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## ANNUAL PICNIC and BOARD ELECTION

SUNDAY, JUNE 3 - 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

OUR LAST MEETING UNTIL FALL! COME ONE, COME ALL to a private park at 1027 Old San Marcos Road, 2½ blocks north of Cathedral Oaks Road. Look for the AUDUBON sign on the left.

### MENU

Wine	Antipasto Tray	Sweet Cider
BBQ Tri-tips	<u>OR</u>	Vegetarian Loaf
Ranch-style Beans		Tossed Green Salad
	Hot Garlic Bread	
Coffee	Dessert	Tea

Cost: \$6.00 per person

\$4.00 children under 12

### BRING YOUR OWN CUP, PLATE AND SILVERWARE

There will be time for socializing, and games including volleyball, basketball, and swimming in the heated pool. (Dinner approximately 2:00 pm).

DEADLINE for reservations is Tuesday, May 29. Please use the reservation form on the back page.

SEND IN YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!



## C A L E N D A R

- May 3 Board of Directors' meeting, Conference Room, 5679 Hollister Ave.  
Thursday 7:00pm Members welcome.
- May 5 Goleta Creeks, half-day. Our local creeks have lots of birds.  
Saturday 8:00am Hummingbirds, tanagers, orioles expected. Meet at the bridge over  
San Jose Creek, upper end of Patterson Avenue near Cathedral Oaks.  
Leader: Ron Hirst 967-4966
- May 12 Refugio Road, half-day. Breeding riparian birds and orioles,  
Saturday 8:00am Lazuli Buntings, Western Bluebirds and Chipping Sparrows are  
highlights. Meet at Jack-in-the-Box, corner Storke and Hollister.  
Bring lunch and water. Leader: Guy Tingos 687-8266.
- May 19 De la Vina Canyon, half-day. Creekside and canyon forest and  
Saturday 7:30am meadows on this ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley are scenic and have  
many birds. Three-mile moderate walk. Bring lunch and water.  
Meet at Jack-in-the-Box at 7:30 am if you carpool. Meet leader  
at Santa Rosa Road entrance near Buellton (just before crossing  
river) at 8:00 am. Leader: Brad Hines 735-4823.
- June 3 Annual meeting and Picnic, Giorgi Park, 1027 Old San Marcos Road.  
Sunday 1:00pm See details on front page. Reservation form on back page.
- June 7 First meeting of new Board of Directors. Conference Room,  
Thursday 7:00pm 5679 Hollister Ave. Members welcome.



### BOARD ELECTIONS

At the Annual Picnic the election will be held for the 1990-91 Board of Directors.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Carol Rae, Guy Tingos and Tomi Sollen, offers the following slate:

Directors already on the Board who are willing to serve another term:-  
Ada Babine, Anne Eissler, Ron Hirst, Nancy King, Lee Moldaver, Marie Slaton and Sally Walker.

New nominees:- Margaret Eissler, who works summers in Yosemite National Park as a ranger-naturalist. She is environmentally committed and concerned, both locally and globally.

Everett King, an Environmental Studies major, who spent a year working for the Mono Lake Committee, and who wishes to make a positive contribution to Audubon.

Joseph Martorana, whose interest in serving on the board is in increasing understanding of the ecological problems we face both in our own lifestyles and the political arena; and--

Karl Weissmann, who has been working as an office volunteer for a number of months and who would like to become even more actively involved in our chapter.

Our thanks to retiring Board members Marge Cappiello, Joy Parkinson, Tomi Sollen and Wynne Tuffnell for their services to the Chapter during these past years.

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### MARCH AND APRIL FIELD TRIPS

The last Devereux trip had wide varieties of water and land birds. Blue-winged Teal, Rufous Hummingbird, Hooded Oriole Black-shouldered Kite and five species of swallows were highlights.

The Sierra trip was favored with beautiful weather and spectacular scenery along with a tour and slide show on Mono Lake. Pinyon Jays, Lewis Woodpecker, Dipper, Bank Swallow, Blue Grouse and 150+ Sage Grouse were highlights of the 75 species seen.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ron Hirst and I interacted with 800 Auduboners at the National Audubon Society's Western Regional Conference at Asilomar, Pacific Grove. The theme was "Protecting Ecological Landscapes"--Beringia in Alaska, ancient forests, wetlands, refuges, the Platte Valley, oil, driftnets, California desert. Many informative workshops, videos and slide programs were held.

April's theme was to save wetlands. For our part, we participated in the cleanup of three creeks--Carpinteria, Mission and Devereux.

The Save-the-Mountain lion initiative has qualified for the June 5th ballot as Proposition 117. Thanks to all who signed and circulated petitions.

Join us for the annual meeting, election of new directors to the Board, and picnic on Sunday, June 3rd. fill out the form and send in your check.

Thank you, Board and Committee members, Field trip leaders and office staffers for your active participation during my term in office.



Congratulations to Ron Hirst who received an Audubon Activist Award at the Western Regional Conference at Asilomar. Ten chapters had members so honored.

## CONSERVATION PRIORITIES

The Western Regional Office of the National Audubon Society recently requested chapters to select five priority conservation issues from a list they provided.

The Santa Barbara Board selected the following for our chapter:

1. Wildlife, impacts of commercial fishing gill-netting, purse seining.
- 2a. Wetland and riparian forest protection.
- b. Ancient forest protection.
3. Reauthorization of the Clean Air Act/acid rain.
4. International program for the conservation of migratory species, endangered species, and habitats
5. Offshore oil and gas development.

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### AUDUBON SPECIAL ON TBS SUPERSTATION (Ch. 31 in Santa Barbara)

#### ARCTIC REFUGE

(Narrated by Meryl Streep)

Sunday, May 27 at 10: PM (Eastern)

Monday, May 28. Please check local TV listings.

Saturday, June 2 at 9:05 A.M. (Eastern)

Monday June 11. Please check your local TV listings.

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**RESERVATION FORM**  
**ANNUAL MEETING and PICNIC**  
**Sunday, June 3rd 1:00-4:00 PM**

Please reserve:

Tri-tips	Vegetarian Loaf

Adults @ \$6.00

Children @ \$4.00

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Santa Barbara  
 Audubon Society and mail to:

Tomi Sollen  
 825 N. Soledad  
 Santa Barbara, CA 93103

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**RARE BIRD ALERTS**

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 Modesto (209) 571-0246  
 Monterey (408) 375-9122  
 Morro Bay (805) 528-7182  
 Northern California (415)  
 528-0288 or 524-5592  
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**VACATION IDEAS**



Are you looking for something special to do this year? Would you like to learn about Sierra Nevada natural history? San Francisco State University has an exciting program in its Sierra Nevada Field Campus in an idyllic mountain setting.

How about an Audubon Ecology Camp in the Olympic Peninsula, Texas, Arizona, Wyoming, Yellowstone, Maine, Connecticut or Costa Rica?

Or maybe an African Safari to Kenya or Botswana with David Anderson?

We get wonderful brochures in the mail and they are available for you to read in the office. Maybe one of them is exactly what you have been looking for. Call before coming, to make sure someone is on duty. (We are still looking for volunteer staff to donate an hour or two a week).

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