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Sept. 26
Wednesday

GENERAL MEETING - THE CALIFORNIA CONDOR

Tonight's guest speaker will be Janet Hamber, associate curator of vertebrate zoology at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History and a long-time member of SBAS. Jan has conducted extensive field research on the California Condor for a number of years and is currently a member of the Condor Recovery Team. Tonight she will give us an historical perspective on the condor situation as well as an update on the recovery program. This meeting will be held in the Fleischmann Auditorium at the Museum of Natural History and begins promptly at 8:00 pm. See you there!

SPECIAL REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS

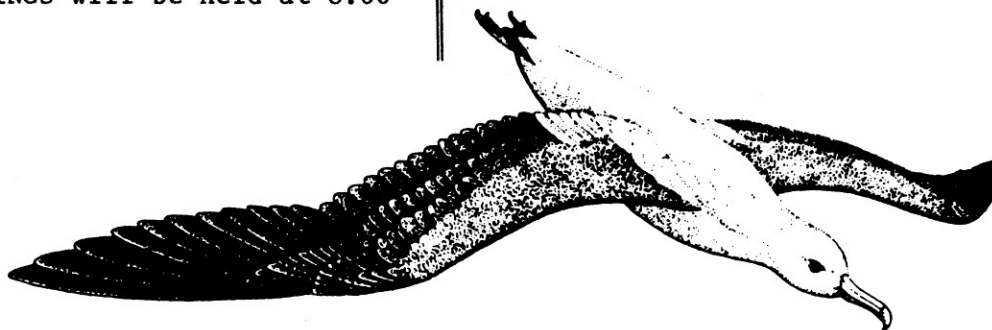
As was announced in last month's Tecolote, the traditional Friday night general meetings have been changed to the **FOURTH WEDNESDAY** of every month. **HOWEVER**, please note the following exceptions: In **OCTOBER**, the general meeting will be held in **FERRAND HALL** (next to the Planetarium in the Museum of Nat. Hist.).

In **NOVEMBER**, there will be **NO** general mtg. November and December's meetings will be combined and held on the **FIRST WEDNESDAY IN DECEMBER** in the Fleischmann Auditorium.

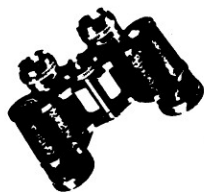
ALL MEETINGS will be held at 8:00 pm as usual.

Please take note of these changes and mark your calendars early. Announcements for the general meetings will be printed in the Tecolote one month prior to any given meeting.

The September 26th meeting, announced directly above, is the first meeting of the Audubon year and marks the fourth Wednesday of the month. It is our hope that the change in evenings will allow more members to attend. So, with all of that in mind, see you at the meetings.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



HAWKWATCHERS NEEDED

Volunteers who can pay for their own room, board, and training are needed for two raptor studies this fall. One research project is in the Goshute Mountains of Nevada, the other is on the Maine coast. Both projects are headed by respected ornithologists. Volunteers sign up for ten-day stints of hands-on study as the fall migration of hawks passes overhead.

For information write: Raptor Projects, Earthwatch, 10 Juniper Rd., Box 127N, Belmont, Mass. 02178.



MEMBERSHIP



A local membership in the Santa Barbara Audubon society entitles you to attend field trips and monthly general meetings; to elect local board members and to receive the El Tecolote, chapter newsletter. Membership in the National Audubon Society entitles you to receive the nationally acclaimed Audubon magazine and automatically enrolls you as a local member. The following is a complete list of all membership prices and qualifications:

- \$30 Individual (National)
- \$38 Family
- \$10 Local (Individual or Family)
- \$18 Full time student (National)
- \$21 Senior Citizen (65 or over)
- \$23 Senior Citizen Family
- \$50 Sustaining member
- \$100 Supporting member
- \$250 Contributing member
- \$1500 Life member

Local and national membership applications are available now. Just contact our office at 964-1468.

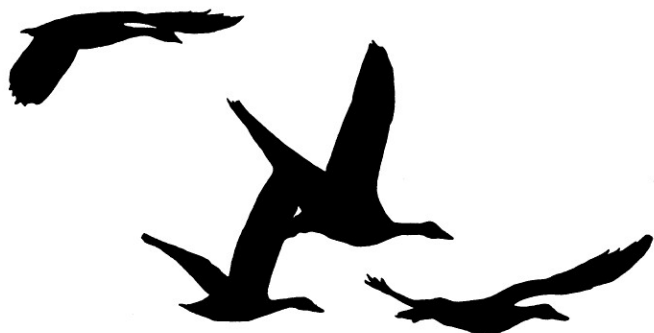
"BIRDING" SALE?

Audubon members Gerd and Rose Schön will be returning "home" to Germany Sept. 20. After 2 years in the U.S. they have managed to acquire many items which they cannot take back with them and thought that a few might be of interest to the remaining birding population of Santa Barbara:

- . "Birding" Bike - 12 speed Peugeot. Almost new. It's red with a cable lock (for locking to trees while birding), a light, and basket (for holding binoculars, scopes, etc.). Only \$180!
- . 1980 "Birder's" Rabbit (VW) (for driving to birding locations) 59,000 miles, new tires.
- . 2 Dining Tables and a complete set of kitchen supplies (chicken dinners perhaps?).
- . 1 Couch and 4 Coffee Tables (for snuggling up and reading birding books at tea).
- . Giant Plants (for outdoor living - indoors, or for playing hide-and-peep - uh...seek!).
- . 2 Rattan Stools (for setting plants on, bird cages, or yourself).
- . 1 Large and 2 Small Bookshelves (for bird books, of course).
- . 1 Armchair and 6 wooden chairs (bird discussions perhaps?).
- . 1 Small Cupboard (for hiding bird books from uninterested spouse, lover, roommate, etc.).
- . 1 Queen size bed (I'll leave it to you) and 1 Small Bedroom Dresser.
- . AND many other household misc.

If you're interested in any of the above items or know of anyone who is, please call Gerd or Rose at 968-6203.

Good Birding!!!



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS!!!!

- August 27 Bikeathon - LOS ANGELES TO MONO LAKE
Monday All are invited to participate in this 350 mile ride. The trip length is 6 days with an average daily distance of 60 miles. Contact Stephen Osgood at 213/477-5754 or 477-8229 for more information.
- Summer Boat Trip - FARALLON ISLANDS
Oceanic Society Expeditions offers boat trips every Sat. and Sun. throughout the summer to the Farallon Islands. The tours are \$40 per person and last 8 hrs. Passengers remain on board. The islands, located 20 miles west of San Francisco, are noted for their abundant birdlife. For information and reservations contact the Oceanic Society Expeditions, Fort Mason Center, Bldg. E, San Francisco, CA 94123. 415/441-1106 or 474-3385.
- August 1 through Sept. 30 Watercolor and Oil Painting Exhibition - by LARRY IWERKS
Paintings by Larry Iwerks will be on display at La Playa Azul Cafe, 902 Santa Barbara Street through September. The show includes in-the-field Landscapes from Death Valley, Cuyama Valley, East Sierra, and Mendocino.
- Sept. 9 Historical - CALIFORNIA EARLY MISSION MUSIC
Sunday This is a beautiful and unusual musical program performed in honor of the bicentennial of the death of Padre Junipero Serra. Performance Sunday, Sept. 9 at 4:00 pm. Call 682-4711 or 687-0689 for reservations.
- Sept. 9 Field Trip - MC GRATH BEACH
Sunday Meet at the Bird Refuge at 8:00 am. Leader: Tom Worster 964-1562.
- Sept. 15 Field Trip - DEVEREAUX SLOUGH
Saturday Meet at the Kiosk at the entrance to Devereaux School at 8:00 am.
Leader: Rob Lindsay 968-8895
- Sept. 23 Field Trip - REFUGIO CANYON
Sunday Meet at the K-Mart Parking lot at 8:00 am. Call John Flavin at 965-4979 for more information. Leader: TBA
- Sept. 26 General Meeting - THE CALIFORNIA CONDOR
Wednesday Details on the front page of this Tecolote. This meeting will be held in the Fleischmann Auditorium promptly at 8:00 pm.
- October 13 Field Trip - WINCHESTER CANYON
Saturday Meet at the K-Mart parking lot at 8:00 am. Details in upcoming Tecolotes.
Leader: Guy Tingos 687-8266
- October 20 Plant Sale - SANTA BARBARA BOTANIC GARDENS
Saturday Open to the general public from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. (Open to Garden members 9:00 am to Noon). This popular event started as a way of sharing extra plant material that was grown by the Garden for its landscaping needs. The plants available this year come from the Garden's own stock, special orders, and plants especially propagated by a volunteer group that regularly grows plants for sale to the public. Native trees, shrubs, bulbs, succulents, and herbaceous perennials will be featured; but there will also be an interesting selection of exotics, non-native succulents, and hanging baskets. The sale will be held in the courtyard of the SB Botanic Garden, 1212 Mission Cyn. Rd. In the event of rain, the sale will take place the following Saturday, Oct. 27.

SOUTH COAST BIRD REPORTS

Los Angeles 213/874-1318
San Bernardino 714/793-5599
San Diego 619/435-6761

AUDUBON HOTLINE

Environmental issues such as acid rain and wilderness ride the unpredictable machinery of government. They may stall out, speed up, or abruptly turn a corner. For the latest word on hot issues, call the National Audubon Society hotline: 202/547-9017.

WHAT DID THE CANARY SAY TO HER BOYFRIEND
WHEN HE GAVE HER BIRDSEED FOR HER BIRTH-
DAY??

(Answer: Cheep! Cheep!)

WHAT ISLANDS OUGHT TO BE GOOD SINGERS??

(Answer: The Canaries!)



For current news of rare and unusual sightings in the Santa Barbara area, call 964-8240 anytime, night or day. You will hear a three minute recording giving all the latest information. If you have any unusual or exciting sightings, please call Nancy Crawford at 964-7508. Good birding!!!

WHAT HAPPENS TO A DUCK THAT FLIES UPSIDE
DOWN???

(Answer: He quacks up!)

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