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Raptor Flight Show and White Mountain Nature Center

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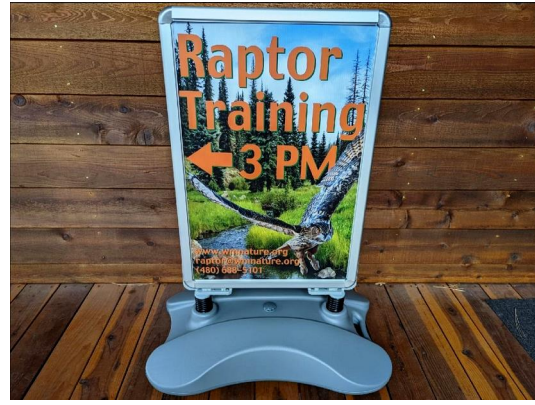
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Raptor Show & Nature Center news for this week:

- **We are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC again!**
 - **Definition of EVERY is included in this article**
- **Construction is starting...**
- **We need more Volunteers**
- **Weekly hikes have begun - EVERY Saturday at 8:30 AM**
- **Hummingbirds Saturday April 8th ~ 6 PM**
- **STOP THE PRESSES - Intruder Alert at the Nature Center!**

If you want to donate, [click here](#) and then click the Raptor Show Donation button - *we need your help* to feed and care for our show ambassadors and to build their new enclosures and viewing area.

Thank you so much!



FREE Raptor Training Exhibitions EVERY DAY

Our daily 3PM Training Exhibitions are open again! Funky supervised the chair setup. He is sitting on the big stump at the right side of the photo.

We have signs at the Nature Center Entrance and in the driveway to guide you. There is plenty of free parking. Try to get there a few minutes early because we start promptly at 3 PM, usually with Azul the Recycling Crow, a crowd favorite.

A frequent question - "Tomorrow is Saturday, are you open?" Answer: "Yes"

Another question - "Next Sunday is Easter, are you open?" Answer: "Yes"

Are you getting the drift? Or do you need one more?

"April 17th is Tax Day, are you open?" Answer? _ _ _

Every day means every day. We have to feed, water, and train the birds daily. They don't understand the words "holiday," "weekend," or "postmark by midnight"



Our new contractor is beginning construction on the Food Prep Building and the new bird enclosures ("Mews").

The new 15 x 15 ft enclosures will have many perching opportunities, and room to fly! Our birds have been waiting all winter for this!

We will finally be able to use these wonderful tree stumps donated by Blue Ridge High School. More photos and info as construction gets underway...



News from the White Mountain Nature Center



WEEKLY HIKES HAVE BEGUN!

EVERY SATURDAY AT 8:30!

On April 1st (really!) our first intrepid gang of 13 hikers and 3 well-trained canine companions set forth to discover new ground, walk where no man had ever walked before, and get back before lunch. Ron Miller led the charge! Weekly hikes will continue through the end of summer. Join them! Have fun! Learn something. :-)

As you can see in the picture on the right, they were in the forest within minutes and enjoying the cool pine-scented air. *Talk about wonderful!*

Calling All Volunteers

The Nature Center needs you! Register for our new Volunteer Force and help us do more than ever to connect people with nature! Click here to get started:

[WMNCVolunteerSignup](#)



Hummingbirds of the White Mountains April 8 - 6:00-7:30 PM

Featuring our own Mary Ellen Bittorf . an avid bird lover, Audubon Member,
and Founder of the White Mountain Nature Center

Learn to watch and feed the abundant hummingbirds in the White Mountains

Suggested donation of \$10 for Adults, FREE for Members!

INTRUDER ALERT AT THE NATURE CENTER



Just as we were about to hit "SEND" on this issue, we had an alarm from the Nature Center - Intruders Just North! We drove up and discovered more than a dozen rather handsome intruders who were just sampling the grass!

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