



National Audubon Society

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Dear Mr. Porter:

This summer, June 23rd to June 30th, the Southwest Region of the National Audubon Society will be having it's 1980 regional conference. Since the conference will be held at Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, near Santa Fe, it'll be close to your home base. We are in hopes that you might be attending the conference.

The week will be filled with workshops, field trips, various programs, and of course, time for socializing. I mention that particularly, because Ed Brigham will be in attendance. Ed mentioned to me that he first met you in the 1940's when you were staff photographer for National Audubon and based in their home for several weeks of bird photography. I know he would consider it a special treat to combine the conference with a reunion with you.

Ghost Ranch is a beautiful setting for a collection of enthusiastic and caring people to study and discuss environmental quality and wildlife conservation. I do hope you find attending the conference an attractive prospect. We can provide transportation, if you like. The level of your participation would, of course, be up to you. We would be delighted to have you, and if you feel inclined to bring your work, that would be a splendid addition.

Even if you decide not to actively participate in a program, I know that many Auduboners would feel privileged to meet you and have you attend the conference. If you are interested, please let me know. I'll be very pleased to discuss the conference with you.

Sincerely,

Dede Armentrout
Regional Representative

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