

Golden Eagle Audubon Society Annual Banquet and Auction

Saturday, 6 p.m., March 21, 2020

The Riverside Hotel, 2900 Chinden Boulevard, Garden City

\$60 Per Person



Lauren McGough will present her program titled, "Life as a Mongolian Eagle Hunter and the Role of Falconry in Eagle Conservation."

McGough has been a licensed and practicing falconer since age 14. She has been particularly enamored with golden eagles as hunting partners, a unique branch of falconry that has only a handful of practitioners in the United States. After spending nearly two years as an exchange student in the United Kingdom and learning the strong European tradition of eagle falconry, she graduated from the University of Oklahoma with dual degrees in zoology and international studies.

In 2009, as a Fulbright Scholar to Mongolia, she apprenticed herself to local eagle masters and trained eagles for hunting foxes on horseback. She loved Kazakh eagle culture so much that she earned a doctorate in social anthropology from the University of St Andrews in Scotland.

Most of all, McGough has enjoyed bringing the eagle training techniques she's learned abroad back to her home country, where she teaches golden eagles in need of rehabilitation how to hunt on the great plains. The past two years she has also been using this technique to rehabilitate eagles in South Africa.

Please join us for this annual event, which raises funds for GEAS projects: New Roots, and Blacks Creek Bird Reserve, to name a few. In addition to our dynamic speaker, we will have a silent auction, raffle and dessert sales (\$5) during the social hour, starting at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

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Mail this form and your check payable to **GEAS** to: 1963 Teal Lane, Boise, ID 83706

You may also pay by credit card online at www.goldeneagleaudubon.org/banquet.

Questions? Contact Matt McCoy at (208) 371-8920 or mattmccoy28@gmail.com.

To Pay By Check:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of tickets @ \$60 per guest: _____ Check enclosed: \$ _____

Entrée choices are: Top Sirloin w/ Demi-Glace, Grilled Halibut w/ Lemon Chive Sauce, or Sweet Potato Curry.
Please circle a meal choice for each guest.

Guest Name: _____ Top Sirloin Halibut Vegetarian

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If you would like to donate an auction item, or help with banquet organization, please contact Matt McCoy at: 208-371-8920 or mattmccoy28@gmail.com.

To donate a homemade dessert, contact Danette Henderson: danette444@gmail.com or 208-631-6602.

To preserve the sanity of the auction committee, all donations (except desserts) must be received by February 28.

I would like to donate \$ _____ for a teacher or student to attend the banquet.