

The Norman Bird Flyer

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Recollections of a Great Lady by Sylvia Hampton

Fall 1990

This year the Sanctuary is celebrating its 40th year. Closely paralleling this is the life of Mabel Norman Cerio, 1876-1949. Although few of us knew her personally, we share her goals and dreams for the Sanctuary. In this account, Mabel's life will be briefly outlined, and impressions gained from talking to several who knew her will paint a canvas of a woman to whom many thousands owe a silent debt.

According to Jeanette Szpinalski, writing about Mabel in the Sanctuary newsletter in November, 1974, Mrs. Cerio, the daughter of George H. Norman and Abbie Durfee Kinsley, was born in Newport as were her parents before her. "She was the last of nine children--six boys and three girls, descendants of William Norman, Colonial Governor of Plymouth...In a family of boisterous children, extroverts all, she was the shy, quiet one."

Her father, George Norman, bought a shoe store after his former employer died. In 1849, he bought, with a partner, the Newport Daily News; later, in 1876, he organized the Newport Water Works and to this day, the Newport Water Department owns the water rights to Grey Craig Pond.

For several years around 1910, Mabel attended the Boston Museum School of Art and it was there she met William Holland Drury who was to play an important role in the genesis of the Sanctuary. Both William and Mabel were part of a circle of artists and writers who went to Paris following graduation. William stayed for some time, meeting Hope Curtis Davis, marrying her in 1912, returning for a few years to France, then settling back in Middletown for a career



Self portrait by Mabel Norman Cerio

in teaching at St. George's School. In the meantime, Mabel remained in France, living her creative life (she was, from the time she decided to go to art school, clearly an independent woman) and, in 1917 married Dr. George Cerio. Jeannette, in her biography, tells us about Dr. Cerio as follows: "He was a native of Capri, a physician, master builder and fine amateur violinist. They met in New York where he was studying advanced medicine at Bellevue Hospital. Each November, they left Paradise Farm on Third Beach Road and spent the winter at his villa on Capri until June when they returned to Mrs. Cerio's home. During World War II they remained in Middletown year round. Dr. Cerio died before the war ended. Mrs. Cerio lived on at the Farm until her death, with the daughter they had adopted in infancy."

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We know also that Dr. Cerio was the principal landowner on Capri and brought Mabel to live in the palazzo in town, though later they built a seaside villa and spent their time there. Friends and family members have commented on the different life styles they must have enjoyed in their time between Capri and Aquidneck Island; one may speculate that Dr. Cerio came here to please Mabel who loved the marshes, rocky ridges and expansive views of Middletown. He brought his culture here though, having a bocce court laid out in the backyard at Paradise Farm (still there today). Mabel seemed to enjoy both equally, having family and friends and her consuming interest in painting. She was known for her portraits and not, as one might think, for landscapes or wildlife sketches. But though she didn't paint birds, she used her craft skills often --repairing wounded birds, tending to minor accidents, and caring for the osprey nests she

had at Paradise Farm. She had an affinity for delicate creatures; in Capri she kept gazelles and donkeys as well as an aviary that included cockatoos and peacocks. Those who knew her say she was never without hat, gloves and veil. Hope Goddard remembers visiting the Cerios in Capri and when asked how she best remembers Mabel, speaks of her simplicity of manner and her gentle reminder to the Italian maids at Villa della Pergola, "Piano, piano" --we would say "Softly".



Mabel as a child



Mabel gathering water lilies at Red Maple Swamp Pond with her dog, "Punch".

As for her life here in Middletown, she and Dr. Cerio had a circle of friends and family nearby when they returned to Middletown, friends like the artist George Bellows who summered in Newport for a time. The Cerios enjoyed music, picnicking and hiking. One of their neighbors, just a girl at the time, remembers Mrs. Cerio's Baker Electric Car with its massive headlights. Imagine a car like that coming out of the misty Island climate! Another relative remembers that the chrome had to be painted black to "tone it down".

Mabel painted intensely from the time she entered the Boston Museum School of Art, leaving many fine sketches and portraits, as well as self portraits. She was one of the founders of the Centro Caprense di Vita e di Studi Ignazio Cerio and much of her work became part of their permanent collection. A portrait of her brother, Bradford Norman, hangs in the Newport Reading Room; others are displayed by family members. Surely her art and her vision for the land surrounding Paradise Farm were closely bound up. This woman, quiet, artistic, and modest about her own talents, had a vision of a place that would always be a haven for wildlife, especially birds. She was an environmentalist long before it became fashionable -- no speeches, no banners, but a quiet sure dream. She shared the dream informally with friends like William Drury, a well-known ornithologist, for a time before she died, knowing that William and his wife, Hope, a botanical

Director's Notes

In September, the Norman Bird Sanctuary signed a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the owners of the Grey Craig Estate. This is a major benchmark in a long, but worthwhile process of protecting the ecological integrity of the Sanctuary and surrounding landscape. The agreement with the developer provides for: reducing construction from 56 dwelling units to a limit of 23, and directing this development away from environmentally sensitive areas; fee ownership by the Town of Middletown of approximately 14 acres providing public access for trail hiking and nature study; conservation restrictions on approximately 35 acres including the ridges, a field, and a 200 foot buffer zone surrounding Nelson Pond. These legally binding conservation restrictions protect the land from any activities detrimental to its conservation value, including scenic, wildlife habitat and water values. The conservation restrictions will be granted in perpetuity, no matter who has future ownership.

The Grey Craig Conservation Project will achieve the following goals: protect the municipal water supply for Middletown and Newport; limit the density of development and protect the scenic views from Second and Third Beaches, the Norman Bird Sanctuary, and the Sachuest Wildlife Refuge; provide an environmental barrier to protect the Norman Bird Sanctuary, its wildlife and habitats and create contiguous open space for the community.

Grey Craig Conservation Project Budget:

Purchase of land and easements	\$1,150,000
Transaction expenses	\$250,000
Stewardship and management.	\$100,000

Total \$1,500,000

Contributions are budgeted from the following sources:

Government	\$900,000
Foundations	\$300,000
Community Gifts	\$300,000

Total \$1,500,000

To-date we have raised \$1.3 million in pledges toward our goal of \$1.5 million, from government and foundation sources as well as individuals. This includes a \$100,000 challenge grant from the Prince Charitable Trust which must be matched 2:1 by community gifts. Therefore we need to raise

approximately \$200,000 from individuals and local businesses to make our goal, and complete the community gifts phase of our fundraising campaign.

Later in October (after our Harvest Fair), we will begin the community gifts phase of the campaign. At that time we will begin to seek contributions from our membership, other individuals and local businesses.

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Lawrence Taft



Volunteers and Donations

Volunteers and donations are an important part of the Sanctuary's well being. Our thanks to those of you who helped us during the busy summer season.

For office sitting - Fran Holmes, Beverly Murphy, Paulette Ache, Ruth Dugan, and Jannie Camm.

Mailings-Kathleen, Meggan, and Kimberly Marcantonio, Ann Thayer, Judy Naugle, Jan Poirier, and Helene and Frank Pritchard.

Staff Training-Phil Rondina

Gardens -Gillian Hall, Terry Tefft, and Ruth Dugan.

Children's Programs- Jordan O'Rylee.

Public Programs- Bill O'Connell, Patti O'Neill, Barry Murphy, Chris Pritchard, Dan Snyderacker, Sharon Culberson, and Millie House.

Animal Care and Donations for Animals- Star Market, Tom Richter, Charles Donald, Peter Staley, Erin Carney, Molly Dwyer, and Alexi Mazuroski.

Volunteer Receptionist needed

We are looking for someone who can help us as a receptionist to greet visitors before hiking, answer the phone, and sit in the Sanctuary store. Weekday and weekend hours are needed and can be suited to your schedule. Call the Sanctuary if you can help!

Children's Programs

Nature Club

Saturday mornings

9:30-12:30

Join our exciting Saturday morning Nature Club and experience the fun and joy of being in the natural world. Each week will be packed with crafts, songs, games, and hikes. Nature Club is open to boys and girls in grades K-4. We will supply a mid-morning snack and children should dress for the weather.

Early Fall Session:

10/13: Fall Fruits and Flowers
10/20: Seeds Hitch hikers and Parachutes
10/27: Saltmarsh Exploration
11/3: The Forest Floor

Late Fall Session:

11/17: Migration and Hibernation
11/24: Predators and Prey
12/1: Camouflage
12/8: Hanging Rock Hike

Fee per Session: \$40 (\$36 NBS members)
Pre-registration is required.

Program Registration Form

To register for either children's and/or public programs, please fill in the form below and send with payment to NBS

1. NBS Program: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Age/Grade (if child): _____

NBS Member? _____

Fee Enclosed: _____

2. NBS Program: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Age/Grade (if child): _____

NBS Member? _____

Fee Enclosed: \$ _____

Total Payment Enclosed: \$ _____

Please send to:

NBS

583 Third Beach Road

Middletown, R.I. 02840



Preschool Nature Hour

Wednesday

10-11 am

Our Preschool Nature Hour is a popular program shared by both preschooler (ages 3-5) and parent. Crafts, songs, stories and short hikes will fill this hour long class. It's a wonderful and friendly way to introduce your child to the natural world. An adult must accompany a child and one adult may be responsible for two children. Please dress for the weather. You may register per session or by individual class.

Early Fall Session:

10/17: Leaves Changing Colors
10/24: Flowers to Seeds
10/31: Spiders are Special
11/7: Squirrels

Late Fall Session:

11/14: Bird Friends
11/21: Indian Ways
11/28: Animal Homes
12/5: Changing Seasons

Fee per Session: \$12 (\$10 NBS Members)

Fee per Class: \$5 (\$4 NBS Members)

Limit: 10 child/parent pairs

Pre-registration is required

After School Hikes

Thursday afternoons	October 18	3:30-5
	November 15	3:30-5

Hike away all the energy built up from sitting in the classroom! These hikes are for boys and girls in grades 3-6 who would like to explore the Sanctuary's fields, forest, pond, and ridges along with a Sanctuary Naturalist. Please dress for the weather and wear hiking shoes or sneakers.

Fee per afternoon: \$5 (\$4 NBS members)

Limit: 10

Pre-registration is required

Halloween Night Hike

Friday, October 26 7-8:30 pm

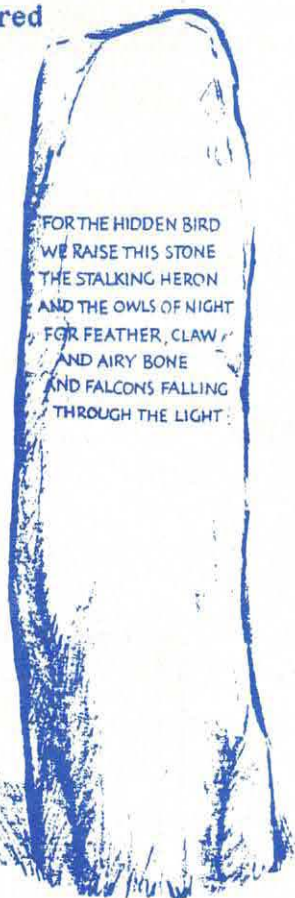
From close encounters with talking bats to discoveries of hooting owls and other critters that go bump in the night, you are invited to come (if you dare) on this scary and "ecologically correct" walk through the Sanctuary trails. Children in grades K-4 are welcome to participate (Parents may accompany those who may be frightened). Bring a flashlight and wear comfortable costumes and sturdy walking shoes. Goodies will be served after "woods".

P.S. If you are older than K-4 and would like to participate, we may be able to use your help! Please call us.

Fee: \$6 (\$5 NBS members)

Limit: 30 children

Pre-registration is required



FOR THE HIDDEN BIRD
WE RAISE THIS STONE
THE STALKING HERON
AND THE OWLS OF NIGHT
FOR FEATHER, CLAW
AND AIRY BONE
AND FALCONS FALLING
THROUGH THE LIGHT



Full Moon Owl Prowl for Children

Saturday, December 1 7-8:30 pm

(Inclement weather date: Sat. Dec. 8)

Friday, December 14 7-8:30 pm

(Inclement weather date: Friday, Dec. 21)

Listen for the calls of our native owls during a silent walk through the Sanctuary trails. We'll learn about these and other nocturnal creatures first before we venture out. Dress warmly, wear sturdy shoes, and bring a flashlight, if you need it. Participants should be in grades 2-6 and may only sign up for one prowls.

Fee \$6 (\$5 NBS members)

Limit 8 children

Pre-registration required

Children's Holiday Crafts

Saturday, December 22 1-3 pm

Children in grades K-4 can experience the joy of creating and giving handmade gifts made from natural materials. Each child will bring home three finished crafts for the holidays.

Fee: \$6 (\$5 NBS members)

Limit: 30

Pre-registration is required

Taking Care of Wildlife for the Winter

Saturday, December 8

2-4 pm

Now that the winter season is almost upon us, find out what you can do to help wildlife survive the coldest days. Come learn a few secrets from a wildlife manager. Take home some ideas and a handmade bird feeder. Children in grades 2-6 may participate.

Fee: \$6 (\$5 NBS members)

Limit: 10

Pre-registration is required

World Rainforest Week

October 21-29 1990

Help us appreciate the beauty and importance of the world's tropical rainforests during this week by stopping by our barn and store before or after your hike at the Sanctuary. We'll have free handouts, videos about wildlife in the rainforest, and T-shirts and "Rainforest Crunch" for sale all week to help support the Rainforest Action Network, an organization committed to saving the forests from destruction.

We are planning a...

Natural History Tour of **Tortola** in the British Virgin Islands with the Norman Bird Sanctuary

Hap Morgan, NBS Naturalist
Jenny Morgan, Tortolian of 12 years

snorkeling, diving, birdwatching, sailing,
hiking in the rainforest, beachcombing, sightseeing
and relaxing on pristine beaches

February 27- March 7, 1991

For more information, call NBS

New England Wildlife Center presents **"New England Birds of Prey"**

A look at the natural history of our
hawks, eagles, owls, and vultures
with live bird demonstrations

**Sat/Sun 11:30- 4:30
at the Harvest Fair**

Special Events



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\$10 Adults \$7.00

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like to help us in another way, please let



For a Pre-Fair
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 Street Diner and Franklin Spa -
October 5, 1990 6 pm
 Fair Grounds
 Children 12 and under
 September 27
 the Sanctuary office
 846-2577

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, 1990 10 am-5 pm

oned country fair

Rides
 Garden Contests
 Country Store
 "Play Bridge"
 Local entertainment!

Raffle
 Face Painting
 Pony Rides
 Greased Pole

Help Needed!
 We need people to work during the Fair. If you
 are interested, call the Sanctuary at 846-2577. If you would
 like to know!

HARVEST FAIR RAFFLE

First Prize:

**Dinner, Lunch or Brunch for two
 at the best of Newport County's
 restaurants, including:**

White Horse Tavern, Scales and Shells, Salas',
 The Green House, Canfield House, The Moorings,
 Dave & Eddie's, The Chart House, Muriel's,
 The Dry Dock, The Ark, Cafe Zelda's, and Tycoons.

Second Prize:

**Weekend for two
 at the Sheraton Islander.**

Third Prize:

Liquor Basket worth over \$200.00

* Tickets are \$1.00 each and are available
 before the Fair at the Sanctuary office, and at the
 ticket booth on the days of the Fair.

* The drawing will take place during the Fair on
 Sunday afternoon.

*** Help support the Sanctuary
 by buying tickets!**

1990 Harvest Fair Entertainment

Nightlife Orchestra

Leroy White

Bill Thomas, Leland Brown, and Marilyn Thomas

Fourth Street String Band

Larry Sayco "The Yo-Yo Champion"

Atwater and Donnelly

South End Jazz Band

Public Programs

Mushroom, Fungi, and Lichen Walk

Saturday, October 13

1 pm

Join URI Mycologist Roger Goos as he leads this walk to look for the variety of fungi that is present in the woods, fields and on the rocks in the Sanctuary. He'll help you understand about their lifecycles and their importance as decomposers in the natural world. Bring in "mystery" samples from your own backyard if you'd like him to identify them. Wear sturdy shoes.

Fee: \$5 (\$3 NBS members).

Limit 15

Pre-registration is required

As of the Fall of 1990, the Sanctuary will now require pre-registration and advance payment for most of its programs to meet the desired number of participants for our programs (excluding the Sunday morning bird walks and the Stargazing programs). We often do take walk-ins, but cannot always. Refunds will be made if the program is cancelled by the Sanctuary. Otherwise, program credit will be given to participants who cancel, if we are notified a day in advance of the class, or if the space can be filled from a waiting list.

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Fee Enclosed: _____

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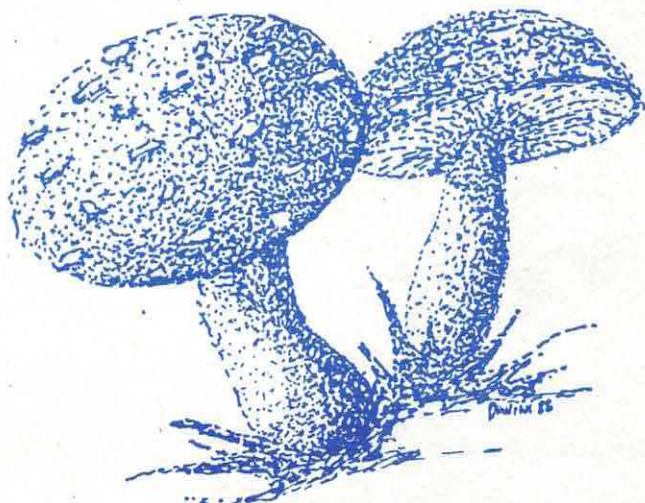
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Guided Bird Walks

Every Sunday morning 8:00 am.

Take an hour's walk through the Sanctuary's trails or down to the shore to identify migratory and resident species of upland and shore birds. We'll also begin to search the coast for the bay ducks as they move in for the winter. There is no fee for these bird walks and preregistration is not necessary.

Star Gazing

Thursdays evenings

October 18 (Cloud date: Fri. Oct. 19) 9 pm

November 15 (Cloud date: Fri. Nov. 16) 8 pm

The Summer skies will gradually change to reveal the Fall constellations and the air will become clear and crisp. The season is a perfect time for star gazing with NBS member and astronomer Bill O'Connell. Bring a blanket, flashlight and binoculars. Pre-registration is not required and there is no fee. Call to confirm if cloudy.

Fall Foliage and Natural History Walk

Saturday, October 20

2:00 pm

Autumn is the most popular season for hiking on the Sanctuary's trails. From the ridges, splashes of vibrant colors can be a visual delight. Hap Morgan, NBS Naturalist will lead this walk helping to explain some of the mysteries and fascinations of the fall season. Individual adults and families are welcome.

Fee: \$5 (\$3 NBS members) \$2 children

Limit: 15

Pre-registration is required.

Harvest Market Basket Making Class

Thursday, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1 6:30-8:30 pm

During this class, participants will make a market basket that has a rectangular flat bottom with twill weave sides. An oak handle will be added as the final touch. It will then be ready to carry your vegetables or flowers from your garden, or knitting for the winter months. Sharon Culberson will be the instructor for this two-part class.

Fee: \$28 (\$24 NBS members)
Limited to 12.
Pre-registration is required.

Grapevine Wreath Making Workshop

Saturday, November 18 1:30-3:30 pm

Weave strands of native wild grapevine with bundles of dried flowers, berries, and pinecones into a colorful sturdy wreath suitable to hang on your door for the holidays. Bring your favorite ribbon for the final touch, or choose one that will be provided.

Fee: \$18 (\$15 NBS members)
Limit: 18
Pre-registration is required

Holiday Wreath Making

Sunday, December 2, 1:00-3:00 pm

Enjoy the pleasure of making your own holiday wreath from fresh sprigs of spruce, cedar, pine, and holly. The special technique of making this creation stay "alive" throughout the season will be demonstrated by NBS member, Jocelyn Sherman. Participants are asked to bring a trash bag full of greens (6"-24" boughs) and clippers.

Fee: \$18 (\$14 NBS Members)
Limit: 12
Pre-registration is required.



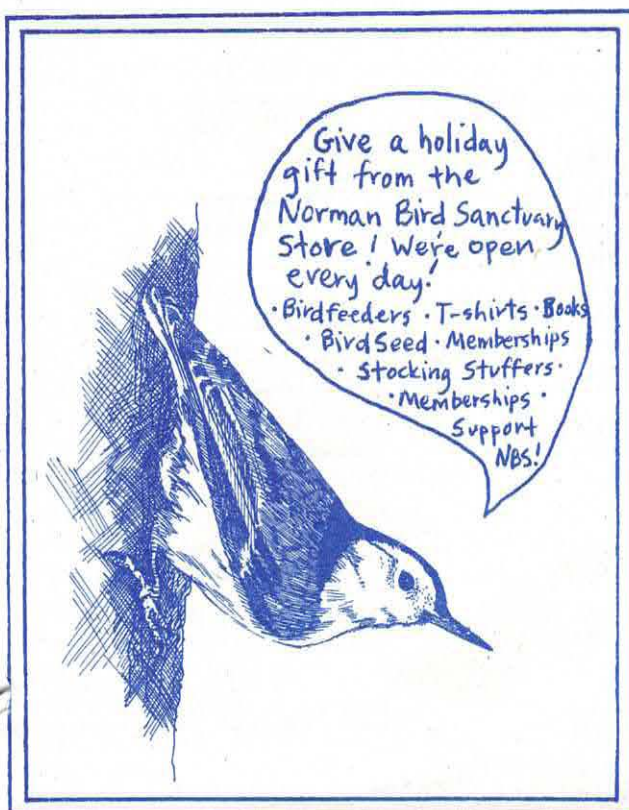
Fall Community Calendar:

Christmas Bird Count: Saturday, December 22, all day. Call NBS for information.

R.I. Solar Energy Association presents a demonstration and sale of solar cookers at NBS, October 13, 10 am-1 pm. Come assemble one to take home (\$8), or watch for free. Sponsored by Newport County 4-H. Call Madeline Nugent 849-5421 to pre-register.

Animal Caretakers Needed

We are looking for some volunteers, 12 years old or older to help us with our daily routine of feeding and caring for our resident animals. Particularly, we need volunteers for **Sunday, Wednesday or Friday afternoons** (3:30-5 pm) during the Fall season, or longer. Training and supervision will be offered. A commitment of three months is requested. Please give us a call if you can help!



Give a holiday gift from the Norman Bird Sanctuary Store! We're open every day.

- Birdfeeders • T-shirts • Books
- Bird Seed • Memberships
- Stocking Stuffers • Memberships
- Support NBS!



NORMAN BIRD SANCTUARY Bird Seed Sale

Saturday and Sunday, November 10 and 11, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Throughout the weekend, the NBS store will have bird feeders and accessories for sale.

Stock up now for the long winter ahead. Feed the birds and help support programs at the Sanctuary at the same time. Order your bird seed now and receive a 10% discount on all new feeders in stock when purchased during this weekend only. This is **in addition** to the 10 % membership discount!

To order: Fill out the order form below and mail it with payment to the Norman Bird Sanctuary, 583 Third Beach Road, Middletown, RI 02840. Orders must be received by Thursday, November 1. Make checks payable to the Norman Bird Sanctuary.

Pick up your seed on November 10 or 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary barn.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

QUANTITY	TYPE OF SEED	PRICE PER BAG	AMOUNT
_____	Black Oil Sunflower Seed -25 lb	\$8.32	_____
_____	Black Oil Sunflower Seed- 50lbs.	\$16.31	_____
_____	"Song Maker" quality mixed seed- 25 lbs.	\$6.32	_____
_____	"Song Maker" - 50 lbs.	\$12.19	_____
_____	Thistle Seed 5 lbs.	\$7.85	_____
_____	Peanut Butter/Suet Cakes 11 oz.	\$3.50	_____
	Total		\$ _____

(RI sales tax is included)

*** MEMBERS: TAKE AN **ADDITIONAL** 10% OFF ALL FEEDERS IN STOCK***
WITH A PRE-ORDER PURCHASE OF SEED ON "SEED SALE" DAYS NOV. 10 and 11



Dear Henny Penny,

In our neighborhood, we have a fox that visits every night. We've been putting out food scraps for him. Is there anything more we can do?

Signed
Fox Feeder

Dear Caring Fox Feeder,

It is so nice to hear from people who are concerned about our wildlife. I am sure the fox is in seventh heaven knowing that he has a fox restaurant in town! Unfortunately, I must ask you to stop feeding the fox. It sounds cruel, but here are some reasons why:

Foxes are Aquidneck Island's largest predators (coyotes haven't crossed the bridges as far as we know!). They survive by learning to be the best at what they do, i.e. hunt. They eat a variety of foods, including mice, insects, rabbits, birds, berries and seeds, which they are able to find in their two square mile hunting territory. If people begin to feed them, they will begin to lose not only their fear of people, but also their ability to improve their hunting skills. The more time they spend waiting for people to feed them, the more chance that they will starve from not using that time to hunt. They may also become pests by raiding garbage cans. It is better to have healthy wild foxes on our island than to have weak individuals that cannot survive on their own.

The next reason is also an important one. Nature intended to have wild animals stay wild. That is why many of them have sharp teeth, camouflage fur or feathers, and the ability to find food on their own. It is the sharp teeth part that concerns me the most (Believe me, I know how sharp they are! I have graciously survived a fox attack!) The chance of having a fox bite you is always present (Not to mention the other animals attracted to the food- raccoon, skunks, squirrels and rats). Unfortunately, we cannot always tell whether the animal has rabies, or is sick for another reason. You could run the risk of getting sick from the animal if it should bite you, or even if it leaves its feces in your yard.

Foxes will survive without the feeding help from humans, but only if we continue efforts to protect their habitats, or "neighborhoods". They need open fields in which to hunt, and forest or rocky ledges in which to take cover. The fields need to be mowed every year to keep from growing up and may include farm and nursery lands found on Aquidneck Island. We need to protect these open spaces from being developed and chopped up. The best you can do is to pass on what you've learned about foxes to your friends. Together, we can save not only our beautiful Red Foxes, but other local wildlife as well.

Respectfully Yours,
Henny Penny

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expert, would be of great assistance in making her goal a reality. Indeed, William and Hope were asked by the trustees to found the Board of Advisors and guide it with their knowledge and enthusiasm. Hope Drury wrote a scholarly record of the wildflower species for the Bulletin of the Audubon Society and was one of the early leaders of the educational programs of the Sanctuary.

As we celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Sanctuary, we look back and remember the woman whose keen vision has given enjoyment to so many and Sanctuary to bird life, in her own words, in "a spirit of humanity and mercy."

To learn more about the history of the Sanctuary:

Jay Williams, "A Spirit of Humanity and Mercy". 1977

For further reading about Mabel Norman Cerio:

Regina Soria, "Dictionary of Nineteenth-Century American Artists in Italy 1760-1914" Rutherford, N.J.; Fairleigh Dickinson.

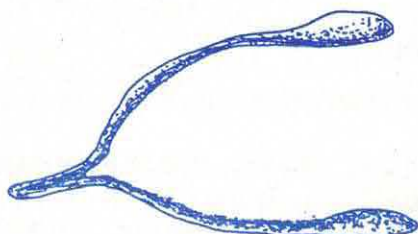
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Correction from the Summer issue of the NBS Flyer: Sylvia Hampton is one of several oral historians from the Middletown Historical Society, and is not the only one.

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Wish List

- Laser Printer
- Computer Table
- Wood for building storage shelves.
- Natural History videos
- An automatic 12-18 cup coffee maker
- Donations for our resident animals
- A small, free standing, airtight woodstove

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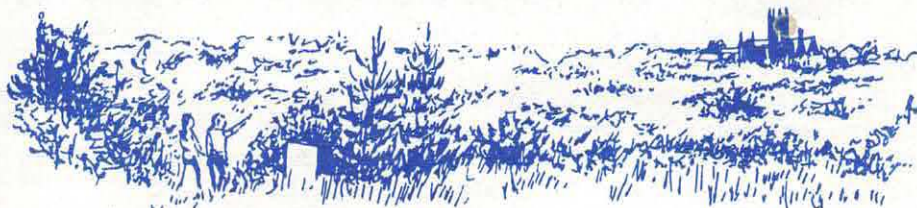
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ARE YOU DUE TO RENEW?

Your NBS membership renewal date is printed on the mailing label below your address. If you're due to renew now (or before the next newsletter), please use the enclosed form and send it along with your renewal check. By using this form and sending your renewal ahead, you can save the Sanctuary the cost of sending out reminders. This will help us put your membership dollars to better use.

**If you are not a member,
please use this form to
become one!**



Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$ 20	<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining	\$ 50	<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting	\$ 250
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$ 30	<input type="checkbox"/> Institution	\$ 100	<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor	\$ 500
<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing	\$ 35	<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$ 100	<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$1,000

In addition to my yearly membership I would like to contribute \$ _____

☐ I would like to be called for volunteer work.

Please return with your check, payable to the Norman Bird Sanctuary.
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