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SEPTEMBER MEETING

DATE: SEPTEMBER 20

MONDAYTIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: SPOKESMAN-REVIEW

BUILDING 608 NORTHWEST BOULEVARD

**PROGRAM: A SAND COUNTY
ALMANAC BY ALDO LEOPOLD**

ALDO LEOPOLD

Susan Weller

This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of Aldo Leopold's book A Sand County Almanac. Leopold founded the concept and profession of wildlife management and wrote the book to guide new generations of foresters, biologists and land managers. Leopold's philosophy regarding the land is uncompromising. He writes, "In short, a land ethic changes the role of Homo Sapiens from conqueror of the land-community to plain member and citizen of it."

A Sand Country Almanac is a remarkable work. Leopold may not be Mahatma Gandhi, but he certainly understood how well nature takes care of our needs. He also understood how we put our own species in danger by trying to satisfy our greed. Leopold was Yale University educated, a consulting forester, and was Associate Director of the Forest Products Laboratory in Wisconsin. In today's world, it seems ironic that a forester penned the book considered by many to be the bible of conservation. Yet, many

professionals in our community, old and young alike, have been touched by Leopold's lyrical instruction on how best to regard the land and other living organisms.

In September, members from a diversity of backgrounds and professions within our community will come together to celebrate the concept of the land ethic. Foresters, loggers, miners, real estate developers, and others you don't usually connect with the conservation community will read their favorite passages from A Sand County Almanac. A teacher, a journalist, and Audubon members will also read.

Please join us on 20 September at 7 PM at the Spokesman-Review Building in Coeur d'Alene for an evening of community members reading from A Sand County Almanac. Let's celebrate the concept of the land ethic! Let's also celebrate the people who use this ethic to guide them both professionally and personally.

The Book and Game Company located in Silver Lake Mall will have copies of the book for sale at the program and will also offer a variety of books by authors like Barry Lopez, David Quammen, Arnie Dillard and Edward Abbey. •

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

Susan Weller

You would have to be blind not to see that there is an explosion of bark beetles occurring on Idaho's forests. The beetle does not care if the trees it utilizes to carry out its life cycle are on National forest lands or on private acreage. The timber industry is using the beetle as a ploy to gain access to protected timber on state and federal lands.

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Failing that, they are trying to convince private land owners to employ drastic measures that are, for the most part, unnecessary. Take for example a letter I lately received in the mail. The sender asks if I want my property selectively logged, or if I'd like to sell my property outright. The letter reads as follows: "Selective logging involves thinning timber, clean-up of excess brush on the ground, and an overall better appearance of your property". The letter goes on, "The purpose for selective logging is so remaining mature trees and all of the new seedlings can grow to their fullest potential".

Key phrases in this letter are "better appearance of your property," and "can grow to their fullest potential." To be fair, the sender mentions neither the bark beetle nor wildfires. But how many logging jobs these days leave more than a few mature trees? How can seedlings grow "to their fullest potential" if the soil has been ruined and exposed to the drying rays of the sun? Seedlings enjoy the shade of mature trees to protect them from sun. Seedlings grow and are protected from the elements by mature trees.

As a conservationist, I don't feel a tree has reached its "fullest potential" by growing up straight and tall to make the maximum amount of board feet at the mill, or to provide the maximum profit to the landowner. The letter concludes, "This costs you nothing, we pay you!" The intentions of the contractor who sent the letter seem noble when compared to the alarmist rhetoric of a commercial now on the airwaves that does cite the bark beetle. A child asks about logging and an indulgent parent answers, "The forest is sick, honey, because it's too crowded."

As a conservationist, I don't happen to think the best response to the beetle problem is one that ignores and wrecks the other components of an ecosystem to save the market value of timber. In a world without chainsaws, nature would be responding to the crisis by increasing woodpecker populations.

This complex predator/prey oscillation follows a boom/bust cycle that occurs about every five years. The same cycle that is occurring with bark beetles and forests is also happening with rabbits and lynx. As snowshoe hares threaten to consume all the ground vegetation, they become fat and too numerous to be sustained over the winter by the remaining food supply. In turn, Canada lynx populations will experience a boom due to increased food availability and the protein payload in a rabbit. Population fluctuations

occur commonly in nature, the prey and predator numbers alternately rising and then falling.

The truth is, no emergency exists on Idaho's forests. The "crisis" is industry-manufactured and driven. As the windows of opportunity close for timber harvest on our National Forests, attempts to circumvent the law will become more numerous and more desperate. What ever happened to the ideal of sustainable forestry? It is not a myth, we've all seen examples, but these examples are exceptions, not the rule. Sustainable forestry as a concept has been abandoned by all but the most ethical and caring loggers.

Mahatma Gandhi said that nature will take care of all our need--but not all of our greed. Land managers need to plan for predator/prey oscillation and then they need the courage and fortitude to let nature work. Land managers also need the wisdom not to cave in to the hysteria when nature tries to heal itself with a drastic act like ice storms and subsequent bark beetle infestations. Perhaps nature is only responding to a lack of snags and the cavity nesters large and small, primary and secondary, that are required for the system to operate.

Over the next year, Coeur d'Alene Audubon will offer programs and field trips which explore our connection to the land. We will explore the elements of earth, water, and air and the importance of each to wildlife and human beings alike. In September, we will celebrate those who go lightly and thoughtfully over the earth. •

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MICA BAY VIEWING PLATFORM PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Shirley Sturts

In the fall of 1995 our chapter adopted Mica Bay on Coeur d'Alene Lake as part of the Idaho Fish and Game Adopt a Wetlands Program. We started the Mica Bay Bird Survey. Twice a month we count all the birds we can find and publish the results in the Fish Hawk Herald. Using our results, Susan Weller published a checklist of birds for Mica Bay which is available to the public in a box attached to the Adopt a Wetland sign on the site. Other activities have included cleaning up trash, putting up and cleaning Wood Duck and Blue Bird nesting boxes and helping school groups with bird identification. From the beginning we talked about the possibility of someday putting up a bird viewing blind. The time has come! We are in the process of doing just that - the building of a trail and viewing platform.

In the spring of 1998, money was given to our Chapter and to the Kootenai Environmental Alliance in memory of our friend, Gertie Hanson who passed away in May of 1998. Our Board of Directors voted to use this money to build a trail and viewing platform in Mica Bay in memory of Gertie. Wes Hanson, Gertie's husband, approved our plan and suggested we contact the Kootenai Environmental Alliance who was also looking for a way to honor Gertie's memory. Buell and Donna Hollister from KEA, Brian Helmich from the Idaho Fish and Game, and interested members from our Chapter met last fall to look over a possible site for the trail and viewing platform. KEA liked the idea and have joined us in the project. Roger Young and Shirley Sturts submitted a proposal to the Idaho Fish and Game outlining our plans for the trail and platform. The plan was approved and Brian told us he would contact the East Side Highway District and that the Fish and Game could help us with the building of a small parking area next to the trail.

On July 10th, volunteers met to build a trail to the platform. Roger Young volunteered to head the project. Helping Roger build the trail were Del and Corinne Cameron, Kris Buchler, Lynn Sheridan, Janet Callen and myself. Between 7 - 11 a.m. that day we built a 250-foot trail out to where the platform will be built. We still need to widen and smooth out the trail in places. The plan calls for putting in a crushed gravel surface this fall.

On August 11, Roger Young, Del Cameron and Bill Gundlach met at the site to design the platform. Del drew up the plans and made a list of materials needed which he has passed on to Janet Callen. Janet will be looking for donations or discounts on the needed materials. Susan Weller is looking into getting the crushed gravel.

We are all excited about the project. After four years of talking about a viewing platform, it looks like it is going to happen. Those interested in helping with various aspects of the project should call Roger Young 664-4179 or Shirley Sturts 664-5318. We will be having work parties on site later this month and in September. We will be putting the finishing touches on the trail and building the platform. Shirley will be looking for ideas for a memorial sign to Gertie Hanson. Susan Weller will be planning a dedication next May during Wetlands Month. •

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING

Lynn Sheridan, Secretary

Chaired by the new President, Susan Weller

1. Conservation Chair, Mike Mihelich, was asked to say "yes" to an invitation to participate in the Idaho Science Teachers Assoc. Seminar on Oct. 7 and 8. Our volunteers will do a 1-hour program, lead a field trip, and man an information booth.
2. Bill Gundlach, new field trip planner was asked to prepare a booklet listing all proposed trips, short and long, for the next general meeting in September. That is a big undertaking.
3. Financial report for fiscal year 09/99 shows our bank balance is \$732.00. Major expense, other than printing and postage of the newsletter, was 3 two-way radios to use on field trips (invaluable). It was agreed to fund 4 more barn owl boxes. The first 4, two are up, and two have probable sights.
4. The Gertie Hanson Memorial trail has been started. Money for gravel and wood will be taken from the memorial fund to continue the work.
5. We wish to thank the First Presbyterian Church for the use of their meeting room. George Sayler is preparing a gift for them, worth \$100.00. •

NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Susan Weller

Out-going president Janet Callen has our chapter operating like a fine-oiled machine. Out-going education chair Kris Buchler has a record number of Audubon Adventure programs operating in the schools. Romm Rich continues to act like he was born to be our treasurer. Shirley Sturts improves and upgrades our newsletter every year. Who would not want to be president of this fine organization?

I thank our officers, the board of directors, and our 300-plus membership for allowing me to be president for the 1999 transition into the year 2000. Please welcome Kris Buchler as vice president, George Saylor as education chair, Janet Callen as hospitality chair, Bill Gundlach as field trip chair, and Mike Mihelich as conservation chair.

Staying in their positions from last year are Shirley Sturts as newsletter editor, Jan Severtson as membership chair, Nancy Aley as historian, and Lynn Sheridan as secretary.

Please welcome Theresa Potts and Janet Allen as your new members of the board.

As we approach the tenth anniversary of our chapter, I want to thank everyone who has ever served as an officer or board member for Coeur d'Alene Audubon. A chapter is successful only when dedicated, committed, and innovative people operate it. We have been fortunate to continue to find such individuals in our community. Scott Reed, Ellen Scriven, Chuck and Bee Finne, Pam Gontz, Judy and Phil Waring, Cathy Hurrell, Herb Severtson, Wallace Keck, Roberta Rich, Nancy Mertz, Richard Beeks, Charlie Schwartz, Gertie Hanson, Linda Daley, Joyce Cisco, Mike Blackbird, Walter and Roberta Knoles, Amy Kiesbuy, Talopatina Anderson, Mike Lee, Mike Bowman, and Joan Sestak, are names from Audubon's past and present. (I'm sure I forgot a few). The hard work and support of these individuals helped to make our chapter what it is today. Some of these folks have moved to different states. Some have served and moved on. Sadly, some have passed on. Thankfully, some continue to serve or be involved.

Thanks to everyone who helped to lay the bricks in our foundation. Thanks to everyone who continues to build upon it to create this beautiful structure called Coeur d'Alene Audubon. •

SEPTEMBER FIELD TRIP

MICA BAY SURVEY

DATE: September 10 and 27 Friday and Monday

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

MEET: Fairmont Loop and Highway 95

LEADER: Shirley Sturts 664-5318

ACTIVITY: We spend about 3 hours twice a month counting all the birds we can find in the Mica Bay area. Beginner birders are welcome to join us.

ROMAN NOSE LAKE

DATE: September 11, Saturday

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

MEET: East side of Rosauer's Parking Lot

LEADER: Bill Gundlach 667-3339

ACTIVITY: This will be a full day trip to the Selkirk Mountains to look for Boreal Chickadee, Spruce Grouse, White-winged Crossbill, and others. This will be a hiking trip, so bring hiking shoes, lunch and water. For those who wish, dinner will be pizza in Sandpoint.

COUGAR BAY

DATE: September 14 Tuesday

TIME: 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m. (Brown Bag Birding)

MEET: Fairmont Loop Road & Highway 95

LEADER: Bill Gundlach 667-3339

ACTIVITY: We explore the new trails in Cougar Bay established by the Nature Conservancy while checking out our feathered friends

HEYBURN STATE PARK

DATE: September 18 Saturday

TIME: Call Bill for time and details

MEET: Fairmont Loop and Highway 95

LEADER: Bill Gundlach 667-3339

ACTIVITY: Combined field trip with the Palouse Audubon Society. Bring a lunch and hiking shoes.



OBSERVATION POST



Observers: Kris Buchler (KBUC), Janet Callen (JCAL), Pat Cole (COL), Rich DeCarlo (RDEL), Kas Dumroese (KDUM), Earl Clupin (ECHA), Dale Goble (DGOB), Jerry Grey (JGRE), Bill Gundlach (BGUN), Ed Haglund (EHAG), Cynthia Langfritz (CLAN), Stephen Lindsay (SLIN), John Nigh (JNIG), Theresa Potts (TPOT), Forrest Schwelling (FSHE), Jan Severson (JSEV), Lynn Sheridan (LSHE), Shirley Sturtz (SSTU), Charles Swift (CSWI), Gladys Tester (GTES), Jane Westervelt (JWES)
 Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail participants: Shirley Sturtz, Theresa Potts, Kris Buchler, Jan Severson, Janet Allen, Corvina Cameron, Virginia Hill, Lisa Woolfired, Janie Bourgouc

RBA Rare Bird Alert for Northern Idaho-Eastern Washington-Northeastern Oregon Phone (208) 882-6195 or Internet-Web Site: <http://pimacc.pima.edu/~cwilliamson/index.html>

- Pacific Loon:** 1 Mica Bay, Coeur d'Alene June 9 (KBUC)
Pied-billed Grebe: 1 Thompson Lake June 19 (JNIG); 1 Mica Bay, Coeur d'Alene Lake in July (TPOT)
Double-crested Cormorant: 1 Morton Slough July 89, Clark Fork Delta July 21 (PCOL); 1 Wolfledge Bay, CDA Lake Aug. 15 (SLIN)
American Bittern: 1 McArthur Lake WMA May 26 and July 30 (PCOL); 1 Cataldo area (Hardy Loop Rod) Aug. 15 (SLIN)
Great Blue Heron: 25+ nest west end of Fernan lake (KBUC)
Great Egret: 1 St. Maries area June 1 reported to (EHEG) by FSCH)
Turkey Vulture: 1 Thompson Lake June 22 (JNIG); 1 Hoo Doo Valley June/July (Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail Sightings)
Cinnamon Teal: 1 female w/2 chicks Mica Bay, Coeur d'Alene Lake in June (KBUC)
Harlequin Duck: 1 McArthur WMA June 10 (PCOL)
Osprey: 86 young, 5 adults banded Coeur 'Alene Lake - St. Joe River, 6 banded Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River DJOH, WMEL
 (Idaho Fish and Game - 30th year of banding) "late nesting this year due to wet spring —productivity above normal."
Swainson's Hawk: 1 Bunco Road, Kootenai Co. July 4 (SLIN)
Cooper's Hawk: 1 imm Coeur d'Alene north 16th Street (LSHE)
Ruffed Grouse: 1 w/chicks Bernard Peak area July 5 (SLIN); 1 w/chicks Armstrong Hill June/July CDA (KBUC)
Wild Turkey: 3 Hauser Lake July 24 (LSHE)
California Quail: 1 pr w/6 chicks coming to feeder Fernan Lake July (SSTU)
Sora: 1-2 heard Hood Doo Valley June/July Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail Sightings
Greater Yellowlegs: 1 Cataldo area (Hardy Loop Road) Aug. 15 (SLIN)
Franklin's Gull: 1 Sandpoint June 10 (KDUM); 1 Mann Lake, Lewiston July 27 (CSWI)
Caspian Tern: 1 McArthur WMA June 10 (PCOL)
Black Tern: 3-5 Hoo Doo Valley June/July (Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail sightings)
Band-tailed Pigeon: 1 Sandpoint Area June 8 (RDEL); 1 Genessee July 27 reported to (KDUM) by (JGRE)
Great Horned Owl: 1 Cougar Bay, CDA Lake July 27 (LSHE, JCAL)
Northern Pygmy Owl: 1 Gisborne Mountain Aug. 19 (KBUC, JSEV, NALE, SSTU)
Black Swift: 4 Kootenai NWR June 19 and 8 Lightning Creek (Clark Fork) and 1 Sandpoint area July 25 (RDEL)
Vaux's Swift: nested in his chimney in Moscow June/July (DGOB)
Red-Naped Sapsucker: 2 Bernard Peak July 5 (SLIN)
Three-toed Woodpecker: 1 pr Upper Priest Lake June 6/7 (BGUN)
Least Flycatcher: 2 Kootenai NWR June 11 (KDUM) and 1 June 20 (KBUC, CLAN); 1 McArthur WMA Aug. 11 (ECHA)
Blue Jay: 2 Mullan Ave. CDA June 4 (PWAR) and June 5 and 12 (SLIN) (Steve saw courtship behavior between the two - one was feeding was feeding the other, 1 CDA Aug. 3-4 south 16th CDA (BGUN); 1 West Fork Eagle Creek June 6 (GTES)
Tree Swallow: Results of Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail - nested in 40 of the 47 boxes 28 were successful 131 young fledged.
 Nesting success was much higher than last year (1998-41 boxes used but only 17 were successful and only 63 fledged).
Boreal Chickadee: 1 Pyramid Lake (Kanitsu National Forest) July 20 (BGUN)
Rock Wren: 1 Mica Mountain in a clearcut (Latah Co.) July 1 (JWES)
Marsh Wren: 1+ Hoo Doo Valley June/July (Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail Sightings)
American Dipper: 1 pr. nesting under bridge Upper St. Joe River July 15 (BGUN)
Western Blue Bird: Results of Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail (about the same as last year)
 In both 1998 and 1999 6 of the boxes were used and 5 were successful - 1998 fledged 26 1999 fledged 27.
Mountain Blue Bird: Results of Gertie Hanson Blue Bird Trail - 1999 2 unsuccessful nesting attempts
 1998 4 nest boxes used two successful fledged 8 young.
American Redstart: 1 pr Upper Priest Lake June 6 and 7 (BGUN)
Lazuli Bunting: 1 Armstrong Hill, CDA June 25 (KBUC); 1 Cougar Bay, CDA Lake June 29 (LSHE, JCAL);
Vesper Sparrow: 2+ Hoo Doo Valley June and July (Gertie Jason Blue Bird Trail Sightings) •

MICA BAY SURVEY

*Nests found or young observed---numbers include any young

Observers: Shirley Sturts , Kris Buchler, Corinne Cameron, Jan Severtson , Theresa Potts, Elaine Swathout, Nancy Aley, Chuck Tuzil, Lynn Sheridan, Jerry Hanson

SPECIES	MAY 12	MAY 26	JUNE 13	JUNE 29	JULY 16	JULY 27	AUG. 9	
Red-necked Grebe*	2	2	-	1	2	3	2	1-2 pr. on nests
Great Blue Heron	2	3	3	5	2	-	1	
Canada Goose *	18	25	55	11	24	-	8	4+ nests 25+ young
Wood Duck	-	-	1	16	-	-	-	3 fw/13 young
American Wigeon	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	
Mallard *	10	2	12	14	-	-	4	1 fw/3 young
Cinnamon Teal *	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	1 fw/2 young
Northern Shoveler	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ring-necked Duck	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Common Goldeneye	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ruddy Duck	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Osprey *	2	4	2	4	4	4	4	2 pr. nesting
Northern Harrier	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	
Bald Eagle	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	2	1	-	-	3	1	
American Kestrel	-	2	-	-	-	2	4	
Wild Turkey	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Sora	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	
American Coot	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Killdeer	3	1	2	3	1	-	-	
Common Snipe	5	3	2	2	-	-	-	
Ring-billed Gull	-	-	3	3	-	2	3	
Mourning Dove	1	8	4	4	4	17	25	
Black-chinned Hu.....	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	
Calliope Hummingbird	2	5	2	-	2	-	-	
Rufous Hummingbird	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Belted Kingfisher	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Hairy Woodpecker	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	
Northern Flicker	3	2	1	1	1	3	3	
Pileated Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
Western Wood-Pewee	-	3	3	1	3	7	7	
Willow Flycatcher	-	-	7	-	3	-	-	
Dusky Flycatcher	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	
Cordilleran Flycatcher *	-	-	2	-	4	4	-	2 nests
Eastern Kingbird	-	2	4	-	-	2	4	
Red-eyed Vireo	-	2	1	2	2	1	5	
Steller's Jay	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	
Common Raven	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	
Swallows Sp.	1000	-	-	-	-	6	1000	
Tree*	100	10	8	8	40	14	12	3 of 8 boxes fledged 17 young
Violet-Green	-	2	2	1	20	-	-	
N-Rough-Winged	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	
Cliff	-	1	-	-	12	-	-	
Barn	6	13	6	2	6	6	4	
B-Capped Chickadee	1	-	1	2	-	11	4	
Mountain Chickadee-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	

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Mica Bay Survey continued from page 6

SPECIES	MAY 12	MAY 26	JUNE 13	JUNE 29	JULY 16	JULY 27	AUG. 9
Chestnut-b Chickadee	1	-	-	-	-	2	-
Chickadee Sp.	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Red-b Nuthatch	-	-	2	-	-	1	4
House Wren	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Western Bluebird*	-	-	4	2	-	-	1 of 2 boxes fledged 6 young
Swainson's Thrush	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
American Robin	17	25	16	3	19	12	12
Gray Catbird	-	3	2	2	2	1	2
Cedar Waxwing	-	-	3	2	2	8	9
Yellow Warbler	2	10	13	6	9	-	18
Yellow-rumped Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
MacGillivray's Warbler	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Common Yellowthroat	-	3	4	2	5	5	1
Wilson's Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Western Tanager	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Spotted Towhee	2	-	1	-	-	-	-
Chipping Sparrow	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Song Sparrow	10	9	12	6	7	9	10
White-Crowned Sparrow	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dark-eyed Junco	1	-	3	-	2	2	3
Black-headed Grosbeak	-	4	5	3	1	2	2
Lazuli Bunting	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Red-winged Blackbird	30	40	25	8	10	15	37
Brown-headed Cowbird	-	4	8	22	8	-	11
House Finch	-	2	1	2	-	-	2
Red Crossbill	-	-	-	-	1	9	-
Pine Siskin	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
American Goldfinch	1	-	2	-	1	4	-
Evening Grosbeak	-	6	5	2	-	2	2

Observed this summer but not on a Survey day: Bullock's Oriole (Kris Buchler and Steve Lindsay)

Pacific Loon (Kris Buchler), Pied-billed Grebe (Thesesa Potts) •

AUDUBON COUNCIL MEETING

The Fall Idaho Audubon Council meeting will be held on Sept 24, 25 and 26 at Camp Taylor, which is 15 miles south of Pocatello. The theme will be Idaho's Forests. There will be a number of activities, including birding and committee meetings. Contact Mike Mihelich for further information, 664-4741.

FIELD TRIP INFORMATION

Monthly field trips will be held the second Saturday of each month. There could also be special field trips in addition to the regular scheduled field trips - check your newsletter.

Brown Bag trips will be held the second Tuesday of each month between Noon and 1:00 p.m.

Mica Bay Survey trips are held twice a month - check your newsletter for dates and time.

Special weekend field trips will be announced.

Next field trip Oct. 9 - Round Lake State Park
Call Judy and Phil Waring for details 765-5378

Volunteers are needed to lead field trips: Call: Bill Gundlach 667-3339

Board of Directors

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please enroll me as a member in the National Audubon Society and my local chapter, Coeur d'Alene Audubon Chapter (Chapter Code GO67XCH8).

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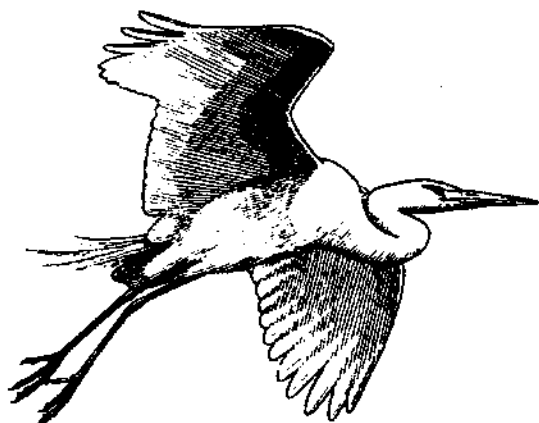
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Introductory membership is \$20.00 for individual or family. Members receive 6 issues of Audubon magazine and the chapter's local newsletter. Please make check payable to the National Audubon Society and mail to Jan Severtson, Membership Chairman, Coeur d'Alene Audubon Society Chapter, P.O. Box 361, Coeur d'Aene, ID 83816

Subscription to the The Fish Hawk Herald newsletter only is \$10.00. Please make checks payable to the Coeur d'Alene Audubon Society Chapter and mail to Jan Severtson, Membership Chairman, Coeur d'Alene Audubon Society Chapter, P.O. Box 361, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83816

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