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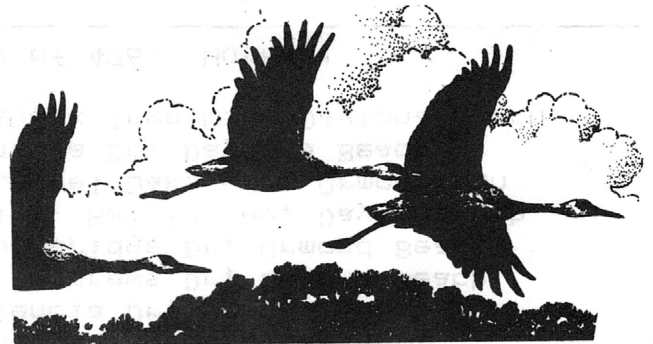
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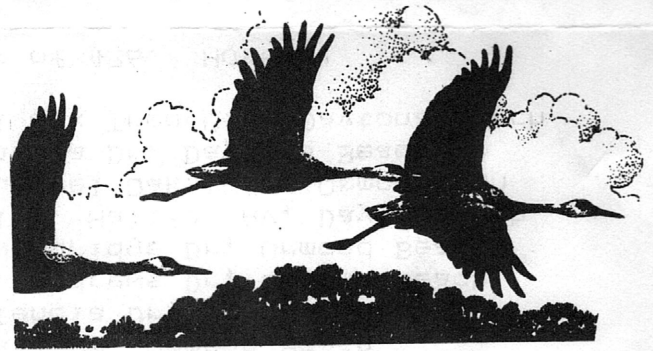
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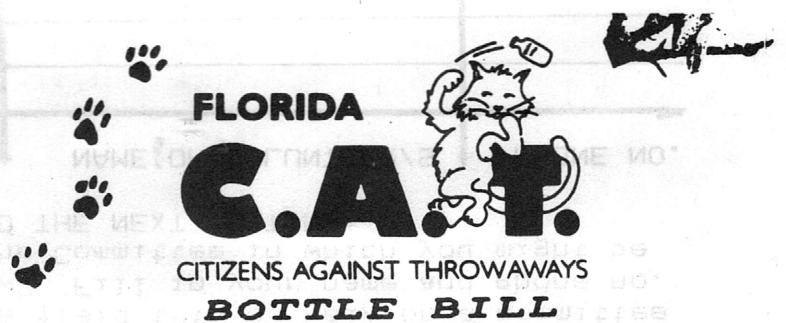
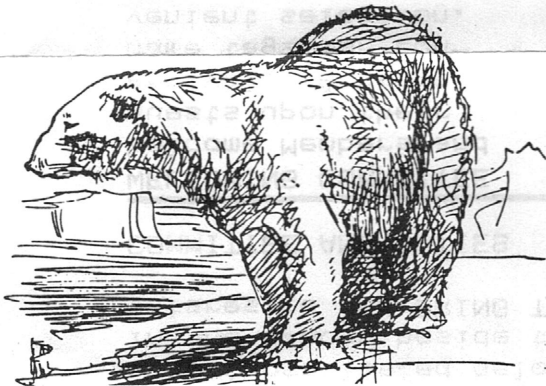
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MEMBERS - Note the month and year shown on your mailing label. Your membership expires the following month. Be sure to renew in time.

I think we all agree that we want to see Florida pass a bottle bill! And this seems to be the year that it will be done. Florida Audubon says that solid waste management will be a major issue in the 1988 legislative session and deposit legislation for beverage containers can be a logical and beneficial part of the new waste management program.

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO HELP?

Have you a talent to contribute to Halifax River Audubon Society, maybe present your vocation or avocation as a monthly program, lead a field trip or help on a committee like those listed below? Fill in your name and phone no. in the spaces beside the Committee in which you might be interested and BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING!

COMMITTEE AND DUTIES	NAME OF VOLUNTEER/S	PHONE NO.
<b>WELCOMING COMMITTEE</b> Welcome Members and guests upon their arrival. Arrange name tags for convenient selection. Make new tags for new mbrs and guests.		
<b>REFRESHMENT COMM.</b> Plan and serve refreshments; coffee, tea, cookies etc. Clean coffee makers after meetings.		
<b>HOSPITALITY COMM.</b> Introduce new members and guests at our meetings. Encourage more members to attend our monthly meetings. Seek methods of acquiring new members		
<b>PROPERTY COMMITTEE</b> Store club property (coffee makers and refreshment equipment), bringing same to meetings.		

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:  
 Mr. BOB BOWER, 95 Knollwood East Dr, Ormond Beach  
 Mrs MARJORIE GAZARIAN, 136 Valencia Dr, Ormond Beach  
 Mr. C. V. McMULLEN, 226 S. St. Andrews Dr, Ormond Beach  
 Mr. and Mrs. C. H. PERRY, 50 Woodridge Dr, Ormond Beach  
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ranier, 2901 N. Halifax Av, Daytona Bch  
 Mr. and Mrs. TOM STEPHAN, 25 Laurel Oaks Cir, Ormond Bch  
 Mrs. TANYA GRAEF, 1904 S Peninsula Dr, Daytona Beach  
 Transfer Ms. KATHY GUMTOW, 221 Oak Tree Cir, Daytona Beach

We now have a total membership of 426. Hurrah!