Halder Cunningham began his involvement with raptors in the 1920s and 30s as a teenager in Chevy Chase, MD. He became a lifelong friend, supporter and board member of The Peregrine Fund.

Peregrine falconry was a neighborhood friend of legendary falconers, authors and naturalists, Frank and John Craighead. They lived peregrine falconry along the Atlantic coast - Assateague Island being a favorite hunting and fishing spot of falconers. They buried themselves in the sand, holding a pigeon to bait passing falcons.

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"Halter explained falconry and falcons (specifically the Peregrine Falcon) to the layman in an interview for Hunting & Fishing magazine:"

"To look in on [the nest of] one of these rare birds requires the following: a strong pair of legs, a broad back, a long rope, and not too much regard for your future."