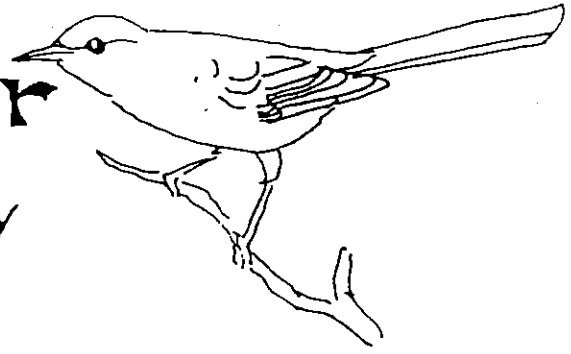


The Gnatcatcher



JUNIATA VALLEY AUDUBON SOCIETY

SEPTEMBER 1992

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM: LEAPFROGGING AMONG THE ANURA

Linda Maxson, head of the biology department at Penn State, will show us frogs of the world.

TIME: 29 September 1992 (Tuesday) at 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Penn State Altoona Campus Chapel (please note location).

CANOE CREEK STATE PARK SPECIAL AREAS PROJECT

The Special Areas Project at Canoe Creek State Park has been very successful since its beginning in January 1992. A bird census of the park has taken place every month of this year. We hope that more people will come forth in the following months to help us in this endeavor. The next census will take place on Sunday, 20 September. Canoe Creek State Park Superintendent Terry Wentz promises free state park volunteer caps and patches to all who participate. If you are interested in helping us, please call Bill King at 942-7673.

FIELD TRIP: RICKETTS GLEN STATE PARK

The Juniata Valley Audubon Society will visit Ricketts Glen State Park in Luzerne county on Saturday, October 10. This park often has been referred to as the crown jewel of the Pennsylvania state park system. It consists of 13,050 acres of forest on the Keystone State's northeastern portion of the Allegheny Front. Its most spectacular feature is a series of 25 waterfalls formed as Kitchen Creek descends 1000 feet in three miles, all amid several-hundred-year-old hemlocks, pines, beeches, and oaks. The highest of these waterfalls, Ganoga Falls, is 94 feet. The area was approved as a national park in the 1930's, but World War II drove national priorities elsewhere and the land eventually became Ricketts Glen State Park.

We hope that many JVAS members will attend this field trip in the midst of autumn's splendor. Please call Janet Huber at 942-5752 if you are interested in going.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK by Dave Kyler

Welcome to another Audubon year! The JVAS Program Committee, with many hours of summertime planning behind them, has brought together another award-winning program for your enjoyment and enlightenment for the upcoming 1991-92 season. We hope that you will be able to join us throughout the year for an enjoyable time with enjoyable people, your fellow chapter members. We look forward to seeing you at the September meeting on the 29th!

*Hollidaysburg Octoberfest: On Friday, October 3, from 10 A.M. to 8 P.M. and Saturday, October 4, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. we need help to man our educational booth in Hollidaysburg. Call Bill King at 942-7673.

*Fort Roberdeau: Trail guides will be needed in October, especially on weekends, at the fort. If interested, please call Peggy Goodman at 946-0048.

*Riverside-BiLo Register Tapes are still being collected by Anne Borland, 138 Larch St,

Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.

*Donations of Birdseed/Money for the feeding stations at Fort Roberdeau will be accepted at our montly meetings.

*The Juniata Valley Audubon Society Budget for the upcoming year is below for your perusal.

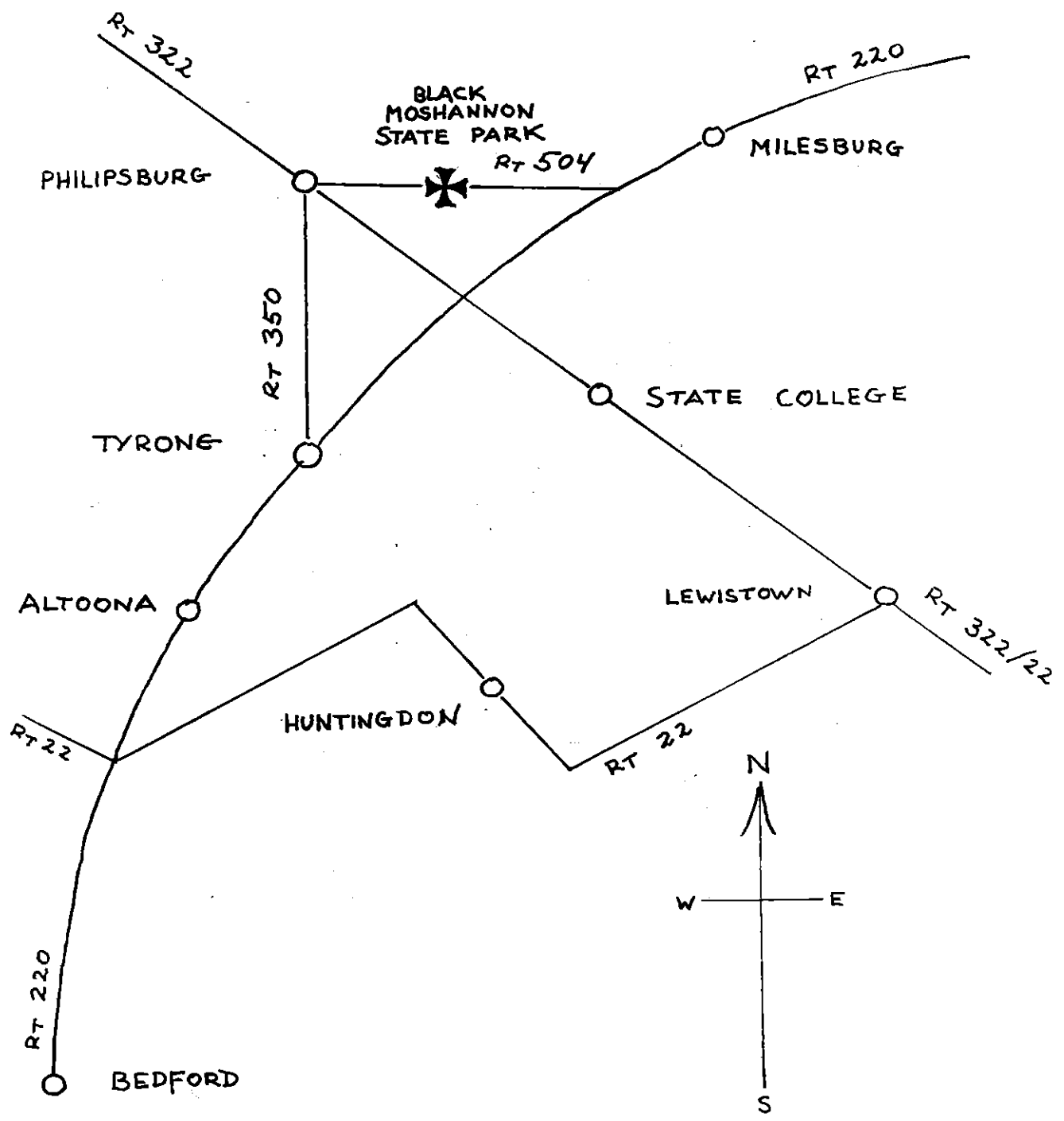
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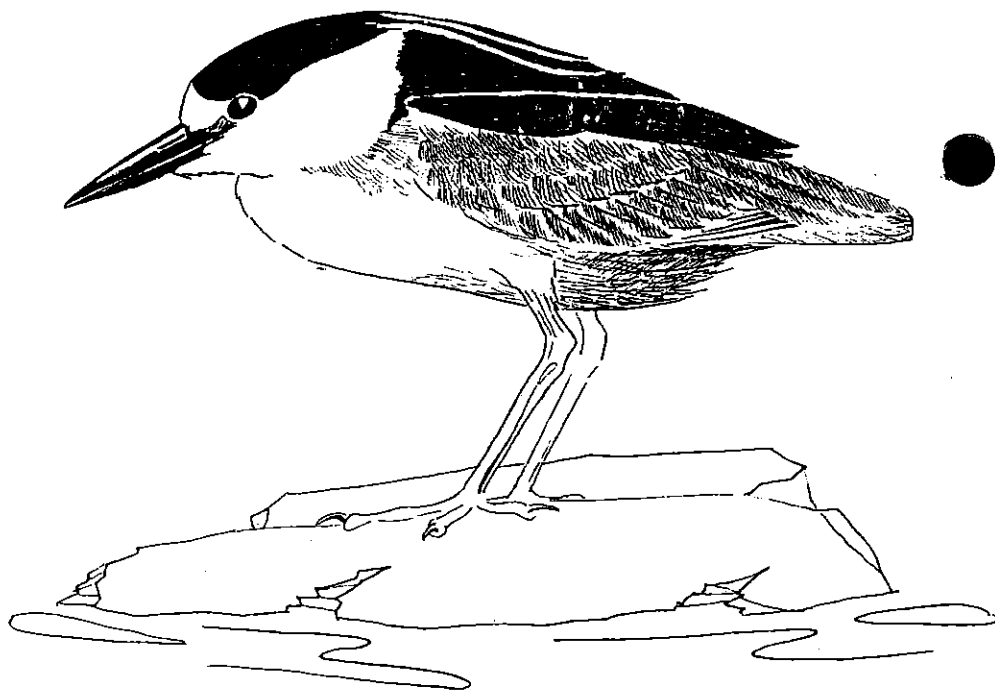
BUDGET JUNE 1 1992 - MAY 31, 1993

Beginning Balance		\$1,328
INCOME:		
Dues Split	\$1,200	
Birdathon	275	
Education Committee	50	
Gnatcatcher Subscriptions	12	
Rainforest Crunch	200	
Riverside Slips	150	
Donations	50	
Interest on Checking	100	
Outdoor Show	100	
		<u>2,137</u>
		\$3,465
EXPENSES:		
Meeting Rooms	\$ 180	
Printing	175	
Postage	500	
Gnatcatcher	550	
Audubon Adventure	120	
Speakers	250	
Telephone	100	
Education	50	
Membership	25	
Hospitality	70	
Insurance	120	
Bird Count	50	
Banquet	70	
Conservation	60	
Pavilion for Picnic	30	
License	15	
		<u>2,365</u>
ENDING BALANCE		\$1,100

AUDUBON COUNCIL OF PENNSYLVANIA

The Pennsylvania Audubon Fall Weekend will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 16, 17, and 18 at Black Moshannon State Park, near Philipsburg, in Centre County. ALL AUDUBON MEMBERS AND THEIR FRIENDS ARE INVITED to enjoy a varied program which will include a wetlands hike, a bird walk, spaghetti dinner, group sessions, and fellowship with other Auduboners. Present at this get-together will be Michael Robbins, the editor of Audubon magazine, and Roger Fickes, the Director of Pennsylvania State Parks. Additional information may be obtained from Mary Herrold by day at (814) 486-5605 and evenings at (814) 486-0669.





Black-crowned Night Heron

by Stan Kotala

THE DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR THE OCTOBER GNATCATCHER IS SEPTEMBER 27. Please submit articles to the editor, Stan Kotala, R.D. 3, Box 866, Altoona, PA 16601.

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