The Palaski County Audubon Society, like all chapters of the National Audubon Society, is in the last month of the six month membership drive. If we can get a larger percentage increase than any other chapter in the region, or the largest numerical increase, the Palaski Society stands to win a prize of $1,000. So will every member please get one new member. We have had a goodly increase so far, but not enough to win a prize. Our new membership chairperson, Jane (Mrs. John) Greer is doing a bang-up job writing letters all over the place, but she cannot do it alone. So volunteers are needed. Whether or not you can help Jane, get a new member. Bill Shepherd advises me that we have 32 new members to date, a 9.6 percent increase. Let’s make it 15 percent.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Membership: Jane Greer
Recording Secretary: Thelma Vollman
Conservation and Education: Edith Bowman and E. P. (Perk) Floyd
Field-Trip: Jack Crabtree
Publicity: Frank Potter

We thank these members for taking an active part in the affairs of the society.

At the April meeting the Society voted to send a telegram and letter to Senators McCellan and Bumpers urging them to vote against confirmation of Stanley Hathaway as Secretary of the Interior.

The meeting was a going-away party for Ellen Neaville. She had to pay for it, though, by giving a slide talk with Mel White on her two-week stay at the National Audubon summer workshop on Hog Island off the coast of Maine. The Audubon Society certainly got its money’s worth when they sent Ellen to the camp... now if two people will volunteer to do Ellen’s work we will be back in business.

The field trip on April 19 to Harris Brake demonstrated to the 35 trippers the use of a cassette recorder to attract warblers by tapping their songs and playing them back to the birds. We saw and heard 5 Swainson’s and 5 Kentucky Warblers. Oddly enough, two weeks later the warblers failed to respond to the same tapes. However, Swainsons were heard singing at the same places about May 17.

The field trip along the Arkansas levee to Pendleton on May 17 was favored by 12 people, 3 from Pine Bluff. We were looking for flycatchers, especially the empidonax. We saw only the resident Acadian Flycatcher, and not one Olive-sided Flycatcher. However, a Least Flycatcher appeared in our backyard in Little Rock two days later. Still we were not skunked at all on the trip. Eleven Mississippi Kites, Bay-breasted Warbler, Scarlet Tanager and Rufous-sided Towhee were satisfactory.

The Palaski Society has awarded a two-week course at the Wisconsin National Audubon summer workshop camp to Tom Countryman, Aldersgate Environmental Education project field trip teacher. Congratulations, Tom.

MEETINGS AND FIELD TRIPS

Tuesday, June 10, 6 p.m.: Picnic potluck supper at the E. P. Floyds at Hensley. Bring dishes and silverware. The society will furnish beverages. To get to the Floyds take the Pine Bluff Highway (U.S. 65) to about a point 1 mile beyond the end of the double-barreled section. Turn right (west) on Woodson Lateral for 1 mile, then turn left (south) into the Lakeisde Country Club entrance. Follow the blacktop road past the lodge, over the dam, to the end of the blacktop. At the end of the blacktop turn left on the gravel road. Perk’s house is in sight at this point, Floyd sign at the house. Follow the Mengsers sign all the way. Dr. Crowley, professor of life-sciences at UALR, will give a talk on environmental matters.

Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m.: Field trip to see rails, gallinules and other water birds in eastern Pulaski and Lonoke Counties. Meet at the 76 Truck Stop at the Galloway Exit from I-40. Bring lunch if you plan to stay all day. Leader Jack Crabtree 753-1723.

Tuesday, July 9, 6 p.m.: Picnic potluck supper at the Little Rock Zoo. The picnic will be held in the pavilion next to the swimming pool. Bring dishes and silverware. The society will furnish beverages. Mr. Charles Wilson, the new Zoo Director, will give a talk.

Saturday, August 16, 4 p.m.: Supper field trip to Lonoke fish ponds to see shorebirds and waterbirds. Meet at the Joe Hogan State Fish Hatchery on U.S. Highway 70 at Lonoke. Bring supper.

Tuesday, September 9, 7:45 p.m.: Regular meeting. Place and program to be announced.

Saturday, September 13 or 20: Field trip. Date, place and time to be announced.

1975 - 76 AUDUBON WILDLIFE FILM SERIES

The films will be held as usual at the U of A Medical Center Auditorium on West Markham Street. The dates of the shows are September 30, November 11, January 27, February 23, and March 25. You will receive an announcement about September 1.

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and send to: Dr. Carlos Arazo, Treasurer, PCAS, 24 Glenridge Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72207
OTHER MEETINGS

June 12 - 15: Joint meeting of the Cooper and Wilson Ornithological Societies at M.S.U. at Bozeman, Montana.

August: Annual meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Overnight field trip by air to Churchill to see birds and whales in Hudson's Bay.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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COMMUNICATIONS

The State Audubon Society spring meeting at Camp Mitchell on Petit Jean Mountain was, as usual, an unqualified success with 150 people present and 137 species tallied for the weekend. Petit Jean has always been a favorite meeting place with the State Society which is why the 20th anniversary meeting was held on the mountain. The best birds seen were probably the Swainson's Hawk, Golden Plover at Holla Bend, Western Kingbird, and the Bobolinks.

The State Society voted to send a telegram to Senator Bumpers saying that the 850 members of the society urged the senator to vote against confirmation of Stanley Hathaway as Secretary of the Interior.

Have you ever wishes for a squirrel-proof feeder? The Museum Sales Corner has the Satellite bird feeder which Frank and Fran Potter assure us is absolutely squirrel proof. The silver model is $9.95, the red, orange or yellow models are $10.95, postpaid. 10% discount to Audubon and Museum members.

There was a fine tribute to Harold Alexander in Charles Allbright's column in the Gazette on May 15 entitled "Philosophy of Man's Commitment," the theme of Harold's two essays in the Wildlife Society's anthology of writings it considers important to man's basic conservation. We are fortunate to have such a fine environmentalist in the state. The anthology may be purchased from the Wildlife Society, Suite 5-176, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20016.

Member Jane Stern has been appointed a delegate to the Constitutional Convention. If anyone is prepared to protect our interests, Jane is.

Don't forget our photo contest open until September 1. Call Perk Floyd at 562-4306 or 888-4252 for information.

Keep this Snipe. It is the last one you will get until September.

Henry N. Halberg, Editor