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Weather and migrating birds! Popular thought links the time of bird migrations with local weather changes. It appears that local weather has nothing to do with the time of their starting north in the spring or south in the fall. They migrate at certain times of the year, but may be delayed on the way by storms. The time of migration does agree with the change of the season, but a forward or backward season means nothing to birds; they start on time anyway. Migration has its weather mishaps for birds. When passing over large bodies of water like the Gulf of Mexico or the Great Lakes many lose their lives in storms. Other hazards are illuminated monuments and lighthouses giving a steady light, against which they blindly dash themselves at night.