

Another Successful Nest Box Sale

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It was a cold and snowy morning for hanging out in front of our local King Soopers stores but that didn't stop enthusiastic Evergreen Audubon volunteers from bundling up and getting the job done. In return, our mountain neighbors stepped up big time! In all, 43 blue bird and all 38 chickadee nest boxes were sold by the end of the day, resulting in a tidy profit to benefit the Nature Center and other Evergreen Audubon programs. It was also a great morning for spreading the word about all the different things Evergreen Audubon does to benefit the community—especially children— and for answering quite a few questions about birds and wildlife in general.

Bud Weare, nest box general contractor, reports that quite a few folks claimed that they already had our nest boxes installed in their yards. It seems likely given that Bud calculates that there could be as many as a thousand Evergreen Audubon-built boxes extant after a few decades of sales. Other folks who stopped to chat mentioned that they didn't have a suitable place to put a box but made cash contributions.

A poster board showing our local birds came in handy when one woman said that she “didn't want to encourage those bullies.” Because they are blue, she thought we were encouraging Stellar's Jays to move to Evergreen and Conifer. Now she is the proud owner of a blue bird nest box and excited to give birdwatching a try. We fielded quite a few other questions, including where to put the nest boxes, when the humming birds will show up, and even when the bears will wake up. After all, Evergreen Audubon is not just about birds!

Thank you to the dozens of members and other volunteers who turned out to build and sell the boxes. This wouldn't happen without the help of every single one of you! Thank You... Chuck Aid, Linda Bolinger, Ginny and Tom Boschen, Ann Dodson, Andrea and Ed Furlong, Barbara Jean Gard, David and Rachel Hutchison, Jan Kerr, Greg Levandoski, Dan Metzler, Dwight Souder, Tom Thayer and Bud and Juanita Weare for building the latest batch of nest boxes. Thank You... John Ellis, Tom and Sara Kresse, Tim Leake, Melissa Leasia, Greg Levandoski, Sylvia Robertson, Tracy and Marcia Boyd, Rachel Hutchison, Dan Metzler, Dick Prickett, Dwight Souder, Tom Thayer, Janet Warner and Bud Weare for selling next boxes outside dudring



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crazy cold and snowy March weather! And a special shout out to Bud and Juanita Weare, Ed Furlong, Rachel and David Hutchinson, and John Ellis for their leadership as box building and box sales managers. It should also be noted that in the past this has been a special effort of the men of Evergreen Audubon but that this year we had an “all women’s build” in August and also a co-ed building event in March. Thank you, one and all!

PS: Spread the word! We still have 15 blue bird boxes available for sale. These may be purchased by contacting Bud Weare at (303) 678-8889 or bweare@aol.com