Calendar

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May 15 Board Meeting, Call Evelyn Cormier

Membership Meetings

Date: April 3 Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Pleasanton Middle School
5001 Case Avenue, Library
Topic: Southeast Arizona Birds and Natural History
Presenter: Bob Stewart

When you visit Southeast Arizona in spring, put aside all your California impressions, expectations and biases. Here, a little over 1,000 miles away, a very different world awaits. The number one rumor to eradicate is that this is entirely a hot, flat, deserty kind of place. Even though it borders Mexico, SE Arizona is full of mountains and high basins. The diversity of birds makes it a unique area for North American birders. You can go from 2,300’ to 10,000’ in an hour. You can see the mountains with their geological outcrops, some as old as 500 million years, where spring migration from the south occurs, The unique riparian habitats of Sonoita Creek, San Pedro River, and the cooler south fork of Cave Creek provide excellent view of migrating birds.

And don’t say you’ve been there before, as if you wouldn’t look in your backyard everyday because you’ve been there before! Each day and each year is different. Biologically, the most exciting time to be there is the summer monsoon season. This is when the most rain falls. It is a paradise for birders, butterfliers, and entomologists. All the summer resident birds are singing; the preying mantids are murdering butterflies; the birds are feasting on innumerable insects; and the flowers are blooming.

Bob, who lives in Patagonia, an hour south of Tucson, will give us his personal experience with the bird specialties and, because he is a marvelous naturalist, other parts of the area’s biology will also show up in his wonderful slides as well.

To reach Pleasanton Middle School from San Jose, take I-680 north. From Hayward take I-580 east to I-680 south. From Livermore, take I-580 west to I-680 south. Once on I-680, take the Bernal exit and head east on Bernal Avenue to Case Avenue. Turn right on Case. The school is located on the right, about midway down the street. We are meeting in the library, which is to the left once you enter the campus.

Date: May 1 Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center. (Coyote Hills area)
Topic: Restoring the South Bay Salt Ponds
Presenter: Clyde Morris

As Clyde Morris, Manager of Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, puts it, “The largest tidal wetland restoration project on the West Coast is right in your backyard.” He will describe current plans to restore the 15,100 acres of former commercial salt ponds purchased by the Refuge and California Department of Fish and Game in 2003. Clyde will cover plans to address wildlife habitat restoration, and wildlife-oriented public access and flood control over the long-term (50 years), and what we can expect in Phase 1 coming in 2008/2009. You may want to come early and bird before the meeting begins. Clyde says there’s always good birding at the Refuge’s Fremont Headquarters—hiking the trail around Headquarters Hill for upland/grasslands birds, along Marshlands Road for marsh and salt pond birds, or out to the fishing pier at the end of Marshlands Road for mudflat and Bay birds.

To reach the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge, from I-880 take SR-84 (at the east end of the Dumbarton Bridge), exit at Thornton Avenue. (From Mission Blvd. go west on Decoto Rd. to Thornton.) Travel south on Thornton Avenue for 0.8 miles to the Refuge entrance on the right. Turn right into the Refuge and follow Marshlands Road to the stop sign. Turn left into the parking lot. Walk up the main entrance stairs (on the Bay side) to the Visitor Center’s exhibit hall.

—MLT
Field Trips

Apr. 3, Tue., 11:30-1:30, Return of the Swallows Festival, Chabot College, Contact: Phil Gordon, 510.538.3550
Prizes for painting, poetry, quiz contest and other creative efforts. Swallow lore in 22 page Festival Booklet. Booths and tables of community groups. Live, giant insect collection. Program at noon in the Cesar Chavez Plaza near the cafeteria.

Apr. 21, Sat., Swallow Festival Field Trip I, Phil Gordon and Sandy Ferreira. Contact Phil Gordon or go to website

Apr. 22, Sun. Swallow Festival Field Trip II, Phil Gordon and Sandy Ferreira. Contact Phil Gordon or go to website

Apr. 28, Sat., 8 a.m., Patterson Pass and Springtown Reserve, Leaders, Rich Cimino and Pattie Cole, 925.462.6418
Blue and Black-headed Grosbeaks, orioles, kingbirds, sparrows and warblers will be our target species.
Meet in Livermore at the Chevron station on the corner of Greenville Road and South Front Road. It is reached by exiting I-580 at Greenville Road. From there we’ll need to car pool because of limited parking on Patterson Pass Road.
Lunch will be at Springtown Reserve in north Livermore. We’ll bird the Reserve after lunch. Bring a lunch and water.

Apr. 29, Sun., 12:00 noon, Brushy Peak Regional Preserve, Leader: Rich Cimino, 925.462.6418
We’ll bird as we hike up the trail along the riparian stream corridor, then continue up the ridge to look and listen for Grasshopper Sparrows. Moving toward the oak-covered hillside we may find migrating warblers such as the Hermit Warbler. Eagle nesting will be underway, so we may witness some amorous interactions.
Take I-580 to Livermore. Exit Vasco Road north. Turn east onto Northfront Road. In about a mile turn north onto Laughlin Road. Watch for brown EBRPD signs leading the way from Vasco Road. Meet in the main parking lot at the end of the road. Bring snacks and water. —RC

Field Trip Report

On the weekend of Feb. 17 & 18, Pat and Phil Gordon led a group of 16 on a tour of Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge, Grey Lodge, Colusa NWR, Colusa State Wildlife Area, Llano Seco NWR, Colusa, Butte and Glenn Counties.

Starting near Willows on I-5, this trip is proved to be outstanding for wintering waterfowl, cranes and raptors. We saw American Bittern, Wilson’s Snipe, Snow Goose, Ross’s Goose, Hooded Merganser, Wood Duck, Eurasian Wigeon, Redhead and Ring-necked Duck, White-faced Ibis, Bald Eagle. Peregrine Falcon eating an American Coot, Sandhill Crane, Common Moorhen, Western Tanager, Varied Thrush, Red-naped Sapsucker, Ruby-crowned Kinglet and Yellow-rumped Warbler. The group found a combined total of 104 species of birds.

According to an official refuge survey for January 22, 2007, there were 101,340 Snow Geese and 68,350 Pintails at the SNWR. Combined totals for all six refuges, including Llano Seco, recorded 335,045 Snow Geese, 233 Cackling Canada Goose, 262,837 Pintails and 130,660 Green-winged Teals. —WS

Blue Grosbeak

Ohlone member, Judy Steenhoven, works in the Environmental Protection Department at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) helping to manage environmental restoration activities in Livermore and at Site 300 located to the east, directly south of Patterson Pass. A spring/summer Blue Grosbeak population is located in this area of rolling hills and rural agriculture. I had a chance to ask Judy a few questions about bird management for a government facility.

RC: Judy, does the LLNL have a formal bird surveying program?
JS: LLNL has wildlife biologists on staff who initiated a Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) station in 2002. There are over 500 stations located around the US and Canada. The Site 300 station is the only MAPS station in a 40-mile radius. During the first four years of the station operation about 600 total birds were banded representing over 40 species. We have consistently had higher numbers of Bewick’s Wrens, House Finches and California Towhees than any other species. For instance in 2005, out of 185 birds captured, 57 were Bewick’s Wrens.

RC: Have you netted and banded Blue Grosbeaks?
JS: Yes, but not many. Our Blue Grosbeak high count was 8 birds in 2002 and the low was 2 in 2004

RC: Is there a partner organization managing MAPS?
JS: The manager of our wildlife biologist staff at LLNL is currently the holder of the permit to operate the station. The station is operated following the protocols put out by the Institute for Bird Populations. The link to their web site is http://www.birdpop.org/maps.htm. Collected data is submitted to the USGS Bird Banding Laboratory.

Blue Grosbeaks begin to arrive in the eastern part of Alameda county during the month of April. Patterson Pass has been a very reliable place to view them. Almost like clockwork, the males are the first to arrive, on or very close to April 16. They pick a reliable place to view them. Almost like clockwork, the males are the first to arrive, on or very close to April 16. They pick a territory deep in the riparian habitat and wait to entice the females. Birders should listen for their click chip note, before they begin to search for the bird. They are easiest to find sitting out on a Cottonwood or tall Willow. If you’re lucky, you may see one on a fence wire. —RC

Board Election

The annual election of board members will be held at the May Membership Meeting. The Nominating Committee has determined the following slate.
President: Evelyn Cormier
Vice President: Mona Brauer
Treasurer: Helen Sowers
Recording Secretary:
Corresponding Secretary: Estrella Bibbey
Director at Large (2009): Jackie Bertillion
Chapter members will have a chance to make nominations from the floor at the May meeting before the vote. —RC
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SFSU Sierra Field Campus

Courses at this summer-camp-like facility include three of particular interest to bird watchers. It is near a frequent destination for OAS field trips, centering on Sierra Valley.

Bird Identification by Song with Jim Steele, Jun. 3-8 or Jun. 10-15

Birds of the Sierra Nevada with Dave Shuford, Jun. 18-22

Birdwatching in the Sierra Nevada with David Lukas, Jun. 25-29

Several other courses cover flora, fungi, animals and ecology of the area. More information on all classes can be found at http://www.sfsu.edu/~sierra/courses.htm.

Cornell Lab Bird Sound Recording Workshop Jun. 9-16. Call 607.254.2153 for information on this class.

The Plumeage of Plumas

Eastern Plumas County, with accessible and uncrowded valleys, creeks, and coniferous forests, is filled with many great opportunities to view over 100 bird species in a spectacular setting. For example, Sierra Valley is nationally recognized by The Audubon Society as one of the Sierra Nevada’s largest and most diverse subalpine valleys. The valley offers plenty of great bird watching, as well as over 200 species of wildflowers. This is just one of eight wildlife-viewing areas, centering on Portola as the gateway, described in a new nature recreation brochure. Some bird and mammal species that you may encounter in these locations described in this brochure are Bald and Golden Eagle, Osprey, Goshawk, Rough-legged Hawk, Ferruginous Hawk, Prairie Falcon, Peregrine Falcon, various owl species including the Long-eared Owl, Mountain Quail, Blue Grouse, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Red Crossbill, Western Tanager, Pine Grosbeak, Black-crowned Night Heron, various woodpecker such as the Pileated Woodpecker, shrike, White Pelican, Eared Grebe, avocet, White-faced Ibis, stilt, Common Loon, snipe, phalarope, White-fronted Goose, Tundra Swan, Sandhill Crane, Black Bear, Beaver, Marmot, and Antelope!

For planning your birding adventure to the wild side of Sierra Nevada away from congestion and heavy tourism, you’ll want to have a copy of the Northern Sierra Nevada brochure which provides information about scenic drives, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, hiking, wildflower viewing, campgrounds, events, and local attractions near the town of Portola. To receive this publication or find out more detailed information about the Portola region contact the Portola Visitor Center (530.832.0671 or www.portolavisitorcenter.com), the Plumas County Visitors Bureau (800.326.2247 or 530.283.6345), or the Eastern Plumas Chamber of Commerce (800.995.6057 or 530.836.6811). You can also directly locate the brochure on-line at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/northernpike/docs/plumas-recreation.pdf.

Ohlone Sweatshirts

The crisp days are still with us. A sweatshirt is the perfect extra layer of clothing, especially when it has the name “Ohlone Audubon Society” and the beautiful OAS White-tailed Kite logo emblazoned on the front. Reasonably priced at $20 ($22 for XXL), they are available in medium, large, extra large and extra-extra large. A great item for personal use or for a gift.

Membership

Welcome new and renewing members:


Bette Wentzel Library

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### FIELD OBSERVATIONS - - - Winter - Spring, January - early-March 2007

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<th>SPECIES</th>
<th>DATE(S)</th>
<th>No.,etc</th>
<th>LOCALITY</th>
<th>OBS.</th>
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<td>Greater White-fronted Goose</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Mt. Trashmore (Old Dump &quot;Hill&quot;)</td>
<td>BR</td>
<td>All these geese remained at least to 2/16-BR. Incl. SnGo, RoGo, CaGo.</td>
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<td>Snow Goose</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Mt. Trashmore (Old Dump &quot;Hill&quot;)</td>
<td>BR</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Ross’s Goose</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Mt. Trashmore (Old Dump &quot;Hill&quot;)</td>
<td>BR</td>
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<tr>
<td>EURASIAN WIGEON</td>
<td>2/4 &amp; 2/24</td>
<td>1-3</td>
<td>SAN LORENZO: Reg. Shoreline, Oro Loma Marsh</td>
<td>BR, GM</td>
<td>Annual rarity; four last week - BR; also 1 seen 2/24 by GM.</td>
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<td>LONG-TAILED DUCK</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Hayward’s Landing</td>
<td>BR</td>
<td>Rare, especially here. Only 1 -3 per year on S.F. Bay; closer to coast.</td>
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<td>SMEW</td>
<td>1/28</td>
<td>1 m.</td>
<td>SOULSBYVILLE (nr. Sonora): Willow Springs Lake/Park, TUO Co.</td>
<td>PEG&amp; PAG</td>
<td>Third State record seen by mob, associating with Hooded Mergansers.</td>
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<td>Hooded Merganser</td>
<td>1/5</td>
<td>2 m.</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Garin-Dry Creek RP</td>
<td>SS</td>
<td>Found in Jordan Pond, Garin Park.</td>
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<td>Osprey</td>
<td>3/1</td>
<td>1 ad.</td>
<td>LIVERMORE: Shadow Cliff's RP</td>
<td>NK</td>
<td>Continues as the top piscivore here!</td>
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<tr>
<td>White-tailed Kite</td>
<td>Mid Feb.</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>CASTRO VALLEY: nr. Capricorn Court?</td>
<td>fide: HS</td>
<td>A neighbor of the Sowers’ has reported seeing a roost of 14 WTKi’s; not usually reported outside of the Fall period when “flocks” of 100 used to be seen. This was a vanishing species in Calif. in the early ’30’s - maybe 300 birds=declared protected, now 9-10,000.</td>
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<td>Bald Eagle</td>
<td>2/10</td>
<td>2 ads.</td>
<td>LIVERMORE: Del Valle RP</td>
<td>DE+c</td>
<td>Near entrance Kiosk area.</td>
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<td>Cooper's Hawk</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>1 f.; 1 m.</td>
<td>SAN LORENZO: Reg. Shoreline, Oro Loma Marsh</td>
<td>BR</td>
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<td>Ferruginous Hawk</td>
<td>1/6</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>LIVERMORE: Patterson Pass</td>
<td>SH</td>
<td>Included one rare, dark morph. Along the east side of the pass toward San Joaquin County.</td>
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<td>Merlin</td>
<td>2/4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Hayward (Effluent) Marsh</td>
<td>BR</td>
<td>Of our three races, these are probably the more migratory Taiga (Falco columbarius columbarius) here &amp; above. The paler (&quot;Prairie&quot;) and darker (&quot;Black&quot;) subspecies are most rare, F. c. richardsoni and F. c. suckleyi respectively.</td>
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<td>Merlin</td>
<td>1/15</td>
<td>1 f.</td>
<td>FREMONT: Palm Ave. yard</td>
<td>J&amp;JW</td>
<td>Nice yard bird on top of 25’ Cedar! Most leave for northern nesting by mid-April (all by mid-May).</td>
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<td>Wild (Urban) Turkey</td>
<td>3/2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Southland Shopping Center</td>
<td>HM</td>
<td>By parking lot nr. I-880--What's it all coming to? So &quot;cityfied&quot;--yet, so many restaurants nearby-- seems very risky!</td>
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<td>California Quail</td>
<td>2/20</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>CASTRO VALLEY: Capricorn Court yard.</td>
<td>HS</td>
<td>First sighting in 42 years; maybe the decline of our State Bird is over? (Maybe the Red Fox is fading away!)</td>
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<td>Lesser Yellowlegs</td>
<td>2/10</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>LIVERMORE: Del Valle RP</td>
<td>DE+c</td>
<td>Near boat launch.</td>
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<td>PECTORAL SANDPIPER</td>
<td>2/27</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>HAYWARD: Hayward Shoreline Interpretive Center, Breakwater Ave.</td>
<td>PD</td>
<td>Just east of HSIC building. Good close views of this sandpiper rarely seen here, but not totally unexpected along the northern, San Lorenzo Trail.</td>
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### 2007 IMBD T Shirts

The reaction of birds to weather has long been recognized by scientists. This year’s 2007 International Migratory Bird Day Committee has chosen Climate Change for its next theme and artist Louise Zemaitis to present it graphically. Her artwork can also be seen in numerous periodicals and books. To represent the theme, she has painted a colorful earth as seen from orbit and a variety of bird species flying around it. The shirts are a soft, sandy yellow color with the IMBD theme on the front and both the Partners in Flight and IMBD logos on the sleeve.

The shirts come in sizes M, L and XL and will be available at the membership meetings.

—ME

### Birding Class

Phil Gordon will teach a spring bird identification class, “Birds—the Basics of Birding”, through the Castro Valley Adult School, on Alma Street off Redwood Road. It will be composed of nine sessions; six local study trips and three classroom workshops.

Meeting times are scheduled from 10:15 a. m. to 12:15 p. m. each Monday Apr. 16–Jun. 11. Classroom session meet on campus in the Main Center Bldg., Room 16. When meeting for trips away from campus, car pooling will be encouraged.

Call or visit the C.V. Adult School to reserve your space. 510.886.1000. The fee is $16.00.

—PEG
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| Black Skimmer | 1/24 | 11 | ALAMEDA: Ballena Bay jetty | PEG; DQ; PEG+c | Crab Cove, EBRPD, sitting along the rocky jetty that extends into the Ballena Isle Marina; approached (north) from the end of McKay Rd.; 3 on 2/4 by Dave Quady; 6 on 2/5 by PEG + Acalanes Flatlanders Class. |
| EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE | 2/24 | 1 | HALF MOON BAY: 7-8 miles south along SR-1, SM Co. | PAG | Perched on telephone wire along hill side of highway. |
| Barn Owl | 2/4 | 1 | HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, W. Winton Ave. | BR | (fide: BR); assuming twas in parking lot trees (PEG). |
| Short-eared Owl | 2/4 | 1 | HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, Radio Tower Hills (small). | BR |
| Short-eared Owl | 2/4 | 1 | SAN LORENZO: Reg. Shoreline, Olo Loma Marsh | BR |
| Rufous Hummingbird | 2/10&11 | 1 m. | HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, W. Winton Ave. | BR | First of season here. In West, migrates from as far as Central Mexico to breed from Humboldt Co. through British Columbia into Southern Alaska. Also, different here, were Nuttall's Woodpecker & Hutton's Vireo = unlikely place for most reported. |
| YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER | 2/20 | 1 ad. | SAN LORENZO: Fairmead Terrace Park, HARD. | KH; (SS) | Re-located a couple of days before KH by Susan Stanton, who first found it mid-Oct. 2006 + Count Week for H-F CBC. (Not seen by PEG & PAG, 3/107). |
| Mountain Bluebird | 1/6 | 51 | LIVERMORE: Patterson Pass | SH | Perhaps largest group in ALA Co. Along wind farm zone: cattle guard X electric gate (7.52 mile marker?). |
| Varticled Thrush | 2/4/; 2/16 | 1 | HAYWARD: Reg. Shoreline, W. Winton Ave. | BR | “Present all winter” - BR. A good year for VaTh everywhere; also 2 on 2/16. |
| Varied Thrush | 2/17-18 | 1 | Sacramento NWR: Nature Trail, GLE Co. | PEG& PEG+g | First here for OAS Trips, a big year all over northern Calif. for VaTh. We had 104 Trip species, very worth while!. |
| Western Tanager | 2/17-18 | 1 m., 1 f. | COLUSA: Colusa SP | PEG& PEG+g | Early migrants returning from Western Mexico in trees of the campground. |
| Chipping Sparrow | 2/4 | 1 | SAN LORENZO: Reg. Shoreline, Olo Loma Marsh | BR | Rare wintering sparrow (possible early migrant - PEG) Near RXR tracks. |
| White-throated Sparrow | 2/4 | 1 | SAN LORENZO: Reg. Shoreline, San Lorenzo Ck. | BR | Rare/unusual Canadian wintering sparrow. Near RXR tracks (eastside). |
| WHITE-THROATED SPARROW | 1/15 | 1 imm. | CASTRO VALLEY: Cull Cyn Park, EBRPD | KH | Also, 1 WTSp 1/1 nr. Heyer Rd. above Cull Cyn Lake.. |

**ABBREVIATIONS:** m.=male, f.=female, Reg.=Reg., N=north(ern), W.=west(ern), RP or EBRPD=East Bay Reg. Park District, CC Co.=Contra Costa County; GLE Co.=Glenn County, SM Co.+San Mateo County, TUO=Tuolumne County (all other records, Alameda County), Cyn=Canyon, sp.=species, spp.=species (plural), ad.=adult, CBC=Christmas Bird Count, fide=information source, ca.=circa, about, nr.=near, w/=with, standard abbreviations often not translated.

**OBSEVERS:** PD=Peter Dramer, DE=Daniel Edelstein, PAG=Pat A. Gordon, PEG=Phil E. Gordon, SH=Steve Huckabone, GM=Gerry McChesney, HM=Hans Mortensen, DQ=Dave Quady, BR=Bob Richmond, HS=Helen Sowers, SS=Susan Stanton, J&JW=Joann & Jim Wood, c=class, g=OAS trip group. NOTE: Bird 4-letter acronyms follow the afor written full name.

**REPORT OBSERVATIONS to:** Phil Gordon, 1922 Hillsdale St., Hayward, CA 94541, 510.538.3550, or PAGPEG@aol.com for the period: mid-Mar. 2007 to May. 2007.

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**Audubon Attacks Global Warming**

National Audubon Society is forming a network to mobilize forces in support of efforts to combat human contributions to the temperature increases evident in changes in the natural world. The process is in the first stages of development. If you have ideas for publicizing the needs and exerting pressure on policy makers, contact globalwarming@audubon.org. Aims of the network are listed below.

**Working at every level, the Audubon network can:**
- **Help pass federal legislation to reduce CO$_2$ emissions by 60-80% by 2050**
- **Encourage federal and state adoption or enhancement of a suite of renewable energy measures, including Renewable Portfolio Standards**
- **Inspire voluntary actions to reduce the carbon footprint of individuals and communities**
- **Promote responsible energy development and conservation strategies consistent with protection of birds and habitat.**

Information from message to chapter leaders signed by President Flicker —NAS