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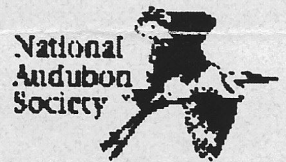
COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 5:00 P.M. BOENER BOTANICAL GARDENS

We will meet at 5 PM at Greentree Shopping Center, 4 Mile and Douglas, behind Blockbuster Video. We will be carpooling. Be sure to have dinner before leaving home.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 7 P.M. GATEWAY TECH.

Board Meeting with Bill Hallstrom of National Audubon Society. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME. There will be discussion on Hoy Club becoming an Audubon Chapter. A previous discussion group on Audubon affiliation came up with several recommendations (1) Find out about cost vs benefits, (2) contact regional director to clear up many questions, (3) consider boosting our membership and improving programs rather than joining Audubon, (4) hold further discussions and put it to a final vote by November. Interested members please plan to attend if possible or call a Hoy Board Member with any questions. REMEMBER! YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 7 P.M. TOPIC PENDING.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, INTERNATIONAL CRANE FOUNDATION DINNER, IN MILWAUKEE.

Details will be available in next newsletter.

SEPTEMBER 26-28, BIRDING AND BIRDING PHOTOGRAPHY WEEKEND, HORICON MARSH.

Workshop will consist of speakers, birding field trips, workshop sessions and social gatherings. Cost is

\$50 per person and includes all programs and activities, registration, social hour

Friday, Sept. 26, lunch and dinner, Sat., Sept. 17; and breakfast Sun., Sept. 28. For more information, call 1-800-BIRDING.



ACTION ALERT! AN URGENT LETTER FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE SPENCER BLACK:

Dear Wisconsin Resident: Your help is needed now to save recycling in Wisconsin. Earlier this month, the Legislature's Joint Finance Committee voted to repeal, for all practical purposes, our statewide recycling law. Only with your help can we save recycling in Wisconsin. Our recycling program has gained national attention as one of the country's best. More than 40% of the waste that would have gone to landfills is now being recycled. More than 95% of our citizens are participating in our recycling efforts. After heavy lobbying pressure from the landfill industry, the Committee voted to end the requirement for statewide recycling in 1999 and to end all assistance to local recycling programs in 2000. With no statewide recycling requirement and with no financial assistance, recycling efforts will be cut back dramatically or eliminated altogether. Landfill and plastic industry lobbyists fought hard against the passage of the recycling bill in 1990. The public said that the Legislature should listen to the public - not the landfill lobby - and pass a strong Recycling Law. The landfill lobby finally got its way this

spring, and Joint Finance voted to kill recycling. That vote now will be considered by the full Legislature. The committee vote - if approved by the full Legislature - also eliminates any possibility that Wisconsin can control out of state waste. Federal courts have ruled that the only way Wisconsin can have any control of the dumping of out of state waste is to tie restrictions to our recycling law. With no statewide recycling law in place, southern Wisconsin could see a flood of waste from Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota. We can save recycling. Many legislators will wait to hear from their constituents before they decide how to vote on recycling. I encourage you to call your state Senator and Representative and tell them to vote to save recycling in Wisconsin.

Use the toll free Legislative HOTLINE 1-800-362-9472 to leave short messages.

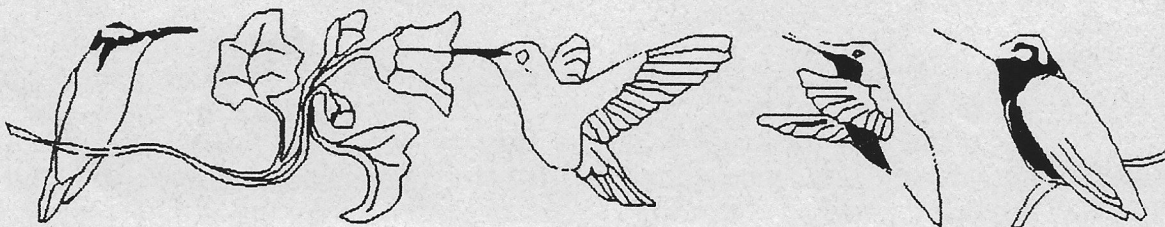
Write your legislator at the State Capitol

State Senators: all Names PO BOX 7882, Madison, Wi., 53707-7882

Assembly Reps: Last names A-L, PO Box 8952 or M-Z PO Box 8953, Madison, W. 53708/.

Gov. Tommy Thompson, PO Box 7863, Madison, Wi. 53707. Phone 608-256-0565.

Write to Spencer Black to Keep Informed of the Recycling Issue or other Environment Issues at Rep. Spencer Black, PO Box 8952, Madison, Wi. 53708.



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