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Wing your way to....

Billings, Montana 10-14 June 2015

The 40th annual conference of Western Field Ornithologists will take us to Montana for the first time. Field trips will visit a variety of habitats from the high mountains (Black Rosy-Finch) to the grasslands (Sprague's Pipit). We'll see courting McCown's and Chestnut-collared Longspurs in their finest plumage, Upland Sandpipers, and Lark Buntings. History buffs will delight in viewing the Little Bighorn Battlefield where Custer saw his last Sharp-tailed Grouse.

There will be workshops on the field identification of sparrows (Jon Dunn) and flycatchers (Dan Casey), natural history of owls (Denver Holt), bird-sound identification (Nathan Pieplow), and more. Friday and Saturday afternoon science sessions will update you on the most current avian research from the region, and the Saturday evening banquet will feature a keynote address by Stephen Dinsmore on the Mountain Plover. Ed Harper and Nathan Pieplow will again offer their ever-popular sessions on bird ID by sight and sound.

Registration for the conference will open in February 2015 with the exact date to be announced via a future WFO News e-mail. If you are NOT currently on our electronic mailing list, please send an e-mail to erpfomca@aol.com, include your full name and city and state of residence, and we'll put you on. WFO members are able to register for our conferences at a reduced rate and have early access to registration. If you are not currently a WFO member, you can join at westernfieldornithologists.org/join.php.