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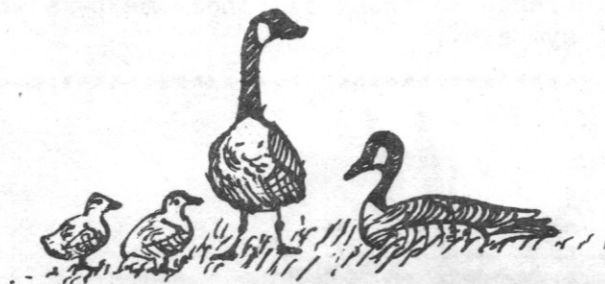
Tree swallows line the wires, blackbirds flock over the meadows, shore birds are heading south, and it's time for Auduboners to plan on heading for some fine times this fall. Some folks have been busy over the summer lining up the field trips, programs, and other activities -- now it is YOUR turn to get involved to make the whole thing go!!

PROGRAMS



Program meetings will be held in Room C-135, at Stockton State College, Pomona. Coffee hour will begin at 7:30 PM with program to start at 8 PM. Goodies for the social hour are provided by members and we will need volunteers to sign up for providing these for future meetings. We again request that members remember to bring their own cups for coffee, tea, etc. to help conserve our disposable supply. **REMEMBER** - meetings are open to anyone, so invite friends, neighbors - anyone who would like to learn more about this marvelous world we live in.

- Sept. 26th: Canaan Valley A slide program on a controversial area in West Virginia - being pushed for a National Wildlife Refuge instead of flooding behind a dam.
- Oct. 24th: South Jersey Wetlands A narrated slide program produced by our own conservation and education committees, now being provided to schools, and also available to any interested organizations.
- Nov. 28th: Time for Survival This is a tentative schedule depending on the availability. This is a new National Audubon production which is a magnificent achievement both in beauty and content.
- Jan. 23rd: Members Night A yearly favorite featuring YOU!. Yes, this is the time to bring out those favorite slides to share with others - and every year we find new talent, sometimes unsuspected.



FIELD TRIPS

Time to get out and enjoy some fine fall weather on our scheduled field trips. We urge you to take part to learn something new about our environment, to enjoy some fine company, and to work out the doldrums of a hot humid summer.

Sept. 29th: Jeffers Landing Wetlands Area - We will meet at the area at 9 AM. For those desiring some exercise and a good look at fall foliage, a group will meet at George Bassett's house, 328 Poplar Ave., Linwood with bicycles at 8 AM and ride out to the area along some pretty back roads. Directions for driving: Take Rt 9 to the traffic light at the junction of the Somers Point- Mays Landing Rd (County Rt 559 - River Road) and head west to the blinker light where you make a left onto Jeffers Landing Road. Follow the road past the left turn and you will find the entrance a couple hundred yards down the road. Please park close to the edge to allow any local traffic room to pass.

Oct. 7th: Cape May Birding - The height of the season for this birding hot spot. An all day trip beginning at 7 AM, meeting in the parking lot of the lighthouse in Cape May Point Park. We will be birding the point, Lily Lake, surrounding woods, Higbee's Beach area, and heading home by way of Stone Harbor and the causeways. Bring your binoculars, books, lunch, and scopes if you have one.

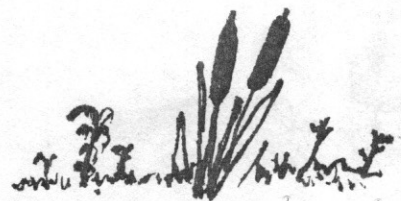
Oct. 12-14: Hawk Mountain Weekend - A great favorite, and a good place to begin if you are not hep to hawks, since they frequently come by at eye level. Group will camp at Blue Rocks Campground, and carpooling is highly recommended. For non-campers there are nearby motels. Be prepared for cold weather, bring your own food and camping gear and plan on a super weekend. Contact Jerry Schonleber for campground reservations.



Nov. 17th: BRIGANTINE WILDLIFE REFUGE - Meet in the refuge parking lot in Oceanville at 8 AM. This should be peak time for geese, ducks, early Whistling swans, and maybe an eagle or two. This is an excellent trip for novice birders - little walking and plenty of time for a good look.

IN MEMORIAM

Sherman DeMill, well known to those of you who got to meetings and field trips, passed away after a very short illness this summer. We will miss his dry humor and helpful hands. Shirley DeMill wishes to thank all those members who shared expressions of sympathy.



CONSERVATION REPORT

The conservation committee holds meetings the first Wednesday of each month and any members are welcome to add their contribution. Chairman John Williamson and committee meet in the Stillwater Building, County complex on Shore Road in Northfield, at 7:30 PM. Many plans are in the works. During the summer we hope that the Wood duck boxes placed this past spring were used, but final survey is postponed until all birds are off the nests - final report later. A group of 16 flower hunters met in Egg Harbor on Aug. 19th to visit several fields of wildflowers with the goal of identifying suitable plants for later bagging for seeds to be used in plantings in the Estell Manor County Park as well as along roadsides and bike paths throughout the county. Some contacts were also made in regard to reducing roadside mowing - to help wildflowers and reduce fuel use. Further production of slide programs such as the Wetlands show now in use are in the works. Much of this work has been done in conjunction with the Education committee under the leadership of Schuyler Dawson. Your participation is needed.

ART SHOW

The third annual Atlantic Audubon Art Show will be held in the art gallery, H-113 of Stockton State College on Nov. 3rd and 4th. Elsewhere in this issue are the details as well as an application blank for entries if you would like to exhibit. The committee, led by Dave Rhodes, Joe Delesantro Sr, and Joe and Nora Delesantro have been working up a more ambitious show this year. An artist's reception will be held on Nov. 3rd from 7-9 PM for the artists and guests. Subjects of this year will be the "Wildflowers, Birds, and Animals of New Jersey". There will be a need for helpers to hang the art, prepare the reception, and act as guides during the show. If you can give a hand in any of these areas, please contact Nora at 625-2915. And PLEASE remember to come and bring friends, neighbors, and anyone else who would enjoy good art. There will be art available for sale - just in time for your Christmas shopping.

SALE - SALE - SALE

Once again as we join in our monthly meetings, there will be a number of items offered for sale to help raise funds for various projects. We urge you to take advantage of some fine items.

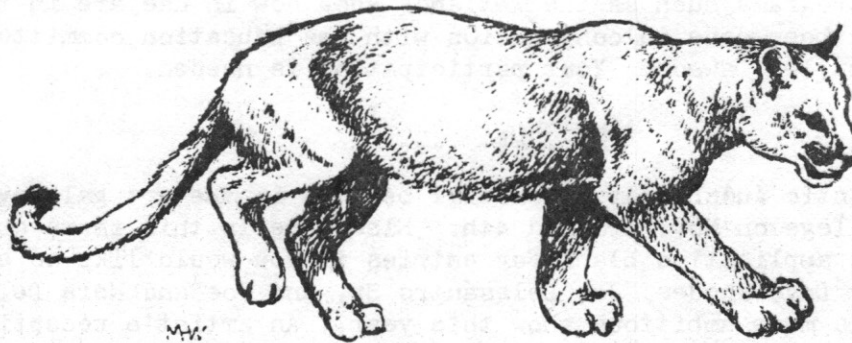
Still available - Endangered Species Project T-Shirts featuring a beautiful Osprey which we have been selling to raise funds for this project. Each shirt sold nets the chapter \$1 and The Non-game & Endangered Species Project \$1 from us plus \$2 in matching funds from the federal fund. These are high quality shirts and well worth the price of \$5.25. Jerry Schonleber will have them at the meetings or you can order by mail (include \$.65 for postage and handling.)

Also available are chapter patches, bird check lists, guides for trees and flowers, gift tags, and some small items of handmade jewelry. Keep this in mind at meetings.



MEMBERSHIP

We are looking for new members for our chapter to meet the challenge laid down by National Audubon. Every one added between now and June 30, 1980 will mean an extra \$5 back to the chapter - but only if we get 68 or more in that time period. This means we need a great effort on everyone's part to recruit new members, and it is especially important that we gain active members to carry on our efforts. Look around - a new neighbor, or friend, a business associate or co-worker - all are welcome. There is a special incentive for recruitment this month - dues go up \$2 as of October 1. If you need membership folders, see Marion Bartlett, our membership chairperson, or any of the officers. We did it once before - let us join together and do it again!!



LEGISLATION

As Congress reconvenes deliberations this fall, a number of important conservation issues will be up for discussion and voting. Once again the Tellico Dam project has been resurrected by some sneaky legislative tactics in the House and will require another Senate vote. Urge your Senators to again vote this down. Alaska lands bill is still bogged down in the Senate. Senator Bradley has still not committed himself - urge him to support S-222 which is very similar to the House-passed measure. Another bill to de-authorize the Dickey-Lincoln Dam in Maine is also pending in the Senate.

The biggest issue will be energy with various proposals coming before both houses in the next few weeks. The proposed Energy Mobilization Board designed to expedite energy development programs has a number of rather fearsome features in current designs including waiving of environmental laws governing local, state, and federal agencies if these agencies failed to act in time to meet deadlines. This would include those covering water pollution, toxic substances, strip mining, and the National Environmental Protection Act. We will be keeping a close eye on this area and keep you up to date so that appropriate action can be taken when needed. Watch for John Williamson's action board at meetings.

**YOU ARE INVITED
TO EXHIBIT IN THE
3RD ANNUAL ATLANTIC
AUDUBON
ART SHOW**

TO BE HELD AT STOCKTON
STATE COLLEGE
IN THE GALLERY, ROOM H-113
**SATURDAY-SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 3 & 4th**



THE SUBJECTS OF YOUR ART
MUST BE WILDFLOWERS, BIRDS
OR ANIMALS OF NEW JERSEY,
IN ANY MEDIA.

CALL 625-2915 OR 641-2175
FOR INFORMATION

- 1- THIS ART SHOW WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 10: AM 'TIL 7: PM ON SATURDAY AND FROM 10: AM 'TIL 5 PM ON SUNDAY.
- 2- ENTRIES MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE GALLERY AT STOCKTON STATE COLLEGE, ROOM H-113, ON FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 2ND, BETWEEN 6: AND 10: PM.. PICK UP BY 8 PM. SUNDAY EVENING, JUDGING AND AWARDING OF RIBBONS WILL BE COMPLETED BY 12: NOON ON SATURDAY.
- 3- A RECEPTION WILL BE HELD FOR THE ARTISTS AND THEIR GUESTS FROM 7: 'TIL 9: SATURDAY EVE.
- 4- A \$5.00 REGISTRATION FEE IS REQUIRED. ENTRY FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY OCT. 22. AFTER THAT DATE ON A SPACE-AVAILABLE BASIS. 10% SALES COMMISSION.
- 5- REPLY TO: NORA DELESANTRO
RR 4, BOX 126,
ESTELL MANOR,
N. J. 08319

625-2915

Yes, I will exhibit my work with Audubon.

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____

 ZIP _____
 PHONE: _____

CHECK WHERE APPLICABLE:

OILS PHOTO GRAPHICS
 SCULPTURE AND CARVINGS
 MIXED MEDIA ACRYLIC
 WATERCOLOR OTHER.

\$5.00 ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED

HOW MANY FEET OF WALL SPACE? _____
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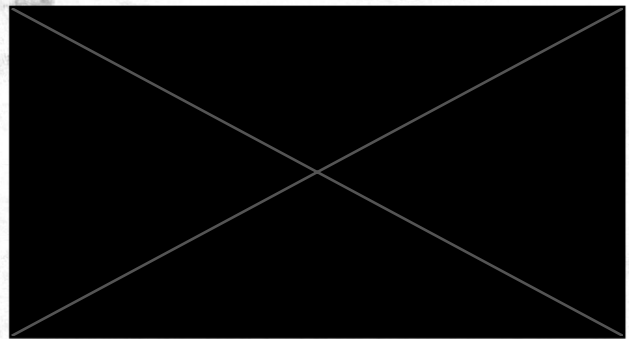
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