

Southbound Shorebirds Migrate Through State

Shorebirds flying south from the Arctic Circle are migrating through Pennsylvania this week, according to Merrill Wood, author of "Birds of Pennsylvania" and associate professor of zoology at The Pennsylvania State University.

Professor Wood says the fall migration of shorebirds begins in July and reaches its peak in August. Herons such as the Great Blue Heron and the Common

Egret, are common in Pennsylvania at this time. They are seen along shallow streams, lakes, and ponds.

One sure sign of fall migration is the appearance of the Solitary Sandpiper, Wood affirms. This Sandpiper often goes to the coasts of Argentina so gets an early start from the tundras of the far north.

Many surprising and interesting facts on birdlife can be found in "Birds of Pennsylvania," a paperback guidebook published

by the Agricultural Experiment Station at Penn State. The volume features 156 original pen-and-ink drawings of the most common birds in Pennsylvania plus facts about 423 species found in the Commonwealth.

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MANHEIM JOYS
By Corene Rohrer

The Manheim 4-H Club has introduced a new Child Care project for its members. It is the first project to be led by two teen leaders, Marilyn Stauffer and Janice Naumen, with no assistance from an adult leader.

Ten leaders for this year's activities will be Donna Hershey, Marilyn Stauffer, Ellen Mikota, Janice Naumen, and Marcia Shaffer.

Several members journeyed to Plymouth County, Iowa on the annual county exchange trip. They include: Janice Naumen, Ellen Mikota, Corene Rohrer and Marilyn Stauffer.

The club is selling cookies to raise money for county activities. Some members also participated in a submarine sandwich sale to raise money for the exchange trip.

CLASHING THIMBLES
By Linda Leaman

The seventh meeting of the Clashing Thimbles Sewing Club was held on July 23 at the Penn Manor Junior High School sewing room. Demonstrations were given on "Grooming Magic for Modern Girls," by Karen Alexich and "Modeling for Round-Up" by Ellyce Jean Engle.

Judging of projects will be held on July 30. On August 5 at 7:30 p.m. a fashion show will be held at the home of Mrs. Edward Leaman. The Fashion Show's entertainment committee is Betty Jane Barley (Chairman) and Ellyce Jean Engle and Linda Leaman.

Progress Days Feature Hay Crop Silage Show

Farmers from all areas of Pennsylvania are expected to participate in this year's Hay Crop Silage Show.

Scheduled for August 26, the show will be one of the features of the 1969 Agricultural Progress Days, Fox Chase Farms in Towanda.

Separate classes have been set up for legumes, grasses, summer annuals, and winter annuals. Each main class is divided into three sub-classes based on moisture. Awards will be presented to the top five winners in each sub-class.

All samples in this year's competition will be judged on the basis of chemical as well as visual characteristics. For this reason, the closing date for all entries has been set for August 8, three weeks before the show.

Samples may be submitted any time prior to and including August 8, at one of the following locations: Dr. J. W. Bratzler, Animal Science Bldg., Penn State University; Milton Hershey Farms, Hershey, or Bradford County Agricultural Extension Association, Towanda.

An exhibit must have at least one gallon of silage. Large size heavy plastic bags make an excellent container for transporting samples. If samples are going to be held for a period of time before delivery, they should be frozen.

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