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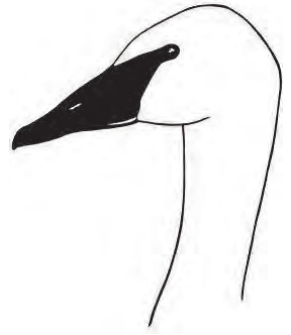
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Since 1968: Assuring the vitality and welfare of wild Trumpeter Swans

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How you helped Trumpeter Swans—2018 Annual Report inside



Photos. Left: *Four cygnets hatched on July 4 at Sunriver Nature Center, in Bend, Oregon.* Photo by Margaret Smith
Right: *Eight cygnets hatched on June 10 at Aspen Lakes Golf Course in Sisters, Oregon.* Photo by Al Krause

2019 is a banner year for Oregon Restoration Project cygnets!

In May, the Oregon Restoration Project welcomed a new mate for our widowed Sunriver Nature Center female swan, “Grace”. The two mated almost immediately after meeting. Four cygnets hatched on July 4! Our previous male swan “Sir Charles” (also known as “Chuck”) was illegally shot and killed on Thanksgiving Day, 2017. The Trumpeter Swan Society had purchased him from W.K Kellogg Bird Sanctuary in Augusta, Michigan. The new male, named “Gus” by Sunriver Nature Center, also came from W. K Kellogg Bird Sanctuary. He was a wild swan that collided with a powerline, never to fly again, and was rehabilitated at the Sanctuary. We thank the Sanctuary for caring for the injured swan and helping in his placement in our Oregon Restoration Project.

In June, there was more good news from our partnership Trumpeter Swan breeding pair at Aspen Lakes Golf Course in Sisters, Oregon. The pair hatched eight cygnets! The cygnets from both Sunriver Nature Center and Aspen Lakes Golf Course will be released at Summer Lake Wildlife Area next spring.

Thanks to our Trumpeter Watch program, we know our Oregon-released swans are doing some outstate traveling. A 2016 released cygnet, 3@4, originally hatched in 2016 at Sunriver Nature Center to “Grace and Chuck” and now 3 years old, was reported in May and June at two locations in Montana. Two other Oregon-released swans were reported this summer in western Oregon at William Finley National Wildlife Refuge, then in Nanaimo, British Columbia, returning to the refuge, and finally settling back at Summer Lake Wildlife Area in Oregon.

Three nearly-year-old Trumpeter Swans were released early in 2019. Since 2009, a total of 119 swans have been released at Summer Lake. Your support makes all this possible. Thank you! ♦

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Discover, Learn, Experience

Tuesday/Thursday. Come and learn how Riverlands at the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers has grown to become one of the most important Midwest swan wintering areas. Find out how volunteers are tracking swans at Riverlands, helping us learn more about Missouri and Illinois wintering swans. Did you know your personal swan stories are important? Discover the power of storytelling as a bridge between scientists and the general public. Listen to the stories and lessons of how Trumpeter Swans across North America are helping connect people to nature and to the importance of wetland habitat for wildlife and human health and safety. Discover the effectiveness of conservation partners like zoos to promote conservation actions. Learn about health issues swans face and what it takes to treat them.

You will learn about Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge and its pivotal role in the come-back of the Trumpeter Swan. Discover the larger role of National Wildlife Refuges providing habitat throughout the year to these magnificent birds. These public lands are wildlife gems in rural areas and near urban centers.

Get up to speed on the latest swan updates and issues across North America. Learn about the latest swan research projects in the west and Midwest, including projects with GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications) transmitters on neck collars which use digital cellular networks for data transmission.

On Wednesday, be part of a fun and educational all-day field trip exploring three National Wildlife Refuges, sanctuaries and conservation areas, traveling the Great River Road along the Mississippi River. The field trip ends at Riverlands Audubon Center with sunset views of Trumpeter Swans coming in to roost for the evening (complete with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided by our Riverlands host!)

The conference wraps up with a Thursday evening banquet event with live music, a keynote presentation by famed photographer Danny J. Brown, and a delicious buffet dinner, complete with an amazing silent auction to help support our Trumpeter Swan programs. *We hope to see you there!* ♦

Photo © Danny J. Brown

Register by October 20, 2019 for Early Bird Pricing:

\$170 for Early Bird full registration (2 days presentations, all-day Field Trip, Gala Banquet).

(Or choose separate options of 1 or 2 presentation days, Field Trip, and Banquet. Online and mail in registration available on website)

After October 20, 2019:

\$190 for full registration (2 days presentation, all-day Field Trip, Gala Banquet)

The Conference will be held at the Best Western Premier-Alton-St. Louis Area Hotel. Discount rooms while available.

Exciting news from Yellowstone National Park

New Trumpeter Swan nesting pairs at Yellowstone National Park!

It was 53 years ago, in 1966, that Swan Lake in Yellowstone National Park last fledged swan cygnets.

This spring, a new swan pair built a nest and hatched four cygnets there on July 11 on their first nesting attempt! One cygnet disappeared a few days later, but the remaining three cygnets continue to thrive into September. Swan Lake is a few miles south of Mammoth Hot Springs with an accessible parking lot.

Yellowstone National Park had up to two other new nesting pairs this season, also first-time parents. Those two pairs are in the southwest region of the Park in remote areas.

All the new swan pairs are unmarked, meaning we do not know where they came from. They might be fly-ins from nearby areas or they might be swans that were "grafted" into existing Park swans nests as newly hatched cygnets or released as young cygnets in prior years. ♦



Yellowstone National Park has up to three new nesting pairs in 2019. One pair (above) hatched four cygnets in mid July 2019, with three surviving into September. These are the first recorded cygnets at Swan Lake since the 1966 annual survey. Photo by Steve Harryman

Thanks to you, swan research begins at Yellowstone National Park

Thanks to you we are partners in a multi-year Trumpeter Swan Research Project at Yellowstone National Park. The project is exploring the reasons behind the decline of Trumpeter Swan numbers in the Park since the 1960s. Yellowstone's swans peaked at 85 birds in 1954, dropping to single digits in 2010. In 2011, the Park put a management plan in place to release swan cygnets into the Park. Last year 24 swans were counted but no cygnets were produced.

In late 2017, Doug Smith, Yellowstone National Park's senior wildlife biologist for the wolf, bird and elk programs, asked TTSS if we would help fund this research project. Thanks to your donations to our North American Swan Fund, we said yes.

Montana State University master's student Evan Shields will update the Park's historic swan data set and examine new variables to describe conditions in the Park that could have led to the decline in the number of swans. His analysis will investigate new



What factors impact the long-term success or decline of swans in the Park? The Trumpeter Swan Research Project will provide some answers. Photo of Swan Lake swan family by Steve Harryman

ways of relating the potential factors of swan decline to the Park's historic data.

“From what we have observed so far, the lack of new offspring in Yellowstone is likely a combination of human disturbance at shorelines, eagle predation, and changes to the Park's food chain and climate,” said Doug Smith.

Evan Shields will make a presentation about the project at the 25th Swan Conference. ♦

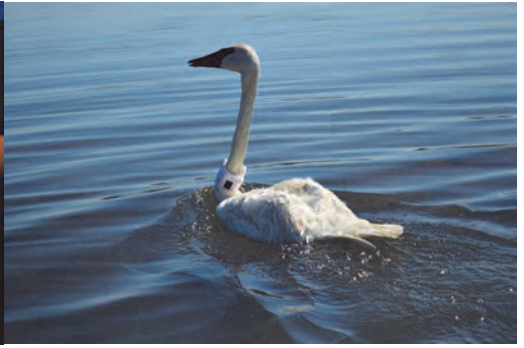
GSM swan tracking project begins in Idaho and Montana



Releasing the newly collared non-breeding Bear Lake NWR swan.



Attaching the lightweight Ornitela GSM collars. The collars have solar panels and battery packs, with an expected life of 3 years.



A breeding female with her new collar at Big Pond, Camas NWR. All photos courtesy of SE Idaho National Wildlife Refuge Complex.

Swan issues in Idaho

In the May 2019 *Trumpetings* we shared with you the goals of a swan study of the Southeast Idaho National Wildlife Refuges (NWR). Cygnet mortality has been unusually high in those refuges since the late 1990s, with breeding adult pairs too often returning from their winter range without their young. The study hopes to find out why.

You funded the purchase of four GSM collars for one swan each at Grays Lake, Bear Lake and Camas National Wildlife Refuges, plus a swan at Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge. The collars are being tested for climate condition performance and information about how swans use the landscape during the year.

All four collars were deployed in July and August on molting swans. Twelve Refuge staff, interns and volunteers helped to capture and collar the swans. ♦



Intern Hailey Trotter in the airboat used to capture swans for banding at Bear Lake NWR. Read the story, below, to learn the role of airboats in swan capture.

The story of swan capture and collaring at Grays Lake National Wildlife Refuge

It's mid-July, and Trumpeter Swans in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem are molting. Biologists from the Southeast Idaho National Wildlife Refuge Complex and Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge have GSM radio-collars (funded by TTSS) to put on molting swans, so they can track their movements after they leave the Refuge marshes.

At Grays Lake NWR near Soda Springs, Idaho, Refuge staff and volunteers turn out in numbers...four in kayaks and duck boats, three in the airboat, and a "spotter" to find swans and direct the boats to them.

From elevation, a spotter can see the surface of the marsh, and the islands and indentations in the bulrush. From the water, it's all one green wall of dark bulrush until you actually round an island or enter a bay. Everyone knows the plan. Once swans are seen, the non-motorized craft will try to head them off. When cornered, the airboat will come in for the capture (if used to chase swans too early, the extremely loud airboat scares the swans into hiding in the bulrush, where they can't be seen or captured). When the birds appear to be cornered in one area, then the airboat roars in.

On this day, while heading to the cornered bird the airboat crew unexpectedly flushes another, unseen swan out of the bulrush. It is captured and banded, and kept in case the other bird can't be captured. That turns out to be the case. The swan in view of the kayaks escapes where neither airboat nor kayaks can pursue with any chance of capture. But we still have a molting swan captured, and collared, so the day is a success.

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Thank you for your commitment to Trumpeter Swan conservation!

Celebrating 50 years, thanks to you!

In 2018, thanks to you and donors like you, we reached a milestone of **50 years** of progress in our mission to assure the vitality and welfare of wild Trumpeter Swans.

Founded in 1968, The Trumpeter Swan Society (TTSS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to assuring the vitality and welfare of wild Trumpeter Swans. We are the only non-profit organization working for Trumpeter Swan conservation across North America.

Your generous support, and support of people like you over the past 50 years makes all that we do possible.

Your generous support made a big impact on Trumpeter Swans in 2018

Thank you so much for your 2018 support to assure the vitality and welfare of wild Trumpeter Swans. We are pleased to report the positive impact your gifts made to Trumpeter Swans across North America. Your gifts were put to work in our major program areas of Restoration and Management, Swan Health, Education and Research, and Outreach and Advocacy. Your generous support made our progress possible.

Restoration and Management

Oregon Restoration Project: 2018 was another year of progress in the Oregon Restoration Project, a partnership since 2009 between TTSS, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

In 2018, police arrested the 2017 shooter of our Oregon Sunriver Nature Center male breeding swan, “Chuck”. The court fined and penalized the shooter. We received a portion of the shooter’s fine to offset some of our costs incurred in the original purchase and long term care of the male swan. We thank our donors who donated to the Reward Fund for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the shooter.

We added two new Oregon captive swan breeding sites and partners in 2018. Any cygnets from the pairings will be released at Summer Lake Wildlife Area in Oregon. We thank and welcome our two new Oregon Swan breeding partners Aspen Lake Golf Course and Pronghorn Golf Resort. The newly formed swan pair at Aspen Lakes successfully hatched one cygnet in 2018. Thanks to grants and donations to the Oregon Restoration Project, we purchased a swan pair for Pronghorn Golf Resort in 2018.

Four cygnets from Sunriver Nature Center were released at Summer Lake Wildlife Area in 2018. As of the end of 2018, 116 swans have been released into the Project since 2009.



“Pete and Eloise” at Aspen Lakes Golf Course met and mated for the first time in 2018. Photo by Al Krause

Planning also began for the 2019 GSM tracking of wintering Summer Lake Wildlife Area Trumpeter Swans.

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NAWCA Partner Project: In 2018, TTSS was a funding NAWCA partner of the San Juan Preservation Trust's \$3 million purchase of 313-acre Zylstra Lake property in the San Juan Valley on San Juan Island, Washington. The property is a Trumpeter Swan wintering site.

Flyway meeting participation: TTSS is a member of the swan committees on all four Flyway Councils. Executive Director Margaret Smith participated in the 2018 winter and summer Mississippi Flyway meetings. She encouraged the Swan Committee of the Mississippi Flyway to commit to updating the 1998 Interior Population Trumpeter Swan Management Plan and to include non-game representatives of the state programs to participate in the development of the plan. She updated the National Flyway Council leaders at the North American Natural Resources Conference about progress and issues on Trumpeter Swans across North America. Dr. Gary Ivey represented TTSS and the Oregon Restoration Project at the Greater Yellowstone Working group meeting of the Pacific Flyway. He continued to advocate for TTSS's Rocky Mountain Population Connectivity Project to reduce isolation of Rocky Mountain Population western swans.

Genetic Testing of Trumpeter Swan Zoo breeding pairs: Progress continued for genetic testing of zoo swan breeding pairs. There are 26 swans from 13 zoo facilities chosen for the first tier of testing. Trumpeter Swans have either Alaskan or Rocky Mountain Population genetics. Currently, the Pacific Flyway requires that only swans with Rocky Mountain Population genetics are released into the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Swans with Alaskan genetics can be released into other approved release programs, such as Iowa and the Oregon Restoration Project.



Online sales of unique Trumpeter Swan designs by Peppermint Narwhal Creative raised funds for the Genetic Testing project. Be sure to sign up for our Newsletter or follow us on Facebook for future sales.

Swan Health



Swan mortality. Photo by Margaret Smith

Washington and British Columbia winter the vast majority of the Pacific Coast Population of Trumpeter Swans. Thanks to your support, in the **Pacific Northwest region**, we continued our partnerships with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, University of Washington, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Canadian Wildlife Service to monitor swan mortalities and their causes in northern Puget Sound (Washington) and Sumas Prairie (British Columbia). In the winter of 2017-2018, 208 dead swans were collected and analyzed for mortality causes. Nearly two thirds of the total swan deaths were from suspected lead poisoning (34%) and powerline collisions (33%) with the remainder (33%) from “other trauma” or “undetermined”. This information is used to identify areas of lead poisoning and avian collisions as well as to assess the effectiveness of an exclusion zone of poles in a proven and known “lead hot zone” at Judson Lake, straddling British Columbia and Washington. The exclusion zone, renovated in 2016 with funding assistance from you, our donors, remained effective in early 2018 with only one dead swan found there.

Lead Poisoning Awareness Project in the St. Croix River watershed also continued, with presentations and outreach by TTSS to encourage and convince people to voluntarily switch to non-lead fishing tackle.

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Education and Research

Yellowstone National Park: In 2018, we partnered with Yellowstone National Park on a three year study of swan habitat in the Park. The research, funded in part through donations to our North American Swan Fund, will assess reasons for decades-long swan declines and determine if long term solutions can maintain this iconic species in the Park. In 2018, neither of the Park's two nesting swan pairs hatched cygnets.

Minnesota Trumpeter Swan Tracking Project: Thanks to your donations to our North American Swan Fund, we are a partner in this multi-year project with the University of Minnesota, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, United States Fish and Wildlife Service and Three Rivers Park District in Minnesota. This three year project was submitted to the Minnesota legislature for approval in 2018 with the plan to collar up to 50 Minnesota Trumpeter Swans with GSM transmitters to learn more about their nesting, wintering, migrating and molting locations and behavior. The project, with an expected start date in 2019, will have a public engagement component with website tracking of the Trumpeter Swans.

Trumpeter Watch: Trumpeter Watch began in 2009 as a way to track existing and emerging swan wintering and nesting sites, especially in the Interior Population which had no migration traditions. Thanks to our new website, which went live in September 2018, reports were submitted digitally online in a standardized electronic format. Reporters can upload photos for swan species verification. The streamlined form asks for essential information, including latitude and longitude (with online links for latitude and longitude). There is a direct link to the Bird Banding Lab as well. We shared reports of banded birds with the state coordinators. Online Trumpeter Watch reports in 2018 included the first documented nesting pair in Pennsylvania.

We also had exciting new sightings including from North Carolina's Outer Banks, and new areas in Texas, Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania. Illinois and Indiana reported an increasing number of wintering swans. Missouri had a growing number of wintering swans, including a record number of 1,377 swans reported at the Riverlands Migratory Bird Sanctuary on January 2, 2018, the third largest total of swans reported there.

Iowa "Track a Trumpeter" Project: In 2018 we continued our partnership of the Iowa "Track a Trumpeter" project. Building on the 2017 progress which tracked nine captured and collared cygnets, in 2018 four additional cygnets were captured and collared with GSM transmitters (3 year life). Thanks to you and other funding partners, in 2018 Iowa State University ornithology students began learning to analyze data from new technologies such as satellite collars to answer questions important to natural resource management. Students analyzed the data to answer questions such as 1) where and how long are swans spending time on agricultural lands vs. water, 2) as the cygnets aged, did the distance they moved for feeding and roosting change, 3) did movements dramatically change at a certain age, and 4) did roosting and feeding time intervals change as the cygnets aged.



Above: Our website now includes a Report a Swan page to directly record your swan sightings. Below: North Carolina's Outer Banks had its first recorded Trumpeter swan in March 2018. Photo by Peter Vankevich.



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Outreach and Advocacy

Outreach



Our new website was launched in September 2018

Website: In 2018, we revamped our website completely with new and updated content in a responsive design for mobile devices. The new website went live in early September 2018.

Our most popular pages are the Swan Identification, Swan Information and Swan Library sections. Report a Swan and Trumpeter Watch are also heavily visited and used. Secure donations can now be made directly online on the web pages in the How to Help section. The new website allows staff to easily update and add new website content.

TTSS published three print *Trumpetings* newsletters to inform you, our donors, of the impact of your donations to assure the vitality and welfare of wild Trumpeter Swans. The December 2018 *Trumpetings* celebrated 50 years of Trumpeter Swan conservation by sharing a selection of members' "My Swan Story" spanning both time and geography.

Our *Enewsletter* was recognized by Constant Contact with a 2018 All Star Award for being one of the top 10% of their clients with the highest rate of engagement by subscribers (Thank you for opening and reading our monthly *Enewsletters*!)

It was a delight to meet with the public at **events** in Iowa and Wisconsin to share the story of the return of Trumpeter Swans which your support makes possible. Through your ongoing support, we responded to hundreds of emails and phone calls regarding swan questions, issues and reporting.

Advocacy on swan issues across North America.

In 2018, TTSS weighed in on a number of swan health and habitat issues affecting Trumpeter Swans in North America, including:

- ⇒ Opposing changes to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act which would weaken bird protections
- ⇒ Support of BP Oil Settlement for use in Minnesota's lead fishing tackle reduction education program
- ⇒ Letter of support for Canadian lead ban on fishing tackle and ammunition
- ⇒ Letter of support to continue Iowa's Trumpeter Swan releases into the southern part of the state
- ⇒ Letter opposing marina break wall in Burlington, Ontario's most important wintering site for Trumpeter Swans.
- ⇒ Advocating civic participation in Wisconsin's Conservation Congress spring hearings related to questions affecting wetland/swan habitat protection and conservation
- ⇒ Continued presentations to groups advocating use of non toxic fishing gear and ammunition.



Hundreds of people, including school students, attended the Iowa swan releases in May. There was education about swans, wetland conservation, and swan health, before swans were released into the wild. It is an honor for TTSS to participate in the releases. Photo by Margaret Smith

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Operations and Governance

Operations

Profit and Loss: TTSS received an unrestricted bequest in 2018. With the bequest, the 2018 positive net income for unrestricted projects/operations was \$58,534. There was a 2018 positive net income of \$19,115 for Special Projects as revenue was received that will be expensed in 2019 (Oregon Restoration, Genetic Testing, North American Swan Fund). In 2018, there was a total net income of \$77,548, which includes the bequest allocated for reserves.

Gold Seal from Guidestar: We are proud to report TTSS fulfilled the requirements to earn the 2018 Gold Seal of Transparency level from Guidestar, a nonprofit rating organization. According to Guidestar, The Trumpeter Swan Society is now in the top 0.5% of all nonprofit organizations on Guidestar for transparency.

Governance: Valued board member Dave Myer's term limit was reached in December 2018. In December 2018 Jim Hawkings, who retired from the Canadian Wildlife Service and worked for more than 30 years with Yukon wildlife, including Trumpeter Swans, was elected to the Board of Directors.

Balance Sheet December 31, 2018

Assets:

Current Assets	\$238,162
Other Assets	\$ 37,826
Total Assets	\$275,988

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities	\$ 0
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	\$127,228
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$148,760
Total Net Assets	\$275,988
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$275,988

Income Statement (Profit and Loss) January 1-December 31, 2018

Revenue

Contributions, gifts, grants	\$166,493
Other	\$ 1,671
Total	\$168,164

Expenses (functional)

Program	\$ 69,595
Fundraising	\$ 6,376
Management	\$ 14,648
Total	\$ 90,616

Net Income \$ 77,548

Thank you to you, our valued donors

The Board and staff of The Trumpeter Swan Society extend our heartfelt and deep appreciation to all our members and donors whose generous support made such an important and positive impact in 2018.

TTSS also thanks these foundations and organizations for their grants and donations supporting our North American swan programs and activities: AAZK Greater Cleveland Chapter; AuSable Valley Audubon; Confed. Salish-Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation; East Cascades Audubon; Fanwood Foundation; Felburn Foundation; Foley-Frischkorn Wildlife Conservation Fund; Friends of Kansas City Zoo; Friends of Tracy Aviary; Glacial Lakes Cranberries; Jake Fund; Milwaukee County Zoo; North Iowa Nature Club; Open Door Foundation; Perkins Foundation; Pheasant Farms LLC; Somenos Marsh Wildlife Society; and Sunriver Nature Center.

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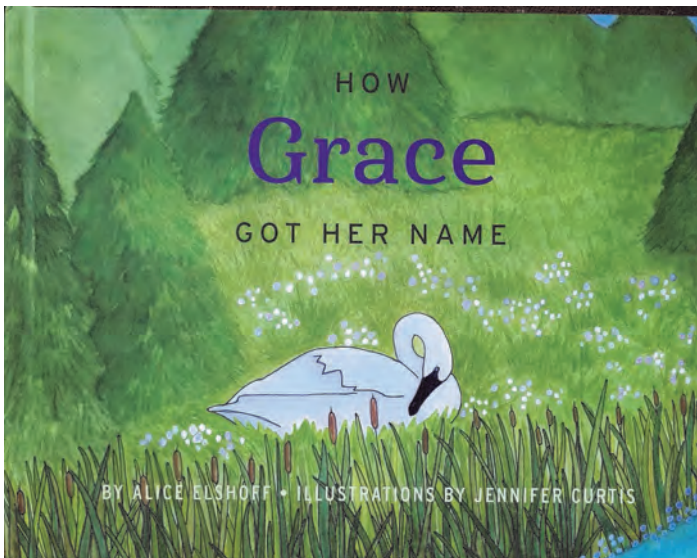
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New Book! *How Grace Got Her Name*



Now you can read and share the story of Grace, her mate, Chuck, how they met and how the story of their new family began. One of their two cygnets starring in the book, was seen in Montana in May and June, 2019 (page 1, this issue)

For the past few years, we have shared with you on Facebook, in *Enews*, and in *Trumpetings*, the story of “Grace and Chuck” our Sunriver Nature Center swan pair in Bend, Oregon. TTSS member Alice Elshoff has written this beautiful book, *How Grace Got Her Name*, perfect for you and people of all ages and for all occasions. Shop early for the holidays. Your purchases support our swan programs.

“Based on true events this is a heartwarming story of how a beautiful wild Trumpeter Swan became known as Grace, inspired the town, and raised a fine family. One day while walking along the river birdwatchers saw a swan in trouble. They called the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to come and help her. In this story, you will see how a whole town took an interest in her rehabilitation, and when Grace was eventually returned to the river something wonderful happened.”

Written by Alice Elshoff. Illustrations by Jennifer Curtis. This enchanting book has 32 pages including two pages of photographs. Copyright 2018. ♦

Yes! I want to purchase "How Grace Got Her Name"

Price is for purchase and shipping within the United States. Proceeds support the programs of The Trumpeter Swan Society. If you live or are shipping outside the United States, please contact us at ttss@trumpeterswansociety.org for pricing and international postage. All purchases from outside the United States are by credit card only.

"How Grace Got Her Name"

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For all you do for Trumpeter Swans, thank you!

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Left: Photo by Danny J. Brown
Above: Photo by Al Krause
Right: Illustration by Jennifer Curtis



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