Greetings WRCNU Friends and Supporters!

As of this printing we are **fast** approaching one of our highest patient years ever, more than 2,400 animals and still ~45 days to go!



Volunteer Recognition



We wish to highlight another of our wonderful volunteers who help keep us running smoothly. With literally thousands of injured wildlife patients coming in every year we couldn't survive without our hard working volunteer team. We introduce to you Tessa Galland who sacrifices personal time to save injured wildlife and strengthen our WRCNU Mission. Tessa has been with us since April 2013 and has given over 950 hours of her time to the care and feeding of our many wildlife patients. Tessa is also a volunteer with HawkWatch Int'l in SLC. Thank you Tessa for all your work!

From our Speaker Event Chair, Alison Schenk;



Chris Parish, Dir. Global Conservation, Peregrine Fund Our First Annual Fall Speaker Series Dinner with Chris Parish went well - we enjoyed a very engaging speaker, the food and the venue were great and our many wonderful supporters in attendance made the night perfect!



Chris talked about the California Condor Recovery Project, the status of the California Condor in the Utah, as well as his recent work as one of the founders of the North American Non-Lead Partnership. He showed us that using education as a tool and with collaboration, cooperation and sometimes compromise, we can come up with viable solutions to problems.

<u>A special THANK YOU to our three table sponsors</u>: *Edward Jones* – Ogden and Salt Lake City offices, and the *Utah Community Credit Union* for their wonderful support. Through their very generous donations we were able to host 15 Weber State University students as well as several of our key volunteers for free.



2018 Patient Highlights

You might Remember "Lil Beav" an orphaned beaver kit that arrived June 2016. She was released this summer at two years of age, ensuring her the best chance of survival.



Lil Beav prior to release

We went back this month to see what we could see and are happy to report she is doing what beavers do. We hope she will begin building a series of small dams along the route of a perpetual spring on US Forest Service (FS) land to help hold back the water and provide habitat for other wildlife and plants. The USFS attempted to use human made dams without success, so it was decided to bring in an "EXPERT", so Lil Beav has her work cutout, but we are confident in her abilities.

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Sign of some of Lil Beav's handiwork near her new home

2018 Patient Highlights (continued)



Our 1st baby of the year was this Great Horned Owl Nestling (pictured on left)—Released after she was full grown and able to fend for herself.

Juvenile Red-tailed Hawk (pictured on right) at moment of release after treatment at WRCNU.





Pictured left, a young Cooper's Hawk is released back into its territorial neighborhood after some TLC at the Center.

A struggling Red Tree Squirrel pup (right) was found orphaned after mom was found dead. After round-the-clock care, he was later released.





Bald Eagle #829 (left) was brought in by Utah DWR after being hit by a vehicle. Successful repair of a broken furcular (wishbone) resulted in a successful release reuniting him with his mate at their nest site.

Pictured on right, a juvenile (pre-fledge) Bald Eagle. His nest tree blew over injuring his right wing. While in our care he was found to be afflicted with the West Nile Virus which temporarily caused total blindness. His vision has returned to the point he can now self feed—we continue to monitor his progress.





Young House Finch Released



Young Downy Woodpecker Released Photo by A. Olson



Juvenile Swainson's Hawk Released



Female American Kestrel Released

Special Notes!



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- o Love UT Give UT—Tuesday, November 27th is "Giving Tuesday"—Follow us on FB or WRCNU Website for details
- o "<u>Christmas For Critters</u>"—our 2nd "C4C" event; a small, festive and informal Social with refreshments, raffle and sale items, Raptor Ambassadors, new museum displays and more, <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Dec 1st from 12pm—5pm</u>; PLEASE swing by and say, "Hi!"
- o Amazon Smile—order your holiday gifts and designate WRCNU as your charity—no cost to you, and good for us!
- o <u>Do you have a Smith's Foods Card</u>? Go to the "Savings & Rewards" tab at "smithsfoodanddrug.com" and click on "Smith's Inspiring Donations" to link your card to WRCNU (PA360)—every time you shop, Smith's donates!
- o 9th Wildlife Baby Shower & 10th Anniversary—April 26th 28th 2019; Fun for all! Save the Date/More to come!