

Welcome to Central New Mexico Audubon Society! Come join us. All our meetings and field trips are free and open to the public

Ith Annual Festival of the Cranes November 18-21

Each year for twelve years, the Bosque del Apache NWR, the City of Socorro, the New Mexico Game and Fish Department and the Socorro County Chamber of Commerce have successfully collaborated in their sponsorship of Festival of the Cranes. Over 95 workshops, tours, exhibits and demonstrations are planned for folks attending the Festival. Many events are free and the price for most ticketed programs is under \$5 if you plan ahead. After November 4 the fee for ticketed events goes up two dollars.

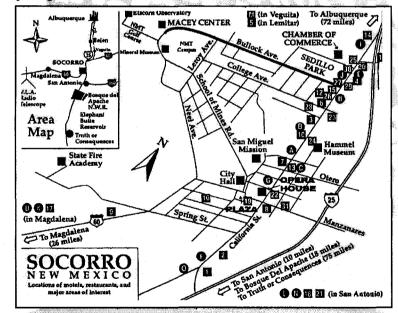
Three keynote speeches are scheduled beginning with Phil Norton on Thursday, November 18. Phil is the Project Leader at the Refuge, and will discuss the ins and outs of managing the Refuge. The following evening, Friday, November 19, Arthur Morris, one of the world's premier bird photographers, will share stories and images of his many special visits to the Refuge. On Saturday, November 20, Patrick Holian will premiere his video production *Bosque del Apache: Ancient Flyway on the Rio Grande*, the final episode of the series *Southwest Horizons*. The first two segments, the flora and fauna of White Sands and the Chiricahua Mountains, won the Finalist Award in the International Wildlife Film Festival. Patrick's work has appeared on PBS and other national networks.

All keynote presentations will be at Socorro's Macey Center Auditorium beginning at 8 pm. The price of admission for each keynote presentation is \$4.00 but after November 4 is \$6.00.

Later in the Burrowing Owl we have highlighted some of the birding, photography and tour events taking place at the Festival. In addition, there will be presentions on bats, Aldo Leopold, the Mexican Gray Wolf, archaeology and Native American culture,

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as well as tours of the Trinity site and the Very Large Array. Plan ahead for the Festival, space is limited and reservation requests are filled in the order received. Even free events requiring tickets are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.



To receive a booklet with all the scheduled events, maps, accommodations and registration information, send your request to: Festival of the Cranes, P.O. Box 743-C, Socorro, NM 87801 or call the Socorro County Chamber of Commerce at (505) 835-0424. Two Festival web sites with additional information are: Festival of the Cranes at www.nmt.edu/mainpage/festival and Bosque del Apache NWR at www.sturgeon.irm1.r2.fws.gov/u2/refuges/newmex/bosque.html. Send email to chamber@socorro-nm.com. See page 4 and 5 for more information on birding and photography events and tours.

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Audubon Field Trips

Everyone is welcome on field trips: Audubon members and nonmembers, novice and experienced birders. Call Sei for more information 266-2480.

October Trips

Saturday, October 9 Percha Dam⁻ This is one of the best sites in New Mexico and we can never predict all of the birds that might be there at any given time and usually, there are surprises. This can be a day trip or an overnight trip. Dress warmly and bring lunch. Meet at the UNM Physics building parking lot (NE corner of Yale and Lomas Blvd.) at 7 AM.

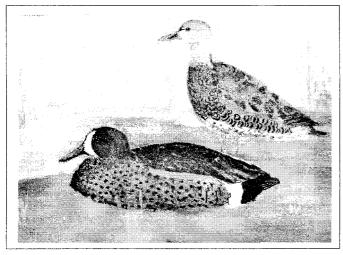
Saturday, October 30 *Bosque del Apache* This is our annual trip to the Bosque to catch the early winter arrivals such as the Ross's Goose. This is a day trip. Dress warmly and bring lunch. Meet at 7:30 AM at the UNM Physics Building parking lot.

November Trips

Saturday, November 6 Las Vegas NWR We will be looking for the lingering and wintering sparrows and waterfowls. Meet at 7 AM at the Far North Shopping Center behind the Village Inn (NE corner of San Mateo and Academy NE). This is a day trip. Dress warmly and bring lunch.

December Trips

Saturday, December 4 *Bosque del Apache* This is a day trip. Dress warmly and bring lunch. Meet at the UNM Physics Building parking lot at 8 AM.



Andrew Rominger, age 12, Junior Duck Stamp First Place Winner (Group2)

Thursday Morning Birding Group

For information on weekly birding outings (every Thursday), call Julie Goodding at 255-9366. Meeting time and location, as well as duration, vary.

A Different Kind of Field Trip

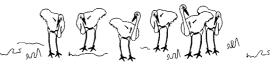
Bosque del Apache is the adopted refuge of Central New Mexico Audubon Society, which means we work to promote its programs and partner with its people. Sei Tokuda urges everyone to participate in these two events.

October

Join us on October 23-24, as we help get trails in shape for the thousands of winter visitors to the refuge. The work can be tailored to meet individual abilities and schedules, plus you can't beat being outdoors in autumn in New Mexico at Bosque del Apache. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Refuge Visitor Center. Wear comfortable clothes, long pants and long-sleeved shirt, and bring gloves, hat, water, lunch, sun and bug screen. Saturday dinner is provided at the Refuge. Call Celia Nobles (884-1991) to RSVP, and tell her you're from Audubon.

November

Our second activity at Bosque is staffing of the Audubon Council tent during Festival of the Cranes November 19-21. Help us greet enthusiastic, appreciative visitors, identify birds, and share your extra field guide or binoculars. It's what Auduboners do best — share our love of birds! Call Jeff Myers, 998-1502, or Beth Hurst-Waitz, 898-



Audubon Programs

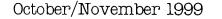
Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. Light refreshments are served from 7:15. Come to St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, northwest corner of Copper and Jefferson.

October Program

Thursday, October 21 - Burrowing Owls in New Mexico. Carol Finley, just back from her research work in the field, presents an entertaining and informative program on her work with Colorado Bird Observatory's Prairie Partners in censusing Burrowing Owl populations in New Mexico. She'll present, via slides and lecture, many aspects of the Burrowing Owls' ecology, the trends we are seeing, and what the current status is in our state.

November Program

Thursday, November 11 (Note special date one week early, to avoid conflict with Festival of the Cranes) *Bosque del Apache NWR*. Phil Norton, the manager of Bosque del Apache, is the one who makes it all work. Phil will present a history of accomplishments and an outline for the future, in pictures and words.



A Guatemalan Connection is Made

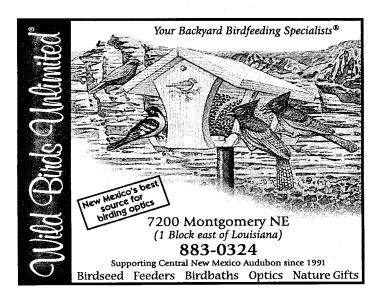
In August, with a partial sponsorship from CNMAS, Donna (Broudy) Thatcher, our longtime dedicated Audubon volunteer and board member, joined a delegation to Guatemala to meet Guatemalan environmental activists and to see some of the areas of concern in that country.

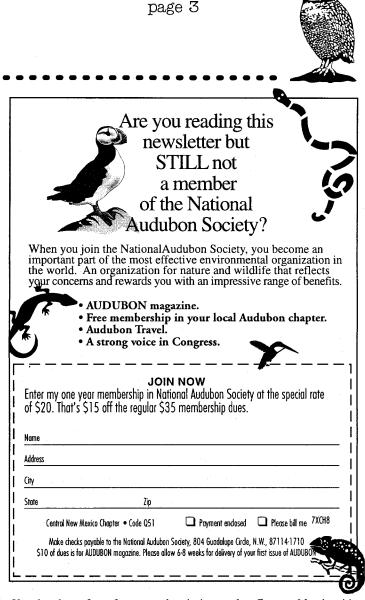


She met with grassroots organizers, government officials, business people, and concerned middleclass citizens. Focus was on the Peten, the northernmost part of Guatemala, which contains part of the largest contiguous

tropical rain forest remaining in the hemisphere, and is the wintering habitat of many North American birds. This area also contains Mayan ruins, oil and natural gas reserves, valuable trees, all of which are being opened for exploitation. Donna will be presenting a CNMAS program in January about Guatemala and the opportunities we may have to influence environmentally sound development in the Peten region.

Donna will soon begin a new job with the Farmington City Museums as Museum Education Specialist. We congratulate her on this exciting new career and are happy she will not be abandoning us completely. A big thank you to Donna for her many years of dedicated work.





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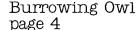
Use the above form for new subscriptions only. Contact Membership Chairperson for changes of address or correction in your Burrowing Owl label. Nonmembers can receive the Burrowing Owl by sending your name and address with \$12 to CNMAS, c/o Beth Hurst-Waitz, 804 Guadalupe Circle, N.W., 87114-1710

Wolves In The Wild

As of July 15, there are 22 Mexican Gray Wolves in five family groups ranging free in the Apache National Forest in Arizona. The first confirmed killing (updated to three as of September 14) of livestock by wolves occurred on July 11, which initiated efforts to recapture the perpetrators. Defenders of Wildlife offered the rancher full-market value of the loss.— from Sangre de Cristo AS

Burrowing Owl Subscription

You can subscribe to our newsletter without being a member of our chapter. In fact, if you live outside our region you will have to subscribe separately in order to receive the newsletter. The Burrowing Owl Newsletter is published six times a year, February, April, June, August, October and December. Subscription is free to Central New Mexico Audubon Society members, \$12 to nonmembers. Send checks to: Central New Mexico Audubon Society, 804 Guadalupe Circle, N.W., 87114-1710





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Festival of the Cranes Activities of Note

We have highlighted for you programs and tours on birding and nature photography during the Festival. Most of the events will be held at the Macey Center on the campus of New Mexico Tech in Socorro. Except as indicated otherwise, the cost for these events is \$4.00 (\$6.00 after November 4). Please consult the Festival's program booklet for more details as well as for information on many other programs, demonstrations, events and exhibits of interest.

Birding Programs

Birding in New Mexico

Thursday, II am to 12:30 pm, Galena Room

Since New Mexico's wildlife habitats range from timberline to semi-arid desert, it's no wonder that the bird life here is quite diverse. Mary Alice Root's slide presentation on the birds of New Mexico will include information on their history and where to find them.

Birds of the Central Flyway

Friday, 9 am to 10:30 am, Copper Room Loren Blake, author and photographer, will present a fascinating slide show of birds familiar to the Bosque including nesting pairs and nests of birds that winter at the Refuge. He will also highlight birds uncommon to the area such as the endangered least tern, greater prairie chicken, piping plover, dickcissel, snow bunting, and eastern phoebe.

Raptor Identification

Friday, 9 am to 10:30 am, Galena Room

The glorious bald eagle is easy to identify...or is it? Can you tell an immature bald eagle from a golden eagle? How about hawks? Do you know sex clues, color phases, juvenile versus mature? Learn the answers to these questions and others about birds of prey from Hawk Watch International.

■ "I Brake for Road Kill . . . and Other Interesting Stories from Sanctuary Life.

Friday, 11 am to 12:30 pm, Galena Room

Paul Ťebbel, Manager, Rowe Sanctuary, National Audubon Society, Nebraska. Ever wonder what it's like to run a wildlife sanctuary? Paul and his wife Barbara manage a large sanctuary on the Platte River for sandhill cranes and take care of all injured and sick birds brought to them. Paul will entertain you with stories of wildlife wonder, tragedy, the unbelievably dumb things people do (including himself), and what it's like to be the DH (designated holder) of raptors undergoing rehabilitation. This one will leave you with many smiles, maybe a few tears, and a better understanding of life as a wildlife professional.

The natural alternative



Backyard birding is an increasingly popular entertainment option. Share it with you friends and

family, and enjoy 15% off any bird feeder with this ad.

Wild Bird Center The Promenade Shopping Center 5200 Eubank NE (Eubank at Spain NE) (Just East of Marie Callender's)

Birding by Ear

Friday, 1:30 pm to 3 pm, Galena Room

Learn to identify Bosque's birds by their sound. Hawks Aloft's Christopher Rustay will use recordings to help you identify, by their unique calls and songs, the birds you can see during the Festival.

Western National Wildlife Refuges

Friday, 1:30 pm to 3 pm, Copper Room

Photographer and author of Western National Wildlife Refuges, Dennis Wall, presents a slide show highlighting his 16,000-mile journey among 36 western federal wildlife refuges. He'll discuss ecological principles and wildlife support challenges in his incredible pictorial overview of wildlife refuges, relating much of his presentation to the Bosque.

All The Cranes of the World

Saturday, 9 am to 10:30 am, Copper Room

There is only one place in the world one can see all the crane species still in existence in the world: The International Crane Foundation in Baraboo Wisconsin. John Schmidt, a professional presenter, joins us from Alpine, Texas, as a volunteer for the I.C.F. at the Festival. John will grab your attention with his humor and fascinating facts about the most endangered family of birds in the world.

■ Backyard Bird Feeding Saturday, 11 am to Noon, Copper Room

Wild Birds Unlimited's certified birdfeeding specialist Ann Shewnark will share the joy of backyard birdfeeding. See all the latest and fun feeders. Learn how to increase the variety of bird species in your yard. Join the fun!

Birds of the Bosque del Apache, NWR

Saturday, 1:30 pm to 3 pm, Galena Room

Make the most of your birding experience at the Bosque del Apache NWR this year. Steve Cox, president of Rio Grande Bird Research, will educate you about the birds (other than waterfowl) that you're likely to see here and will share valuable tips about where, when, and how to find them.

Nature Photography Programs

Photography at Bosque del Apache

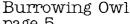
Thursday, 1:30 pm to 3 pm, Galena Room

The inhabitants and wonderful landscape of Bosque del Apache offer innumerable photographic opportunities. Lonnie Brock, special travel editor for Nature Photographer magazine and co-founder of The Nature Workshops, discusses field techniques to help you maximize the results of your photographic endeavors. He will also discuss some basic techniques of creating successful wildlife images.

Nature Photography Workshop

Friday, 8 am to 5 pm, Refuge Lounge Annex, \$38 Nature Photographers Jim Clark (US Fish and Wildlife Service, West Virginia) and Karen Hollingsworth (Reflections of Nature, Pembroke, Maine) conduct a day-long workshop. This workshop includes sessions on the basic techniques of nature photography with tips for determining proper exposure, use of compositional guidelines for creating exceptional images, and the importance of developing a personal style in photography. Basics of wildlife, landscape, wild flower, closeup photography, and tips for selecting the right equipment and film are discussed. The workshop setting is classroom; no field trips or photo-shoots are scheduled. You'll want to bring your camera to try out some of the techniques covered.

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A Natural Celebration

Saturday, 9 am to 10:30 am, Galena Room

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Spend a morning experiencing the best that nature has to offer! Join nature photographer and writer Jim Clark as he takes you on a journey to see the wonders of our nation's natural heritage. Through a musical/slide program, Jim will share his experiences and passion for all things natural, wild, and free. He'll also throw in a few tips and techniques to make your photography even better! The program includes images from Bosque del Apache, the Allegheny Highlands of West Virginia, South Carolina's low country, and the various national wildlife refuges and national parks within the Rocky Mountain region.

Refuge Birding Tours

In addition to the programs, many tours of interest are scheduled. Those that we list below originate in the Refuge parking lot and are also priced at \$4/\$6, unless indicated otherwise.

Breakfast with the Birds Tour Thursday and Friday, 6 am to 10:30 am, \$85 Refuge parking lot, 5:45 am Join knowledgeable guides for an exclusive birding tour of the Refuge, including areas normally closed to the public. An elegant picnic breakfast and souvenirs are included. Wear layered clothing. Limited to 14 people (2 vans) per day. (Catered by Martha's Black Dog Coffee House.)

■ Walk-out to Fly-out

Daily, 6 am to 7:30 am Refuge parking lot, 5:45 am A sunrise spectacular! Countless birds rising into the sky! Bus, then walk out to watch this incredible flight of thousands of geese and cranes leaving their roosts. Wear comfortable shoes; dress warmly. Limited bus capacity.

Tracking the Canyon Trail-A Plant and Nature Walk

Thursday and Friday, 9 am to 11 am

Meet at Canyon Trail head Add your tracks to those of the quail, coyotes, and other animals that inhabit the Bosque's Canyon Trail. On this 2.2 mile moderate walk with Nancy Daniel, naturalist and landscape designer, we will explore the flora and fauna of the northern most portion of the Chihuahuan Desert, including a good look at native plants ideal for southwestern gardens.

General Refuge Bus Tours

Thursday and Friday, 10 am &1:30 pm; Sat & Sun 2 pm, \$3 Refuge personnel lead 2-hour tours to areas normally closed to the public. See spectacular views of cranes, geese, ducks, and raptors.

Walk-in to Fly-in

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 4:30 pm to 6 pm

Bus, then take a dramatic walk to the roost area for the evening fly-in. Witness the spectacle of geese and cranes by the thousands returning from feeding areas to the safety of the marshes. Wear comfortable shoes; dress warmly. Limited bus capacity.

Refuge Manager's Tour

Saturday and Sunday, 9 am to 11 am, \$3

How do you manage a refuge for ducks in the Chihuahuan desert? While touring the Refuge, Bosque del Apache's managers will share firsthand the extensive management program that exists to support wildlife and visitors alike. They will show you what goes into maintaining and protecting one of the country's leading wildlife refuges.

Ir. Naturalist Tour

Saturday and Sunday, 9 am to 11 am, \$3

Second through fifth graders can join the Bosque's naturalist for a special "kids" tour of the Refuge. This will be a real hands-on program. Kids will be issued binoculars and perhaps have a hike and catch critters in the water for a closer look at what lives in our ponds. Parents can join this tour or attend the Manager's tour which is running concurrently. Space is limited to 40.

Refuge Biologist's Tour

Saturday and Sunday, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, \$3

Refuge Biologists lead a two-hour tour throughout the Refuge's wetlands, riparian forests, and farmlands to discuss management processes. Learn

about population management tools as well as habitat management goals and practices.

Walk on the Wild Side/A Plant Walk

Saturday and Sunday, 2 pm to 3:30 pm Meet at Marsh Trail head Come take an easy walk amongst the wildlife of the Bosque del Apache and see the plants that have fed its inhabitants-animals and people-for centuries. Join naturalist and landscape. designer Nancy Daniel along

the Bosque marsh for some social and culinary history, biology, and botany.

■ Nature Photography Tour Monday, 6 am to 10:30 am, \$85 Meet at vans in Refuge parking lot- 5:45 am Join wildlife photographer Jim Clark to take sunrise photos of the daily "fly-out" of snow geese and sandhill cranes. You may even get a shot of a whooping crane. An elegant picnic breakfast will be included. Wear comfortable shoes and layered clothing. Limited to 7 people. (Breakfast catered by Martha's Black Dog Coffee House.)

Other Birding Tours Outside the Refuge

Ladd S. Gordon Waterfowl Complex

Thursday, 7:30 am to 8:30 am, \$3 Meet at Administrative Area. Bernardo is the center of operation for the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish management of the Ladd S. Gordon Waterfowl Complex-7000 acres in the Middle Rio Grande Valley managed primarily for wintering waterfowl. The is an one-hour motor tour. (Take I-25 north to Bernardo Exit #175, take north Hwy 116, travel approximately 1.5 miles, entrance is on the right.)

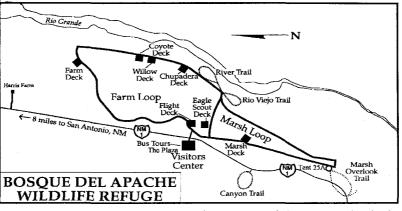
Quebradas Back County Byway

Friday, 1 pm to 5 pm, \$3 Meet at Socorro Plaza Guided by BLM staff, tour in your own vehicle or car-pool through 24 miles of rolling bench land in the upper Chihuahuan desert. Guides will describe geological features, recreational opportunities, wilderness resources, and the area's flora and fauna. High clearance vehicle required. Limited to 20 car/trucks and 80 people. Bring drinks and snacks. Wear sturdy shoes.

Cibola Forest/Water Canyon Birding

Sat, Sun, 8 am to 10:30 am, \$3 Meet at Socorro Plaza

Follow members of the New Mexico Ornithological Society on this 1 to 2 mile bird walk/hike at 7000 feet altitude. Water Canyon's bird life in the winter months include woodpeckers, jays; bluebirds, bushtits, nuthatches, kinglets, and juncos. Dress warmly and wear sturdy shoes. Car pool from Socorro Plaza. Limited to 60 people (3 groups of 20).





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Field Trips Reports by Sei Tokuda

Saturday and Sunday, July 11-12, 1999 Las Vegas NWR and Maxwell NWR. Seven birders made this trip. The day started very windy and overcast and ended partly cloudy and somewhat breezy. Nevertheless, we saw 65 species. The Swainson's Hawks gave us excellent looks as they were soaring and as they perched. We had close up looks of Horned Larks, Eastern Kingbirds, a family of Cassin's Kingbirds, Bullock's Orioles, and a Blue Grosbeak. We saw the Lark and Vespers Sparrows and heard, but did not see the Grasshopper Sparrow. The surprise birds were a Lewis' Woodpecker, a Barn Owl and a pair of Common Loons.

Saturday and Sunday, August14-15, 1999 Fort Sumner and Roswell. Twelve birders made this trip. In Ft. Sumner, the notable birds were a couple dozens of Eastern Blue Jays and a dozen Red-headed Woodpeckers. In Roswell and Bitter Lake the notable birds were Yellow Warbler, Black, Forster's and Least Terns, Long-Bill Curlews, Semipalmated and Snowy Plovers, a Peregrine Falcon, Collared and Inca Doves, Missisippi Kites feeding their young, and about 50 Upland Sandpipers. We were also treated to a guided tour of the Fort Sumner State Monument by Scott Smith, the manager of the Monument. Mr. Smith is developing a nature study area where he showed us a Red-heded Woodpecker nest and led us to a site where we had an outstanding close-up view of a Yellow billed Cuckoo.

Sunday, September 12, 1999: Corrales and West Mesa. Twelve birders made this trip. Although the species numbers were low, we had excellent views of Wilson's Warblers, a family of Blue Grosbeaks, Spotted Sandpipers, a Cordilleran Flycatcher and Rock Wrens. A couple of the birders saw the Peregrine Falcon fly by.

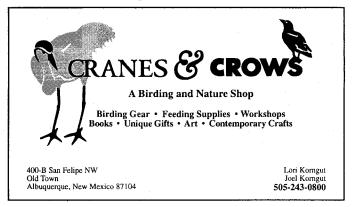
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Morro Bay Winter Bird Festival 2000

Here's an invitation to a West Coast Bird Festival.

Come celebrate the return of wintering birds in Morro Bay at the Winter Bird Festival 2000 to be held Friday, January 14th through Monday, January 17th. Located on the central California coast (north of San Luis Obispo) known for its natural beauty, Morro Bay is a Globally Important Bird Area on the Pacific Flyway. It always ranks in the top ten nationally during the Audubon Christmas Bird Count when 200 or more species of birds are logged each year. Dozens of events are being planned for the fourth annual Winter Bird Festival that will appeal to all levels of birders and to everyone who wants to enjoy and learn more about Morro Bay, a designated state and national estuary. Registration costs \$35 for all days or \$15 per day.

web address: http://www.morrobay.net/birds



In Memoriam

We were sad to learn that a longtime Audubon supporter and past president, Lewis G. Helm, passed away in early August. Lew worked for the US Fish and Wildlife Service as a biologist, where he pioneered the banding of Sandhill cranes 50 years ago in the Mississippi Flyway. His last position was Chief of Ecological Services, Albuquerque Regional Office.

Lew had a lifelong interest in Audubon and birds and came on the CNMAS board "officially" in October 1983. Lew is remembered for his quiet, dignified effectiveness embued with knowledge and dedication. We were privileged to work with him and to benefit from his insight and friendship.

Audubon Council Reminder

The next meeting will be at the Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 2, 1999. Christopher Rustay will tell us what we can do to assist in identification of IBA's.

Central New Mexico Audubon Society assumes no responsibility for injuries, personal or otherwise, incurred while attending society-sponsored activities and will not be held liable for such accidents. You attend at your own risk.

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THANKS TO

Cynthia Basye, Friends of the Rio Grande Nature Center, LillianTenopyr, Sei Tokuda, Katherine B. Hauth, Barbara DuBois, John Tyson, Beth Hurst-Waitz, The Thursday Birders, Jeff Myers, Jean Dilley, and CNMAS.—Audubon Adventures is being implemented in classrooms by the following 17 teachers so far this school year:

Jane Adolf, Stephanie Stansbury, Shirley Stiles, Paulette Clayton and Kathy Rimsha from Manzano Day School, Albuquerque • David Cleary, Thomas Roskamp, Dowa Yalanne from Elementary, Zuni • Carolyn Minette from Wilson Middle School, Albuquerque • John Tyson from Stapleton Elementary, Albuquerque • Cynthia Basye from Wherry Elementary School, Kirtland AFB • Heidi Dooley from Marie Hugbes Elementary, Albuquerque • John Wayne Prentice from Apache Elementary School, Albuquerque • Carl Simpson from Kirtland Elementary School, Albuquerque • Judy Vinyard, Joyce Simpson from Arroyo Del Oso Elementary, Albuquerque • Rebecca Tydings from the Rio Grande Nature Center, Albuquerque

We congratulate and praise these teachers for their dedication to sharing with young minds the wonders of nature. If you're a teacher and want **This School Year's** Audubon Adventures curriculum, act before **November 1** and contact Cindy Clark, our Education Chair, at 332-4737 or 822-1467.



Audubon Adventures

(Each \$35 will sponsor one classroom in the Audubon Adventures Program. Any amount you contribute will benefit our educational activities.)

I choose to designate Elementary/Middle School for my sponsorship (designation is optional)
Name
Address
City, State, Zip

Help support this educational outreach program! Send your check payable to CNMAS with this form to Ron Waitz, 804 Guadalupe Circle, N.W., Albuquerque, NM 87114.

A Simple Contribution With Big Results

For several years, a small notice has appeared on the back page of the Sangre de Cristo Audubon Society newsletter urging people to save canceled stamps for the Royal Society for the Preservation of Birds (RSPB). Finally, one day I called the contact person, Allison Leon, and asked her not only how it works, but IF it works. I've been saving all those canceled stamps ever since.

Allison explained that the RSPB sells packages of these used stamps to raise money for bird preservation and educational activities. In 1998 stamp sales raised about \$13,500 for RSPB programs - and she herself has seen the results when she's toured wetlands and preserves on her annual trips to UK. She says that although a virtual tour is not nearly as good as a real one, the scope of the work of the RSPB can be found at www.RSPB.org.UK.

Send the stamped corner of the envelope, trimmed to 1/8th inch, directly to RSPB, attention Gina Bilcock, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL, England; or to Allison Leon, 283 El Conejo, Los Alamos, NM 87544, who will deliver them personally on her next trip. Thanks a lick! — **Beth Hurst-Waitz**

Important Information

Wildlife Rescue

If you find a sick or injured bird, call 344-2500. Rare Bird Alert

In Albuquerque is 323-9323.e-mail: Pinyonjay@aol.com Bat inTrouble? (Talking Talons) Call before you intervene. 281-1133 or 281-1515



Burrowing Owl Deadline

Information and articles to be included in the December 1999/January 2000 issue of the Burrowing Owl must be received by November 15. Contact Browning Coke at 256-9130 or email bcokenm@aol.com.

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