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MEETINGS:

SEPTEMBER 7, THURSDAY, 8:00 p.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of President Bergeron. Board members and Committee members should attend. Other members welcome.

SEPTEMBER 14, THURSDAY, 8:00 p.m. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING at Roosevelt School, Broadway and Vancouver, Burlingame. The traditional KALEIDOSCOPE program of member-contributed slides will inaugurate the current program season. This is your opportunity to share your favorites (5--30 slides) with the rest of the membership. Please call Roy Carlson (592-4976) to make arrangements. Slides should be made available for sequencing and editing by September 8.

FIELD TRIPS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Chairman: Mark Zumsteg - Phone: 541-4332

SEPTEMBER 2, SATURDAY, 8:15 a.m. DUMBARTON BRIDGE -- PALO ALTO TIDELANDS. Meet at the Ravenswood Substation on the approach to the Dumbarton Bridge. Lunch is optional. Leader: Mark Zumsteg.

This trip is aimed primarily at migrating shorebirds. Prior to the trip, beginning birders should review plates of shorebirds in Peterson and/or Austin. Know what to expect and what field marks to look for!

SEPTEMBER 16, SATURDAY, 8:15 a.m. PESCADERO
Meet at Pescadero Beach parking area. Bring a lunch.

The Pescadero area offers a large variety of birds. Good things to study prior to trip: Scoters, cormorants, turnstones, tattlers, surf-birds, gulls and terns. If you have Western Bird Songs listen to the Virginia Rail.

Leader: Peter Metropulos - Phone: 591-9898

SEPTEMBER 30, SATURDAY, 8:30 a.m. LOWER SAN MATEO COUNTY COAST. Meet just north of Pigeon Point Lighthouse. Bring a lunch.

This trip will afford us views of coastal species. Please review prior to trip: Loons, grebes, shearwaters, Jaegers, cormorants, offshore ducks, shorebirds, gulls and the family, Alcidae.

Leader: To be arranged. For information call Mark Zumsteg.

Dear Audubon Friends:

The traditional Kaleidoscope program in September will signal the start of our '72--'73 year. The World has continued to revolve during our July--August respite. Matters of great concern to all of us continue to develop.

Happily, five years of arduous effort have culminated in the creation of a South San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge of some 22,000 acres. President Nixon's signature was affixed on June 30, 1972.

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Sequoia members can take pride in the significant contributions they have made to this process.

On another front, The Pescadero Marsh, our work has just begun. Only a portion of the marsh is now protected by the State Park System. Past President Charles Newman will lead our efforts this year to further secure and guarantee the protection of this vital area.

Our Chapter cannot actively participate in legislative processes but our individual members can and must. Dr. Ruth Smith, leading the Conservation Committee, will bring us many important issues throughout the year. Each of us must act quickly to make our opinions known to the legislators, supervisors and councilmen who are shaping our future.

Field trips and programs will continue to be the heart of Audubon activities. Field Trip Chairman Mark Zumsteg and Program Chairman Roy Carlson promise you variety and quality in the coming year.

The combined opinions of Audubon people represent a powerful force in America. Let us of the Sequoia Chapter continue to do our part to know, appreciate and protect our natural surroundings.

Sincerely, Albert T. Bergeron, President

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CONSERVATION NOTES:

Election day will be November 7th, and it is none too early to start thinking about some of the important issues that will be on the ballot. Of particular interest to Sequoia Chapter will be the County Charter amendment to provide a fund for purchase and development of much needed parks and open space. The County has long had good plans for this, but money allocated in the budget for this purpose always seems to get used for something else. The Charter amendment would assure implementation of these plans on a pay-as-you-go basis over a ten year period.

The Coastline Protection Initiative, for which some of you worked hard to collect signatures, has more than enough to qualify for the November ballot. This is fortunate as the Senate has again killed a similar bill in committee, and it is badly needed while we still have some coast left to protect, particularly in San Mateo County.

Most of you probably already know the good news that the San Francisco Bay Wildlife Refuge bill was signed into law by the President on June 30th. Congress has since passed appropriations to initiate title clearance for the necessary land acquisition.

-- Ruth Smith
Conservation Chairman

President Al Bergeron attended a meeting on August 2 at which the Wells Fargo Bank reported on the progress of their program for donating a portion of their charge for "Picture" checks to environmental organizations. A total of \$6000 has accrued to date of which California Audubon projects have received \$2500 and the Nature Conservancy \$3500. The Bank's commitment terminates at the end of this year.

The Santa Cruz Bird Club will sponsor a fall offshore trip on Monday, October 2. A Stagnaro sport fishing boat will leave Santa Cruz Municipal Wharf at 7:30 a.m. and return about noon. Tickets are \$1.50 for members -- \$2.00 for non-members. If interested send reservation check and self-addressed, stamped envelope to V. Anderson, 227 Linden Street, Santa Cruz, Ca 95060.

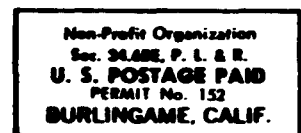
Sign at the entrance of the Pleasure Gardens of Ceylon:

"If you with litter will disgrace
And spoil the beauty of this place,
May indigestion rack your chest
And ants invade your pants and vest!"

October 24	"Yosemite: An Ecological Visit"	John Taft
November 21	"Big Sky Wilderness"	Allan Cruickshank
January 23	"Sky Island: Arizona's Chiricahua Mountain Range"	Robert Fultz
February 27	"Wildlife Safari to Ethiopia"	Jeffery Boswall
April 3	"Twentieth Century Wilderness"	Tom Sterling

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