BIRD MIGRATION COUNTER POSITION

Hawk Ridge Bird Observatory in Duluth, Minnesota is seeking 1 experienced bird migration counter. **This is a full-time, seasonal position for approximately 9 weeks from 1 September - 31 October 2015.** Now in its 44th season, the raptor count at Hawk Ridge is one of the premier hawkwatch sites in North America and the western-most count on the Great Lakes. Hawk Ridge is based at a uniquely advantageous location on a rocky ridge overlooking the western tip of Lake Superior. Fall migration counts average over 75,000 raptors and over 200,000 passerines and other birds.

Primary duties include identification and counting of raptors and all other bird species in flight, standardized hourly data recording, communication with banding staff on incoming raptors, and posting daily counts on HawkCount.org. Skill requirements include a minimum of one season of previous counting experience, ability to identify raptors and non-raptors in flight at great distances, and tolerance of harsh weather conditions (heat, cold, wind). Preference will be given to individuals with additional skills counting migrating passerines and other bird groups and 2 or more years of previous counting experience. Must work well alone and with others and have own personal vehicle.

Migration Counter salary is approximately $1800 per month, dependent on experience.

See [http://www.hawkridge.org](http://www.hawkridge.org) for more details about Hawk Ridge and the count. Email cover letter, resume, and three references who can verify bird identification skills to Janelle Long, Executive Director, at jlong@hawkridge.org. Email is preferred, but required information may also be mailed to Hawk Ridge Bird Observatory, P.O. Box 3006, Duluth, MN 55803-3006 re: Migration Counter. The position is open until filled.