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Niagara Birds is not a field guide for bird identification. Excellent books of that type exist already. Instead, it consists of some 25 articles and 368 species accounts contributed by professional ornithologists and highly experienced amateur birders. With topics ranging from the interaction of birds and grape growers to the effect of West Nile Virus on owls, the articles will appeal to a broad spectrum of readers. The species accounts, detailing both common and extremely rare birds of Niagara, will attract the general reader and specialist alike. The book concludes with useful descriptions of Niagara's birding "hotspots" and precise directions on how to reach them.



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John is an avid bird watcher who arrived in the Niagara Region in 1966 to teach Physics at Brock University. In 1993 he began research on the migration of birds on weather radar and on the nocturnal calls of migrating birds. Results of these studies have been published in *Birders Journal* and *The Auk*. One of his present ambitions is to see all the families of birds in the world. He has served as councillor and webmaster for the Association of Field Ornithologists, Regional Coordinator for Niagara for the second Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas, member of the board of the Peninsula Field Naturalists, and he is currently president of the Ontario Field Ornithologists.



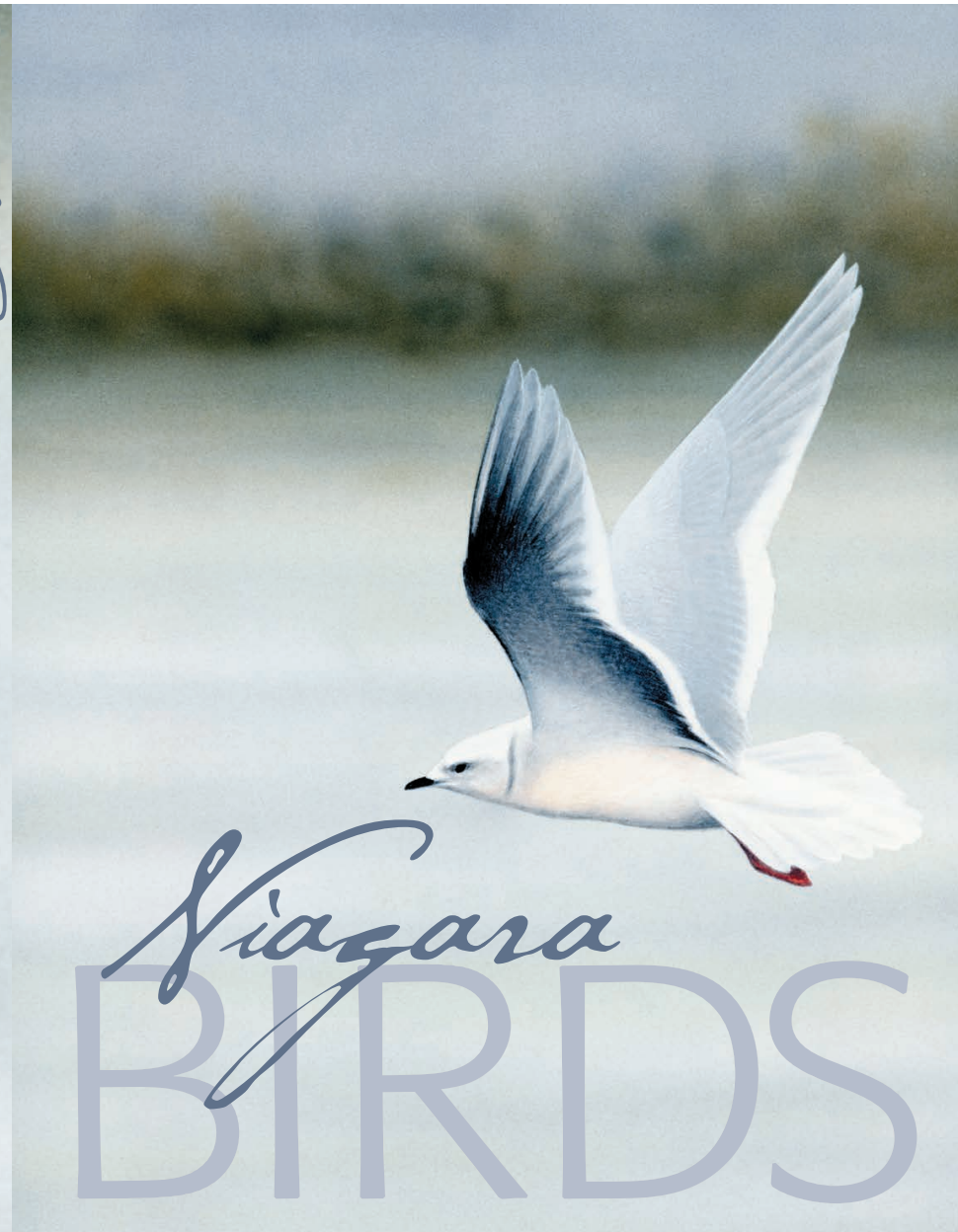
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