

2020 Schedule of Events

In depth schedule descriptions available on the website: www.highplainsnowgoose.com

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020

4:00-8:00pm Registration, Hospitality Gathering Unwind after your drive and pick up your registration packet for the weekend's activities. This is the "Official Kick Off" for the festival. Meet folks, ask questions, and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and music. **At Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

Friday, Feb. 7, 2020

Noon-8:00pm Trade Show & Crafts Fair This year we will have the vendors up for both Friday and Saturday. Come see artisans displaying their creations, including artwork, and crafts. Ask questions and see the talent through people's creations. Information booths from all around southeast Colorado will be here as well. A must see **at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street in the gymnasium.**

FRIDAY TOURS

5:30am-Dark South Canyon TOUR with Laneha Everett of Canyon Journeys- \$42.00 Enjoy a day full of history, scenery, and birding in the grasslands and canyon country in the southeast corner of Colorado. Visit Picture Canyon and Carrizo Canyon in the Comanche National Grasslands. See petroglyphs on the canyon walls. Hear stories of more recent human settlements in the area. We will provide the bus, box lunch, snacks, and tour guide—Laneha Everett, with local roots and an expert on the human and natural history of the area. Bus and outdoor tour, cost \$42 per person. **Meet at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

5:45am-Noon Black Hole / Two Buttes TOUR with Keynote speakers Marc & Eliana. \$25.00 Join us for an early morning birding opportunity below the Two Buttes Reservoir Dam. Enjoy this beautiful birding hotspot on the Baca/Prowers County Line. This tour will also stop close to Turks pond where you can see amazing birds from afar. This tour involves walking on some uneven trails. Tour guide and bus will be provided, cost is \$25 per person. **Meet at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street**

7:00-8:00am Birding TOUR with Debbie Barnes Schankster - Free Lamar's Willow Creek is renowned for exciting and unusual birds, year round. Join us for a tramp through the riparian area looking for these avian gems. **Meet behind the Lamar Community College at the north end of nature area.**

2:00-6:00pm Snow Goose TOUR- \$25 Join Pat Palmer on a tour to see the snow geese. This tour will take you to where you can see more snow geese than you can count. Tour includes bus, snacks, water, and tour guide; cost is \$25 per person. **Meet at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

6:00pm Owl hike and TOUR- FREE Join Debbie Barnes Schankster for her program that starts at 4pm in the auditorium and then continue with the fun as we attempt to find some owls. This tour is free and doesn't come with transportation. Feel free to carpool. **Meet at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

FRIDAY PROGRAMS

All programs on Friday will be at Lamar High School in the auditorium. 1900 South 11th Street. All programs are free to the public.

1:00pm David Leatherman-Natural Wonders of Southeast Colorado Southeastern Colorado is like no other part of our state when it comes to plants and animals. This photo-illustrated presentation highlights the amazing birds, flowers, mammals, trees, insects, reptiles, and even spiders that make this a destination for nature lovers.

2:00pm Audubon Rockies Conservation ranching program: A market-based, value-added approach for bird conservation. Audubon's strategy is to keep ranchers ranching. Learn about a market-based, value-added approach that leverages Audubon's brand to promote grassland bird conservation and empowers consumers to support management practices that benefits birds and other wildlife by buying beef raised on certified ranches.

3:00pm Sand Creek Massacre. A heritage presentation of the Sand Creek Massacre will give you insight into a historical event that took place in Southeast Colorado. Come listen to experts on this event.

4:00pm Debbie Barnes Schankster – Colorado Owls This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the owls that you can find in Colorado from an expert. Debbie will start us off by teaching us about the owls and then lead us on our tour to see if we can spot any of these amazing birds.

4:00-8:30pm Registration, Hospitality Gathering, Photo Contest Unwind after your adventurous day and pick up your registration packet if you haven't yet. Come meet folks, ask questions, and enjoy some food and friends. There will be a social mixer with our special keynote speakers, Marc and Eliana. Photos from the Annual High Plains Snow Goose Photo Contest will be on display. Come vote on the People's Choice photo. We will announce the winners that night. This will be held **at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

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8:00am-4:00pm Silent Auction Come check out the Silent Auction. Place your bid on local items and goods as well as awesome items from around Colorado. For years, this Silent Auction has been rocking our participant's worlds! This will be set up in the gymnasium **at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street in the gymnasium.**

SATURDAY TOURS

5:45am-Noon Raptor and Snow Goose TOUR - \$25.00 Join our keynote speakers, Marc & Eliana as we tour the grasslands in an area known for several species of raptors, and then the Arkansas River bottom for ducks and passerines. Bus included. Indoors and outdoors with minimal walking. Meet the bus **at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

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11:00am Camp Amache with John Hopper. After hearing all about the historical Camp Amache, drive down and join us for a tour of the museum. **County Road 23 5/10, Granada, CO 81041.**

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9-10:30am John Hopper - Camp Amache Come watch this unique presentation on the historic Japanese internment camp, Camp Amache. Learn about the history of this area and then drive down and take a tour of the site. Event starts **at the Lamar High School.**

11:00am Gloria Nikolai – Migration Spring migration is full of tantalizing surprises amid expected patterns of birds on the move. Learn about spring migration in Colorado, some of the trends, expected species, and tools to see how and when migration varies. We will look at what factors cause migration, some species that migrate in separate groups of males and females, and the differences in diurnal and night migrants.

1:00pm Birds of Prey Diana Miller from the Raptor Center will present lots of great information with all the wonderful raptors to see. She will be here with hawks, eagles, and owls. See the big predators in the bird world! See the live birds from the Pueblo Raptor Center and hear of the efforts to rehabilitate injured or orphaned raptors.

2:00pm Ted Floyd Ted Floyd, the editor of *Birding*, instructor with the ABA's Institute for Field Ornithology program, and author of birding books—including the *ABA Field Guide to Birds of Colorado*, will entertain us as usual with a great program full of stories on birding.

3:00pm Jill Smith – Birding 101: Why and How. You like birds? You live in a place with lots of birds? But you don't know where to start? You see the birds, but have no idea who you are seeing? How do you even START to find out who that was? Become a beginner birder! But why bother? We will talk about the basics and how to go from 0-20 and beyond in no time!

6:30-9:00pm Evening Banquet- \$25 Flock together with us for a delicious dinner. **Must pre-register.** Vegetarian options will be available.

7:30pm Program by Marc & Eliana Birding by Bus: Where Van Life Meets Birding. Come listen to this dynamic duo as they tell of their adventures traveling across America in a 78' VW Bus and enjoying the wildlife.

Sunday, Feb. 10, 2020

5:15-10:30am Sunrise Tour - \$25 Watch the snow geese wake up and fly off to their feeding grounds. Tour State Wildlife Areas and farm fields to see a variety of waterfowl including, Sandhill Cranes, ducks and shorebirds, and some Bald Eagles. Tour includes bus and tour guide. **Meet at Lamar High School, 1900 S. 11th Street.**

7:00am Birding Ramble with Ted Departure Trip: Otero County & Beyond. If you're heading back on Sunday to points north and west of Lamar, this trip is for you. **After breakfast at the Hickory House**, we'll visit spots along the Highway 50 corridor west of Lamar. The itinerary may include John Martin reservoir, Higbee Canyon, and Crowley Lake. We'll figure it out as we go. **NOTE: THIS TRIP DOES NOT RETURN TO LAMAR.**

Extra Treat Birders, while you are in town, visit 304 Woodland Drive. You may experience the best in backyard birding. On a good morning, you can view birds in riparian woodland (deciduous and coniferous) and plains habitats. Many mornings more than 20 species will visit the numerous feeders. There are no guarantees, but you might see Blue Jays, Northern Cardinals, Downy Woodpeckers, three kinds of doves, Pine Siskins, finches, juncos, and a variety of sparrows, hawks, vultures, and waterfowl.



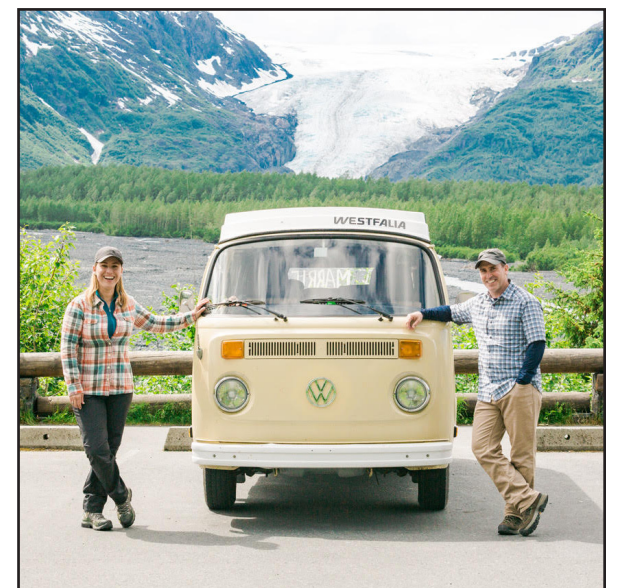
Celebrating Birding and the Heritage of Southeast Colorado



High Plains Snow Goose
Festival

Special Guests

Marc Kramer
and
Eliana Ardila Kramer



Birding By Bus: Where Van Life Meets Birding

Hear about Marc & Eliana's epic road quest from Florida to Alaska in 2018 as they traversed the wild spaces of North America in search of birds, nature, and adventure.... in a 40 year-old VW Bus. How many things could possibly go wrong with an iconic van that's four decades old? Get ready for inspiring road adventures across the continent, navigating through mechanical failures, relationship survival tips, mega rare birds, and spectacular scenery. Throw in a wedding and trip to Attu and you've got the journey of a lifetime! Learn how anyone can travel for an extended period on a budget and take that bucket list birding adventure you've always dreamed of.



Save the date
for next year's festival
February 4-7, 2021

Thank you and hope to see you in 2021



- BJ's Burger & Beverage 1510 S. Main Street (719) 336-5386
- Becky's Restaurant 105 West Lee Ave., Village Center (719) 336-0818
- Burger King 805 N. Main Street (719) 336-3060
- Brew Unto Others 119 S. Main Street (719) 336-1331
- Daylight Donuts 109 S. Main Street (719) 336-7911
- Green Garden (Chinese) 1301 S. Main Street (719) 336-3264
- Happy Garden 1106 S. Main St. (719) 691-2339
- Hickory House 1115 N. Main Street (719) 336-5018
- Las Brisas 302 S. Main Street (719) 336-7715
- Little Caesar's Pizza 1203 S. Main Street (719) 336-8777
- Main St. Shoppe 106 S. Main Street (719) 691-2382
- McDonald's 1011 N. Main Street (719) 336-5763
- Mission Villanueva 100 Savage Avenue (719) 336-8888
- Pit Stop Sub Shop 907 N. Main Street (719) 336-4323
- Pizza Hut 610 N. Main Street (719) 336-7300
- Ports to Plains Travel Plaza 33110 Road 7 (719) 336-3445
- Quinzos 110 E. Olive Street (719) 336-3040
- Sonic Drive In 1001 N. Main St. (719) 336-9049
- Taco Johns 1701 S. Main St. (719) 336-2125
- Thai Spicy Basil - Asian Grill 10 N. Main Street (719) 336-0688
- The Buzzard's Roost 101 N. Main Street (719) 336-7415

Dining

- 3rd Street Nest Bed & Breakfast 304 S. 3rd Street (719) 336-5217
- Blue Spruce 1801 S. Main Street (719) 336-7454
- Buzzard's Nest 113 N. Main St (719) 691-2393
- Sundance High Plains RV Park & Cabins 29151 Hwy. 287 (719) 336-1031
- Cow Palace Inn 1301 N. Main Street (719) 336-7753 or (800) 678-0344
- DJ Main Street View Inn & Suites 1201 S. Main Street (719) 336-4331
- Day's Inn 1306 N. Main Street (719) 336-5340 or (800) DAYS-INN
- Holiday Inn Express 1304 N. Main Street (719) 931-4010
- Holiday Motel 404 N. Main Street (719) 336-9745
- Lamar Sportsman RV Park & Horse Motel 5383 US Hwy. 50 (719) 336-3623
- Millie's Court 716 W. Colorado in Holly (719) 537-6030
- Super 8 Motel 1202 N. Main Street (719) 336-3427

Accommodations



2020 REGISTRATION FORM
(Please Print and return this form with your payment)

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone # (____) _____
 Email: _____

- NO REGISTRATION FEE for admission this year!**
Tours/Workshops: costs primarily cover transportation & meals
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For group discount pricing (5 or more people), please call 719-688-9582. All prices increase by \$5 after January 24, 2020. No refunds after February 1, 2020


TOTAL \$ _____
 We accept Visa or MasterCard - please complete information below:
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Name on Card _____
 Acct. Number _____
 Exp. Date _____ CVC Code: _____ Zip _____



If you include credit card information you may mail your printed form to:
 403 Oak Rd, Lamar, CO 81052, or email it to hpsnowgoosefestival@gmail.com

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For Information:

Cut-Off Date for Reservations & Payment: February 1st, 2020

Visit our website: www.highplainsnowgoose.com

School. Festival activities will be held at the Lamar High School.

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18th Annual



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FEATURED GUESTS
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