

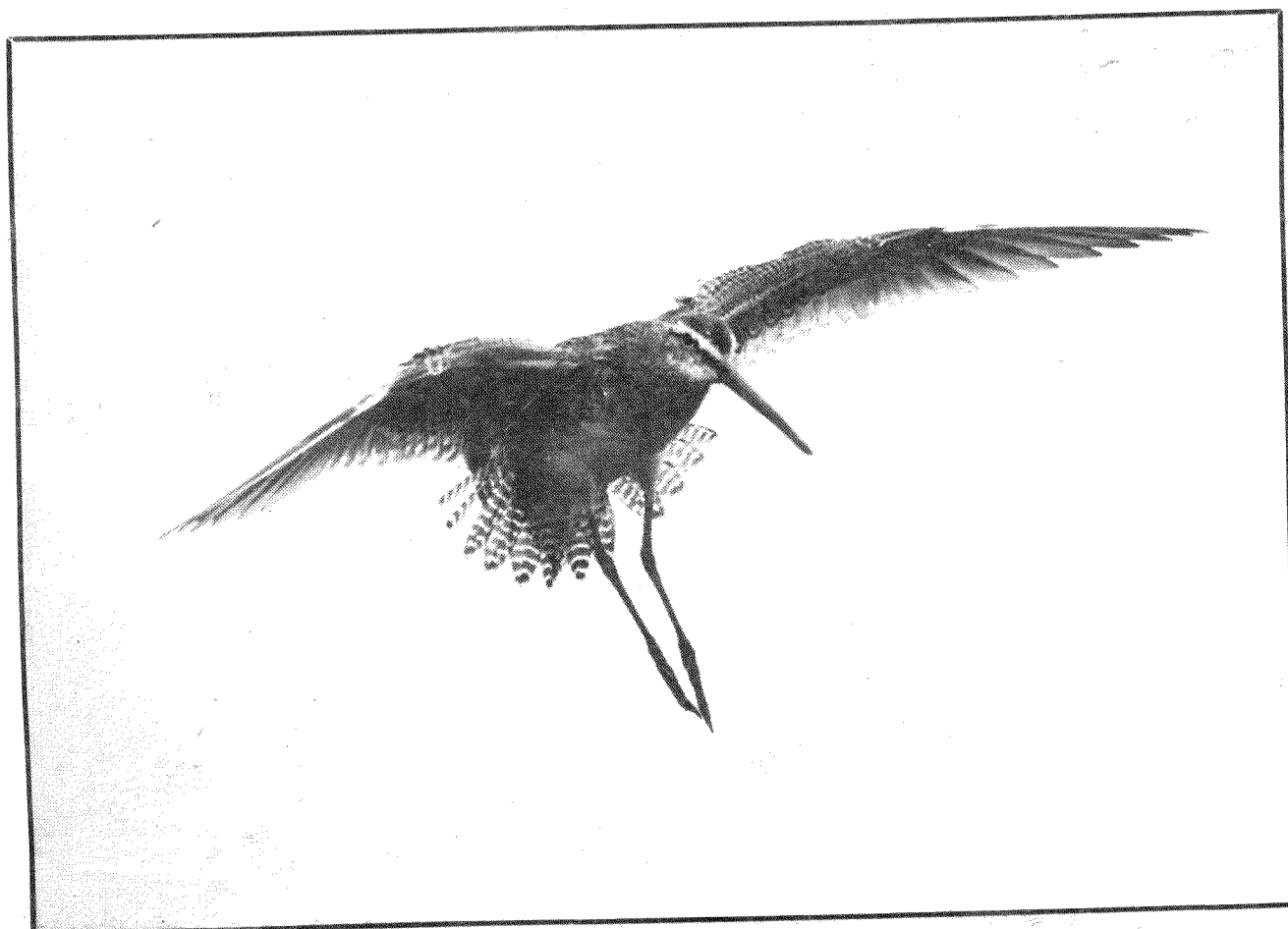
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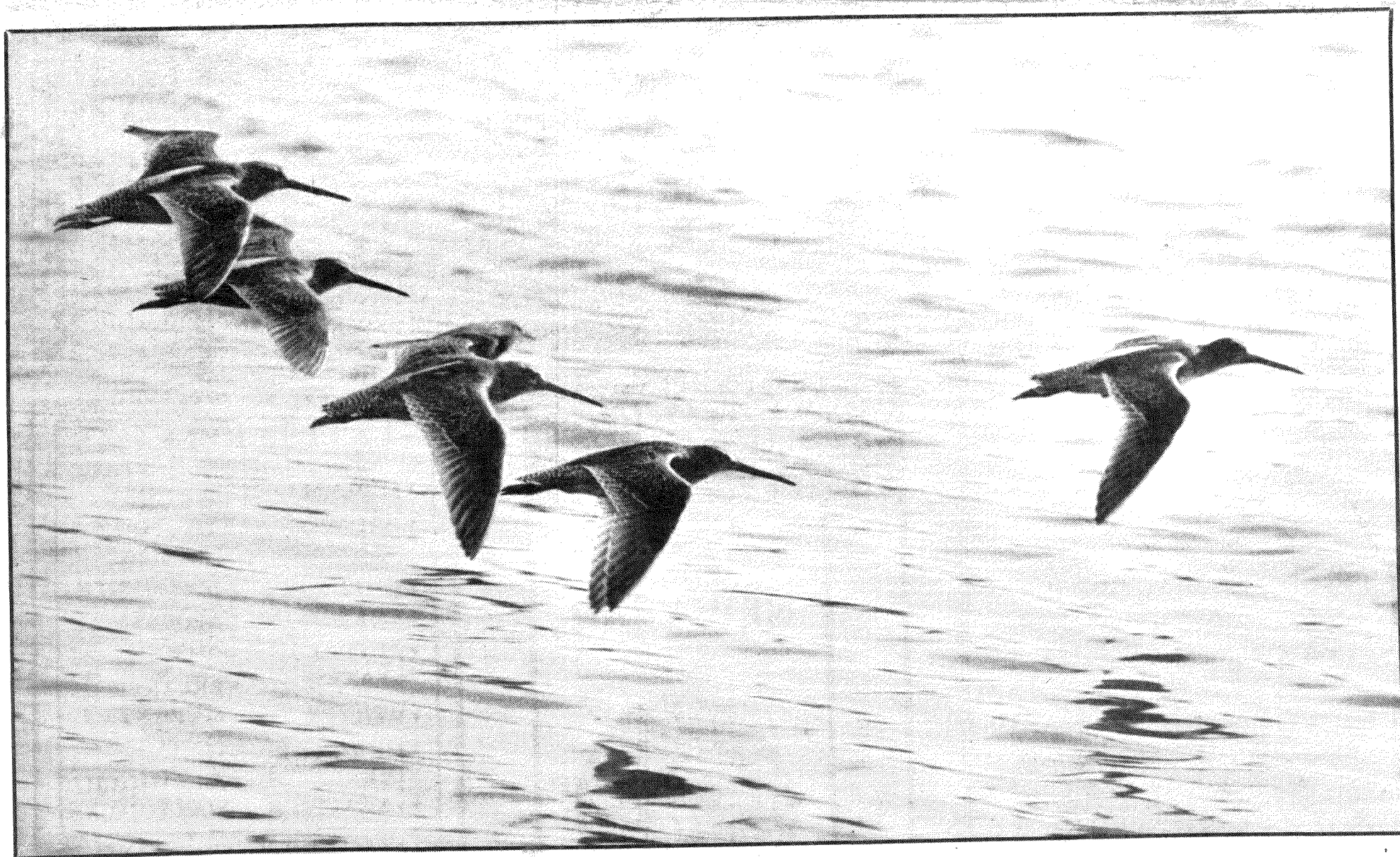


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## Dowitchers take a dip

Ken Gardiner, Ladera's creator of extraordinary bird photos, has lent the **Almanac** some of his most recent favorites to celebrate the 82nd annual Christmas bird counts held by Audubon Society chapters across the country. The birds shown here, both the single specimen and the flock, are dowitchers, generally found at the shore. More photos and story on Pages 2 and 3.



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