

Audubon petitions to save whales

BY HENRY KAHAN

When members of the Detroit Audubon Society met up a booth in the Livonia Mall Saturday, Feb. 14 to educate the public about saving whales, dolphins and harp seals, one of those helping out will be Isabel Billings of Redford Township.

A first grade teacher in Keeler Elementary School in the Redford Union School District until her retirement in 1974, Mrs. Billings believes "the more you read, the more you realize the importance of saving rivers, green spots and animals."

She added, "People are being made aware of the fact that certain animal species are being over-killed and are in danger of disappearing completely."

At the Audubon Society booth will be petitions to be signed by the public to protest the killing of two endangered species, the whale and the harp seal. A leaflet on the killing of dolphins by tuna fishermen who inadvertently catch them in their nets will also be available.

"WE WANT the public to know that the tuna industry is not doing what it should to prevent dolphins from being caught this way," said Mrs. Joanne Stevens, a Northville resident who is employed by a Southfield insurance company. "No effort is being made to correct the situation."

The petitions to save the whales will be forwarded to the Russian and Japanese governments, which are not taking steps to decrease the killing of whales at other countries have.

"They use them for oil and other products," said Mrs. Stevens, who is in charge of the petition drive. "We feel that there are suitable substitutes available which

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Raymond Lundsten of Farmington was recently named a member of the president's club among the country-wide field force of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. Lundsten, a member of the Peter Sundholm Agency of Southfield, led competition. He was honored in Philadelphia in a special ceremony by the president of the company, Frank Tarbox.

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