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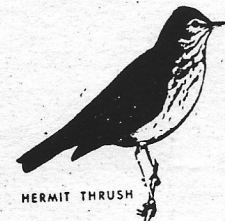
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COMING EVENTS



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 7:00 P.M., GATEWAY:

Last month the Hoy Board voted 8 to 1 to recommend to our general membership that Hoy Nature Club become an Audubon chapter. We will discuss this decision further tonight at our meeting. Please attend, your input is important. Ed Prins will show slides on thrushes after the discussion.



HERMIT THRUSH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 7:00 P.M., GATEWAY:

The Goldsteins will present a slide show "Riding the Four Winds." Alma and Ben Goldstein are members of the Nature Camera Club of Chicago and the Photographic Society of America. Since they retired from Abbott Labs, they have spent much of their time traveling. This month's program is a photographic essay in four parts: ANIMALS, TREES, MAGNOLIAS AND COLOR in relation to birds and other flowers.

NOVEMBER 6, PATTY DEIHL PRESENTS 'NATURE THROUGH CRAFTS'

Program details to be announced in later newsletter.

OTHER EVENTS

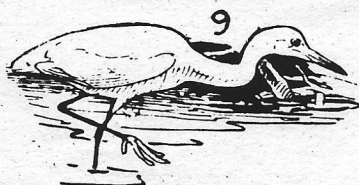
WANT TO BE A WATCHFROG?

THE WISCONSIN WETLAND ASSOCIATION will co-sponsor a *Wetland Watch Network Training* for Racine and Kenosha folks who want to learn more about local wetlands and their protection. Participants called "Watch Frogs" will learn about the ecology, laws and stewardship of wetlands, according to Tom Boswell, director of WWA.



Films, role playing, discussion, lunch, and a short field trip to a wetland make for a fast-paced and interesting day. There is no cost to attend. Call a Hoy Board Member to carpool. Call Barbara Vess at 552-8130

DATE: Sat., Oct. 18, 1997
Place: Prairie Springs Park, Pleasant Prairie
Time: To be announced. Probably, 9 AM to 4 PM



MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS:

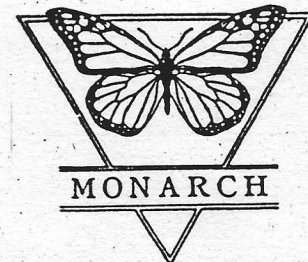
"*TWENTY WINTERS AMONGST THE MONARCH IN MEXICO: A CROWN JEWEL OF BIODIVERSITY*" by Lincoln P. Brower, research Professor, Biology, Sweet Briar College, Va.

DATE: Thursday, Sep. 4, 1997

Place: Owen Gromme Lecture Hall, Milwaukee Public Museum

Time: Reception - 6 PM Meet Dr. Brower
Lecture - 7 PM - 8:30 PM

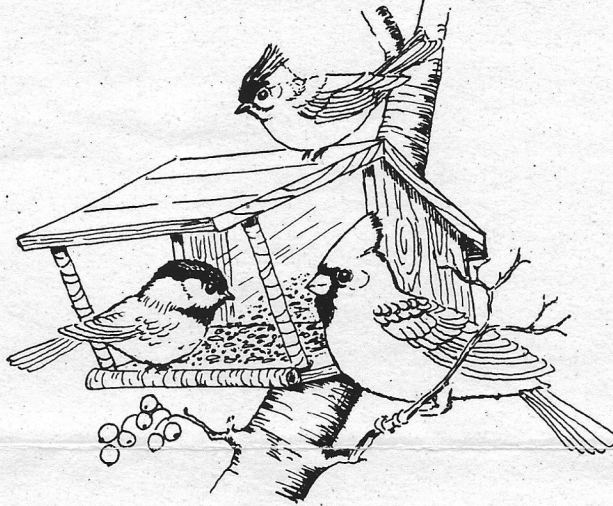
Dr. Brower will discuss the migration of the monarch butterfly and growing concern that this incredible migration is becoming an endangered phenomenon. An estimated 200 million monarchs from all of North America, migrate to a handful of sites in the mountains outside Mexico City. High altitude and tropical latitude produce stable temperatures that, with the protective forest cover allow monarchs to survive the winter. Reservations required: Call 278-2751.



WHAT DO BIRDS WANT?

What types of seed do your feeder birds prefer? With 100 indicating highest preference and zero indicating lowest preference, here is a list of relative preference for various seeds by native Minnesota birds:

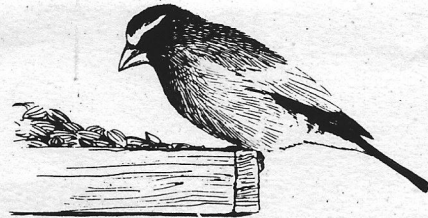
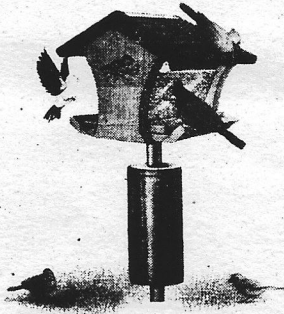
- 71 - BLACK OIL SUNFLOWER
- 49 - STRIPED SUNFLOWER
- 41 - HULLED SUNFLOWER
- 35 - PEANUT KERNELS
- 23 - WHITE PROSO MILLET
- 16 - RED PROSO MILLET
- 14 - NIGER THISTLE
- 12 - CANARY SEED
- 9 - CRACKED CORN
- 8 - PEANUT HEARTS
- 8 - MILO (SORGHUM)
- 7 - SAFFLOWER
- 5 - HULLED WHEAT
- 2 - OATS
- 2 - RAPE SEED



(Taken from Wild About Birds, the DNR Bird-feeding Guide, by Carrol Henderson).

AND SOME EVEN LIKE DOG FOOD!

Dry dog food in small pellets (whole or mashed) is a popular item with some feeder birds, particularly Blue Jays.



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