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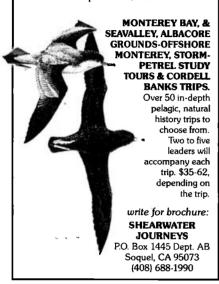
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BREEDING BIRD ATLAS PROJECT IN NEBRASKA

The Nebraska Breeding Bird Atlas Project is entering its third summer of field work in 1986. Field workers are needed for virtually all sections of the state. Any birders who will be in the area and are willing to help are urged to contact the project coordinator: Wayne J. Mollhoff, 736 S. Third, Albion, Nebraska 68620.

INSTITUTE FOR FIELD **ORNITHOLOGY WORKSHOPS**

The Institute for Field Ornithology at the University of Maine at Machias is offering college credit for their summer workshops. Amateurs and professionals are invited to attend any of the five weeklong workshops on the following topics: bird and nature photography; seabirds; shorebirds; bird song recording; and advanced field identification. The workshops combine classroom study and field work. For further information contact: Charles Duncan, Institute for Field Ornithology, 9 O'Brien Avenue, Machias. ME 04654. (207) 255-3313, X289.

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The Audubon Wildlife Report 1986, second in a series of books on federal and state wildlife conservation and management, will be available in May for \$24.50 plus \$1.45 postage and handling. The new hardcover edition features the U.S. Forest Service. The 1986 book expands coverage on topics included in the inaugural 1985 volume and enters the field of state wildlife management with a general chapter on state administration plus chapters on state law enforcement and nongame programs. The two-color 1986 volume also includes 23 chapters on various species that represent unique challenges for wildlife managers, including the polar bear, whooping crane, wolf, Kemp's ridley sea turtle, osprey, and peregrine An extensive appendix includes the addresses and phone numbers of federal wildlife managers, a guide to wetlands mangement, the entire federal endangered and threatened species list, plus information on congressional contacts, and more. The 1985 volume, which featured the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is still available for \$16.50 post paid. Both volumes may be purchased for \$36.50 plus a \$1.45 for postage and handling Send a check or money order to Audubon Wildlife Report, The National Audubon Society, 950 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10022.

PIPING PLOVER JOINS **ENDANGERED AND** THREATENED WILDLIFE LIST

As of December 12, 1985, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service placed the Piping Plover (Charadrius melodus) on its updated list of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants. The breeding population is considered endangered in the Great Lakes area and threatened in the rest of its range. For further information and copies of the final rule contact: Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Federal Building, Fort Snelling, Twin Cities, MN 55111.

AOU MEETING

The AMERICAN ORNITHOLO-GISTS' UNION will hold its 104th Meeting at Mississippi State University, MS, August 18-21. Jerome A. Jackson is chairing the Committee on Arrangements. For further information, contact him at: Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, MS 39762.

MICHIGAN OFFERS TOURS OF KIRTLAND'S WARBLER

Free guided tours to see Kirtland's Warbler (*Dendroica kirtlandii*) will be conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Forest Service. Warbler nesting areas will be closed and posted against public entry during the 1986 nesting season. Warbler watchers may see the bird and view nesting areas only by participating in one of the guided tours.

Tours will depart from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Grayling Field Office in Grayling and from the U.S. Forest Service District Ranger Office in Mio. The tours will begin May 15 and end July 4. The Grayling tour will be offered daily at 7:00am and at 11:00am. The Mio tour will be offered at 7:30am on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday and 11:00am on Saturday and Sunday. No tours will be offered on Monday or Tuesday at Mio.

Actual sighting of the Kirtland's Warbler is not guaranteed. The average date when the first Kirtland's Warbler arrives at the nesting area is May 12; the latest recorded date is May 20.

Tour guides prefer small groups because they create less disturbance and are more likely to see the bird. No reservations are necessary for individuals or small groups, but large groups are urged to contact the following offices after April 15, 1986, for reservations so that time schedules can be established:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service c/o Michigan Department of

Natural Resources Grayling Field Office P.O. Box 507 Grayling, Michigan 49738 Phone: (517) 348-6371

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