BUCKS 4 BIRDS --FIRST EVER FRIENDS OF CAMAS NWR AND SNAKE RIVER AUDUBON SOCIETY 2016 BIRDATHON

TO ALL FRIENDS OF BIRDS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTS:

Please show your support for the Snake River Audubon Society (SRAS) and Friends of Camas (FoC) by participating in our Birdathon in any way that suits you! Both organizations are 501(c)(3) nonprofits.

A Birdathon is just like a marathon, except you don't collapse when you finish. Actually, a Birdathon and a Marathon have nothing in common. The goal of a Birdathon is to see as many species of birds as possible in a set period of time and/or location. This particular Birdathon will be a fundraiser for FoC and SRAS. Both organizations strive to support birds and their environment, and will split the proceeds 50:50 to be used for environmental education, conservation, and scientific study.

This is how it works. Two options for participation: Active and Passive. **Active** participants go birding. Use the enclosed checklist to record your sightings. Fill out the form at the bottom of this page. You can (1) designate a dollar amount for a flat donation (e.g. \$100) or (2) you can pledge a specific amount (e.g. \$3.00) for each species you record. You can even get a sponsor (or more than one) to make a pledge for each species you see. **Passive** participant: If you cannot participate in the Birdathon, but want to support the FoC and SRAS environmental programs, use the form below to send us your donation. Return the form in the enclosed pre-paid envelope with your donation or pledge to arrive BEFORE June 6.

Details:

• WHEN: Saturday May 28

- TIME: Any Time
- WHERE: Any or all of our federal or state refuges in eastern Idaho (Camas NWR, Grays Lake NWR, Bear Lake NWR, Mud Lake WMA, or Market Lake WMA).
- **HOW:** You may choose to go birding alone or as a team. Use the enclosed checklist to record your species. Send the checklist and your pledge/donation in the enclosed pre-paid and addressed envelope to arrive before June 6.
- **MATCHING FUNDS:** Together the Boards of Directors of FoC and SRAS will match the highest donation or pledge, up to \$500.
- AWARDS POTLUCK PICNIC.
 - Enjoy a Birdathon Picnic Potluck Celebration on Sunday, June 5th, 2:00 p.m. at the new pavilion at Camas NWR. We will begin eating at about 3:00 p.m. We will provide a ham and utensils.
 Please bring a potluck item to share. Bring a friend.
 - If you participated in the count and haven't sent in your checklist, bring it and your donation or pledged contribution with you.
 - Also bring your guess on the number of species counted by all. We will compile the species count at the picnic and celebrate!
 - If you completed a Birdathon count but cannot attend the picnic potluck, please mail your bird checklist and pledge donation to arrive before June 6.
 - **AWARDS** will be given for (1) most species seen by an individual or a team (2) most money donated or pledged (3) best guess of the total number of species seen by all Birdathon participants.

Chuck Trost, Birdathon Chair (Questions? Call 233-4538.)

(Please cut on the line. Fill out the form below and send it with your check in the enclosed stamped envelope.)

FoC and SRAS BIRDATHON 2015 DONATION & PLEDGE FORM Make checks payable to: Friends of Camas/SRAS Birdathon

I would like to give a flat donation of \$ I would like to pledge a contribution of \$	(enclosed) per species I see.
Your name:	_ Phone:
Email Address:	Address:

Your quess of the total number of species recorded by all Birdathon participants