NEXT MEETING -- MAY 14th

In May our speaker will be William Brookes, well-known geologist and naturalist; and, also, one of our members. His subject will be The Continental Drift Theory. Another "not to be missed" program. May is also election night. The slate of officers announced in April by Alvin Friedman, chairman of the Nominating Committee, is as follows:

President - Michael Smiles
Vice-President - Elliott Kutner
Treasurer - Jack Fischer
Corresponding Secretary - Ruth Grossman
Recording Secretary - Laura Friedman
Two Directors -
3 years each -
Asa Starkweather
Albert Lemke - new
One Director - to fill unexpired term of
Jack Fischer -
Miriam Raynor

The May Board Meeting will be May 7th.

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ART AND CRAFT SHOW: This will be on Sunday afternoon, May 19th, at Calvary Temple, Assembly of God, at 625 Joy Blvd., Baldwin. Hours 12 noon to 5. Exhibitions for members only. All visitors welcome. See flier inside.

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ANNUAL DINNER: June 11th, the date of our regular June meeting. Guy Coheleach will talk and show pictures of how he paints birds; one of his prints will be raffled off. Place, Coral House, Baldwin; price, $8.00 per person exclusive of drinks. Promptly at 7:30 P.M. Contact Marge or Charlie Keller at Saratoga Ave., Island Park - Tel. 889-0340.

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ERROR re Theodore Roosevelt Sanctuary: We regret that in last month's Newsletter we stated that the adult summer workshop would be for a three-week period in July. This should have read "The adult workshop is for a one-week period in June." See inside for details.

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For millenia man, in an ever-increasing tempo, has been engaged in the slaughter of his fellow creatures. Until fairly recently, the impact of his greed and blood lust has not been too marked. The immense advances in technology, however, have enabled him to become the major creator of extinct species.

High on the list of species endangered by man's excess killing are the whales. These intelligent, harmless mammals have been a concern of conservationists for years. Recently, various governments have begun to realize where we are heading and have made serious attempts to halt the carnage. The Japanese and the Russians are now the only ones engaged in major whale killing efforts. The United States phased out its last whale fleet in 1971 and has banned the importation of all whale products.

At the U.N. Conference on the Human Environment last year a unanimous vote called for a 10-year moratorium on whaling. This past June the American delegation urged the moratorium at the International Whaling Commission. Only Japan and Russia failed to agree and refused to even limit their catch. Although both nations eat whale meat its contribution to the protein budget is small. It is greed, not need, that prompts the two countries. It is a measure of Japanese efficiency that its whaling industry has set a schedule of slaughter that will reduce the whale population to extinction at the same time that Japan's factory ships become too old to operate economically.

The method of killing is a sickening tale of brutality. "The hunting harpoon", writes an eyewitness, is a horrible 150-lb. weapon carrying an explosive head which generally bursts in the whale's intestines, and the sight of one of these creatures pouring blood and gasping along the surface towing a 400-ton catching vessel is pitiful. Often an hour or more of torture is inflicted before the agony ends in death. I have experienced a case of 5 hours and 9 harpoons needed to kill a mother blue whale."


Also, please write to the big Japanese companies telling them why you are boycotting their goods. Following are some names and addresses:

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New York, New York #10022

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Al. Lemke, President
LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The House Subcommittee on Public Lands has moved into the final stages of deliberation on a proposed wilderness review mandate for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Final action by the subcommittee is expected later this spring on the proposed National Resource Lands Management Act, (the BLM Organic Act) H.R. 5441, of which the wilderness review provision would be part.

The wilderness review measure, now under consideration in both the House and Senate, would direct BLM to identify the potential wilderness areas on the 450 million acres of public lands which the agency administers, and report to Congress on each of them so that a decision can be made by Congress on whether to actually designate the areas as wilderness. Many citizen groups and national conservation organizations have endorsed both the Organic Act and the wilderness review provision.

The Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (of which Senator Buckley is a member) is still considering Senator Metcalf's amendment adding the wilderness review provision to the Senate version of the Organic Act, #S 424. The bill will go to the Senate floor very soon, if not already by the time you read this.

Capitol Hill observers have urged conservationists to beware of delays that may be sought by opponents of the wilderness review provision or of the entire bill. However, these opponents are so few that they cannot hope to stop the bill in a Senate vote; their only chance is in delaying the bill until it is too late for action in this Congress, the tactic they used in 1972. If you have not already done so, please write your Senators urging prompt action on the BLM Organic Act, #S.429.

The stage is set for House action on S. 316, the Eastern National Forest Wilderness bill. Conservationists report that successful House action this year could see the addition of a score of national forest areas in the East, Midwest, and South to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and the establishment of 40 wilderness study areas.

In March the bill was introduced to the House and referred to the House Interior Committee. Identified as H.R. 13455, it is sponsored by Congressman James Haley, chairman of the Interior Committee. It is important that the House Interior Committee reports out a strong bill virtually identical to H.R. 13455, and the only way that will happen is if enough citizens tell the committee what they want. Please write to Congressman Haley and your own congressman expressing a desire to see H.R. 13455 remain intact.

Mike Smiles,
Chairman, Legislation

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Deadline for June Newsletter is May 10th - meeting night at the latest
THEODORE ROOSEVELT SANCTUARY: The next spring walk at the T.R. Sanctuary is Sunday, May 5, at 1:30 in the afternoon. The walks take place on the Sanctuary grounds and this walk will be led by noted local naturalists, Mr. Arthur McManus and Mrs. Rose Miller.

An extensive educational program is going to be offered this summer at the sanctuary. Both adult and children's programs will be run. The adult program will be a workshop aimed at outdoor educators (elementary and Jr. H. teachers, camp counselors, boy scout leaders, etc.) It will be a techniques and materials type workshop that teachers will be able to apply to their classroom and teaching situations. This workshop will be given the last week of June, the 24th through the 28th, and the cost will be $60.00. If anyone is interested in obtaining more information, please write:

Education Committee, T. R. Sanctuary
P.O. Box #5, Oyster Bay, N.Y. #11771

A brochure will be mailed to you immediately.

The children's program will be held for a three-week period in July, three days a week. There will be both morning or afternoon sessions covering topics in natural history, marine ecology, and woodland ecology. Age groups for children will be 8 - 11 and a second older group, 12 and above. Cost has not yet been determined. If anyone is interested in sending their children to this program, please write to the above address and information will be sent you as soon as details are finalized.

Mike Smiles,
South Shore representative

SALT MARSH FIELD TRIP: Our Educational Committee is having South Shore's first trip as noted in the April newsletter. It will be at the Marine Nature Study Center in Oceanside on Saturday morning, May 18th, at 11:00 A.M. – low tide. Adults and children welcome.

This trip is intended to acquaint you with the salt marsh eco-system, life in the tidal shallows and the interrelationships in other marsh communities. We can expect to see shore birds, marsh vegetation, and the smaller inhabitants of the marsh. Our guide will be Bill Overton, an expert on marsh ecology and the Director of the Nature Study Center, which is maintained by the Town of Hempstead.

Directions: From Rockville Centre, take Either Long Beach or Oceanside Roads south through Oceanside to Waukena Ave., left (east) on Waukena to Park where there is a sign to the Center. Signs are adequate from there on.

Linda Schlotterhausen,
Chairman, Education Committee

Tel. 516-561-0247
Before 10:00 P.M.
FROM THE BIRDING FRONT ---

Bird Walk Schedules - All Walks start at
10:00 A.M. unless other-
wise noted. No walk if
it rains, snows, or the temperature is 25 degrees or
below.
For information, call the chairman, Elliott Kutner.
For transportation from the Freeport, Baldwin areas,
call Elliott Kutner - IV. 6-7667; or
Alvin Friedman - RO.4-9069.

MAY: 5th - J.F.K. Sanctuary (Tobay Beach), Jones Beach.
12th - Jamaica Bay, Cross Bay Blvd. south of Belt Parkway.
19th - Jamaica Bay - same.
26th - West End, Jones Beach. Parking Field #2.

Elliott Kutner
Chairman, Birding

- MEMBERSHIP -

As the President announced at the April meeting, our member-
ship is now around the 900 mark - an amazing growth at the end of the
4th year of our existence. We had hoped to be able to list the names
of our new members, as we said in April. But, again, space does not
permit; and the reason for this is that if we add another sheet to
our Newsletter, we will go over the 10¢ postage rate. So, we are waiting
until we have less news, and probably now until September.

Our reason for writing all this is to say that obviously we
do not have all of our members come out to the meetings. However, we
want to say a cordial welcome to all new members and all those who have
not come before. Come to the Freeport Library and join us on the second
Tuesday night. Make yourself known to our Membership Chairman, Dorothy
Lovering; or, to anyone else. You will be welcomed.

More Legislation:

The pet trade is launching strong opposition to the
Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife's proposed ban on importation of
exotic pets, a ban which National Audubon supports. Public hearings
are to be scheduled later in Washington, D.C., San Francisco and Miami.
Our views are important. Hopefully, more in the next issue.

Redomestic pets. Senator Birch Bayh (Bill #S.1032)
and Representative Edward Koch (Bill #H.R. 6920) have introduced a bill
to provide Federal loans for municipalities to operate low-cost, non-
profit clinics for spaying homeless dogs and cats. The problems of the
millions of these homeless animals that roam the country hungry and
diseased, could be alleviated by this program. Support for the Senate
bill should be addressed to Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., Chairman,
Labor and Public Welfare Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. #20510;
and to Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Chairman, Senate Health Committee, same
address. Support for the House bill should be addressed to Congressman
Harley Q. Staggers, Chairman, Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. #20515.
NOTE: Mr. Coheleach will have with him some of his wonderful prints, a film, and in addition, there will be a special free raffle of a nature print.

TIME:
7:00 Cocktails and Get-acquainted time.
7:30 Dinner - promptly.

Followed by a great Program!

Mail to:
C. Keller
179 Saratoga Blvd.
Island Park, N.Y. 11558

Reservation Deadline: June 5th
#899-0340

Tickets can also be purchased at the May meeting

Please send ___ tickets at $8 each, (including all gratuities) for the 3rd Annual Dinner Meeting of the Society, on June 11th. Make checks payable to "South Shore Audubon Society."

Select Menu Choices
Soup: Cream of Chicken or Onion
Entree: Top Sirloin of Beef or Stuffed Shrimp
Dessert: Parfait or Other

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Address
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Saturday, May 18
Salt Marsh Field Trip
11:00 A.M.
Oceanside Marine Nature Study Area

Sunday, May 19
Arts, Crafts, Hobby Show
12 Noon - 5 P.M.
Calvary Temple, Joy Blvd.
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