



# Redwood Region Audubon Society's Annual Banquet & Auction

## Lewis's Woodpecker:

### *Conservation challenges for a unique fire-associated species*

Lewis's Woodpecker is a decidedly atypical woodpecker. Known for their striking appearance and unusual behaviors, this species remains one of the most poorly understood bird species in the western U.S. Dr. Fogarty will discuss their unique habitat use, including their association with post-fire landscapes and complex migratory behavior. He will also discuss the conservation challenges surrounding Lewis's Woodpecker and ongoing efforts to better understand and protect this species in a rapidly changing environment.

**Dr. Frank Fogarty** is an Assistant Professor of Applied Avian Ecology in the Wildlife Department at Cal Poly Humboldt. His lab studies how potential disturbances, including wildfire, climate change, habitat fragmentation, timber harvest, and cattle grazing, interact with bird communities. Recently, his lab has begun working on the conservation and management of Lewis's Woodpecker in Oregon. He is also interested in methodologies for evaluating occupancy and abundance, especially as it relates to the kinds of messy, realistic data that are used by wildlife professionals.

## Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

**Place:** Arcata D Street Neighborhood Center, 13th and D Sts.

**Time:** Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Our fun-filled silent auction usually features beautiful natural history items, often bird-related, such as carvings, original paintings, special services, as well as a variety of many other items. We will feast on a delicious, gourmet dinner catered by our own Gary Friedrichsen, with savory stuffed chicken, butternut squash lasagna, green salad, and dessert from Ramone's Bakery. Dr. Terrell's talk will follow.

**Cost:** \$35/person until February 24, when it goes to \$50.

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email [gary@jacobyecreek.net](mailto:gary@jacobyecreek.net) with Banquet in the subject line, or phone (707) 496-6581.

The last day to make reservations is February 16th.