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BOARD OF DIRECTORS dinner meeting, 5:30 PM at the Korner Kitchen in Bigfork.. Open to all interested members.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING, Flathead Bank of Bigfork in the meeting room. 7:30 Business meeting. 8:00 Program: Dee Strickler will preview slides from his newest book, **Alpine Wildflowers**, to be published in 1990. Dee's other books are Praire Wildflowers and Forest wildflowers. A retired professor in wood technology, Dee Strickler has been photographing wild flowers as a hobby for 20 years.

MONTANA AUDUBON SPRING COUNCIL MEETING, Miles City. See page two for the details.

"And what is there to life if a man cannot hear the lovely cry of the whippoorwill or the arguments of the frogs at night." Chief Seattle

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EDITOR'S DESK

Leo Keane

Hey, let's have some fun! In honor of my favorite holiday, April Fools, I'm compiling a wish list of "Best Case Scenarios". Just imagine... If all, or any, of these improbable occurrences come to pass in April 1989, what a wonderful world it would be:

...Droves of former Californians now residing in Montana, muttering, "This is an average winter?", move back to L.A. ...Fortunately, an equal number of Minnesota's finest, declaring Montana "Norski Heaven!", decide to relocate here, balancing the states' population at 750,000.

...In April, Conrad Burns sees the light and proposes a 2.8 million acre Montana Wilderness Bill and proclaims, "We must preserve the best of the last for future generations". Pat Williams says, "Let's do it!", Max Baucus says, "Well, I suppose...", and Ron Marlenee says, "It's all a godforsaken wilderness!" and moves to L.A.

...Now that we have the place all to ourselves, let's say it rains and/or snows only at night, that we have two-day work weeks, while the weekends (five days) are set aside for helicopter skiing and trout fishing. And let's keep it a secret.

...How about a bluebird in every nest box, ...we find a cure for knapweed, ...timber wolves once again sing from the ridge tops, ...and don't you wish grizzly bears really were afraid of bells?

...In this best case scenario, the US Army Corps of Engineers will set aside all free-flowing rivers in Montana as "National Treasures" and turn their beaver-like ingenuity to wetlands restoration. While were at it, let's take the Kootenai back.

...Go ahead, try one. ...Say you've just received your April Newsletter, you're out on the deck, in sunshine, there might be a few dandelions up, you're reading about field trips and hummingbirds when suddenly it hits you, "By golly," you say, "that Audubon Society seems to be on the right track. I think I'll write out a check for a couple thousand and send it to 'em." Then you wake up and decide to go to the next meeting instead.



Audubon State Office

A big step was taken last month to establish a permanent state Audubon office. A committee with representatives from all of the nine Montana Audubon chapters met in Helena and agreed to open the office as soon as the current legislative session ends. From May to September the office will be served by volunteers from the Last Chance Audubon Chapter. On October 1st, if everything goes as planned, Jan Ellis, Montana's first paid staff person will assume her responsibilities.

At the April 22nd Audubon Council meeting in Miles City final decisions will be made on the financing and organization of the new office. Committee members expressed high hopes that Montana Audubon's growing influence and credibility as a responsible, creative conservation organization will be enhanced by the establishment of a year around state office and staff.

The major hurdle to be completed to insure the October staffing of the office is, as would be expected, financing. The council's finance committee has great expectation that grants that have been applied for will be forthcoming. But, in addition to grants, Audubon chapters and members will need to provide considerable financial assistance. As a first step Audubon members are being asked to contribute to a special state office fund to provide interim financing while fund raising plans are being completed.

So, if you agree that the most active, grass-roots statewide conservation organization in Montana deserves support, please make a contribution to the office fund. **Checks should be made out to the Montana Audubon Council--and sent to Margaret Adams, president, Montana Audubon Council, PO Box 2223, Great Falls, Mt. 59403**

An indication of the statewide efforts of Audubon, and the need for a permanent office, can be illustrated by ongoing Audubon activities at the state level. Jan Ellis, our state legislative representative, reports that funding for the proposed Forest Practices Act was placed in the legislation as a result of Audubon testimony. She also reports that due, in part, to Audubon's urging, the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks will increase the department's non-game staff to two officers.

Other legislative action includes efforts to kill a bill that would cripple the Montana Environmental Policy Act and to support legislation to allow Fish, Wildlife and Parks to lease stream rights to protect fish and wildlife. Audubon representatives have been testifying in behalf of a state water plan which will fully protect fish, wildlife and recreation uses of Montana waterways.

The list of concerns and issues goes on. There is little question that Montana Audubon is going to face great tasks in the coming years. A state office will be of much value in the successful completion of those tasks. We need your support.

AUDUBON SPRING COUNCIL MEETING, April 21, 22 and 23, Rosebud Audubon Society, Miles City at the Olive Hotel (Friendship Inn). Agenda:

- two great field trips: canoeing the Yellowstone and birding at Fort Keogh.*
- two guest speakers: National Audubon experts on wilderness and agricultural affairs.*
- dessert social Friday evening.*
- Saturday evening banquet.*

Registration fee is \$15.00 and is all inclusive except for lodging. Mail soon to insure a place on the field trips to: Rosebud Audubon Society, c/o Ladd Coates, Box 361, Miles City MT 59301. For more information you may call Ladd at 232-2814.

The new MONTANA BIRDING HOTLINE: Interesting bird sightings from around the state. Weekly updates. To receive a recorded message call 721-2935. To pass along your unusual or interesting bird sightings call 728-1296.

HAPPY HUMMING: Adventures in Bird Banding
by Elly Jones



Banding hummingbirds last summer was scary, fun, interesting and amazing! Most of the banding was done at my home at Swan Lake where I maintain one or two net sites. On Sunday mornings I banded at a net site on Dr. Ed Foss' property in Condon further up the Swan Valley. By the end of the summer 250 birds were captured at Swan Lake, and 80 at Condon. Previously I thought I had 10 or 12 hummers at my feeders. After banding we discovered there were many more birds, and that soon after nesting the entire population is transient.

When a bird was captured, age/sex characteristics, wing measurements and the rufous color variations (in the males) were noted and daily weights were recorded, and time of day, temperature and weather. A general trend showed that weights increased during the last hour of feeding. Probably the extra energy helped carry the birds through the cold nights.

We stopped banding during the nesting period in June as only a few rufous males guarded feeders and were impossible to catch. By July juvenile birds (characterized by wrinkled beaks) began to appear. Some of them had distended necks and must have been newly fledged (mother stuffs their crops with extraordinary amounts of food!). Their weights approached five grams or more. Average weights for male rufous hummingbirds are 3.2 grams, and for the female, 3.4 grams. Male calliope hummers are 2.5 grams and the females are 2.8 grams. (I never caught a black-chin hummingbird.) Birds ready to migrate also fuel up to five grams or more to increase body mass for migration energy.

Some highlights of our findings: On July 24 a female calliope hummingbird was recaptured in Condon. Dr. Bill Calder had banded her six years previously in Condon and this was a longevity record for a calliope. Luck came once again when Dr. Calder, this time at his banding site at Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory at Gothic, Colorado, recaptured a newly fledged female rufous hummingbird on August 9. I had banded her at Swan Lake July 25. The distance from Swan Lake to Gothic, Colorado is 684 miles. This turned out to be the longest point-to-point recapture of a migrant hummingbird, and spanned the shortest elapsed time between long-distance recoveries. According to Dr. Calder, through comparison with previous studies and calculation of body weight, and without head winds or bad weather, the bird could have covered the distance in one day! Apparently on first migration, birds fly directions and distances genetically programmed and are sufficient to fly over hostile environments, such as western deserts or the Gulf of Mexico (ruby-throats), to bring them within the winter range of their population.

Another surprise: I thought the fledglings would appear when honeysuckle vines bloomed. In fact the flowers were long gone. It was the snowberry bush that attracted the birds with its tiny bell-like flowers and prolonged bloom. I discovered that snowberry is a member of the honeysuckle family. Their flowers have four times the nectar of Indian paintbrush. Hummers prefer tubular, pendulant, unfragrant flowers. They ignored my red petunias, planted especially for them!

In anticipation of more wonder and learning about these tiny critters, I have made over 400 tiny bands this winter--stored on safety pins and ready to attach to new owners. And I still have one net to mend.

Remember the recipe for nectar: 1/4 cup of sugar to 1 cup of water, boiled a minute or two to discourage fungi growth. No coloring is necessary.

Happy Humming!

Audubon Activist

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

This is a partial list of legislation your Audubon lobbyist has been working on in Helena. Some of these issues have already been decided, while the fate of others is still unknown. Some of these issues are very important to Audubon and we may be calling on you for help. Or, of course, feel free to contact your legislator at any time.

Janet Ellis
Audubon lobbyist

STATE PARKS

SB 388: A Bill introduced by Senator Eck to establish a **Montana Conservation Corps**. We are supporting it. It has passed the House Fish and Game Committee and will be heard by the full House soon.

WILDLIFE

SB 33: Senator Bishop's **Upland Game Bird Enhancement Bill** to improve and maintain habitat for upland game birds has passed the Senate. Audubon testified as a proponent for this bill. It has passed both the House and Senate and is on the Governor's desk.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

SB 327: Senator Keating's bill exempts industry from the **Montana Environmental Policy Act**. We are vehemently opposed to this! It was killed by the House Natural Resource Committee on March 15.

SB 201: Senator Keating introduced this bill to exempt the **Board of Oil and Gas Conservation** from the **Montana Environmental Policy Act** for two years. The bill was amended to give the Board another six months to complete its work on an Environmental Impact Statement on oil and gas, after which the Board will again be under **MEPA** regs. Audubon supports this compromise.

WATER

HB 707: Rep. Iverson introduced this bill to enable the **Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks** to lease water for maintenance of **instream flows**. This is one of the bills we asked for your support on by activating the phone tree. It will be voted on in the Senate Agricultural Committee on March 20.

ARCTIC UPDATE



Conservationists are again mobilizing their efforts to protect Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. During the last Congress we successfully stopped legislation permitting oil and gas exploration and development on the Arctic Coastal Plain but we were unable to secure permanent wilderness protection for the 1.5 million acre area.

The 101st Congress has gotten off to a quick start on the Arctic issue. On March 16, 1989 the Energy and Natural Resources Committee voted Senator Bennett Johnston's development bill (S. 406) allowing drilling in the Refuge, out of committee. **Montana Senator Conrad Burns, who serves on the Energy Committee, voted for the development bill.** The bill now goes to the Senate floor for debate.

But since the Environment and Public Works Committee has jurisdiction over wilderness on the Refuge, the development bill will not be voted on until the Committee decides the wilderness question. For the time being we have a deadlock. However, as chairman of the Environment and Public Works Subcommittee considering the wilderness bill, **Senator Max Baucus is in a position to break the deadlock.**

This turn of events places Montanans in a particularly important position to have their voices heard. As Chairman of the Environmental Protection Subcommittee, Senator Baucus' actions will wield tremendous influence. He needs to hear from us!

There is still time to fight the development bill--the refuge is not being opened tomorrow for drilling. (Particularly in light of the recent record oil spill at Prince William Sound of the Alaskan coast, we would hope there may be a new "go slow" attitude in Congress for further development. Ed.) The focus now is on Senator Baucus and the Senate Environment Committee. **Write or call Senator Baucus urging him to oppose the development bill (S.406) and asking him to support wilderness protection for the Refuge.** Additionally, write Senator Burns voicing your disappointment with his decision to support opening the Refuge to development.

Senator Max Baucus, (202) 224-2651
Senator Conrad Burns, (202) 224-2644

Your legislator's message line is 444-4800.

FLATHEAD AUDUBON SOCIETY 1989 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Now in its fourth year, the Flathead Audubon Scholarship Program is accepting applications from members for this summer's Glacier Institute. Among the finest outdoor/environmental education programs in the Rocky Mountains, the Glacier Institute is geared for the scientist, artist, teacher or anyone with a curiosity for the natural history of this beautiful park. This summer, classes range from "Glacier Grizzlies" to "Wolves of the Mind" and from "People of the Mountain World" to "Stars and Stories". All of the instructors are chosen for their expertise, dedication and ability to share their knowledge. There are over 20 course offerings varying in cost and length so be sure to inspect the Glacier Institute brochure available by contacting The Glacier Institute, PO Box 1457A, Kalispell, MT 59903, (406) 752-5222. Peruse the brochure, then fill out the form below for a Flathead Audubon scholarship to the Glacier Institute.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Audubon members will be given preference.

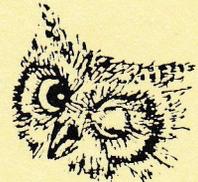
GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The 1988 Scholarship is applicable to any one course offered by the Glacier Institute. One day explorations are available, as well as 2-5 day courses.
- Scholarships cover all or a percentage of the tuition. Fees for recording college credit are not covered.
- The application must be received by April 20 by the Flathead Audubon Society, Box 715, Bigfork, Montana 59911.
- Successful applicants who are unable to attend, must contact the Flathead Audubon Society 3 weeks prior to course date so that a complete refund can be obtained and an alternate can be notified.
- Additional applications may be obtained from members of the Scholarship Committee.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Bob Shennum 837-6208

Robin Magaddino 837-4294



APPLICATION

NAME _____ BIRTH DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

COURSE NAME _____

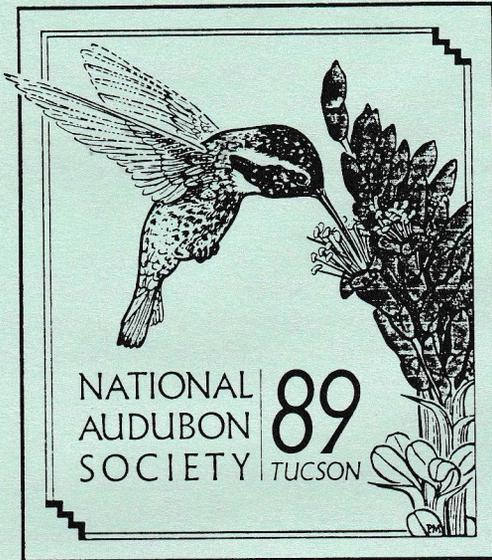
INSTRUCTOR _____

DATE _____ COST _____

ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM PLEASE RESPOND TO THESE QUESTIONS:

- 1) Why are you requesting financial assistance and what percentage of tuition do you require?
- 2) Briefly describe your background.
- 3) What led you to take this course and what do you plan to do with your newly gained knowledge?

MARCH BIRD SIGHTINGS



**NATIONAL
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1989
CONVENTION**

"Our Southwest . . . Challenged by Growth"

**SEPTEMBER 12-16, 1989
TUCSON, ARIZONA**

- Hear provocative speakers and panelists grapple with many of the complicated issues involving growth in fragile areas.
- Learn more about Audubon's major campaigns, such as: wetlands, acid rain, old growth forests, the Platte River, and Alaska's North Slope.
- Participate in the Hands-On Workshops that will focus on how concerned citizens can become more effective and enhance leadership capabilities.
- Explore the natural history of the Southwest and Mexico on a variety of outstanding Field Trips and Tours.
- Join fellow Auduboners to help define our mission for the 1990's.
- Search for the elusive Spotted Owl, Elegant Trogon and Montezuma Quail.

Write *today* for a brochure with all the details!

Audubon Convention
4150 Darley Ave., #5
Boulder, CO 80303

Waterfowl have returned in waves, reminding us once again that our valley with its abundant open space, lakes, rivers and fertile fields is a key migration stop-over on the Pacific Flyway. Larry Schwedes and Barb Baxter who both live in the Lower Valley area reported sightings of large concentrations of swans, ducks and geese visible from the Somers-to-Bigfork cutoff road. We hope you take the opportunity to see this spectacle. **Pintails, widgeon and mallards**, and battalions of **tundra swans** have zeroed in on the flooded fields of the lower valley. The best viewing is from any of the gravel farm roads south of Kalispell and east of Highway 93.

Marge Higgins of Loon Lake reports two firsts for her neck of the woods: a **pheasant** on March 13, and a **meadowlark** on March 15. Meanwhile, Ralph Jones on the Swan River kept busy through the winter feeding two **whitetail** does each with twin fawns, plus a whole flock of **wild turkeys**.

Up in the North Valley, Jeff Cornell already has a **rufous-sided towhee** kicking up a storm under his bird feeder, and a **Harris' sparrow**, presumably the same one that wintered at his feeder last winter, has returned again this March. Jeff reports far fewer **red-winged blackbirds** than in past winters, most likely due to the more severe weather.

Bruce Tannehill and Gail Cleveland acting quickly one Sunday afternoon helped us "bag" a life-list bird. They spotted a **great gray owl** near their home in Happy Valley roosting in a stand of Douglas fir. We got the call from Bruce and immediately grabbed our binoculars and drove out to Happy Valley. Bruce and Gail met us and took us to the location of the roosting owl. We soon spied him--a dark silhouette in the firs. We were able to approach closely and get a wonderful view of his soft, oval face and intense eyes. What a sight! We've heard that there may be a pair of **great grays** nesting in this area. Keep your eyes peeled.

Our own backyard in Whitefish is busy again after a long, quiet (except for those crazy moose) winter. **Nuthatch, pine siskin** and Skippy our almost-a-pet-squirrel spill the seeds out of the feeders while **juncos** and **varied thrushes** pick up the "scratch".

That's the good news. It looks like a bird-filled spring.

SPRING FIELD TRIPS 1989
Flathead Audubon Society



All Audubon members, families, friends and interested people are welcome on any of our field trips. This is a great way to learn more about birds, see new areas and meet fellow birding enthusiasts. Participants should bring binoculars or spotting scope and a field guide. Be sure to wear sturdy foot gear. Be prepared to drive or help others with gas money. Walking distances are noted. It's not too late to add to our field trip roster if you'd like to suggest or lead a trip. For more information call Gail Leonard, field trip chairperson, at 862-5807.

APRIL 15: Waterfowl Tour of the Lower Valley. Meet at the Ramada Inn south of Kalispell on US 93 at 8:00 AM. Dan Casey, a wildlife biologist with the Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, is very familiar with this area and will give us a first class tour for waterfowl on the various sloughs. Most viewing will be from roadways so little walking is required. The trip will return by 2:00 PM. No need to sign up ahead of time, but for more information you may call Dan at 857-3143.

APRIL 22-23: Audubon Spring Council Meeting. Two field trips in conjunction with the Spring Council Meeting hosted by the Rosebud Audubon Society in Miles City: Canoeing on the Yellowstone River, and Birding at Fort Keogh. (See related article elsewhere in the Newsletter.) Call Ladd Coates for information on these field trips at 232-2814.

APRIL 29: Pleasant Valley of the Fisher River. Meet at Buttreys Parking Lot on the west edge of Kalispell at 7:30 AM. This has become one of our favorite field trips--a full day tour of a fantastic birding area northwest of Kalispell. Stops will include Middle Thompson Lake, and the various lakes and meadows of Pleasant Valley. Sightings in past years have included sandhill cranes, wood ducks, American bittern, Wilson's phalaropes, merlin and eagles--just to name a few. Bring a lunch, and be sure to have a full tank of gas if you plan to drive. Car-pooling will be arranged at the meeting place. Moderate walking. Leo Keane is the trip leader, and you may call for information at 862-5807.

MAY 13: Audubon's 103rd Birthday Walk. Meet at the Kootenai Gallery in downtown Bigfork at 2:00 PM for this two mile walk up the Swan River Canyon, led by Ruth White. This is a beautiful walk, and there's always lots to see--from eagles to ouzels. It is a moderate walk, entirely on the roadway. Ruth's number is 837-6157.

MAY 21: Wild Horse Island. This is our fund raising field trip for the Montana Audubon wildlife Fund. We were unable to make it last year due to the low water level of Flathead Lake, but should be right on target this year.

This is a self-guided field trip. There are areas for all ages and abilities of hikers and you are free to go where you wish. There are no marked trails on the island, however, so those who plan to cover a lot of ground should have good route-finding skills. We will provide you with maps and a flower list.

We are limiting this trip to 30 people, though if demand is great we may add another day. To sign up send a check payable to Flathead Audubon for \$12.00 (which includes your \$5.00 tax deductible contribution to the Audubon Wildlife Fund) to: Gail Leonard, 514 Pine Place, Whitefish, MT 59937. The cost is for each participant except for children under 5, who are free. Indicate if you'd like to depart for the island at 8:30 or 9:30 AM. Return times will be determined when we depart. I will confirm your space via a postcard, which will also serve as a receipt for your \$5.00 tax-deductible contribution.

We will depart from Rainbow Landing at Big Arm on the west shore of Flathead Lake at both 8:30 and 9:30 AM. If the weather is poor (very windy or rainy) the trip will be rescheduled for June 10. If it is just gray or drizzly we will go ahead.

For more information please call Gail Leonard at 862-5807.

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FIELD TRIPS continued

JUNE 10: Wild Horse Island alternate day. In case of rain on May 21, the Wild Horse Island trip will be rescheduled for this date.

JUNE 17: Red Bench Fire. For this field trip we will tour the site of the Red Bench Fire in Glacier National Park. The Park will provide a naturalist, and Phyllis Snow, a US Forest Service hydrologist who is involved in the rehabilitation efforts will also contribute. Details are still being worked out due to uncertainties about the status of roads and bridges in the area. Check the May Newsletter.

JUNE 24: The Raptor Room. Ken Wolff has offered to show us some good birding spots in the Swan Valley and cap the day with a tour of his bird rehabilitation facility. Meet at the Lake Hills Shopping Center parking lot at 8:30 AM. We will car-pool down to Condon. Short and easy walking will be involved. Rod Ash is working out the details of this trip, you may call him at 754-2289 for more information. The Swan Valley is exceptional habitat for many songbirds: warblers, vireos, thrushes, orioles and flycatchers, and Ken Wolff's facility is a good way to see raptors--owls, hawks and eagles--up close.

ELECTIONS

**Regional Board of Directors
National Audubon Society**

We have two candidates running for the Rocky Mountain Regional Board of Directors. An abbreviated biography of each candidate follows. (See the last newsletter, The Pileated Post, March, 1989, for the candidates complete biographies and qualifications.) This is an important election that will effect how our Regional Office responds to local chapter concerns. Please vote for one candidate and return your ballot to Flathead Audubon at the April meeting, or mail to: Flathead Audubon Society, PO Box 715, Bigfork, MT 59911.

Harriet M. Marble

Harriet is a member of the Upper Missouri Audubon Chapter in Great Falls, Montana. She is an active member of the Montana Audubon Council serving as President for three years. She is presently helping with fund raising projects for the MT Audubon Wildlife Fund, and serves as a representative to the Waterton-Glacier Ecosystem Coalition.

Randall L. Gray

Randy has been a member of the National Audubon Society for 19 years. He has a B.A. and M.A. in biology and is presently working on a PhD in wild-life ecology, natural resources, and environmental policy at the University of Arizona. He also works as a district conservationist for the USDA, Soil Conservation Service.

**Regional Representative to the National Audubon Society
Board of Directors. Please vote for one.**

HARRIET M. MARBLE (Incumbent) _____

RANDALL L. GRAY _____

Mail to: Flathead Audubon Society, PO Box 715, Bigfork, Montana 59911.

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National Audubon Society

CHAPTER
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Yes, I'd like to join. Local Chapter:

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P.O. Box 51001
Boulder, Colorado 80322-1001

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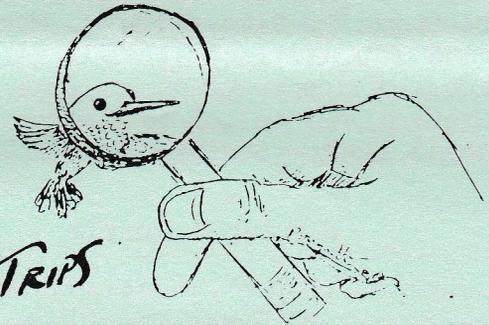
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THE FLATHEAD AUDUBON SOCIETY meets on the second Monday of each month from September through May. Regular monthly meetings are preceded by an Executive Board meeting, the time and location of which are published in the preceding newsletter. The business meeting (7:30) and program (8:00) are held in the downstairs meeting room of the Flathead Bank of Bigfork. These are all open meetings and all interested people are invited to attend. THE PILEATED POST is published nine times a year, September through May, and is sent to all members of the Flathead Audubon Society as one benefit of National dues. For others who would like to receive the newsletter, the cost is \$5.00 per year. Our address is Flathead Audubon Society, P.O. Box 715, Bigfork, Montana 59911.



SPRING FIELD TRIPS



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