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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2016 AOU SCIENTIFIC AWARDS: Nominations are invited for the following professional awards, and may be submitted electronically to the Chair of the Awards Committee, ROB FLEISCHER (EM: [fleischerr@si.edu](mailto:fleischerr@si.edu)) by **15 January 2016**. Important details regarding the awards, eligibility and nomination process are available on the American Ornithology website (<http://americanornithology.org/content/aou-professional-and-service-awards>)

- **WILLIAM BREWSTER MEMORIAL AWARD**-The Brewster Award is given for the most meritorious body of work (book, monograph, or series of related papers) on birds of the Western Hemisphere published during the past ten years. Individuals or co-authors are eligible for the award, and need not be members of the AOU at the time of their nomination. Nominations should include (1) the name, institution, and contact information for the nominee, (2) a written summary that includes a description of the contributions of the nominee to ornithology, and (3) a CV of the nominee.
- **ELLIOTT COUES AWARD**-The Elliott Coues Award recognizes extraordinary contributions to ornithological research and involves no limitation with respect to geographic area, sub-discipline(s) of ornithology, or the time course over which the work was done. Nominees need not be members of the AOU at the time of their nomination. Nominations should include (1) the name, institution, and contact information for the nominee, (2) a written summary that includes a description of the contributions of the nominee to ornithology, and (3) a CV of the nominee.
- **NED K. JOHNSON YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD**-The Ned K. Johnson Award recognizes outstanding and promising work by a researcher early in his/her career in any field of ornithology. Successful nominees will excel in research and show distinct promise for leadership in ornithology within and beyond North America. They must have received their doctorate within 5 years of being nominated, must not have received the award previously, and must be a member of the AOU at the time of nomination. Nominations should include (1) the name, institution, and contact information of the nominee, and (2) a written summary why the nominee should be considered for an award, including statements on his/her scientific accomplishments, the relevance of his/her research to scientific ornithology, and his/her promise as a leader in ornithology, and (3) a CV of the nominee.
- **RALPH W. SCHREIBER CONSERVATION AWARD**-The Ralph W. Schreiber Conservation Award recognizes extraordinary scientific contributions to the conservation, restoration, or preservation of birds and/or their habitats by an individual or small team (usually fewer than 10 people). Nominees must be a member of the AOU at the time of nomination; in the case of a team nomination, at least one member of the team must be a member of the society at the time of their nomination. Contributions from throughout the world and over any time course are eligible. Appropriate activities include: Applied research, restoration, and educational actions that conserve birds, or preserve significant bird habitats; Scientific examination of the principles of avian conservation and

application of new insights into species restoration; and/or Scientific evaluation, guidance, creation, and oversight of avian recovery programs or habitat reserve/restoration programs. Nominations should include (1) the name, institution, and contact information for the nominee(s), (2) a CV of the nominee(s), and (3) a written summary for why the nominee(s) should be considered for an award, including statements on scientific, educational, and conservation accomplishments, the relevance of his/her science to avian conservation, and his/her leadership in avian conservation, documentation of the conservation implications of the candidate's work, and what birds have benefitted from the science.

**SYMPOSIUM AND WORKSHOP ON "HERONS OF THE WORLD"** at the 2016 Waterbird Society Meeting, New Bern, North Carolina, USA, **20-23 Sep 2016**. The Heron Specialist Group (HeronConservation) of the IUCN will be hosting a Symposium and Workshop focusing on the "Biology and Conservation of Herons of the World" at the 2016 Waterbird Society meeting in New Bern, North Carolina, USA, 20-23 Sep 2016. All heron researchers are invited to attend, but we are especially hopeful that those working on heron species in Africa, Asia and SE Asia, Central and South America and Australia will be able to attend. Our goal is to bring together heron biologists from across the world to join in this meeting to promote heron conservation, discuss recent research and foster greater collaboration amongst researchers. In our Workshop, we will be discussing current conservation strategies for herons, updating species' status (where possible) and discussing new technologies for heron research. Dr. Jim Kushlan will be presenting a Plenary on the History of Heron Conservation. We envision three levels of participation for this meeting: 1. Formal oral presentations at the Symposium, 2. Informal presentations and group discussions at the Workshop and 3. Poster presentations and discussions at the Poster Session. If you would like to receive updated information on this event or if you are interested in participating in the meeting, please contact CHIP WESELOH (EM: [chip.weseloh@ec.gc.ca](mailto:chip.weseloh@ec.gc.ca)). Please also indicate your heron species of interest and your area of research. HeronConservation members who are assisting in organizing these events include: Chip Weseloh, Canada; Clay Green, USA; Dale Gawlik, USA; John Brzorad, USA; Cathy King, Germany; Nellie Tsipoura USA; Sara Schweitzer USA.

**THE 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WATERBIRD SOCIETY. CALL FOR SYMPOSIA, WORKSHOPS, AND NOTICE OF MEETING.** New Bern, North Carolina, **20-23 Sep 2016**. The Waterbird Society will hold its 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and General Meeting in New Bern, North Carolina, from 20-23 Sep 2016. This announcement is a call for anyone who would like to propose a Symposium or Workshop for this meeting. If you are interested, please contact Clay Green (EM: [claygreen@txstate.edu](mailto:claygreen@txstate.edu)) by **1 Feb 2016**. A symposium may be a full day (~14 presentations) or half day (7 presentations). Likewise, workshops can be a full day, half day, or a couple of hours. At present, we have accepted a proposal for a Symposium and Workshop on the Biology and Conservation of Herons of the World. Because the Waterbird Society is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016, we are planning a celebration of the first 40 years of the Society, complete with displays of the Society's early formative days, so please make plans to join us in New Bern. Meeting information, including details on the New Bern Riverfront Convention Center, field trips, accommodations, and special events is posted on the Waterbird Society web site (<http://www.waterbirds.org/>). Daily early morning and evening birding trips will be offered, as well as longer field trips on 24 and 25 September. Historical New Bern, a city of approximately 30,000 people, is located at the confluence of the Trent and Neuse rivers as they flow into the Pamlico Sound, bordered by the Outer Banks chain of barrier islands; it is a water wonderland! We look forward to seeing you in New Bern in 2016.

NOMINATIONS FOR AOU OFFICERS AND ELECTIVE COUNCILORS must be received by the Secretary four months before the Stated Meeting. Thus, this year nominations are **due 15 April 2016**. Officers to be elected will be President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Elective Councilors. The election will occur by electronic and postal ballots prior to the meeting. At the conclusion of the 134th Stated Meeting, Scott M. Lanyon will complete his term as President and Steven R. Beissinger will begin his first year as President. AOU is actively soliciting nominees for President-Elect. The Bylaws of the AOU require that the Secretary and Treasurer be elected or reelected annually. The incumbent Secretary (Andrew W. Jones) and Treasurer (Rebecca T. Kimball) are willing to stand for re-election. Of the total of twelve Elective Councilors, four are elected annually to serve terms of approximately three years, beginning at the close of the Stated Meeting. Elective Councilors to be replaced at the conclusion of the 134th Stated Meeting in 2016 are David N. Bonter, Kevin J. Burns, Deborah M. Finch, Patricia J. Heglund. Continuing to serve in 2016-2017 will be Elective Councilors Elizabeth Derryberry, Katie Dugger, Colleen M. Handel, Kevin Omland, James W. Rivers, Viviana Ruiz-Gutierrez, Rebecca J. Safran, and David W. Winkler. The procedure for nominating AOU Officers and Elective Councilors is outlined in the Bylaws (Art. IV, Sec. 2). "Each Fellow and Elective Member shall be invited to nominate to the Secretary, persons for President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Elective Councilors. These nominations shall be received by the Secretary four months before the Stated Meeting. Nominations for all Officers and Elective Councilors must be accompanied by documented consent of the nominee." Nominations may be submitted electronically or in writing to the Secretary, ANDREW W. JONES, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, 1 Wade Oval Drive - University Circle, Cleveland, OH 44106 USA (EM: ajones@cmnh.org).

AOU LONG RANGE PLANNING IN 2016 – Over the past 18 months the AOU has worked to professionalize the society in its strategic efforts to better serve the needs of ornithologists today, to build capacity to attract philanthropic support to advance our mission, and to promote ornithology globally. As part of this effort, we have embarked on long-range planning to be concluded at next year's NAOC meeting. The AOU has a tripartite mission:

(1) to advance the scientific understanding of birds,  
 (2) to enrich ornithology as a profession, and  
 (3) to promote a rigorous scientific basis for the conservation of birds. AOU Council identified six long-range goals to help us to accomplish this mission, including:

- Organize great annual meetings. (Missions 1, 2, & 3)
- Publish high quality ornithological research, available to everyone, in a timely manner. (Missions 1,2,&3)
- Provide financial support for ornithological research. (Missions 1, 2, & 3)
- Provide professional development for members at each stage of their career. (Mission 2)
- Recognize significant accomplishments in ornithology (Mission 2)
- Create a community of ornithologists throughout the Western Hemisphere. (Missions 1, 2, & 3)

In 2016, AOU will invite its members, and the ornithological community as a whole, to participate in prioritizing the steps that the AOU will take to advance our mission and long-range goals. In the meantime, if you have ideas or suggestions about how the AOU can best serve ornithology and ornithologists, please email AOU President SCOTT LANYON (EM: lanyo001@umn.edu).

**DEADLINE FOR STUDENT MEMBERSHIP AWARDS – 31 December 2015** – Please alert students who would be interested in exploring the benefits of membership in the AOU. The AOU offers one-year student membership awards to qualified undergraduate or graduate students from anywhere in the world interested in pursuing a career in ornithology. Membership awards provide full membership in the AOU, including an online subscription to *The Auk: Ornithological Advances*, online access to *Birds of North America*, plus all of the other benefits of membership. Only student members of the AOU are eligible to apply for the society's student travel, presentation, and research awards. Information on the membership awards is available on the American Ornithology website (<http://americanornithology.org/content/aou-student-membership-awards>).

AOU INTRODUCES TWO NEW MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES IN 2016 – We've listened to our members, and are pleased to offer the Early Professional membership and the expanded Emeritus/Retired membership in the 2016 renewal period. The Early Professional membership, \$45, is available to individuals who are no longer students and have received their most recent (or final) degree within the past five years. The Emeritus/Retired membership, \$28, is for emeritus and/or retired individuals or anyone who has been an AOU member for at least 40 years. Regular Membership is \$75; Student Membership is \$28; Life Membership is \$2,600. Members of the AOU receive unlimited online access to the complete contents of all issues of *The Auk: Ornithological Advances*, the full series of *Ornithological Monographs* (final issue published in 2014), and *The Birds of North America*. A full list of benefits of membership in the AOU are described on our website, <http://AmericanOrnithology.org>.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2016 MEMBERSHIP CLASSES of Fellow and Elective Member of the AOU are being accepted now **until 1 Apr 2016**. Current Fellows and Elective Members may submit nominations electronically. Nominations and full supporting information are to be supplied by the nominators. The lists of current Fellows and Elective Members are available on the American Ornithology website (<http://americanornithology.org/content/aou-special-membership-classes>). Nominators seeking to endorse a nominee must first obtain the instructions and forms for 2016, available on the American Ornithology web site (<http://americanornithology.org/content/aou-special-membership-classes-nomination-guidelines>) or from the Secretary, ANDREW W. JONES (EM: ajones@cmnh.org). The Committee on Nomination of Fellows and Elective Members will prepare additional nominations. Fellows and Elective members who would like to put forward a name for consideration by the nomination committee should contact the chair, JACK DUMBACHER (EM: jdumbacher@calacademy.org), **by January 31, 2016**.

AOU-COS MERGER DISCUSSIONS: UPDATE – During a joint meeting of the AOU Council and the COS Board this past July the Council and Board jointly and unanimously approved moving ahead to study the possibility of a merger. This development was announced and discussed at the AOU Fellows meeting and the COS business meeting in Oklahoma. A small working group (Steve Beissinger, Scott Lanyon, Tom Martin, Melinda Pruett-Jones, Marty Raphael, Kim Sullivan, Blair Wolf) have been examining this possibility in detail. We identified a series of issues and, in many cases, we reached consensus on how to resolve those issues. In October, we summarized these initial discussions in a message to all AOU and COS members and asked for input. We received responses from thirty-seven members (29 were positive about the merger, 3 were negative, and five could not express an opinion until they learned how specific issues would be resolved). The single issue mentioned most often (in 9 of 37 responses) was the name of the organization if AOU and COS merged. Several people stated that if one name persists then it would appear that one organization "won" and the other "lost." The working group discussed this and were unanimous in concluding that abandoning existing names solely to avoid the perception of winners and losers was not in the best interests of ornithology or ornithologists. We agreed that the selection of an organizational name must be strategic - that we should only adopt a new name for a merged organization if we could come up with a new name that was demonstrably better for ornithology and ornithologists than either existing name. That is, the strategic advantages of a major investment in a new name must be sufficient to overcome the financial and opportunity costs of rebranding when abandoning our established brands. Given the generally positive response from the membership, our exploration continues. In November, the working group studied the financial implications of a merger, and this month the societies are considering specific terms for any plan to merge. If you have comments you wish to share, please don't hesitate to contact either MARTY RAPHAEL (EM: mraphael@fs.fed.us) or SCOTT LANYON (EM: lanyo001@umn.edu).

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

AVIAN HYBRIDS PROJECT – There is an enormous amount of scientific literature dealing with avian hybridization, ranging from early reports of hybrids and classical hybrid zones studies to modern

molecular analyses. Finding your way in this mountain of scientific writings can be challenging to say the least. That is why I decided to gather the bulk of this literature on a website (<http://avianhybrids.wordpress.com>), arranged by Order (and on a Family level for the Passeriformes). The most important goal of this website is to provide a standardized resource on the current state of knowledge on avian hybridization that is accessible for scientists as well as laypersons. In addition, I encourage ornithologists to send me non-technical summaries of their latest papers, which will be featured on the Latest News section of the website.

## POSITIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The Positions and Opportunities section is available only in the on-line edition. It can be accessed at (<http://osnabirds.org/Jobs.aspx>). Submissions can be made any time and are posted free of charge. Members may post directly to the board after logging in to OSNA using their OSNA member log in. Non-members may submit announcements on-line and the announcements will be posted after approval by a moderator. If problems occur with online submission, please send your announcement to the Ornithological Newsletter Editor, Cheryl Trine (EM: [ctrine@andrews.edu](mailto:ctrine@andrews.edu)) in the body of the email message.

E-LIST SERVICE is available. Subscribers to this list will receive the same announcements that appear on-line in a weekly/biweekly list. To subscribe, send the following message to: <[lyris@cornell.edu](mailto:lyris@cornell.edu)>, in the body of the message type: join Birdjobs-L "your name". The subject line should be blank. Please use the "plain text only" e-mail format option, include your own name in the message, and put quotation marks around your name.

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

FOR INFORMATION ON CONTINUING GRANTS PROGRAMS relevant to ornithological research, visit: <http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/grants/index.html>. For other grant opportunities, visit: <http://ornithologyexchange.org/forums/forum/139-grants-awards/>

MEWALDT-KING STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS – The 24<sup>th</sup> annual Mewaldt-King Student Research Awards will be announced by the Cooper Ornithological Society at the 2016 North American Ornithological Congress in Washington, D.C. These \$1,000-\$2,000 awards are designated in the memory of L. Richard Mewaldt and James R. King to support Master's and Ph.D.-level research that relates to the conservation of birds. Research may be in any area of ornithology, but studies that involve demographics, breeding biology, or disease ecology may be particularly relevant, especially if the species is endangered, threatened, or otherwise of management concern. Studies of species from threatened ecosystems (e.g. old growth forest, wetlands) or with reference to large-scale conservation issues such as climate or landscape change are also of particular interest. For further information, instructions, and deadlines please visit: <http://www.americanornithology.org/content/cos-mewaldt-king-award-eligibility-and-guidelines>.

2016 AOU RESEARCH AWARDS - Information on the 2016 AOU Research Awards can be found at <http://americanornithology.org/content/aou-research-awards-eligibility-and-guidelines>. The deadline for submission is **Friday, 29 January 2016 @ noon (EST)**. Questions should be directed to the Chair of the AOU Research Awards Committee, BRIAN PEER (EM: [BD-Peer@wiu.edu](mailto:BD-Peer@wiu.edu)).

THE INTERNATIONAL OSPREY FOUNDATION (TIOF) ENDOWMENT FUND PROPOSAL—The International Osprey Foundation (TIOF) is seeking applications for its 27<sup>th</sup> annual grant program to support research activities of a graduate student primarily focused on osprey. However, work with other raptor species may be considered. The award recipient will be expected to provide a report of his or her research and use of the funds within one year of receiving the grant.

To apply, send a project description of no more than two pages, an itemized estimate of expenses, and the name and address of the graduate supervisor. This project description and estimated budget, along with a cover letter giving whatever personal data you wish to furnish, will serve as your grant application. No further documents are required. Applications must be submitted **by 31 Jan 2016** to: TIOF Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 250 Sanibel, Florida, USA 33957-0250. The grant will be awarded on 31 Mar 2016.

## PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

*BIRDS OF BOTSWANA*, Peter Hancock & Ingrid Weiersbye, 2015. Princeton University Press. 400 pp., 5 x 8, 1,200+ color illus. 597 color maps, ISBN: 9780691157177 (Paperback, \$29.95/£19.95). Portable and easy to use, *Birds of Botswana* is the essential travel companion for anyone visiting this remarkable country. Covers all 597 species of birds found in Botswana, including subspecies and color variants specific to Botswana; Features more than 1,200 color illustrations—with more than one illustration for species where the sexes and ages differ; Includes detailed species accounts, seasonality and breeding bars, and color distribution maps; Draws on the latest bird data and the expertise of leading birders in Botswana.

*THE LIVING BIRD: 100 YEARS OF LISTENING TO NATURE* by The Cornell Lab of Ornithology and Gerrit Vyn, 2015. Mountaineer Books. 208 pp, 250+ images, 10.9 x 9.7" ISBN-10: 1594859655 (Hardcover). In 2015 the Cornell Lab of Ornithology is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary as one of the world's most prestigious and oldest institutions devoted to the study of birds. As a cornerstone of those celebrations, the Lab reveals the essence of its work in this journey through the fascinating and beautiful realm of birds. *The Living Bird* shares our joyful and complex relationship with birds. Through imagery and thoughtful essays, award-winning photographer Gerrit Vyn, along with leading naturalists and bird enthusiasts, takes readers on a visual and experiential journey, revealing the essence of the century-long work done by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

## PERSONAL EXCHANGES

AVAILABLE: *AVIAN ANATOMY, VOL. 1 & 2* BY LUCAS AND STETTENHEIM -- I will donate to any university or museum that is interested and is willing to give me a letter of acknowledgement for the donation. Contact ROGER LEDERER (EM: [RLederer@csuchico.edu](mailto:RLederer@csuchico.edu)).

BANDING SUPPLIES FOR SALE – UNUSED- 2 nylon nets, stock number 4 N 70/2 black, 1.5-inch mesh, 60-ft x 7-ft Made in Japan [Bleitz Wildlife Foundation, bought through Avinet, Inc] (\$150 Each). USED ONCE - 1 terelene, stock number 28-T green 50d/2ply, 1.5-inch mesh, 42-ft x 3-ft Made in Japan [Bleitz Wildlife Foundation, bought through Avinet, Inc](\$50.00). UNUSED - Accu-weight 500 gram (1 pound-plus) tubular scale [bought through Avinet, Inc] (\$50.00). USED a few times - Pesola 50-gram scale [bought through Avinet, Inc] (\$35.00). UNUSED - 300-plus+ plastic colored leg bands (mostly red solid or striped with red, some without, size 0 [vireo, warbler] ),[some still on original metal posts at 10/post, others in film cannisters] (\$30.00). Total asking price, plus \$5 shipping since light weight [ship via USPS]: Total asked: \$470.00. I need to have banding permit number for purchase of the nets, as required by Avinet and BBL. JIM GREAVES [BBL permittee, no longer active, but still on file], Thompson Falls MT.

## MEETINGS

A 'permanent' meeting list is maintained on BIRDNET (URL: <http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/ornith/birdmeet.html>) showing planned ornithological meetings as far into the future as possible.

\* in this section indicates new or revised entry

\*QUAIL 8 – NATIONAL QUAIL SYMPOSIUM, **26-28 July 2016**, Knoxville, Tennessee, US. Sponsored by the University of Tennessee,

Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency, National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative & National Bobwhite Technical Committee, Quail 8 is part of a series of quail symposia dating back to 1972, featuring management and research. Abstract Submission **Deadline is 31 December 2015**. For more information see, <http://www.quailcount.org/quail8/home.html>

6<sup>TH</sup> NORTH AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGICAL CONFERENCE a joint meeting of American Ornithologists' Union, Association of Field Ornithologists, Cooper Ornithological Society, Raptor Research Foundation, Society of Canadian Ornithologists, Waterbird Society, Wilson Ornithological Society, will take place in Washington, DC - **16-21 Aug 2016**.

\*SPECIES ON THE MOVE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, **8-12 Sep 2016**, Hobart, Tasmania, AU, an interdisciplinary conference in Hobart, Tasmania, Australia in February 2016 focusing on facilitating collaboration across disciplines on all aspects of species redistribution as a function of a changing climate. This conference will be relevant in the contexts of natural resource management, biodiversity management and conservation, and theoretical ecology. Species' responses to climate change is a rapidly evolving research field, however, much of our progress is being made in independent research areas: e.g. understanding the process vs responding to the implications, terrestrial vs marine ecosystems, global meta-analyses vs in depth species-specific approaches. To receive updates please register your interest at the website (<http://www.speciesonthemove.com>).

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\*2017 JOINT MEETING AOU / COS and SCO/SOC, **9-12 Aug 2017**, Michigan State University, Lansing, Michigan. The American Ornithologists' Union, Cooper Ornithological Society, Society of Canadian Ornithologists will meet jointly at Michigan State University, Lansing, MI

\*27<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS, **August 2018**, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. The congress will have a full range of plenary lectures, symposia, workshops and contributed paper sessions, plus a wide range of birding tours. The meeting venue is the Vancouver Convention Centre.

#### THE FLOCK - SPECIAL SECTION

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THE NEXT NEWSLETTER will be issued in February. Items you wish to have included must reach the Editor, CHERYL L. TRINE, 3889 E. Valley View, Berrien Springs, MI 49103 (PH: 269-471-7886; EM: [ctrine@andrews.edu](mailto:ctrine@andrews.edu)), **by 1 January 2016**. Please submit announcements by email (in the body of the email message--not an attached file). Items sent to the OSNA office may not reach the Editor in time. Items with deadline dates should be submitted at least four months in advance of that date to allow time for response.

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