



The Avocet

The Newsletter of the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society

April 1990

Earth Day Activity

SF Bay To Be Shorebird Reserve Site

On Saturday, April 28, SCVAS members are invited to a ceremony celebrating dedication of San Francisco Bay as a Hemispheric Reserve site in the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN). As a major Earth Day week activity, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Calif. Dept. of Fish and Game, Calif. Dept. of Parks and Recreation, City of Mountain View, East Bay Regional Park District, Mid-Peninsula Regional Park District, Point Reyes Bird Observatory, and National Audubon Society will all join together to celebrate the dedication of their lands in WHSRN. The Consulate General of Peru and representatives from Canada will join in the ceremony, recognizing the link between our countries formed by shared shorebirds.

The event will begin with a walk at 10 am and a ceremony at 11 am at the San Leandro Bay Regional Park, at Arrowhead Marsh in San Leandro. The event is free and open to the public; carpooling is encouraged. Take 880 to Hegenberger Road, left on Pardee Dr, right on Swan Way, and left into the Park entrance.

The Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) is a voluntary collaboration of governmental and private organizations committed to shorebird conservation. WHSRN gives international recognition to critically important shorebird habitats and promotes cooperative management and protection of the sites. As an international reserve network, it is dedicated to solving conservation challenges faced by migratory shorebirds and their habitats. For many shorebirds, the chain of critical sites extends from their breeding grounds in the Arctic to their wintering grounds near the southern tip of South America. WHSRN highlights key sites throughout the hemisphere used by shorebirds. By becoming a part of the network, a site gains international recognition and support for local conservation efforts and wetlands management.

Migrating shorebirds concentrate in great numbers in a few essential and irreplaceable locations along their flyways, at times

Native Forests Conference

The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, the Stanford Center for Conservation Biology and over 40 other organizations are co-sponsoring a conference on "Native Forests of the Americas". The conference will be held Saturday, May 5, 1990, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Stanford University.

The conference will bring together leading conservationists, biologists, political strategists and others to explore the biology and conservation of temperate and tropical forests of the Americas. Presentations will be diverse in format with panel discussions, keynote addresses, workshops, videos and an art show planned. A complementary evening program of audio-visual presentations will also be open to conference participants and the general public. Sunday field trips will also be available.

For more information, please call the SCVAS office at 415-329-1811. Volunteers are also invited to participate in conference preparation and are encouraged to call SCVAS!

Amazon Forest Lecture

Dr. Thomas Lovejoy will present the 2nd annual Boething Lecture on forests and the human predicament, titled "Amazonia: A Burning Question", on Wed, May 2, 8 PM at Kresge Auditorium, Stanford. Admission is free.

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Chapter News

Birdathon 1990

You have many opportunities to support the 1990 SCVAS Birdathon! Join a Birdathon Field Trip on Saturday, April 21, or support any of the eleven teams of eagle-eyed birdwatchers will use their birding skills to raise money for Audubon's local and national programs. All funds raised will go to the National Audubon Society Ancient Forest Campaign, to the Coyote Creek Riparian Station, to the Burrowing Owl Census, and to the chapter's education projects. We are pleased to welcome the Coyote Creek Riparian Station, a bird banding and riparian habitat reearch group located in Alviso, to the Birdathon!

Choose your favorite SCVAS team, and pledge to donate a certain amount of money per species spotted. (Example: you want the Wrentits to do well, so you pledge 20¢per species; they find 50 species, so you owe 20¢ x 50 = \$10) We suggest a minimum pledge of 10¢per species, but please

consider more. Any contribution will be gratefully accepted.

Or perhaps YOU would like to *create your own team*. We will send you a sponsor form, and pledge cards. Another way still to participate is to get your own pledges from friends, neighbors, family and co-workers, then *join in on the Birdathon Field Trip*. You can help that team find more species, and contribute your own share to SCVAS at the same time. And everyone is welcome to join us for a potluck dinner, celebrating the Birdathon. Call the office for location.

We will be competing with NAS and other local chapters to raise the most money. Let's show we know how to compete with the best of them. Sign up now as a participant or sponsor in the 1989 Birdathon, using the form on page 8. We need your support! For more information on participating as a counter, please call Grant Hoyt at (415) 969-7892 or Lynn Tennefoss at (415) 329-1811.

"The Teams"

Trish Mulvey "If You've Seen One Bird, You've Seen Them All"
 Clark Blake and Bill Bousman "The Poorwills"
 Jerry Estruth, Dave and Monica Johnston,
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 Grant Hoyt and Dick Stovel, Mike Mammoser "The Vagrants"
 Rod Norden, Lynn Tennefoss, KC and Nick Yatsko ... "Uncommon Loons"
 Kathy Parker "Me, Myself and I"
 Don & Dee Price, Mary Ann Leer, Jules Resnick .. "Stanford for the Birds"
 Dick & Fran Mewaldt "The Dick & Fran Team"
 Mike Rigney "The Band-its"
 Doug & Gail Cheeseman, Harriet Gerson "The Wrentits"

Chapter Elections

SCVAS members present at the May 16 General Meeting will vote on the following nominated officers and directors for 1990-91:
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General meetings are open to the public. Board of Directors meetings are open to all members. Call the office at (415) 329-1811 for times and directions.

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Editor Position Open

If you are interested in being *The Avocet* editor, please contact the SCVAS office. Macintosh and Pagemaker experience is desired.

Any member present at the meeting may place names in nomination if written consent from the candidate has been obtained.

April 1990 Calendar

On all field trips CARPOOL and share expenses. Bring binoculars, field guides, warm clothing, lunch (optional on half-day trips) and liquids. If you can provide or need transportation, call Gail Cheeseman (408) 741-5330.

Wed, April 4, 7:30 PM

Bay Area Bird Photographers

Baylands Interpretive Center @ the East end of Embarcadero, Palo Alto, Co-sponsored by the City of Palo Alto, Open Spaces & Sciences Division. The program will be presented by member Mark Rauzon, who will show us slides from his recent trip to the Peruvian Amazon, at Paul Beaver's camp upriver from Iquitos. Although this program may sound similar to the one that Rod Norden gave in December, the areas involved are more than 1000 km apart, and there are many differences in the flora and fauna.

Sun, April 8, 9 AM

Beginners Trip to Charleston Slough

Leader: TBA, call SCVAS, (415)329-1811
Directions: Meet at east end of San Antonio Rd. in Mt. View, at Terminal Way. Basics of birding with emphasis on shorebirds and waterfowl. Half Day.

Sat - Tues, April 7-10

Audubon Western Regional Conference, Asilomar Conference Grounds.

For more information, call SCVAS at (415) 329-1811.

Tues, April 10, 9:30 AM

Bird Discussion Group

At home of Eve Case, 20537 Verde Vista Lane, Saratoga, (408) 867-4748. Topic: White Heron. All members are invited to attend these monthly open discussions about different species. Call for details and directions.

Wed, April 11, 9 AM

Saratoga Foothills, So. Co. Field Trip

Leader: Harriet Gerson (408) 252-6244
Directions: Meet in the NW corner of the Argonaut Shopping Center, Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd. opp. Pierce Rd. to carpool short distance. Be prompt or call leader for more details. Highlights: breeding birds of the oak woodlands. Half Day.

Wed., April 18, 7:30 PM

General Membership Meeting

Please see description in sidebar below.

Sat, April 21, 8 AM

Birdathon Field Trip: Arastradero OSP, Stanford Campus, Baylands

Leaders: Uncommon Loon Birdathon Team, (415) 329-1811
Directions: Take 280 to Page Mill Road exit, go west on Page Mill Road, to right turn on Arastradero Road. Meet in parking lot at Arastradero Open Space Preserve. Bring lunch, liquids. Participants are encouraged (but not required) to get pledges for the number of species seen.

Sat, April 21, 8:30 AM

Stanford University Jasper Ridge Biological Reserve

Leaders: Winkie Lennihan, Bob Buell, Bill Kirsher, Bill and Jean Clark, (415) 326-7565
Directions: BY RESERVATION ONLY - call leaders for reservations. Limited to 40. Meet at the Reserve main gate (not Whiskey Hill gate). Gate fee. Gate open from 8:10 to 8:30 ONLY. BE PROMPT!! Take Sand Hill Rd west off I-280 about 2 miles to main gate. Trip goes rain or shine. 2-3 miles easy walking.

Sun, April 22

EARTH DAY

Take time to go for a walk, and enjoy the Earth, then find out what YOU can do to help save it! Hundreds of activities are planned for Earth Day. To find out what is scheduled for your area, call the Earth Day '90 office at (415) 321-1990.

Wed, April 25, 8:30 AM

San Francisquito Creek & Bol Park

Leader: Shirley Gordon (408) 996-9863
Directions: Meet in Palo Alto at Bol Park, Alma St. and Palo Alto Ave. (near RR tracks, across El Camino from Stanford Shopping Center). From University Ave in downtown Palo Alto, go N 4 blocks on Emerson, then left on Palo Alto Ave. to Alma. Best parking is on Emerson or Palo Alto Ave. Half day, lunch opt.

Sat, April 28, 8:30 PM

WHSRN Dedication

San Leandro Bay Regional Park
See article on page 1.

Wed., April 18, 7:30 PM

General Membership Meeting

Cosponsored with Palo Alto Open Spaces and Sciences Division, at Palo Alto Cultural Center, Embarcadero at Newell. 7:30 refreshments, 7:45 Bird Talk will be Rod Norden, Gulls with rings on their bills, 8 pm program features Steve Bailey, "I was a bird slave on the Farallon Islands". Steve Bailey works with Luis Baptista, our speaker last month, at the California Academy of Sciences. Steve volunteered for two extended banding sessions on the Farallons with Point Reyes Bird Observatory (PRBO) in the months of June and September, outstanding for both seabirds and vagrants. He viewed over 100 species while on the Farallons and has excellent photos of many of them. If you have ever considered volunteering for a week or two on the Farallons, this will give you an intimate "armchair" experience.

Sat, April 28, 8:30 PM

Steven's Creek County Park

Birding by sound
Leader: Frank Fairan, (408) 252-3874
Directions: Exit I-280 S onto Foothill Blvd; travel 2.1 miles and turn left to enter park; go to 1st parking lot, for Chestnut picnic area. Half day, but a nice place for a bag lunch.

Sat, May 5

Native Forests of the Americas Conference

Stanford University
(See article on page 1)

Sun, May 6, 8 am

Mines Road and Del Puerto Canyon

Leader: Art Edwards (415) 447-3720
Directions: Meet at the Nob Hill Shopping Center in Livermore. Take S. Livermore Ave. to 8th St. in Livermore. 12 hour trip, but participants may turn back at San Antonio Jct. PLEASE CARPOOL. Maximum of 10 cars on caravan with FULL cars ONLY. Bring lunch (dinner), full tank of fuel. Limited facilities. Poss. species: Wood Duck, Golden Eagle, Turkey (wild), Lesser Nighthawk (late). Lewis' Woodpecker, etc.... Beginners welcome.

Sat, May 12, 8:30 AM

Coyote Creek Riparian Station

Leader: Allen Royer (408) 288-7768
Bird banding including Western Flycatchers, Song Sparrows and other spring birds. Limited to 10 participants. Call for reservations. Heavy rain cancels. Half day.

Sun, May 13, 9 AM

Beginners Trip to Charleston Slough

Leader: Rod Norden (408) 255-3033
Directions: Meet at the end of San Antonio Rd. in Mt. View at Terminal Way. Basics of birding with emphasis on shorebirds and waterfowl. Heavy rain cancels. Half Day.

Field Notes

By Bill Bousman

Waterfowl

A single **Red-throated Loon** has remained at Shoreline Lake through 18 Feb (MRo, MFe, WGB). An **American Bittern** at the Palo Alto Baylands 7 Feb (MRo) was the only report. A male **Redhead** on Vasona reservoir 12 Feb (JDuB) is one of the few reports for the winter. A **White-winged Scoter** on Shoreline Lake 4 Mar (MJM) is the only report this winter. A pair of **Barrow's Goldeneye** there the same day (MJM) are probably the same ones that have been there irregularly since late November.

Raptors

Late winter movements of **Bald Eagles** away from their normal haunts at Calaveras and Isabel reservoirs is unusual, so sightings from the south county (fide BBr) are of interest. One was at Dunne Ave. west of Henry Coe S.P. 22 Feb (CBr), a second sighting at Anderson reservoir 24 Feb, a third on Gilroy Hot Springs Rd. 26 Feb (EA), and a fourth at Mississippi Lake in Henry Coe S.P. 27 Feb (JS). One bird seems likely. An adult **Ferruginous Hawk** at Metcalf and Monterey Roads 9 Feb (EC) was a good find. Six records of Merlin for the month continue their record setting pace. Descriptions of adult **Peregrine Falcons** along lower Coyote Creek 8 and 10 Feb (WGB, GHt) suggest different birds. Another adult was at the mouth of San Francisquito Creek 24 Feb (RS).

Others

Two **Lesser Yellowlegs** on the Knapp property 10 Feb (EG)

and another on lower Coyote Creek 25 Feb (GHt) are rare winter records.

Early **Tree** and **Violet-green swallows** are not a surprise, but five **Cliff Swallows** over Los Altos 7 Feb (PLN) are a month early for this species. A flock of 12 **Evening Grosbeak** were over Mt. View 7 Feb (PLN). There are more easily found by their call notes than seen.

Observers:

Everett Allen (EA), Bill Bousman (WGB), Barry Breckling (BBr), Candy Breckling (CBr), Emelie Curtis (EC), Jean DuBois (JDuB),

Mike Feighner (MFe), Ed Gustafson (EG), Grant Hoyt (GHt), Mike Mammoser (MJM), Paul Noble (PLN), Mike Rogers (MRo), Rick Schermerhorn (RS), and Jeff Swindle (JS).

**Cliff Swallows over
Los Altos are a
Month Early**

If you see an "uncommon to rare" or spot early arrivals and migrants please drop a note or call: Bill Bousman, 321 Arlington Way, Menlo Park, CA 94025 (415) 322-5282

Field Trip Report

Central Coast Birding

Friday, February 16—The winter's worst storm blasts Northern California, closing major highways and wreaking general havoc with wind and rain. Birders, however, sometimes abandon common sense in favor of adventure, and thus an intrepid group of eleven SCVAS diehards decided to challenge the elements, and departed that rainy Friday evening for Morro Bay and vicinity, some 180 miles to the south. As luck would have it, we not only avoided the fury of the storm, we enjoyed one of the most spectacular birding weekends in recent memory.

Saturday started with **Peregrine Falcons** at Morro Rock, and finished with an adult male **Summer Tanager** at Oceano. In between there were 132 other species seen and heard in a variety of habitats, as central coast birding expert Jim Royer led us to numerous hot spots between Morro Bay and Pismo Beach. At Morro Bay State Park, we saw active nests of **Great Blue Heron**, **Red-shouldered Hawk** and **Allen's Hummingbird** within a few yards of one another in a eucalyptus grove. Along the coast, we had great looks at **Oldsquaw**, **Brant**, **White Pelican** and numerous other waterfowl, including grebes, loons, ducks, shorebirds and gulls. A few **Royal Terns** were present, and Jim pointed out the subtle and confusing field marks. A wild **Ross' Goose**, having fallen in with bad companions (domestic geese), ate out of our hands at Laguna Lake Park outside of San Luis Obispo. A **Cattle Egret** was found along a back road, and a male **Blue-winged Teal** mingled with other ducks at a local sewage treatment plant.

Winding up the day at Oceano, adjacent to Pismo Beach State Park, we racked up dozens of land birds, including **Wilson's Warbler**, **House Wren**, **Blue-gray Gnatcatcher**, **Red-breasted Nuthatch**, **Great-tailed Grackle** (watch out, they're coming!), and the aforementioned **Summer Tanager**. On Sunday, braving cold temperatures but no precipitation, we followed John McDonald, a local resident who specializes in birding this region, east to the Carrizo Plain, stopping along the way for **Lewis' Woodpecker** and **Tricolored Blackbird**. Snow lingered on the nearby hills in the aftermath of the wintry storm. John led us to a scrubby-looking turnout off the paved road, where we were treated to excellent views of several **Sage Sparrows** hopping about in the sparse vegetation. Three of the group counted this elusive species

as a life bird. The chilly conditions and muddy roads forced us to end the trip around noon, after good looks at **Ferruginous Hawk**, **Prairie Falcon** and **Golden Eagle**. A small group of us returned to the Bay Area via Panoche Valley, and on the way back we added **Greater Roadrunner**, **Mountain Plover**, **Mountain Bluebird**, and **Phainopepla** to the trip list.

Thanks to leaders and participants alike for chancing the ominous weather conditions and making this weekend of birding a memorable one.—Grant Hoyt


Field Trip Report

Livermore Raptor Trip

In spite of the threat of fog, Saturday, February 10th dawned clear, very calm and not too chilly. Eleven birders joined me to enjoy the spectacle of many raptors which winter along the western edge of the central valley.

One of the first raptors of the day was a **Ferruginous Hawk** perched in a large eucalyptus tree near the junction of Greenville Road and Patterson Pass Road. After that, raptor sightings were few and far between, until after lunch when the thermals began to favor raptor movement. Southeast of the junction of Christensen Road and Kelso Road, near Bethany Reservoir, we found a pair of **Burrowing Owls** in a location I had not seen before. We had lunch at the reservoir, and saw few birds. About 1000 gulls (**Herring**, **California**, **Ring-billed**) were on the lake, as were several **Bufflehead** and one **Ruddy Duck**. After lunch, along Bruns Road, we saw our first **Golden Eagles**. At one point, we had two Golden Eagles and five Ferruginous Hawks in view at the same time. Along Byron Hot Springs Road and Armstrong Road, we saw another pair of Burrowing Owls; one **Sharp-shinned Hawk**, one dark morph **Red-tailed Hawk**, and three

more Golden Eagles. A total of eight species of raptors were seen, including **Turkey Vulture** (4), **Sharp-shinned Hawk** (1), **Norther Harrier** (1), **Red-tailed Hawk** (26), **Ferruginous Hawk** (8), **Golden Eagle** (5), **American Kestrel** (6), and **Burrowing Owl** (4)—Don Schmoltdt



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A typical day in the forests of Trinidad during the wet season is bright and full of butterflies, bird song and cicada buzzes. The ground is wet from the rain that left as quickly as it came while the sky, filled with brilliantly white cumulus clouds, is a deep blue. Swifts and a raptor, perhaps a black hawk, spiral against a distant hill. Kiskadee flycatchers, tanagers, and hummingbirds sing and whirl about in the wet trees. In the forest understory the antshrike's pounding call can be heard over the continuous high pitched chirping of Colostethus, a relative of the poison arrow frog. A crab scratching its way through the leaf litter, foams and froths at you in a threat display as you approach. A swarm of winged termites, silently filling the air, lure in feeding motmots who are nesting in a dirt bank nearby.

The tropical rain forests of Trinidad and Tobago are indeed a valuable resource, but are also beautiful and full of adventure.

Unfortunately most people visit these islands during the winter months for warmth and Trinidad's dry season. However, the wet season, which starts in early summer, is the equivalent of spring, for the parched forest becomes luxuriant with new growth, flowers and fruit. The insect populations explode while the birds and other animals take advantage of the increased resources and breed. So, if you are interested in tropical biodiversity, this is the time to visit these islands.—Edward Rooks

Cheesemans' Ecology Safaris offers a trip to Trinidad and Tobago as a benefit to SCVAS, June 25 to July 8, led by wildlife artist and Trinidad native Edward Rooks and Janice Rooks, professor of Biology and Ecology at Santa Clara University. The tour will see a wide variety of habitats, from the Mount Saint Benedicts Guesthouse and trails to the Asa Wright Nature Center and many other locations. (Edward and Janice will be giving the Marin Audubon program on April 6, 8 pm, at the Western Education Center in Tiburon.) With 6 people going so far and a maximum of 12 persons, field trips will be in small groups. There will also be opportunities for recording bird song, insects and frogs for any recordists on the trip. Cost is \$1500, plus airfare of \$435 from Miami to Trinidad. For an itinerary, please call SCVAS at (415) 329-1811 or the Cheesemans' at (408) 741-5330.

News From the Atlas

We are starting our third full year of the atlas, and this one will be the celebration of the urban areas. If you find a species nesting in your yard or on your travels contact Roy Cameron (408) 867-6632 or Bill Bousman (415) 322-5282. If you would like to help with the atlas in any way, call Bill Bousman at the above number.

Environmental Action News

Use Recycled Paper

Celebrate Earth Day All Year Long

Recycling is very important - it saves energy, helps expand the life of landfills (thereby saving habitat that would otherwise be needed to build more dumps) and keeps public lands clean of trash. However, as recent newspaper stories about the glut of recycled glass have shown, another step needs to be taken to make the cycle complete - we all need to choose products made from recycled materials whenever they are available.

Increased demand for recycled products makes it more economical to create or retrofit processing plants so that recycled materials can be used.

The paper industry is the third largest user of energy in the United States. It is the *largest* user of fuel oil, and as such is a major contributor to air pollution. Powerful chemicals used to process, bleach and dye pulped wood pollute waterways, and cutting trees is rapidly diminishing habitats. Recycled papers require fewer trees, generate less air pollution, and require significantly less water for processing.

The following information is from the Sierra Club's Loma Prieta Recycling Committee.

Where To Find Recycled Paper Products

Paper for Copiers and Printing:

Many companies are starting to make recycled paper. Most use post-industrial waste (scraps left from making envelopes or trimming paper); only a few actually use post-consumer waste (used, de-inked and recycled paper). Conservatree and Crosspoint Passport papers do use post-consumer waste - ask about the others. Some of the distributors below will only sell

large quantities of paper - others will break down box lots. If you don't need a full box, try to find a friend who will share one with you!

- Seaboard Paper Company, 1996 Junction Ave, San Jose, (408) 436-6595. M-F, 8-5, Sat 9-1. (also a store in Burlingame (415) 692-1122). Seaboard carries a full line of Conservatree Papers and also Simpson Mills, Crosspoint, and Fox River. Their stores stock a wide selection of papers and others can be ordered. They stock some envelope too. For large volume orders, call Esler at (800) 832-2311.

- Evergreen Recycled Papers, 1938 Old Middlefield Way, Mt. View, CA 94043, 415-961-8928. They carry copy paper, computer paper, 100% recycled, and premium rag bond letterhead with matching envelopes. Available by ream or carton.

- Kirk Paper (commercial supplier) has white recycled paper on a trial basis. To order call Don Winslow at (800) 222-5475, x8014.

- Noland Paper (distributor - not a store) has 8 1/2 x 11 white. They stock it in Buena Park by can get it in 24 hours. Minimum order is \$150. (408) 435-0520.

- Zebra Copy stores in Palo Alto, Cupertino and Santa Clara stock white recycled paper to use in store or for sale by ream (500 sheets). Palo Alto store has a variety of colored recycled paper on a trial basis. The printing division (order your printing from any Zebra Copy) uses a large selection of recycled papers.

- Ask your printer if they stock recycled - if not, you can ask them to order it for you, or purchase the paper elsewhere, and ask them to use it instead of their stock.

Stationery:

- Peninsula Conservation Center Store, 2448 Watson Court, Palo Alto, (415) 494-9301, M-F, 9:30 am - 5 pm, stocks cards, wrapping paper, stationery from the Earth Care line, and also napkins and Christmas cards.

- Kinko's - most Kinko's stock small packages of high quality recycled paper, suitable for stationery with matching envelopes.

- Earth Care Paper Company, P.O. box 3335, Madison, WI, 53704. This mail order company sells a fine line of paper products including postcards, stationery, notecards, envelopes, and a handy 'recycled paper' stamp. Write for catalog.

Other Paper Products

- Seventh Generation, 10 Farrell St., South Burlington, Vermont, 05403, (800) 456-1177. This mail order company sells toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, and other products including bins made from recycled tiers and plastic. Write for catalog.

- Fort Howard makes 99% of their products out of recycled papers and has been doing so since 1919! They use post-industrial paper waste and post-consumer waste. Different products have different percentages of post-consumer waste. Products listed below are made by Fort Howard. Their products do not usually say they are recycled because that was once used against them by their competitors!

- Paper Towels and Napkins: Look for Mardi Gras in regular grocery stores, and for Page in drug stores like Longs or Thriftys.

- Toilet Paper - Soft and Gentle can be found in grocery stores.

- Many other lines of products are available. The Envision line uses 25% post-consumer waste and the chlorine bleach they use is recycled. Or try Product 100 which is

also 25% post-consumer waste and unbleached by dyed 'peach'. Plan on buying by the case. The full lines of toilet tissue, paper towels, facial tissue, and napkins may be found at the following outlets:

- United Janitorial Supply, 930 Rincon Circle (off Montague), San Jose, (408) 954-0320.

- Paper Material, 905 Montague Expressway, Milpitas, (408) 262-8001

- Pacific Janitorial Supply, 2294 Walsh Ave, Santa Clara, (408) 727-0271.

- Unisource sells Fort Howard products with a minimum order of \$80. (088) 621-2288.

- Coast Paper Supply, in Santa Cruz
- Monterey Sanitary Co., in Monterey

For large volume orders, (cities, large businesses) please contact John Jezisek, a Fort Howard representative, at (415) 831-2550. He will help get the best prices locally.

Packing Materials

- Bio-Pax, 1265 Pine Hill Drive, Annapolis, MD, 21401, (301) 974-4411 makes packing materials such as corrugated boxes, mailing bags, Kraft wrapping paper, and cushioning materials. Send \$2 for catalog. If you know of another sources of recycled products, or have any comments on the ones listed above, please send comments to: Loma Prieta Recycling Committee, Sierra Club, 2448 Watson Court, Palo Alto, CA 94303. Thank you!

Earth Day Activities At De Anza College

Sunday, April 22, De Anza College offers the following talks in Room S-32 (Biology Building)

11:00 AM-*Project Earth: What Can I Do?*; Julie Phillips, Instructor
12:00-*Reclaim: The End Is Near*; Pat Ferraro, Bd of Dir, Santa Clara Valley Water District
1:00 P.M.-*Rainforests And You*; Doug Cheeseman, Instructor
2:00 P.M.-*Energy Alternatives In*

The Urban Setting; Frank Schiavo, Environmental Studies Professor, SJSU

3:00 P.M.-*Rainforest And Medicine*; Jim Anderson, Instructor

Exhibits throughout the day will be featured in the S-5 (Biology Building), Planetarium, Student Ecology Research Laboratory and the Environmental Study Area. Students will be involved in exhibits and leading tours in the Environmental Study Area

Earth Week activities will continue on from Sunday, the 22nd, through Friday, the 27th, with lectures, discussions and exhibits at De Anza College, including a panel discussion, Mon, April 23, 1:00 - 3:30 P.M. on the topic: *How Clean Is Your Water?*, presented and coordinated by Ted Smith, Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition and Betty Roeder, President, Great Oaks Water Company.

Wetlands Saved In Newark

A federal appeals court has upheld the Army Corps of Engineers' jurisdiction over former salt ponds across the street from the US Fish & Wildlife Service Refuge in Newark, currently owned by Leslie Salt Co. and which Leslie wanted to fill. These ponds are seasonally wet, though have been disced for several years.

The decision reversed a previous decision by Judge Legge, who had ruled that the Corps had no power to regulate the property. The Court ruled as irrelevant Leslie's argument that the aquatic characteristics of the property were artificially created by road and sewer work. If allowed to stand, Judge Legge's decision might have had a major effect on Corps regulation of seasonal wetlands in South S.F. Bay. Therefore, this is a major victory! National Audubon Society and Save San Francisco Bay Association intervened in the suite, and assisted in the appeal.

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with large percentages of the entire populations at a single place. San Francisco Bay is one of these sites: Point Reyes Bird Observatory Bay census data, gathered by more than one hundred Bay Area volunteers over the last 2 years, supports the nomination by indicating that more than one million shorebirds use the bay during peak migration periods.

Enormous numbers of birds and whole populations are at risk from environmental threats to their habitat. Wetlands are among the world's most productive environments, providing tremendous natural and economic benefits to humans. Shorebirds need these areas for their survival and serve as indicators of the quality of our stewardship.

WHSRN currently includes Delaware Bay, the Bay of Fundy, the entire coast of Suriname, and Stillwater/the Lahontan Valley Wetlands in Nevada, with several other western sites in the nomination process.

For more information, please call the SCVAS office at (415) 329-1811.

EAC Meeting

All SCVAS members are welcome to attend. No RSVP necessary. Mon, April 28, 7:30 PM at the library of the Peninsula Conservation Center, 2448 Watson Ct., Palo Alto. Call SCVAS for more information.

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Non-Audubon Events

•Reunion for students of Alice Hoch's Birdwatching and Walking Tours classes. Sat, May 5, 10 am - 1 pm, Central Park, Fremont. For more info, please call (415) 657-0475 or 791-5841. (Alice's birding classes begin May 3.)

•Univ. Reserach Expeditions Program lists research opportunities for the summer - study Sierra Mule Deer, Mono Lake Birds, Klamath Basin Pelicans and more. For info, call (415) 642-6586.

•YSI Wildflower Show and Open House, Sun, April 21, 12 - 4:30, free, YSI Vasona Park Discovery Center. Volunteers are also needed to collect and key out wildflower specimens, April 16-20. For info, call (408) 356-4945.

•Hidden Villa Spring Country Fair will be Sun, May 6, 10-5.

•The Fremont Adult School is offering a series of weekly classes, called "Birding Field Trips" for birders of all levels, beginning Tue, Apr 17, for 8 weeks. Call (415) 791-5841 for details.

NAS West Reg'l Confer.

The NAS 1990 Western Regional Conference, open to all members, will be held at Asilomar from April 7-10, 1990. The theme this year is "Protecting Ecological Landscapes", new strategies for managing wildlife habitat into the next century. *Pilchuck Audubon Society will raffle a pair of spotted owl prints at the conference.* - For details about the raffle, or for registration materials and more info, please call SCVAS office.

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