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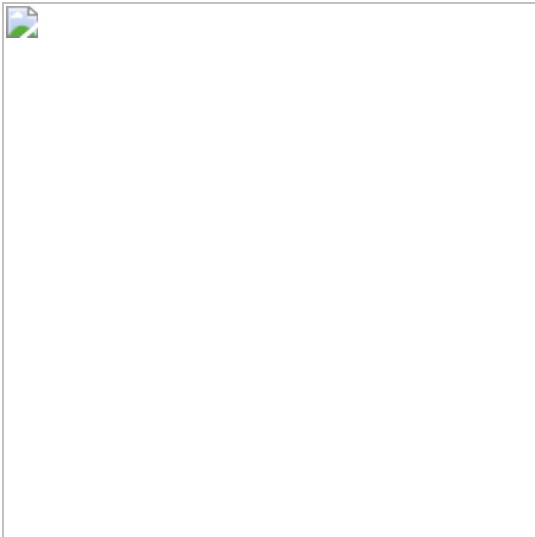
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National Audubon Convention

At the end of July, I had the privilege of attending the National Audubon Convention held in Milwaukee from July 26 through July 29. This was my first time attending a National Audubon Convention and it did not disappoint. I met and networked with chapter, regional, state and national Audubon leaders and volunteers. It was great to learn how other chapters operate, share who we are and learn from my peers. I enjoyed meeting and learning about all of the volunteers who contribute to various Audubon Society's successes across the country and sharing who we are at Evergreen Audubon. The most valuable to me was learning the plethora of information and resources that National Audubon has in its database and the support that both the regional (Audubon Rockies) and National Audubon are willing to provide to smaller chapters like ours.



David Yarnold, the president of National Audubon, delivered an incredibly inspiring keynote speech to the group. The Plants for Birds session was very informative and I plan on boosting our workshops and programs with the new information and resources I have taken from this session. I facilitated a session topic about Environmental Education and was a resource for those working on creating or boosting their current educational programming. I learned so much from our fellow chapters, peers and volunteers, and it was great to give back by sharing our successes in conservation and programming. I am incredibly inspired for our 2020 season at the Evergreen Nature Center and for our new and

current environmental education programming that is in the works.