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**a conference of hummingbirds –
we hold the feeder full
sipping nectar in between
discussions of the world –**

**an iris crisis near the pond
with flowers still unformed –
while all the rhododendrons
are dropping petal horns –**

**acknowledgement to clover blooming
meadows by the shore –
it's a case of global cooling
and continental drift –**

**every bird must pull its weight
to dispatch notices –
the lupin spires are toppling
to weather terrorists –**

**remember after egg-break
before our beaks were long
there was giant a watershed
that plagued our parents' lives –**

**recall their endless labours –
they flew two thousand miles
to preserve migration for
our children's children's lives –**

**gather up all motor wings
and marshal in the young
before the nectar shortages
endanger country sides –**

**we'll meet again at cloud-break –
so fly off – everyone!
saving the environment
is now our livelihood.**



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