



## Unexpected Winter Guest

Just as we rang in the new year of 2024, we got a call from the Cornell Wildlife Clinic telling us they had a situation they needed our help with. The State of New York was conducting a survey to determine the bobcat population along the southern tier. They had trapped a young male that was earmarked to be radio collared, but while in the Hav-A-Hart trap he tried to bite his way out and fractured the tops of his canine teeth. They needed a place for him to stay for three months while his mouth healed. Then he would go back to Cornell for dental work to repair the teeth prior to release. He arrived on January 6th very stressed and fiesty. We had prepared a habitat for him way back in the woods, with den boxes and climbing logs and shelves. Since he was a canine with an injured mouth, I knew I had three months of skinning and preparing all his food to minimize any more damage. Thankfully, he was a good eater and on March 7th the DEC biologists came and retrieved him and took him back to Cornell. He was eventually released back in Tioga County where he had come from. We received a video of the release, but he took off so fast it looked like a blur of fur darting into the woods.

## Peregrine Rescue

On June 24th, James Murray was coming out of the Chase Building downtown Syracuse, when a large bird appeared in front of him. He looked down and identified it as a juvenile peregrine falcon. Obviously, this baby was in need of some assistance. He soon did little hop flights and crossed Salina Street. James commandeered other people around him and they were able to stop traffic and allow the fledgling to safely get to the other side. Someone went to one of the shops nearby to get a box and they were able to corral it into it. He called Kindred Kingdoms and it soon arrived. We checked him over to make sure he was not injured in any way, rehydrated him, and called Bonnie Parton, a DEC biologist who bands peregrines. She came out and put a US Fish and Wildlife band on one leg and a NY State DEC band on the other. Bonnie knew he had just fledged from the nest on top of the State Tower Building. She made arrangements with the staff at the building and took him back to where his parents would find him. At first he looked quite forlorn, but soon one parent and then the other were back tending to him. For several weeks thereafter, he was seen flying over the city with both his parents training him how to fly and hunt. We extend a heartfelt thanks to all those who got involved in helping this little peregrine find his way to safety. His band number is 29/BX. If you happen to see him, wish him well.





## Itty Bitty Great Horned Owl

Rarely do we see a baby Great Horned Owl so young it still has its egg tooth on, but this one was found on the ground, alone and frightened. Notice the white speck on the very tip of the beak. That is the egg tooth. It is a hard layer of calcium that they use to pound their way out of the egg. It usually drops off in between 24 and 48 hours, indicating how young this little guy/girl was.



## Recovered Redtail

We received a redtail hawk from The Cornell Wildlife Clinic that had been hit by a truck and had broken both legs. One fracture was in good alignment and healed quickly. The other required veterinary care to be realigned. After both legs were strong enough to allow the bird to finally perch, she was transferred to our large flight cage to exercise and be prey tested. Soon she was flying back and forth non-stop and was catching her own food. On October 1st, we drove her to an area on state land with woods and open fields. She wasted no time taking off and enjoying her freedom once more.

## How you can help!

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 and each time you search the  
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 our name to help us care for all  
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If you have an old car,  
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 you would like to get rid of,  
 you can donate it to us,  
 Call (315) 695-6418.  
 This will greatly help us  
 continue to care for our furred  
 and feathered friends.

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 Call Jean at (315) 695-6418  
 and we will direct you to  
 the correct contact for  
 your county.

## Can you help us?



Animal care is labor intensive and very costly. We do not receive any state or federal aid and are supported by your donations, our fundraisers and ourselves.

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