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## MEETINGS

BOARD MEETING, June 5, Thursday, 7:30 PM in the conference room of Allstate Savings and Loan office, 1820 S. Grant Street in San Mateo. Board members and committee chairmen should attend. Other Sequoia members are welcome.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, June 12, Thursday, at the San Mateo Garden Center. The Garden Center is located on Parkside Way--between 26th and 27th Avenues--just west of the Alameda de las Pulgas in San Mateo.

Bring your spouse, your friends, your children to the Sequoia Audubon summer pot luck. Join the crowd on June 12th at 6 o'clock for a social half hour. Promptly at 6:30 delicious casseroles, delightful salads and delectable desserts will be served.

Just one of the above--a main dish, salad or dessert, enough for eight times the number in your party, is requested. Please furnish your own plates, eating utensils and a service piece for your dinner contribution. We'll provide wine, tea, coffee and punch.

This dinner precedes the last meeting of the 1979-80 year for Sequoia Audubon and will be located at the San Mateo Garden Center. A very special entertainment program is planned for this evening.

Call Rick Baird at 574-1067 or Nancy Horn at 342-9902 to make your reservations. Please let them know what you plan to bring and how many will be in your party.

Mr. Clerin Zumwalt, one of the most important people in the history of Audubon Canyon Ranch, will present a program entitled "The Long African Day," following closely the book of the same title by Dr. Norman Myers. The program will explore Africa a long way back into history and then some exploration of the early day, mid-day, late day and into evening. He will examine the wildlife country of East Africa while the sun sweeps over from one wide horizon to the other. "Zumie" is an expert photographer (evidenced by the photos on display at ACR) and you will be thrilled by his spectacular show. Plan to attend the pot luck dinner at 6:00 PM and then relax for an enchanted "Long African Day" to spellbind you.

Frank Allen and Charles Newman will present another chapter in the "See and Hear" Bird of the Month Series.

## FIELD TRIPS

(For Field Trip Information phone 344-4577)

JUNE 7 SATURDAY -- SUNOL REGIONAL PARK

See Page 2 of May SEQUOIA

JUNE 15 SUNDAY -- FITZGERALD MARINE RESERVE, Moss Beach

See Page 2 of May SEQUOIA

(If you can't find your May SEQUOIA, phone 344-4577 for details)

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JUNE 28 SATURDAY -- POINT REYES BIRD OBSERVATORY

Arrangements have been made for 20 members of Sequoia Audubon to attend this outstanding facility. We will be the guests of PRBO who will show us through their operation including netting and bird banding. After our tour of the observatory, we will set forth and bird the general area of Point Reyes. The PRBO people will tell us the best current birding areas of Point Reyes. They have asked us each to donate \$2.00 to further their work. Meet at 9:00 AM at the Observatory. If there is enough interest, we may camp out at Samuel P. Taylor State Park the Friday night before. For further information on the camping and also on the field trip itself, please call the Audubon Activities telephone at 344-4577. REMEMBER: THIS TRIP IS LIMITED TO 20 AUDUBON MEMBERS AND RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Hal Lucas, Field Trip Chairman

FIELD TRIP REPORTS

May 3 and 4 the Mystery Trip

Though our party was reduced from 32 to 11, our enjoyment was not in any way reduced. Our little van was very comfortable--like a home away from home. The first stop found us exploring Richardson Bay under the fine leadership of Phil Schaeffer. Our tour included the restored Lyford House which once stood on the point across from its present site. The house was moved across the bay on a barge.

Off again, this time to land in Armstrong Redwoods State Reserve near Guerneville. We had a great lunch along with great views of Western Wood Pewees. Many other species were heard but not seen. We piled in again to Russian Gulch en route to Fort Ross. A most adventuresome moment came at Russian Gulch when we found ourselves crossing a stream on a thin log. This brought out hidden talents in our participants. At Fort Ross we enjoyed Allen's and Anna's hummers as well as Harbor Seals basking on the rocks below. A fantastic dinner in Occidental was enjoyed by all Saturday night, as well as other night life following dinner. Sunday morning found us gazing at Osprey carrying fish in Bodega Bay. We also saw many Loons, Grebes, Black Brant and others. We wound up our trip with a tour of the "Rouge et Noir" French cheese factory near Novato. Here we were surprised by the sight of baby Coots with their little red hats. A wonderful week-end on the coast seemed a proper and fitting way to celebrate the "Year of the Coast."

Leaders: G. and J. Perkins and J. Silliman

May 10 Bouverie Audubon Preserve

This was the trip of trips! Eight Sequoia members attended this field trip conducted by Madrone Audubon, Santa Rosa. The leader was Deyea Harper, one of the best field trip leaders that this writer has ever been with. Her knowledge of the area was profound, her enthusiasm boundless, and she had a beautiful area to work in. The small group of Sequoia members arrived at 7:30 AM to join about 20 members from Madrone. We hiked about a mile and a half to the falls (which are the main feature of this recent acquisition). Along the way we passed through several distinct habitats--grassland, oak woodlands, redwoods, streamside and finally the beautiful overlook of the falls. Among our bird sightings were outstanding views of the Ash-throated, Olive-sided and Western Flycatchers, Western Wood Pewee, Black-headed Grosbeak, Violet-green Swallow, White-throated Swift, Hutton's and Warbling Vireos, Wilson's and Orange-crowned Warblers, all of which were calling or singing. Altogether about 40 species of birds were seen. Another treat of this beautiful area was the proliferation of wild flowers. All agreed that this newest of Audubon Preserves is truly a

jewel and we are sorry that more members of Sequoia were unable to join us for this truly lovely day.

Barbara and Hal Lucas--Field trip committee

CONSERVATION NEWS

Despite opposition by San Mateo County Supervisors and local environmental groups, the Bureau of Land Management is going ahead with its program for oil and gas leases of 60 tracts--almost half of all proposed for the whole California coast north of Morro Bay. Government estimates of the maximum possible yield from these tracts would supply this country's need for no more than about a month and oil production is now being stepped up in Kern County where adequate reserves exist.

The lease sales will start in April 1981 and exploratory drilling soon thereafter, well before the two years necessary for completion of promised environmental studies already started by the BLM. In April of this year a Draft Environmental Impact Statement was released which is inadequate due to the hurry with which it was put together and the lack of completion of the studies. County officials and environmental groups have asked President Carter to postpone Lease Sale #53 for two years to give time for adequate assessment of its possible effects on the local fishing and tourism and on the irreplaceable environmental features of this county's coast, such as the Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, Año Nuevo and Pescadero Marsh. The latter, according to the BLM's own assessment, would be the most vulnerable spot in the case of an oil spill, which would tend to funnel to the mouth of Pescadero Creek.

Public hearings on the Draft Environmental Statement will be held by the BLM in the latter part of June, the closest being on June 23 at Fort Mason, Bldg. A, in San Francisco. It will be an all day session from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM with oral statements limited to 10 minutes. Time for presenting such statements must be scheduled in advance, either with the Pacific OCS Office (BLM), 1340 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017 by June 9th, or through the San Mateo County Planning Division, C E I P Coordinator, County Government Center, Redwood City, CA 94063, by June 5th. It is hoped that several SAS members will be able to present comments at the hearing.

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Two hearings in Millbrae on April 17 and May 1 were held by the Federal Fish and Wildlife Service on the San Francisco silverspot butterfly whose habitat is on San Bruno Mountain, and which is proposed as an endangered species. This butterfly is now found only on portions of the Mountain, some of which are now scheduled for development. The listing of these areas as critical habitat for an endangered species would prevent any federal funding for the 20% low-and-moderate-income housing required by the County General Plan of new developments. The Xerces Society will be studying the effect on the butterfly of the proposed development and it is possible some compromise can be worked out with the Fish and Wildlife Service. Altogether twelve other rare animals and plants are found on San Bruno Mountain of which five are considered endangered. Only three others, however, two plants and a bee not yet listed as endangered, are found only on San Bruno Mountain and nowhere else, as is the silverspot.

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For those who do not get NAS's National Outlook it should be mentioned that the Interior Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee will be considering budget priorities as will the corresponding Senate committee. The tendency will be, as usual, to give the money where the greatest political clout is. Audubon members should therefore be letting their Senators and Representatives know what is of primary interest to them.

NAS is supporting funding of new National Park and Refuge Monuments in Alaska at \$11.4 million and \$1.0 million respectively, which appropriations Alaska's Senator Stevens will strongly oppose. The Land and Water Conservation Fund, used to purchase wildlife refuges and state and federal parks, has been slashed by the Administration from the \$900 million authorized to \$233 million. NAS is asking that the amount be restored to the \$580 million originally asked by the President.

The funding of state grants for endangered species of \$4 million will not be adequate for programs in the several states which have just joined the program and NAS is asking that the amount be increased for \$7 million. It also asks for funding in 1981 for acquisition of habitat for the California condor, an Audubon priority, and for \$1 million for developing National Wildlife Refuge plans. The President has asked for \$50 million for Habitat Preservation for fish and wildlife resources which NAS asks be maintained. It is badly needed to protect wildlife resources from pollution and threats by development such as wetlands dredging.

All of the above expenditures are very little compared to the costs in several hundred million dollars of some of the unneeded and uneconomical boondoggle water projects which Congress is trying to fund over the objections of President Carter.

Ruth Smith, Conservation Chairman

#### SUMMER BIRDING ACTIVITIES

1. If you haven't explored the South-end of the Bay, try this: The new Educational Environmental Center for S. F. Bay Wildlife Refuge is located at a junction of salt and fresh water marshes. Several miles of trails on the surrounding dykes are now open for birdwatching.

DIRECTIONS: Drive south on #101 to the Alviso Freeway #237, go east approximately 3½ miles to Left on Gold Street, ¾ mile to Right on Taylor and Left on Grand. Watch for the sign to the Center. If you pass the San Jose Sewage Disposal Plant, you've gone too far!

2. During June, mis-oriented migrants can be found in isolated groves of trees along the coast. Rare eastern warblers, in full breeding plumage can be seen in the Point Reyes area. Explore along the San Mateo County coast line--they could be coming here, too.

3. Starting in July, early migrant shorebirds will arrive on the coast and in the bay. Any coastal land jutting out into the ocean is excellent for viewing the incoming migrant ducks. Don't forget Baylands in Palo Alto for migrants, too.

#### MONO LAKE T SHIRTS

The Mono Lake Committee is in desperate need of funds in order to keep up the fine work they have started. We all want to see Mono Lake saved and this is our chance to help! Mono Lake T shirts will be for sale at the June meeting. The shirts come in mens, ladies and childrens sizes at a cost ranging from \$5.95 to \$7.95. The shirts make nice gifts and are great for summer wear. They will be available from Georgia Perkins at the June meeting. Those wishing to send a contribution to the Mono Lake Committee may do so. The address is:

Mono Lake Committee  
P.O. Box 29, Lee Vining, CA 93541

#### ALASKA

Senate majority leader Robert Byrd has promised that debate on the Alaska Lands Bill will begin on July 21. This will allow the Senate to give its full attention after arriving back in session following the conventions. There are five strengthening amendments needed to make the

Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee bill acceptable. The Tsongas-Roth substitute bill with strengthening is what we want our Senators to cosponsor. The Tsongas-Roth substitute restores protection to many areas that the Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee version leaves open.

The time is now. The future of Alaska will be decided in the next two months. Write your Senators and urge them to cosponsor the Tsongas-Roth substitute with strengthening amendments:

U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

#### PESCADERO MARSH

Last year Frank Viollis, San Francisco State University student, concluded a 3-year research study, "The Evolution of Pescadero Marsh." Because of Sequoia Audubon Society's concerns for this valuable 500-acre wetland, the Board voted to finance part of the study which helped to pay for photographic and printing costs. The resulting thesis is a significant document since it is the first comprehensive research study undertaken of this very important wildlife refuge on our San Mateo County coast.

Mr. Viollis opens his work with an historical perspective of the Pescaderowatershed discussing Indian settlements and the Spanish-Mexican and American periods and their impact upon the marsh. Following chapters cover comprehensively the physical environment and the marsh flora and fauna. The section on Birds of the Marsh pays tribute to Peter Metropulos, SAS member, who in 1978 compiled a breeding bird census (43 species - 369 pairs) which is included in the Appendix. Also included, Peter's list of all bird sightings at the marsh in recent years (182).

The study concludes with some pertinent observations and ten recommendations for marsh management which includes suggestions for specific research needs. Mr. Viollis says: "Unless some unforeseen natural catastrophic event occurs, Pescadero Marsh will eventually be transformed into a coastal meadow. The disappearance of marsh ponds.....the general silting in of waterways.....indicates that this transformation is progressing at a rapid rate. The alternative.....is management in order to preserve the special ecosystem....." His number one recommendation: "The development of a comprehensive water supply for the entire watershed and marsh complex is essential."

Sequoia Audubon has sent copies of "The Evolution of Pescadero Marsh" to the California Department of Fish and Game and to the state and regional offices of California Department of Parks and Recreation. Wilma Rockman also has a copy for loan to SAS members. Reading about the historical background and the physical and biological nature of the marsh will surely enhance enjoyment of your birding trips.

N.B. All 500 acres of this marsh are now in complete ownership of the State of California. Last year SAS formed a Marsh Management Committee with Mary Ann Danielson and Bill and Myrtle Johnson co-chairing, which purpose will be to submit management recommendations to the California Department of Parks and Recreation. The committee is currently forming a Pescadero Marsh Alliance to be made up of representatives of other Audubon chapters, conservation, education, and nature-oriented groups and individuals interested in the marsh the purpose being an exchange of information between Alliance and Committee and with possibly some political action.

(C.G.)

#### OLD COPIES OF AUDUBON MAGAZINE

Audubon Magazines If you will donate your old copies, they will be picked up. Call Mrs. David Penning, Girl Scout Leader, 326-7822 or Wilma Rockman, 366-3434, or Jean Allen, 344-9339.

ALASKA HIGHWAY TOUR

Mr. and Mrs. Werner Schumann, Millbrae Sequoia members, plan to drive the Alaska Highway to Fairbanks and Anchorage this summer. They would like to drive one way and travel by air the other. This plan will require the participation of another party to drive while the Schumanns fly and vice versa. Anyone who is interested may phone the Schumanns at 692-1560.

## Birds and Plants of the Northeastern Sierra

..Eagle Lake, Honey Lake  
Red Rock Road, Yuba Pass and Sierra Valley

Six days in the field, observing and studying bird song, courtship, nest building and the care of the young. Observations could include the mating dance of the Western Grebes, Wilson's Phalaropes, Osprey, Black Terns, Pinyon Jays, Mountain Bluebirds, Calliope Hummingbirds and Black-backed Three-toed Woodpeckers (eight woodpecker species are possible). Plant and non-avian animals will be studied as they are found in both mountain and Great Basin habitats.

Dates: June 8 - 13, 1980. A variety of prices and options are available. Leaders: Maryann Danielson and Jean-Marie Spoelman. For further information, call 342-6919 or write to Sunbeam Ecology Explorations, 848 Edgehill Drive, Burlingame, CA 94010.



### MONO LAKE FIELD TRIPS

Free half-day field trips (9am-2pm) are scheduled for every Saturday and Sunday from June 14 to September 14, 1980. All ages welcome. Please meet us at the Mono Lake County Park (conspicuous sign on Highway 395) five miles north of Lee Vining at 9am or carpool from the Visitors Center in Lee Vining at 8:30 am.

What to bring: clothing to temper any kind of weather; hats, sun-screen, sunglasses for protection from the sun and glare; swim suit, towel, fresh water; lunch and beverage; walking shoes that can get wet.

Forest Service Campgrounds situated in Lee Vining and Lundy Canyons. Motels also available nearby (reservations advised, for information call: 800/462-5572).

If you have any questions please write to: Mono Lake Field Trips, Box 29, Lee Vining, CA 93541 or phone 714/647-6386 or 647-6483.

### SAN FRANCISCO BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Interpretive programs are presented on Saturdays and Sundays at the following times:

Nature Walk: 11: AM  
Films, Slides & Talks: 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM

Occasionally due to staff shortages, programs might be cancelled. Please call one or two days in advance to make certain a program has not been cancelled.

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are given at the Refuge Interpretive Center, located next to the Dumbarton Bridge toll plaza on Thornton

Avenue (Highway 84) in Fremont. The Interpretive Center is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and closed Monday and Tuesday. Classes and organized groups that plan to visit the Interpretive Center Wednesday through Friday can arrange for an interpretive program by calling (415) 792-0222 well in advance of their visit.

YEAR OF THE COAST PROGRAM!

Sunday, June 8, 15 and 29, 11:00 AM

MARSH ADVENTURE - Wear grubby clothes and come to the Refuge expecting to learn by "hands-on" activities--beachcombing, collecting specimens; birdwatching and plant identification! Bring binoculars, a lunch and outdoor gear. Call for reservation (415) 792-0222.

This program is guaranteed to introduce you to the new San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge!!

YEAR OF THE COAST

1980, "The Year of the Coast" as designated by President Carter, is being celebrated by the National Audubon Society with coast walks along all of the major coastlines of the United States. The walks will begin simultaneously on all four coasts on May 10 and will continue through the summer. The walks are part of a cooperative effort by environmentally concerned groups to bring public attention to the coast for its value as a natural resource as well as well as to re-ignite interest in all environmental issues.

Syndie Meyer and Robert Peterson, the "Coast Walkers" for the north Pacific segment, will begin their journey in San Francisco on June 14. This part of their thousand-mile walk will be hosted by Golden Gate Audubon. The public is invited to accompany the Walkers for the 6½ mile walk along the San Francisco Coast. The walk will begin at San Francisco Zoo (corner of Sloat and 46th) at 8:00 AM Saturday June 14, and will continue through Lincoln Park and the Presidio ending at Fort Point National Historical Site.

On the following day Syndie and Robert will walk across the Golden Gate Bridge on the first leg of their 75-day expedition along the coast to Seattle. All along the way they will be meeting, talking and walking with individuals and groups that are interested in the Pacific coast. It is their goal to make the trip an educational one, both for themselves and for the people they meet.

For more information contact: Syndie Meyer, Intern, Golden Gate Audubon, 843-2222.

JAY BIRDS

University of Virginia Police Chief Frank Johnson, after the arrests of seven students for streaking the campus Wednesday: "They told one of my officers they were with the Audubon Society. They said they were naked jaybirds."

HISTORICAL RECOLLECTIONS - By B.N. (Neil) Dickinson

Part VI - Christmas Counts (Conclusion)

From Table II (The SEQUOIA, Oct. 1979) I have selected a limited number of unusual sightings for comment below, limited because of the restricted space available to Ed and Amy. Also I'm not always sure when the sighting is unusual and when the sighter. The section "Notable Counts" (The SEQUOIA, Jan. 1980) listed some unusual sightings.

The exploratory count of 1948 turned up four species not counted in ensuing years, videlicet, Jim Rigby's Blue Goose (now demoted to a race), White-throated Swifts, Rock Wren and Rufous-crowned Sparrow.

In the first count under the aegis of Sequoia Audubon in 1955, we realized Jim Rigby's hope of pelagic birds off Pillar Point--the stubby-billed little alcid, the Ancient Murrelet, and Sooty Shearwater as it "glides and tilts over waves on narrow wings (Peterson)." In 1969, Henry and Louise Hoffman found another rare alcid, the Marbled Murrelet, at the Point while Bill Anderson, of California Fish and Game, and party observed 42 Sooty Shearwaters, an Elegant Tern, plus a Rock Sandpiper. In 1971, Fran and Leroy Nelson discovered 24 White-fronted Geese on Waterdog Lake, Belmont!

In her last year in the field before taking over the command post, 1957, Oleta and I discovered a pair of Black Oystercatchers at Pillar Point and in 1964, 75 of the 76 Snow Geese counted were observed by Oleta as they flew past our front window along the hill front.

On count day, 1970, Alice Steele Johnson located only the female of the pair of Barrow's Goldeneye she had staked out and memorized at Coyote Point. This was ignominiously published with the Common Goldeneye despite my explanation submitted with the tally.

Over the years we secured a nice sprinkle of rare hawks:

Swainson's in 1963 at Crystal Springs by "Monty" Montgomery and party; in 1970 a pair riding the wind sweeping up the hill in front of our house; in 1971 in the headwaters of Tunitas Creek by Henry and Louise Hoffman.

Ferruginous in 1958 at Pillar Point by the late Les Sleeper and Robert Arbib; in 1963 at Crystal Springs by Monty and party.

Merlins in 1957 a pair in upper Tunitas Creek by my son, Joe, and me; in the ensuing year a single in the same area by Les Sleeper.

The two Soras walked out of the marsh at the foot of the headland at Pillar Point into the view of Les Sleeper and Bob Arbib - 1958.

Winona Sears and Charles Hice turned up some rarities in the Belmont marshes in 1960--a Black Rail and a pair of Least Tern in company with Forester's. Black Rails were not uncommon on Greco Island, albeit, stealthily, according to John Larson, then Bay Area Warden for National Audubon. John also reported 43 Baird's Sandpipers (which he knew well from Green Island off the Texas coast where he was also warden for National) from Greco Island in 1956. Alice Steele Johnson found 10 of these peeps at the San Francisco airport in 1964.

Both the Calliope and Rufous Hummingbirds of 1969 were winter residents at the feeders maintained by Mrs. Helen D'Arcy and her sister, Miss Henrietta Wise, in Hillsborough. Paul Lechich enlisted these ladies in the count.

The Yellow-shafted Flicker of 1967 was a visitor to the yard of Ruth Hass in San Mateo while the 1969 bird was spotted near Pulgas Temple by Peter Metropulos and Fran and Leroy Nelson.

A number of rare winter visitors from the Tyrannidea were spotted over the years; a Western Flycatcher wintering in Bob Arbib's yard in 1957 and one also found at Huddart Park by Natalie Friend in 1969; a tropical Kingbird at Coyote Point in 1966; two Ash-throated Flycatchers seen in 1958 at Pillar Point by Les Sleeper and Bob Arbib; a pair of Western Wood Pewees spending some time in 1956 on Hillcrest Way near my house. The Kingbird, first reported as a Western by the Ivan Angles but confirmed to be the tropical by Monty and others, was far from its normal winter haunts near the Mexican border. However, the others are summer residents, locally and/or in the Sierra, which might be expected to linger near the coast under propitious circumstances.

Occasionally Swallows stayed into the winter--a Tree Swallow at Lake Pilarcitos noted by Bill Anderson in 1966 and another by Paul Lechich in 1970--two Cliff Swallows along Hillcrest Way in 1966 (BND).

In 1965, the Ivan Angles counted 65 Black-capped Chickadees at Lake Pilarcitos mingled with the Chesnut-backed while Sally Kinsell noted 10 at Huddart Park in 1968.

Les Sleeper found the Canyon Wren in upper Tunitas Creek in 1963.

Sally Kinsell reported a "miniature Mockingbird" in her garden in 1968. In 1971 Fran and Leroy Nelson wrote "We may have one more species to add to our list, it depends upon whether or not we locate a certain little bird to confirm." They did, another Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.

Bill Anderson's Yellow-headed Blackbird at Crystal Springs in 1967 was an adult male!

Orioles are not complete strangers to our area. Myrtle and Bill Monroe hosted a pair of Hooded Orioles in downtown Redwood City who successfully fledged young in 1953 and 1954 in a nest housed in a weeping willow tree. Cliff Daniels had the Hooded as guests at his feeder for three years, 1967-69. On our counts Winona Sears entertained a Hooded at her feeder in 1959 and the Rev. and Mrs. Victor Morgan a pair at their feeding tray in 1969. Paul Lechich hosted the Bullock's in 1968.

In 1967, Winona Sears saw a couple of Vesper Sparrows hopping along with a flock of walking Pipits. Also in 1967 Paul Lechich counted 29 Chipping Sparrows in Burlingame and San Andreas Reservoir and Aveline Butler a single bird in Redwood City. Aveline reported two Lincoln Sparrows in 1964 while the Hoffmans found the species in upper Tunitas Creek in 1969 and 1970.

My big regret now is that I didn't claim the Yellow-billed Loon in 1971 as well as describing the sighting in the memo accompanying the official tally. Certainly Bob Bailey and I studied the bird in Upper Emerald Lake long enough with a 40-power spotting scope and in excellent light. Bob is the son of Dr. Edgar H. Bailey, Research Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, who was one of the organizers of the current Palo Alto count.

RETIREMENTS

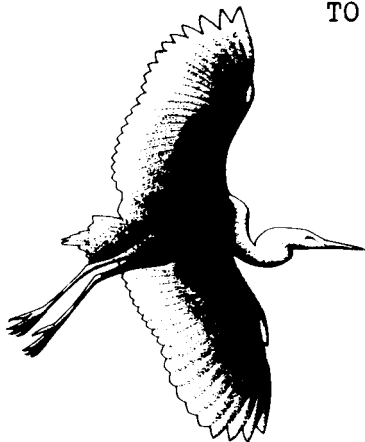
This issue, our 84th, marks the end of the tenure of Ed and Amy McElhany as editors of the SEQUOIA. What small measure of creativity we may have mustered appears to have passed its peak and it is time to turn over to others the task of guiding the production and evolution of the SEQUOIA. Our work during these past eight years has been made vastly easier and more enjoyable by the unfailing support of the Board of Directors and by the dedicated and effective efforts of monthly contributors and our faithful mailing crew. Thank you all!

Our interest in Audubon matters generally and Sequoia Audubon specifically continues undiminished. We will see you as always at the monthly meetings.

Ed and Amy McElhany

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SEQUOIA CALENDAR

JUNE	5	Thursday	Board Meeting
	7	Saturday	Field Trip Sunol Regional Park
	12	Thursday	Monthly Meeting at Garden Center
	15	Sunday	Field Trip. Fitzgerald Marine Reserve
	28	Saturday	Field Trip. PRBO and Point Reyes
SEPT	4	Thursday	Board Meeting
	11	Thursday	Monthly Meeting at Garden Center Bring your favorite slides from your vacation as we did last September!

This is the last issue of the 29th year of the SEQUOIA. Next issue will be the September number.

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

January 1, through June 30, 1980

This is the last month of the membership drive. The member who sends in the most new memberships (with his and the subscriber's name on them) to P.O. Box 1131, Burlingame, CA 94010 will be presented with a Roger T. Peterson painting. Bring back someone whose membership has lapsed for 6 months or more--that counts too.

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