, and sometimes, a little exhausting, but the birding was just fantastic. Ten days (two of which were travel days) and over 275 species were seen by two or more in the group. Truth be told I certainly didn't see all of them, but I did see most of them either through my own binoculars or the scope, and many, many of them were life birds for me. It was pretty thrilling.

First and foremost, it was lovely having guides with vans to take us to the best birding spots. Nicki, Patty, and Carol from Portland Audubon put together a wonderful agenda and took care of all the mundane details. Glenn and Robert Crawford were our local guides in Belize, and their abilities were astounding. True to good birding acumen, they would hear the birds first and then spot them with their eagle eyes. It was nothing short of amazing to watch them in action. One of the folks had a particularly good camera, and Glenn would often commandeer it to gain the best picture of a rare species. We would all see it and ooohhh and aahhh and repeat the refrain that we hoped Randy (the camera owner) would post

these for all of us later. Randy himself also got some very worthy shots.

And what was it really like? Well, we were up at 5:00 or 5:30 every morning, birding by 6:30, breakfast after a couple of hours, and back at it again, often for the whole day. We would break for lunch, have dinner at around 6:00 pm, off to bed early, and repeat the next day. One almost needs a vacation after such a vacation!

But what birds we saw! Our Winthrop group decided we had to see a Jabiru, and an Ocellated Turkey and for me, any Trogan would do. Alas, our guides were very wary about our seeing any Jabirus (too much water everywhere for them to be congregated in the lagoon area of Crooked Tree). But there we were on our way to our snorkeling adventure the last full day at Crooked Tree, and one lone Jabiru flew overhead as we were getting ready to leave. The locals helped us find



Collared Aracari by Karen Mulcahy, Winthrop

where it landed, and we had great views of it. After Crooked Tree we drove up to Tikal in Guatemala, to hang out and bird at the largest Mayan ruins discovered to date. Turns out the area was overrun with Ocellated Turkeys! You have to see them to believe it - psychedelic turkeys with orange dots on blue hued heads and iridescent body feathers. Jose Luis, our Tikal guide, gave us excellent information on the ruins and the Mayan culture, interrupted often by cries from Glenn about a new species we had to see like the Laughing Hawk, or another new

by Karen Mulcahy, Winthrop parrot flock flying overhead.

Art Campbell would give his bird wish list to Glenn every day and darned if Glenn didn't find most of them for him (and us!). It was magical! Some of my personal favorites were the woodpeckers - the Chestnut-coloured Woodpecker (his crest looked like golden dreadlocks shaking as he pecked at the tree in Tikal), the Pale-billed Woodpecker, the Smokybrown Woodpecker (the same size as our Downy), all the Trogans we saw, and the Fork-tailed and Scissor-tailed Flycatchers (how can you not like flycatchers with tails longer than their bodies?). And then there were the Collared Aracaris, and the Emerald Toucanet, the Keel-billed Toucan and the Blue-crowned Motmot - birds as exotic looking as their names sound. There were lovely hummingbirds and so many kingfishers - although my favorites were the male and female pair

of Amazon Kingfishers we saw perched on a snag over a river on our way to Guatemala. As I write this I realize they are ALL my favorites. Darn.

Did I mention we saw a Tapir one night and gray foxes and agoutis, crocodiles and howler and spider monkeys, coati mundis (a large group - 20+) and an anteater, Yucatan and Deppe's squirrels, countless leaf cutter ants, geckos, Cane toads, iguanas, and yes, even a Mexican Red-rumped Tarantula. And so many butterflies too, with one of our group taking expert pictures of them all and sending them, identified, to us afterward. It was a fabulous trip for any naturalist

It was a fabulous trip for any naturalist as we trekked through so many excellent wildlife areas, visited a Baboon Sanctuary known for its Howler Monkeys and learned much of the plant life there as well. And did I mention the snorkeling off Cay Caulker was amazing?

This trip was not for the faint of heart - it was some serious birding. But, we had a wonderful time and many, many laughs. Big thanks to Art and Michelle for spurring us on and keeping it FUN. There was so much wildness to see! It was magical. My head and heart are full.

Big Bend Wildlife Area

from WDFW

The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission has approved the final phase of a 20,000-acre land acquisition to conserve critical wildlife habitat and support public recreation in Douglas County seven miles downstream from Grand Coulee Dam.

The commission, a citizen panel appointed by the governor to set policy for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), approved the land purchase during a public meeting February 8-10 in Olympia.

Cynthia Wilkerson, WDFW lands division manager, said the purchase of the 7,217-acre Grand Coulee Ranch LLC property completes the third and final phase of the larger acquisition by the department to protect Sharp-tailed Grouse and secure quality recreation access through the Mid-Columbia/Grand Coulee project.

Comprised mostly of native shrub-steppe, the property provides critical habitat for the once-common inland bird now listed by the state as a threatened species. "This property has

special importance, because it connects Sharp-tailed Grouse populations in Douglas County with those in Okanogan and Lincoln counties," Wilkerson said. "Securing this habitat could make a real difference in the effort to recover this species." Wilkerson noted that WDFW's acquisition of the property will also provide public access to hunting and fishing. Anglers will gain access to four more miles of river frontage on the Columbia River. Plans also call for opening thousands of acres to hunting for mule deer, upland birds and waterfowl.

Julie Sandberg, real estate services manager, said WDFW will pay the appraised value of \$3.1 million for the Grand Coulee parcel, financed through grants from the state Recreation and Conservation Office and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Once the purchase is finalized, WDFW plans to combine the entire 20,000-acre acquisition to form the Big Bend Wildlife Area – the 33rd wildlife area owned and managed by the department in the state.

Invaders in our Foothills: Help Stop the Weeds!

by Susan Ballinger, Wenatchee

What do scentless mayweed, yellow star thistle, and jointed goatgrass all have in common? All are noxious weeds we don't want to find in our Wenatchee Foothills! CDLT is recruiting trail users to help us locate new populations of troublesome weeds so we can eliminate them before they spread.

Chelan-Douglas Land Trust (CDLT) has teamed up with Chelan County Weed Board to offer a training workshop for the community. The March 29 presentation will be held at the Wenatchee Public Library Auditorium, from 6-7:45 PM.

Weed Board Field Supervisor and Botanist Julie Sanderson will teach field identification tips for a list of fifteen "most wanted" invasive species. Participants will be provided with pocket guides and an invitation to be on the lookout for these invaders while hiking in the Wenatchee Foothills.

CDLT Stewardship Director, Neal Hedges, has discovered a number of new weed species in the Wenatchee foothills, likely transported to our area on fire-fighting vehicles and equipment in 2012 and 2015. Neal's goal is to enlist trail users to provide a first-alert for these invaders so action can be taken to keep the weeds from spreading.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Mark your calendar and plan to attend to learn how to identify the fifteen most worrisome noxious weeds that threaten our native plant communities. For questions or to RSVP call 667-9708 or email susan@cdlandtrust.org.

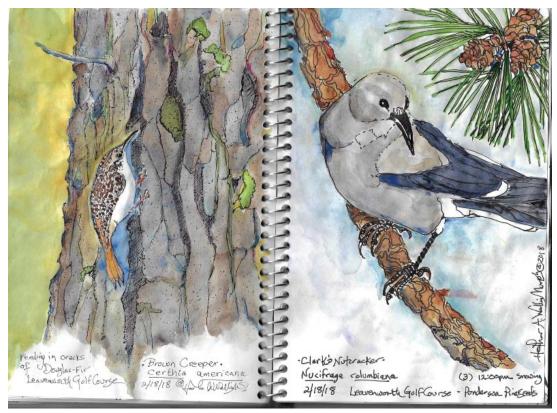
Bring the Wonder of Nature into the Classroom with the Revised *Feathered Friends* Curriculum from The Cornell Labratory of Ornithology

Inspire students with engaging, hands-on science curriculum that meets the Next Generation Science Standards. BirdSleuth, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's K-12 education program, has updated its popular *Feathered Friends* curriculum with fun, new lessons that are perfect for elementary students. Thanks to the support of Pennington Wild Bird Feed, the entire curriculum is available for free!

"Feathered Friends is a fantastic resource for inspiring wonder, outdoor learning, and connections with families at home," says Jerri Pisani, a teacher with Boston Public Schools. "The shared experiences lead to powerful learning!" Feathered Friends provides year-round content to educators, which introduces children to their local environment through

the pleasures of feeding and watching birds. Activities cover topics such as habitat, migration, citizen science, and bird behavior. To help bring bird feeding into the classroom, Pennington is offering a free window bird feeder to educators. "Getting students excited about science at an early age is vital to promote lifelong learning," says Jennifer Fee, BirdSleuth program director. "By revising Feathered Friends, we hope to inspire elementary students and provide educators with lessons that meet educational standards."

Download *Feathered Friends* free at www.birdsleuth.org/pennington and be sure to get a free window bird feeder. Email BirdSleuth@cornell.edu with any questions.



Did you participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count? Heather Wallis Murphy did and here she shares some of the artwork she created while watching and recording the bird species that she observed. Heather will be leading a walk with the land trust on March 10 and also will be part of Leavenworth's Spring Bird Fest in May.

Spring Birding Festivals

Leavenworth Spring BirdFest is not the only birding festival coming in Washington. Here are a few others:

Othello Sandhill Crane Festival, March 23-25. The theme is H20 & Birds on the Go. For information on the Festival, visit www.othellosandhillcranefestival.org or call 866-SANDHILL (866-726-3445).

Olympic BirdFest 2018, April 13-15. The theme is Come Bird with Us. It is hosted by the Dungeness River Audubon Center. For information see www.olympicbirdfest.org or contact 360-681-4076 or info@olympicbirdfest.org.

Grays Harbor Shorebird and Nature Festival, April 27-29. Celebrating the Natural World and Annual Spring Shorebird Migration in Grays Harbor County. See www.shorebirdfestival.com/.

Yakima River Canyon Bird Fest, May 11-13. The Yakima River Canyon is an Audubon Important Bird Area (IBA) with some of the highest densities of passerines and birds of prey in the State. For more information see www.ycic.org/yakima-river-canyon-bird-fest.

Journeying Undammed Waters: The Free-Flowing Columbia Unveiled

Okanogan Highlands Alliance (OHA) presents a deeper understanding of the Columbia River. Based on historical narratives from a host of explorers and adventurers, William Layman will shed light on our connection with this once very wild river. Rare historical photographs will take us underneath the reservoirs to see the river as it was before the dams, when generations of indigenous people left their legacy and then voyagers braved the rapids, twists, and turns of the free-flowing Columbia.

William Layman has spent much of his adult life working on the Columbia's grand story through theater, sculpture, books, and writings which include, "*Native River: The*6 North Central Washington Audubon Society

by Julie Vanderwal, Okanogan Highlands Columbia Remembered," and "River of Memory: The Everlasting Columbia," the latter of which was an exhibit featuring poetry, music, and historical photographs that toured internationally to seven venues.

When: March 2, at 6:30 pm. Dinner benefiting the Community Cultural Center at 5:15 pm, followed by the presentation with tea, coffee and desserts. Cost: Presentation is free; dinner is \$8 for CCC members and \$9 for non-members. Where: Community Cultural Center of Tonasket, 411 S Western Avenue. For more information contact contact julie@okanoganhighlands.org or 476-2432.

Sagebrush Songbird Survey 2018

by Richard Scranton NCWAS Chapter Songbird Survey Chair

2018 promises an extraordinary lush and song-filled shrub-steppe spring once the snow melts! Experience new adventures exploring the countryside to survey for our focal species: Sage Thrasher; Sagebrush, Brewer's, Vesper, and Grasshopper Sparrow; Loggerhead Shrike and more. Join volunteers from eleven chapters in our community science breeding bird survey covering eastern Washington's Columbia plateau to help conserve our birds and their habitats.

North Central Washington Audubon Society Chapter volunteers have already selected sites on shrub-steppe habitat through an ArcGIS online assessment and confirmed them with pre-survey ground-truthing. Your contribution is to survey one or more sites on a monthly basis during the spring breeding season to document species presence or absence for a total of three surveys per site. Your bird counts will be entered into eBird where the data is publicly accessible.

What's new with the Survey in 2018? Private lands that

compose 59% of Washington's remaining shrub-steppe are critical for the geographic coverage to model species occupancy in the Columbia Plateau. Hence we partner with WDFW and farmers and ranchers to begin surveying private land this spring. Some of the sites are on private land where no one else can bird!

Plan your spring to join us! Surveys are conducted during the last two weeks in April, the middle two weeks in May and the first two weeks in June.

Thanks for all you've accomplished & looking forward to the 2018 field season. Here's how: Contact Richard Scranton at rscran4350@yahoo.com to register for the survey and the training on April 7.

editor's note: American Bird Conservancy has a nice article about birds of the Sagebrush Country on their website. It features photos and bird song.

https://abcbirds.org/meet-birds-sagebrush-country/

Chelan-Douglas Land Trust Events

by Hillary Clark Membership & Education Coordinator, CDLT

White River Snowshoe Hike, March 10 from 9 am to 4 pm. Join wildlife biologist Heather Murphy for a naturalist's snowshoe tour of the White River. Stops on the tour will highlight the American Indian and historical use of the land and current conservation projects. We'll have a chance to warm up at Tall Timber Ranch Lodge halfway through the day. Space is limited; sign up soon online at cdlandtrust.org/whats-new/events or call 667-9708

Environmental Film & Lecture Series: *Elwha, a River Reborn*, March 20, 7 pm at Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center. Come hear the unfolding story of the Elwha's renewal, and the promise it holds for our region and beyond, and see photos documenting this remarkable effort from the first dam deconstruction to new life flourishing today on the Elwha. This presentation is by Lynda Mapes with photos by Steve Ringman, both from the Seattle Times. A \$5 donation is suggested.

Revising Hitchcock and Cronquist's Flora of the Pacific Northwest

by Molly Boyter, Native Plant Society, Wenatchee Chapter

For the past 45 years, Hitchcock and Cronquist's one-volume *Flora of the Pacific Northwest* has been the most widely used field manual for identifying the vascular plants of our region. The innovative design of detailed keys supported by extensive illustrations set the standard for how to produce a regional flora. However, advances in plant taxonomy, nomenclatural changes, the discovery of undescribed species, and the documentation of native and introduced species not previously known from our area have all contributed to "Hitchcock" being of limited use for botanists today. The talk will cover the origins of the first "Hitchcock", an overview of project operations, and highlight some of the significant changes contained in "*Flora of the Pacific Northwest, 2nd edition*".

David Giblin, collections manager, University of Washington Herbarium will be the presenter. The program is March 8 at 7:00 pm at the Henry Building, 120 Cottage Avenue, in Cashmere.

What is OkaKnowledgy?

by Jerry DeBacker, Okanogan Land Trust

Okanogan Land Trust (OLT) kicks off a new program focusing on natural history, history, culture, and other topics of interest. The speakers' series, named OkaKnowledgy, will take place over four months, and is free and open to the public. OLT director Jerry DeBacker explained, "Yes, we made up a word, and we have been arguing about the correct spelling ever since! OkaKnowledgy is intended to inform, entertain and educate folks about our region. The presentations will cover a variety of topics, and over time and we hope to host these functions throughout our service area of Okanogan and Ferry counties."

The initial lineup of presenters includes the following: Dr. Ralph Dawes - Geology of the Okanogan. March 21, 6:30 pm, Grange Hall, Okanogan. Rachel Cardone - H2OMG! Making Sense of Water Scarcity in an Insecure World. April 18, 6:30 pm, Esther Bricques Winery, Oroville. Dr. Cornell Clayton - Crazy Politics: Populism, Conspiracy Theories, and Paranoia in America. May 16, 6:30 pm, PUD auditorium, Okanogan

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