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ABOUT THE COVER

The name Audubon has long been associated with bird life in America. In more recent years, it has become linked with environmentalism. And the last few years have seen Audubon's good name tied to our country's golf courses.

Jennifer Samerdyke's interpretation of John James Audubon's bird art and a cameo sketch of him complement a piece in this issue that tries to tell us who this man was.

My eyes closed, the breeze took me back Took me back to another home, another time Early spring, gentle rolling dairy state farms

Brilliant blue sky behind slowly rolling cumulus

The rain spots shining along pavement's side

Gentle glacier cut valley, bluffs in beauty Below the earth sleeps ahead of spring's coming thaw and planters' seed High upon the wide sky geese come home, home again.

Where does this breeze come from, down from Canadian north bound train upon an arctic blast racing down the smooth prairie and humble hills that offer no resistance from winter's chill.

But oh God, upon closed eyes, that breeze lifts up, refreshes and invigorates my slumbered soul and body's night.

Sweet Wisconsin rolling through my minds content

Small burgs nestled still, offered a home to this weary rootless traveler in search of my past and of an America gone.

> MY WISCONSIN By Michael Finch

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