

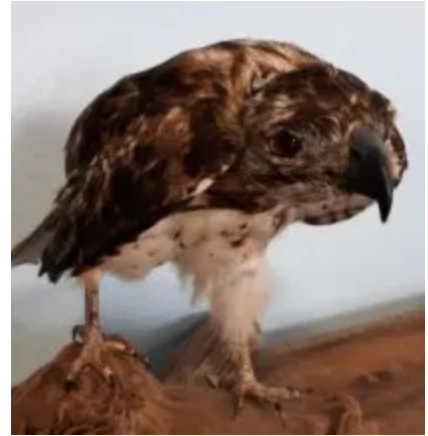
New Taxidermy for the Nature Center

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Thanks to generous donors and Colorado Parks and Wildlife, the Nature Center will have some new exhibits when we open in May. Dianne and Jerry Berk donated an immature Red-tailed Hawk that they found dead in their yard, along with the funds to have it mounted. *Note, It is illegal to possess dead birds covered under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. However, Evergreen Audubon has a salvage permit.*



Red Tail Hawk

Brad Andres and Heather Johnson found a road-killed Tassel-eared (Abert's) Squirrel in good condition on the road to Deckers and popped it into their freezer. Board member Larry White, along with Chris Pfaff, underwrote the cost of having it mounted.



Abert's Squirrel

Other recent additions include a mounted Mountain Lion, Bobcat and Black Bear along with a head mount of a spectacular bull Elk. These specimens were confiscated from poachers by Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW). When they were no longer needed as evidence, CPW was looking to donate them to a non-profit organization for use in an educational setting and offered them to us.

Although we would always prefer to see our animal friends alive and doing what they do in the wild, we are glad to have them for wildlife education at at the Nature Center and Education Center.



Bobcat

