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SOO-NIPI AUDUBON

The Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter invites the public to War of the Birds on Friday, May 12, at 7:30 PM at Tracy Memorial Library, Main Street, New London. Gain a new respect for the pigeon as you learn how they braved weather, guns, and enemy falcons to aid the Allies during World War II as both messengers and spies.

Learn about Winkie, the first of 32 pigeons to win the equivalent of the Medal of Honor and GI Joe, who saved the lives of more than 1,000 Allied troops. See the one maneuver that gives a pigeon a chance to survive a falcon attack - one apparently used expertly by the pigeon Mary of Exeter to survive run-ins with falcons time and again. This is a most interesting film and one you won't want to miss!

Bruce Schwaegler, recently named Interim President of New Hampshire Audubon, will be at this meeting to talk about current and future plans for the organization. For more information, please call Robin Gray at 927-4127.

On Sunday, May 14, the Soo-Nipi Audubon Chapter will sponsor a birding trip to Clough State Park to observe spring migrants - warblers, vireos, and many more. Please meet leader Peter Newbern at 8 AM at Warner Park and Ride at Exit 9 on I-89. Bring lunch, beverage, binoculars, and a scope if you have one. Inclement weather cancels the trip. Contact Peter at 763-4308.

