



### AQUATIC PRESERVES FEATURED

The Chief of the Bureau of Environmental Land Management, Jim Stevenson, will present a slide program of "Florida's Aquatic Preserves" at the November 5th ASE meeting.

Mr. Stevenson oversees the management of Aquatic Preserves, National Marine and Estuarine Sanctuaries and State Reserves. The Bureau of Environmental Land Management is part of the Division of Recreation and Parks in the Florida Department of Natural Resources.

For five years Mr. Stevenson served as Vice Chairman of the Florida Audubon Society. He was Chief Naturalist of the Florida State Parks System for sixteen years.

The public is also welcome to attend this program meeting which begins at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5th, at the West Palm Beach Garden Club Center in Dreher Park. Early arrivals will have the time needed to browse the nice selection of books, gifts and stationery on the ASE Sales Table.  
(Donna Deitz)

### FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 12:30-3:30 p.m.  
Treasure Coast Audubon Wildlife Hospital, Stuart. Limited to 25 people (still room at press time). You must call Dorothy Brindle,

586-6797 (Mon-Fri, 4-9 p.m.), for reservations and directions.

### Miami Bus Trip

Deadline for check, if you have a reservation, is November 9th.

Our leader will be Bruce Neville, president of Tropical Audubon Society, who will be boarding our bus at the Golden Glades Interchange. He has done a great job of providing us with a master map of birding spots in the Miami area, along with a list of "reliable exotics." Each person will receive a copy.

Your check for \$15 must be made out to Audubon Society of the Everglades and received by Ruth Trumpower, 165 Auburn Dr., Lake Worth 33460, no later than November 9th. Those on the waiting list will be called thereafter. To be put on the waiting list, call Dorothy Brindle (see above phone information).

Meet at 6:15 a.m. at the West Palm Beach Garden Club Center. Bring your lunch. We will return about 6:30 p.m. Bring rain gear and don't forget your binoculars.

### Dreher Park Zoo Trip

This is a Thursday field trip on November 21st at 10 a.m. Meet in the Zoo parking lot off Summit Boulevard.

Bring a picnic lunch. The creatures we see on this field trip will not be flying off nor running away before we've had our fill.  
(Sylvia Guadagnoli)

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The membership of ASE is to be congratulated! At last month's membership meeting, yours truly suggested dispensing with reading the minutes in order to shorten the business portion of the agenda. But you said "No, we want to hear the minutes." And you know what that translates into? You are interested! And that's wonderful. I am proud of you.

Now, if you are interested enough to want to hear the minutes, how many of you have been interested enough to answer a classified ad to help with one of our committees? Come on - we need your help - whatever time you can give will be O.K.

Our friends in Martin County Audubon will hold a wine and cheese fundraiser on November 22nd at 7:30 p.m. featuring Porter and Mary Brown, wood sculptor and artist. The event will take place at Indian River Plantation and will benefit the Treasure Coast Audubon Wildlife Hospital. For more information, call Jean Henry, 305/546-8281, or just show up. Each fall Martin County Audubon "gets going" with a Pancake Breakfast. This year it is scheduled for Sunday, November 17th, 8 a.m. to noon, at the Martin County High School Cafeteria. A good deal for \$2.00.

A reminder about the National Audubon Wildlife Report for 1985. About the size of the World Almanac, the report has a plethora of information about wildlife management and federal laws which provide the basis for conservation in the U.S. The book has four sections: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Federal Agencies and Programs, Special Accounts, and Appendix with a directory of key personnel of the federal agencies. Copies are available from the National Audubon Society, 950 Third Avenue, New York 10022, at \$16.50 each. Many thanks to Nat Reed for sending us a copy.

We had a response from WXEL-TV 42 regarding National Audubon's new children's TV show, "Owl." This station will begin airing the program on Sunday, November 10, at 10 A.M.

The Palm Beach County Commission proclaimed October 7 thru 14 as COASTWEEK in the county. Our traveling exhibit was on display in the Courthouse and the Governmental Complex. Susan Korzenewski did a super job on it!

Larry Thompson, NAS representative in Florida, has been discharged from the hospital and is going into the office for short periods of time. We are glad he is doing so well.

The 1986 Calamity Calendar will be off the press very soon. It promises as much fun as previous editions in that cartoonists from around the state have participated this year.

URGENT REQUEST from Duval Audubon regarding the Guana Tract. Several months ago we asked you to write the Governor and Cabinet about this vitally important piece of land requesting that it not be developed into an

exclusive-use site for a Boy Scout Camp. In June the Cabinet asked state agencies to complete a management plan for Guana and submit it in six months. NOW the plan is being rushed to completion for the Cabinet's agenda on November 5. We urge you to write again and ask officials to base their decisions on hard biological facts, not on politics. We are advised that the plan is heavy in the direction of 'camp siting' rather than a sound management plan for the entire tract which should weigh heavier in favor of habitat preservation. Natural Florida is disappearing at an alarming rate. Please write to the Cabinet members... one original with copies will suffice.

Congratulations to our good friend and member Richard Weinstein on his re-election as chairman of the Florida Chapter of The Nature Conservancy.

Evidently adaptation is not enough for the Least Tern. According to a recent article in the World Wildlife newsletter, FOCUS, the Least Tern, which has suffered severely from the loss and modification of its nesting habitat, has now been added to the Endangered Species List of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. (Leah Schad)

#### ASE HOSTS COASTWEEK '85 SAND SCULPTURE CONTESTS

Forty-four students from area schools met at Kreusler Park on October 12th to help celebrate "Coastweek '85." Working diligently from 8 to 9:30 a.m., students in grades one through eight created sculptures of "Animals of the Sea" out of sand and shells.

At 9:30, the following judges began the difficult task of deciding first, second and third place winners from the four groups. ASE is very proud and pleased that Representative Ray Liberti; Marea Mannion, Channel 12 newscaster; Mary Tomlinson, Channel 5 newscaster; Ed Grove, sculptor, and Dr. Jim Daniels, Deputy Superintendent of P.B.C. Schools, agreed to participate in this event.

First place winners - awarded a book about Florida's water birds: (school grade in ( ).) Bryan Flynn (2), Barton, Sea Turtle; Shane Borden (4), Barton, Sea Turtle; Rebecca Wood (6), Hagen Road, Sea Horse; Sharri Sims (7), Kennedy Jr. High, Lobster.

Second place winners - awarded a sea turtle poster: Nicholas Cox (1), Lake Park, Sea Turtle; Jennifer Minella (4), Lake Park, Octopus; Erika Melton (5), Kirklane, Dolphin; Carlos Serrano (7), Congress Middle School, Whale.

Third place winners - awarded a Sea Life book (pocket-sized): Jeremy Siebert (1), Boynton Beach, Sea Turtle; Daniel Greve (3), Barton, Octopus; David Sims (5) Jupiter, Swordfish; Kathleen Keith (8), Kennedy Jt. High, Starfish.

Honorable mention contestants - awarded ASE Certificates of Appreciation: Kirklane - Jennifer Whittenbarger (5), Elizabeth Ross (5), Eric Whittenbarger (3). Palm Beach Public - Erika Duke (5), Kristy Duke (3). Barton - Beth Meadows (5), Zachary Veltheim (4), Kevin Whigham (3), Jamie Silver (3), Kelly Allan (3), David Serrano (3).

Also Lake Park - Tiffany Justice (6), Lauren Russel (6), Matthew Wolfe (6), Angela

Justice (4), Sabrina Bollinger (4), Darren Wolfe (3), Nicole Cox (1). Roosevelt - Antounon McCray (3), Barry Coven (3), Latasha Williams (3), Lavar McClendon (3), Andrea Harria (3), Levar Baker (3), Roger Guerrier (3), Allison Harris (2), Amanda Harris (Kdg). Hage Road - Gary Banfield (6). Kennedy Jr. High - Christine Carlin (8), Kenra Kay (8). Lake Worth Jr. High - Hans Veltheim (7). Congress Middle School - Wendy Whigham (7).

We would like to thank all the parents, younger brothers and sisters of the contestants, Peggy Teahan, Sonia Bollinger, Rick Ritch, Leah Schad and Barbara Bourbon for their interest, enthusiasm and able assistance.

Our special appreciation goes to the Town of Palm Beach for authorizing the three-hour free parking status, and to John Herrick from the Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Dept. for his supervision and crew of lifeguards who directed traffic both on and off the beach. It was a beautiful and heartening day. (Dale Neuenschwander and Sylvia Dunnam, Education Co-chairmen)

#### NEW PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Those of you who may not have received the new 1985-86 ASE Program Schedule may pick them up at most local libraries, Chambers of Commerce, or at the monthly meeting.

Christmas is almost upon us - and the special \$20 introductory membership is still available from NAS, so why not give a relative or a friend this thoughtful, year-round gift. If you don't have, or don't want to use the membership application in your new program, call me, 439-1182, for another one. If you have one, make check payable to National Audubon Society and send it, with application, to me at 2672 Floral Road, Lantana, FL 33462. (Muriel Huxtable)

#### FUNDRAISER'S FABULOUS PRIZES

The Southeastern Coalition of National Audubon Chapters, of which Audubon Society of the Everglades is a part, is sponsoring a benefit drawing to help fund the activities of its office. Alice Wainwright has headed this office of the Society for nearly 20 years. It was established upon the request of Charles Callison, then Vice President for Chapter Relations, to represent NAS in major conservation issues in South Florida. Policies are formed in cooperation with the six Southeast Florida chapters and the office works with FAS and the chapters to further conservation objectives in the state and the nation.

Most of you are aware that funding was suspended by the New York office due to severe budget cuts. However, the work done by this office is far too valuable, not only to NAS but to FAS as well, and it was decided to raise the money to carry on.

A donation of \$10.00 is suggested. Each ticketholder will be eligible to win one of the excellent prizes which have been donated for the occasion. They include a 3 day, 2 night vacation in an ocean-front villa at Cheeca Lodge on Islamorada; a 3 day, 2 night vacation at Harbour

Ridge in Stuart; a deluxe canoe trip for two donated by John Judy of Florida Adventures, Plantation; a framed, limited edition print donated by noted artist Edna Hibel; a microwave oven valued at over \$500, and a handsome porcelain Blus Jay by artist Moussalli donated by Douglas Lorie, Inc., 334 Worth Ave., Palm Beach.

The drawing, open to the public, will take place at Doc Thomas House, 5530 Sunset Drive, South Miami, on Friday, February 14, 1986, at a Valentine Reception scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Winners need not be present to win.

Anyone wishing to help us make this event a big success may obtain tickets to buy AND sell from Check Potter, 586-4221. A special gift will be presented to the individual raising the most money. (Leah Schad)

#### CONSERVATION REPORT

A day late and a dollar short was once again poignantly illustrated by a Broward citizens committee in a presentation at our Southeastern Coalition meeting October 19th. A plea for support was made to Charles Lee of FAS. Broward's Solid Waste Authority, after rezoning, is proposing a land fill and resource recovery site on about 900 acres consisting of a 200 acre sawgrass area, a most unique 600 acre pond apple swamp and a cypress swamp. They documented 10 species of birds of prey, breeding alligators, 4 species of native orchids (some rare), and the possibility of a crocodile.

There will be environmental hearings beginning November 12th at the main library in Ft. Lauderdale. The basic issues will be the sawgrass area and the ground water flow, which is from west to east. No opposition was there for the zoning hearing, they do not have good legal representation nailed down, nor do they have their expert witnesses lined up. The potential loss may be ultimately more significant than any of Palm Beach County's proposed sitings would have been to us.

We monitored every site every step of the way in this county. I like to think we played a significant part in the latest victory of realigning Jog Road. It will be 1/4 mile from the snail kite rookery, with an overpass over the Solid Waste Authority's service road. The Authority's buildings will be moved northward to also be about 1/4 mile away. We have open lines of communication with our local agencies and that is the most indispensable step.

Charles Lee briefly outlined what will occupy the upcoming legislative session. (1) The new license plates. FAS is supporting a design of a wading bird and SAVE OUR EVERGLADES printed on the bottom portion. He had an artist's rendition and it was great. Do write a note to the Governor and Cabinet members urging support of the Audubon plate. After all is said and done, it is the Everglades that makes the State of Florida unique. (\*oops - see P. 4)

(2) Obtaining fee simple title to I-75 adjacent lands. (3) An Everglades Coalition Conference at Flamingo in January 1986. The Coalition has met in Washington several times. (4) MRTA, a hot political potato, involving Florida's sovereign lands: bays, river bottoms and lakes.

(5) North Key Largo permits - proposal that they be issued only where there is not a critical habitat area for endangered species. What it doesn't address are other degrading impacts, such as mosquito spraying not if but when it is demanded.

(6) The panther problem: (a) Alligator Alley: even if DOT agrees and improves with underpasses, given the rate of road kill, it will be too late. Innovative approaches being considered would be to sue the State and DOT under the Federal Endangered Species Act, closing Alligator Alley at night, speed bumps and more patrols. (b) To intervene on behalf of the government to stop Indian kills of endangered species.

(7) Coastal issues: this involves the DNR plan to renourish targeted areas over the whole Florida coastline at an estimated cost approaching \$800 million. I attended a three-day conference on this topic. The nitty gritty is that the projects have not been prioritized, not has the method of funding been decided upon.

(8) Areas of critical state concern. (9) Storm water and whose jurisdiction it will fall under. (10) Phosphate mining. (11) And hopefully, if it ever gets out of committee - a bottle bill.

I urge you at this time to once again write a letter to support more stringent control of the human consumer of the beleaguered panther's food source. Refer to the Governor's panther study and the Game & Fresh Water Fish Commission's staff recommendations before they were pressured to change. Write William Mott, Director of the National Park Service, U.S.

Dept. of the Interior, Washington 20240. Send copies to the Southeast Regional Office, 75 Spring Street S.W., Atlanta, GA 30303 and to Governor Bob Graham, The Capitol, Tallahassee 32301.

Write our senators objecting to the transfer of the use of poisons, especially 1080, from the overview of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. The adverse effects on wildlife will not even be considered there. This must be done quickly.  
(Cissy Durando)

#### FLORIDA AUDUBON CLASSIC

The First Annual Florida Audubon Classic - for both golf and tennis - will be held Saturday, November 16, at Harbour Ridge, Stuart. Coffee and registration at 8:30 a.m., with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.; refreshments at 1:30 p.m. and the awards ceremony at 2 p.m., with Governor Graham in attendance. Reservations accepted until November 1st; call Beki Brandbourg, 305/647-2615 or mail to Florida Audubon Society, 1101 Audubon Way, Maitland, FL 32751. Entry fee for this fundraiser is \$100 (\$75 is tax deductible).

As a part of the Classic, on November 15th from 7 to 9 p.m., a special reception for a private showing of a new Florida Audubon image, "The Bald Eagle," will take place at Design Showcase, 2601 E. Ocean Blvd., Cedar Point Village, Stuart. FAS President Dr. Bernard Yokel will be there, so come enjoy an art show and meet some of the FAS personnel.

- 
- \* (1) Sorry - not a legislative matter, letters needed before Nov. 5
  - \* (3) Not a legislative matter.
- 

### **AUDUBON SOCIETY of the EVERGLADES**

P. O. BOX 6762  
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33405  
(305) 844-4992

Non-Profit Organization U.S. Postage <b>PAID</b> West Palm Beach, Florida Permit 46
---

PALM BEACH CO. LIBRARY SYSTEM  
3650 SUMMIT BLVD.  
W. PALM BEACH, FL. 33406

**SUPPORT BEACHES AND PARKS VOTE YES ON NOVEMBER 5th**