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MANAGING EDITOR OF *THE CONDOR*. Primary responsibilities include copy-editing manuscripts, handling page proofs, and coordinating activities of the Editorial Office: flow and tracking of manuscripts, correspondence with authors and reviewers, communication with the journal's printer, and other assistance to the Editor. This is a 90%-time position for a highly organized person capable of extremely detailed work with minimal direct supervision. Requirements include proficiency with Microsoft Word, Adobe Acrobat, and database management, strong communication skills, and command of English grammar. Editing and publishing experience required; background in ornithology, biology, or other sciences desirable and preferred, but not an absolute necessity. Position will be located in Bend, Oregon; beautiful Central Oregon is the Pacific Northwest's premier outdoor recreation center known for downhill/Nordic skiing and snowboarding (Mount Bachelor), mountain biking (hundreds of miles of public-land singletrack), rock climbing (Smith Rock State Park), world-class fly-fishing, and whitewater rafting/kayaking. The new Managing Editor **MUST start by 20 Aug 2007**. Salary \$38,000 per year plus benefits. Serious applicants should send a resume (including references with email and telephone contacts) and a letter of application detailing their qualifications as soon as possible to DAVID DOBKIN, Editor, *The Condor*, High Desert Ecological Research Institute, 15 S.W. Colorado Avenue, Suite 300, Bend, OR 97702, or by email to: (EM: condor AT hderi.org).

OUTSTANDING STUDENT PAPER AWARDS at the COS meeting—Four awards were presented for outstanding student papers at the 2007 Cooper Ornithological Meetings in Moscow, ID: PETER S. COATES, Idaho State University, was awarded the Brazier Howell Award for his paper (with co-author D. J. Delehanty), "Greater Sage-grouse incubation rhythms and the effects of age, timing of incubation, predators, habitat, and weather". CLAIRE W. VARIAN, Washington State University, was awarded the Frances F. Roberts Award for her paper (with co-authors M. S. Webster and J. Karubian), "The effects of repayment and competition on offspring sex ratios in the cooperatively breeding Red-backed Fairy-wren". Board of Directors Student Paper Awards were presented to ANDERS OLSON, University of Wisconsin, for his presentation (with co-authors A. M. Pidgeon, V. C. Radeloff, D. A. Rogers, T. P. Rooney, and D. M. Waller), "Fifty years of change in southern Wisconsin forest bird communities" and to ELIZABETH A. LANDEEN, University of Arizona, for her poster (with co-author A. V. Badyaev), "Developmental evolution of sexual displays: model and a test of feather growth and pigmentation".

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THE AOU RESEARCH AWARDS COMMITTEE is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2007 AOU Research Awards. ROBERT A. ALD-REDGE, University of Central Florida, "The influence of ambient temperature and incubation behavior on the hatching success of the Threatened Florida Scrub-Jay (*Aphelocoma coerulescens*)"; KARA L. BELINSKY, University of Massachusetts, "Color and song in Chestnut-sided Warblers: redundant signals or multiple messages?"; CATHERINE A. BRADLEY, University of Georgia, "Linking avifaunal community assemblage to avian malaria lineage diversity and prevalence"; CURTIS W. BURNEY, Louisiana State University, "Testing for shared historical diversification in lowland neotropical birds using a comparative phylogeographic approach"; MOLLY DICKENS, Tufts University, "Investigating the mechanisms underlying the 'stress' of relocation"; QUINN C. EMMERING, Texas Tech University, "Do songbirds assess nest-predation risk using auditory cues: experimental manipulation of a nest-predator vocalization"; PATRICIA J. HARTMAN, University of Kentucky, "The role of habitat structure in extraterritorial movements of two hybridizing warblers"; BOBBY HUANG-SUO HSU, University of Hawaii - Hilo, "The transfer of maternal antibodies in Hawaii Amakihi"; ANYA E. ILLES, University of Washington, "Sexual selection and elaborate female song in Stripe-headed Sparrows"; JONATHAN P. KELLEY, University of Washington, "The effects of predation risk on the nest mortality in neotropical birds: the roles of landscape, behavior and physiology"; CORINNE KOZLOWSKI, University of Missouri-St. Louis, "Differential yolk androgen allocation and sex specific effects of elevated androgens in Eastern Screech Owl nestlings"; YUN KYOUNG LEE, University of Manitoba, "Egg discrimination in an egg-color polymorphic species: is there sex-specific strategy of egg recognition?"; NEIL LOSIN, University of California-Los Angeles, "Evolution of competitor recognition in an avian contact zone"; JOHN MCCORMACK, University of California Los Angeles, "Is blue egg color a sexually selected trait in Mexican Jays?"; KELLY MINTON, College of William and Mary, "Does prior mating experience affect subsequent mate preference of female Zebra Finches (*Taeniopygia guttata*)"; JORDAN M. MOORE, Cornell University, "Neural correlates of song production and perception in acrocephaline warblers"; VALERIE A. O'BRIEN, University of Tulsa, "Role of Cliff Swallows in transmission and amplification of a poorly known arbovirus"; KRISTINA PAXTON, University of Southern Mississippi, "Assessment of intra-specific variation in migration strategies of a Neotropical migratory bird with stable isotopes"; MICHELLE A. RENSEL, University of Memphis, "Long-term effects of developmental stress in the Florida Scrub-Jay (*Aphelocoma coerulescens*)"; CHRISTINE M. STRACEY-RICHARD, University of Florida, "Is the composition of urban communities the result of changes in food resources and predation pressure?"; SARAH ROCKWELL, University of Maryland, "The costs of migration and their influence on avian life history traits"; MELISSAH ROWE, University of Chicago, "Mechanisms and dynamics of sperm competition in the Splendid Fairy-wren: male investment in sperm numbers and quality"; MEGAN J. SELICK, University of Guelph, "Geographic variation of stable-strontium isotopes (⁸⁷Sr) in avian tissue: applications for tracking long-distance movements of passerines"; SAMPATH S. SENEVIRATNE, Memorial University, "Do elongated feathers function as sensory organs? An overlooked ornament function of a group of subarctic seabirds"; KENDRA SEWALL, University of California-Davis, "Vocal learning and social barriers to intermixing"; HELEN SOFAER, Colorado State University, "Ecological factors affecting growth rates in Orange-crowned Warblers (*Vermivora celata*)"; CAITLIN STERN, Cornell University, "The influence of help on reproductive decision-making within cooperative groups"; MATTHEW B. TOOMEY, Arizona State University, "Diet-dependence of carotenoid accumulation in the avian retina: an experimental test"; TRAVIS E. WILCOXEN, University of Memphis, "Reproductive senescence in the Florida Scrub-Jay (*Aphelocoma coerulescens*)".

THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY held its annual meeting 22-25 Mar 2007. The 2007 Margaret Morse Nice Medal was awarded to PATRICIA L. SCHWAGMEYER and DOUGLAS W. MOCK, who presented the plenary lecture "Not exactly your 'Nice' Sparrow." The scientific program included 40 papers organized into eight sessions, 25 posters, a symposium on radar studies of migration, and featured presentations on the life of Alexander Wilson, birds of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, birds of the marshes, conservation of birds of open habitats in New England, and shorebird identification. Wilson Ornithological Society Student Travel Awards were presented to undergraduates ASHLEY PEELE, Ohio Wesleyan University, and LAUREN SMITH, Ohio Wesleyan University; to master's candidates JEN MORTENSEN, Villanova University, and KRISTEN COVINO, University of Maine; and to doctoral candidate Susan Smith, University of Rhode Island. The Wilson Prize for the best student oral presentation was awarded to KARA BELINSKY for "Are color and song redundant signals of male quality in Chestnut-sided Warblers?" The Lynds Jones Prize for best student poster presentation was awarded to JASON HILL for "Preliminary analysis of post-fledgling movements of female and fledgling Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrows." KELLY HALLINGER received the first annual Nancy Klamm Best Undergraduate Student Oral Paper Award for "Does Mercury contamination affect bird song?" and MEGAN FITZPATRICK received the first annual Nancy Klamm Best Undergraduate Student Poster Award for "Nest structure, incubation, egg viability and sex ratios in Tree Swallows in Michigan." COREY TARWATER won the Louis Agassiz Fuertes Award for the study "Natal dispersal and juvenile survival in a Neotropical passerine." Paul A. Stewart Awards were received by LAUREN MACDADE for "Aquatic contribution to diet and consequences for refueling performance in spring migrant landbirds," KRISTEN M. COVINO for "The role of energetic condition in the motivation and orientation of migrant songbirds in the Gulf of Maine," JENNIFER MORTENSEN for "Conservation ecology and social organization of the endangered White-breasted Thrasher on St. Lucia, West Indies," and MICHAEL J. KUEHN for "Determinants of male parental care in a socially monogamous avian mating system with promiscuity." The Edwards Prize for the best paper published in volume 118 (2006) of *The Wilson Journal of Ornithology* was awarded to CYNTHIA A. STAICER, VICTORIA INGALLS, and THOMAS W. SHERRY for "Singing Behavior varies with Breeding Status of American Redstarts (*Setophaga ruticilla*)." The results of the annual election of officers and council members were as follows: President - JAMES D. RISING; First Vice-President - E. DALE KENNEDY; Second Vice-President - ROBERT C. BEASON; Member of Council for 2007-2008 (replacement) - ROBERT L. CURRY; and Members of Council for 2007-2010 - ROBERT S. MULVIHILL, REBECCA HOLBERTON, and TIMOTHY O'CONNELL.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL FOR PAPERS—The organizers of the 2007 Midwest Fish & Wildlife Conference (Madison, Wisconsin, **9-12 Dec 2007**) are making their first call for papers. Information and guidelines may be found at: URL: <http://midwest.ncd-afs.org/abstracts.asp>. Our on-line submission system is sleek and sweet! Try it soon! The website for the conference is updated regularly. We are focused on living our conference theme—"Be the Change," and are continually looking for ways to reduce the waste generated by large meetings... read your "survival guide," and think about participating in the first-ever Midwest Swag Swap! If you're cash-strapped, we're also recruiting volunteers, who may be eligible for some compensation for their work. It's all at: URL: <http://midwest.ncd-afs.org>. Registration information is coming very soon.

RAPTOR WORKSHOP: Accredited through University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point. A 3-day workshop entitled "Introduction to Raptor Field Techniques" will be held in Stevens Point, WI by Eugene Jacobs of the Linwood Springs Research Station and Loren Ayers of the Wis. Dept. of Natural Resources. Two sessions are scheduled: **8-10 Oct** and **17-19 Oct 2007**. Receive first hand experience working with: live raptors, capturing, handling, banding techniques, broadcast call surveys, tree climbing and rappelling, telemetry equipment and more. Cost is \$350 and space is limited so register early. For more information and a registration form visit <http://www.RaptorResearch.com>

CALL FOR SYMPOSIA AND WORKSHOPS—We invite proposals for symposia and workshops for the 126th American Ornithologists' Union Meeting, the 78th Cooper Ornithological Society Meeting, and the 28th Society for Canadian Ornithologists Meeting in Portland, Oregon on **6-9 Aug 2008**. Symposia will consist of five or six 30-min talks. Please send a title, names of organizer(s) and potential participants, tentative titles of their presentations, and a brief statement on why such a symposium or workshop would be of interest for this meeting. Send **by 1 Feb 2008** to the Chair of the Scientific Program Committee, W. DOUGLAS ROBINSON (EM: douglas.robinson@oregonstate.edu), for consideration.

CALL FOR PAPERS for the 4TH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS IN FLIGHT (**13-16 Feb 2008**), in McAllen, Texas. The conference theme, shared with International Migratory Bird Day for 2008, is *Tundra to Tropics: Connecting Birds, Habitats and People*. The focus of the conference is on international connections that further bird and habitat conservation throughout the Western Hemisphere. Abstracts for contributed papers are now being accepted. The deadline for submissions is **10 Sep 2007**. For further information, see (URL: <http://www.partnersinflight.org>). Contact TERRY RICH with inquiries (EM: terry_rich@fws.gov).

NEWS FROM THE ORNITHOLOGICAL COUNCIL

Provided by DAVID E. BLOCKSTEIN, Chair (EM: oc@cnie.org), and ELLEN PAUL, Executive Director (EM: ellen.paul@verizon.net), the Ornithological Council. Major funding for the Ornithological Council is provided by its eleven member societies: American Ornithologists' Union, Association of Field Ornithologists, CIPAMEX, Cooper Ornithological Society, Neotropical Ornithological Society, Pacific Seabird Group, Raptor Research Foundation, Society of Canadian Ornithologists, Society for the Conservation and Study of Caribbean Birds, Waterbird Society, and Wilson Ornithological Society. We also appreciate the support of individual ornithologists; contributions can be made when you renew your membership in any of the OSNA societies (on paper or online at <http://www.osnabirds.org/>). Thank you for helping the Ornithological Council in its efforts to keep the world safe for ornithology!

SECTION EDITORS NEEDED FOR *GUIDELINES TO THE USE OF WILD BIRDS IN RESEARCH* - The Ornithological Council is embarking on a major revision of its *Guidelines to the Use of Wild Birds in Research*. We seek section editors to (a) review existing text to identify errors, omissions, and generally evaluate the adequacy of the text; (b) conduct or oversee the conduct of thorough literature reviews; and (c) draft new text. The sections for which editors are sought are: (a) trapping; (b) marking; (c) transport; (d) housing and captive breeding; (e) minor manipulative procedures; and (f) major manipulative procedures. The qualifications for this position include: a Ph.D in ornithology, zoology, wildlife biology, animal behavior, or a related field (students nearing completion of doctoral degrees will be considered); research experience with live birds; relevant publications in peer-reviewed scientific literature; and a good overview of ornithological research involving live birds and knowledge of the people conducting various kinds of research involving live birds. To apply, send a letter of interest to JEANNE FAIR, PH.D., 156 County Road 113, Santa Fe, NM 87506 or e-mail (EM: jmfair@global-conservation.org). Specify the section or sections for which you would like to be considered and describe your experience with the kinds of techniques described in that/those section(s). Honoraria are available. The anticipated duration of the project is 18 months.

ORNITHOLOGY ON CAPITAL HILL - On 26 Jun, the Ornithological Council participated in the annual Capital Hill exhibit and reception sponsored by the Coalition for National Science Funding, which advocates for increased funding for the National Science Foundation. The OC exhibit featured a research coordination network known as MIGRATE (Migration Interest Group: Research Applied Toward Education; see <http://www.migrate.ou.edu/index.htm>). Jill Deppe, one of the forty-one MIGRATE collaborators and an OC Board member representing the Cooper Ornithological Society, presented the poster to the 493 guests, which included 11 members of Congress and countless staffers. SPANISH TRANSLATION OF NABC SHOREBIRD BANDING MANUAL AVAILABLE - The North American Banding Council (NABC) and the

Ornithological Council have collaborated on a project to make the banding manuals produced by the NABC available in Spanish. The shorebird manual is now available from NABC; contact LINDA L. LONG, Wildlife Biologist, U.S.F.S. Redwood Sciences Laboratory, 1700 Bayview Dr., Arcata, CA 95521; (PH: 707-825-2947; FX: 707-825-2901; EM: lllong@fs.fed.us). This project was made possible with funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of International Conservation. Other translated manuals - including the Study Guide, Trainer's Manual, Passerines and Near-passerines, Raptors, and Hummingbirds - are also available.

PERMITS CHECK-UP - If you are having trouble navigating the permit process - or even knowing where to start - please consider the Ornithological Council as a resource. We can guide you through all federal (USFWS, USDA) and state permits, including the permits needed for import/export of specimens, samples, and live birds (as well as associated vegetation and arthropods); capture and marking; scientific collecting; and other research activities, including the permits needed to work on federally managed public lands such as the National Parks, National Wildlife Refuge System, and National Forests. If you already have your permits, you may want to contact us for a "permits check-up" to be sure you have the correct permits, with conditions appropriate to your work, and to determine if there are more efficient permitting procedures available. Please contact ELLEN PAUL (EM: ellen.paul@verizon.net, PH: 301-986-8568).

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

WANTED: Hastings Reservation, a field station run by UC Berkeley located in upper Carmel Valley, California, is looking for a reasonably complete series of *American Birds* going back into the 1980s or earlier for research use. If you would be willing to donate such a set, we would be happy to pay for ground shipping and provide a form you could use to write the donation off on your 2007 taxes. Please contact WALT KOENIG (PH: 831-659-5981; EM: koenigwd@berkeley.edu).

POSITIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The Positions and Opportunities section is available only in the on-line edition. This information can be accessed from the Ornithological Newsletter Home Page <<http://www.osnabirds.org/on>>, or directly at <<http://www.osnabirds.org/on/ornjobs.htm>>. Submissions can be made any time, and are posted free of charge. Please send submissions to Ornithological Newsletter Editor, Cheryl Trine, (EM: ctrine@andrews.edu).

AN E-LIST SERVICE is available. Subscribers to this list will receive the same new announcements that appear on-line. E-list members often receive these announcements before they are posted on-line. To subscribe, send the following message to: <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>

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM—The Pacific Seabird Group has begun a small grants program for conservation and restoration activities that benefit seabirds in the Pacific Ocean. It is open primarily to individuals from developing countries, although in some limited circumstances individuals from elsewhere may be eligible. For more information, please go the Pacific Seabird Group's web site: <http://www.pacificseabirdgroup.org/index.php?f=grants&t=Grant%20Program&s=1>

SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS—Sea Duck Joint Venture: Solicitation of Proposals for Funding and/or Endorsement, FY08. The Sea Duck Joint Venture (SDJV) is a partnership-based conservation program under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan that promotes the conservation of sea ducks by providing greater knowledge for effective management. Seed money for SDJV projects/studies is currently available through the USFWS. We are seeking proposals that advance our understanding of sea duck biology, ecology, and status from interested parties. Up to \$400,000 is available for new projects in FY08. The complete RFP, proposal format, evaluation criteria, and other information are posted on <http://seaduckjv.org>. Proposals must be received **by 27 Sep 2007**.

THE D.H. SPEIRS AWARD for outstanding lifetime contributions by amateurs or professionals to Canadian ornithology is given annually by the Society of Canadian Ornithologists (see URL: http://www.sco-soc.ca/speirs_award.htm). Nominations of candidates for the 2007 award will be accepted **until 1 Sep 2007**, and the award will be presented by the Society at the meeting of the Society of Canadian Ornithologists / Société des Ornithologistes du Canada in Lake Opinicon, Ontario in Sep 2007.

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

SPECIATION IN BIRDS, by Trevor Price, 2007. Roberts and Company Publishers, Woodbury, New York. 512 pp, 120 illus., 7 x 10 trim size; ISBN: 0-9747077-8-3; \$55.00 list. *Speciation in Birds* is a tour de force on its topic—the origin of bird species. The book evaluates the roles of natural selection and sexual selection. It asks how speciation contributes to some of the great patterns in species diversity—such as the large number of species in the tropics, and the many endemic species on isolated islands. Throughout, the author emphasizes the integration of behavior, ecology, and genetics. To order, call or fax orders (PH: 800-351-1161, FX: 516-422-4097). Our ordering address is: Roberts and Company Publishers, Genome Research Center, 500 Sunnyside Boulevard, Woodbury, New York 11797 USA.

"A NEW CHINESE SPECIMEN indicates that 'protofeathers' in the Early Cretaceous theropod dinosaur *Sinosauropteryx* are degraded collagen fibers." T. Lingham-Soliar, A. Feduccia, and X. Wang. 2007. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, 274:1823-1829., has been published and is now available (URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1098/rspb.2007.0352>); or contact ALAN FEDUCCIA (EM: feduccia@bio.unc.edu) for a pdf file.

THE BIRD SONGS OF EUROPE, NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST, Andreas Schulze and Karl-Heinz Dinglernew, editor and publisher. 2007. ISBN 978-3-938147-01-6; Price: EUR 69.95. 2 MP3-Discs: 819 species; running time 19:20 hours; 2817 recordings. This is the most complete published collection of the bird voices of Europe, North Africa and the Middle East. Species are listed systematically according to taxonomical standards and can thus be easily compared. Songs and calls of each species are arranged consecutively but on separate tracks, so that they can be chosen independently. The PDF-booklets provides English, French and German explanations about the sound recordings. Using a PC or MP3-player, these explanations show up on the screen while playing. Contact: <http://www.birdsongs.de>

BIODIVERSIDAD DE GUATEMALA, Edited by Enio Cano, 2006. Publisher: Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, Guatemala City. 674 pages, ISBN: 99922-2-272-7, Softcover: US\$ 70.00+shipment. Includes 36 chapters from 52 international authors: three chapters on palaeogeography and vegetation history, 14 chapters on plants, one on marine mollusks, 14 on arthropods, and four on vertebrates. Twelve chapters are in English, 24 in Spanish, all papers have an abstract in both languages. The chapter on birds (pp. 525-623) treats 724 bird species and updates information on the distribution of more than 130 species. Vulnerability was evaluated using IUCN criteria on a national level. The paper includes a bibliography of 1200 publications on birds of Guatemala, and a list of 92 museums in 24 countries with specimens of Guatemalan birds. The book is available from the publisher: ENIO CANO, Laboratorio de Entomología Sistemática, Universidad del Valle de Guatemala, P.O.Box 82, 01901 Guatemala City, Guatemala (EM: ecano@uvg.edu.gt). Offprints of the bird chapter are available from KNU T EISERMANN (EM: knut.eisermann@proeval-raxmu.org)

PERSONAL EXCHANGES

JOURNALS AVAILABLE: *Condor* 1996-1998; *J. Ornith.* 1994-1996; 1999-2000; *Wilson Bull.* 1994-1995; *J. Wildl. Manage.* 1995-2001. Please contact Linda (EM: lhbologist@hotmail.com).

FOR SALE: Complete first edition *Birds of North America: Life Histories for the 21st Century*, A. Poole and F. Gill, Editors. This set includes all 716 accounts, Table of Contents, Corrigenda, Errata, slipcases, labels, and certificate of authenticity. These are all originals, no reprints, mint condition, still in plastic as shipped from printer. Available elsewhere online for 3000 USD plus S&H, and for that price you get about 2 dozen reprints to replace missing original accounts. I will let my set go for 1000 USD plus S&H. One warning - the whole lot is extremely heavy, may be 200 USD or so to ship domestically, more for outside the USA. Serious inquiries may be directed to: DAN REGELSKI (EM: jdaregelski@yahoo.com, PH: 614-783-3876).

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ZOOLOGICAL NOMENCLATURE must vacate storage space in the National Museum of Natural History to make room for renovations. Therefore, the following items are offered at greatly reduced prices:

International Code of Zoological Nomenclature. 1999. 4th ed. London: The International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature, xxix + 306 pp. (original price \$48.00 for individuals) Sale price \$15.00 plus postage; \$19.00 postpaid in the U.S. (book rate).

Towards stability in the names of animals-A history of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature 1895-1995. 104 pp. (original price \$50.00 for individuals) Sale price \$15.00 plus postage; \$19.00 postpaid in the U.S. (book rate).

The following two items are offered as a unit: *Official lists and indexes of names and works in zoology*. 1987. London: The International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature. 365 pp. *Official lists and indexes of names and works in zoology. Supplement 1986-2000*. 2001. London: The International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature. 136 pp. (offered also as a separate item below) (original price for both \$140.00) Sale price \$40.00 plus postage; \$45.00 postpaid in the U.S. (book rate).

Official lists and indexes of names and works in zoology. Supplement 1986-2000. 2001. London: The International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature. 136 pp. (Original price \$85.00) Sale price \$25.00 plus postage; \$29.00 postpaid in the U.S. (book rate).

Terms: Cash or check made out to the American Association for Zoological Nomenclature. Unfortunately, we cannot accept money orders or credit cards. Do not send cash in the mail. If you are unable to purchase according to these terms and still wish to acquire any of these items, contact ALFRED GARDNER, USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, National Museum of Natural History, P. O. Box 37012, Room 378 MRC 111, Washington, D.C. 20013-7012 (EM: gardnera@si.edu, PH: 202-633-1276).

MEETINGS

A 'permanent' meeting list is maintained on BIRDNET (<http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/BIRDMEET.html>) that focuses mainly on meetings of the Societies that are members of the OC, showing the planned sites and dates of ornithological meetings as far into the future as possible.

* in this section indicates new or revised entry

125TH STATED MEETING OF THE AOU will be held at the University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY, **8-11 Aug 2007**. Information about the meeting can be found at (URL: <http://www.aou.org/meetings/2007/index.php3>).

RAPTOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION and HAWK MIGRATION ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA JOINT CONFERENCE IN 2007. The RRF 2007 annual conference will be held in conjunction with the HMANA tri-annual conference in Allentown, Pennsylvania, hosted by Hawk Mountain Sanctuary Association. The conference dates, **12-16 Sep 2007**, are timed to enjoy the annual broad-winged hawk and osprey migration through eastern Pennsylvania with daily counts of over 1,000 birds possible. The meeting will be held at the Fogelsville Holiday Inn Conference Center, strategically located near the base of the Kittatinny Mountain, a world-renown flyway for raptors and songbirds. Field trips

to several migration watch sites such as Hawk Mountain, Bake Oven Knob, Cape May, are planned. A special symposium on the status of North American Raptors will be held on Saturday and Pat and Clay Sutton will deliver the keynote address on Thursday. A symposium on the American Kestrel is planned for Thursday. For further details contact local organizing committee chair LAURIE GOODRICH (EM: Goodrich@hawkmtn.org) or check the website (URL: <http://www.hawkmountain.org>).

IV INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BREEDING BIRDS IN CAPTIVITY, **12 - 16 Sep 2007**, Toronto, Canada. It will be 20 years since the last conference of its kind, held in Los Angeles in 1987. Much has changed in the world of aviculture, zoology, ornithology and conservation. It is our goal to again bring forward the wealth of information, experiences and socialization these conferences had years ago and to honor one of the centuries greatest assets to our community – Dr. Jean Delacour. Symposium topics will vary greatly, however an emphasis will be placed on the role of aviculture in the conservation of avian biodiversity and the educational aspects and potential of birds in captivity. Various natural history and husbandry issues will be covered extensively. For more information visit (URL: <http://www.isbbc.org/>).

THE 2007 Meeting of the SOCIETY OF CANADIAN ORNITHOLOGISTS/SOCIÉTÉ DES ORNITHOLOGISTES DU CANADA will be held **27-29 Sep 2007** at the Queen's University Biological Station on Lake Opinicon, Ontario, Canada. Information and updates on registration, accommodations and abstract submission will be posted regularly to the SCO / SOC website (URL: <http://www.sco-soc.ca/>). For more information, contact local host JOE NOCERA, Biology Dept., Queen's Univ., Kingston, ON, Canada, K7L 3N6 (EM: noceraj@biology.queensu.ca, PH: 613-533-6000, ext 77593).

The 27TH MEETING OF THE PRAIRIE GROUSE TECHNICAL COUNCIL will be held in Chamberlain, South Dakota, **8 -10 Oct 2007**. The purpose of the meeting is to: (1) gather the Technical Committee to identify, discuss, and implement management issues of prairie grouse; (2) provide an atmosphere where managers and biologists working with prairie grouse can gather and exchange information; (3) promote information sharing from current research; and (4) foster the integration of science into the implementation of management for prairie grouse. Information on travel, lodging, and other conference information can be found on the conference web page (URL: <http://wfs.sdstate.edu>).

30th ANNUAL CONVENTION, NORTH AMERICAN BLUEBIRD SOCIETY "NABS 200: Bluebird Partnerships - Science of Bluebirds", **20-23 Sep 2007**, at the University of Georgia Center of Continuing Education, Athens, GA. For additional information and on-line Registration forms, visit the NABS website (URL: <http://www.nabluebirdsociety.org>) or contact HELEN MUNRO (EM: nabs2007@nabluebirdsociety.org, PH: 910-673-6936). Pre, Mid and Post Conference field trips which include the Aquarium in Atlanta, the State Botanical Gardens and Stone Mountain will also be available to Registrants.

9th BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF RESEARCH ON THE COLORADO PLATEAU will be held on **29 Oct - 1 Nov 2007** at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona. The conference focuses on research and resource management efforts related to the physical, cultural, and biological resources of the Southwestern United States, with a special emphasis on the Colorado Plateau. For the Call for Papers, and additional information visit the conference website (URL: http://sbcs.wr.usgs.gov/cprs/news_info/meetings/biennial/2007/index.asp#maincontent) or contact SCOTT DURST (EM: scott.durst@nau.edu).

31st ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WATERBIRD SOCIETY will be held **30 Oct - 3 Nov 2007** at the Historic Building of the University of Barcelona, Spain. Three full days of scientific sessions are planned, including 6 symposia (contact information listed for symposia with openings remaining): "Waterbirds as Indicators of Global Change", "Avian Diseases: The Role of Waterbirds" (MIKE ERWIN, EM: rme5g@cms.mail.virginia.edu), "Spatiotemporal Distribution of Seabirds in Offshore Marine Environments" (JACOB GONZALEZ-SOLIS, EM: jgsolis@ub.edu), "Phylogeography and Population Genetics of Seabirds: Implications for Conservation" (ELENA GOMEZ-DIAZ, EM: elegomez@ub.edu), "Rice and Waterbirds: Science, Management, and Conservation" (KATHY PARSONS, EM: parsonsk@manomet.org), and "Comparative Demographics of Temperate and Tropical Roseate Terns". The meeting also

will feature plenary addresses by Dr. John Croxall ("From Local Science to Global Conservation: Perspectives from Southern Ocean Seabirds") and Dr. Keith Hobson ("Isotopic dabbling in the lives of Waterbirds"). Field trips are planned to various areas along the Mediterranean coast, including one full-day excursion to the rice fields of the Ebro delta, an important breeding and feeding site for herons, egrets, ducks, waders, shorebirds, gulls, flamingos, coots, and moorhens. Registration information can be accessed through the Society's web page on BIRDNET, or directly at <http://www.wbs2007.org>. For more information about the scientific program, contact DAVE SHEALER (EM: david.shealer@loras.edu).

WORLD OWL CONFERENCE: Owls, Ambassadors for the Protection of Nature in their Changing Landscapes will be held in Groningen, The Netherlands, **31 Oct – 4 Nov 2007**, hosted by Birdlife International in The Netherlands, the Global Owl Project and the World Owl Trust. A workshop on Owl Survey and Monitoring Techniques will be held on 31 October followed by three days of science, one day birding and evening social events, and a post-conference tour. Please check out our website for further details and tell others about this event. We hope to see you there! <http://www.worldowlconference.com>

4th BIENNIAL AUSTRALASIAN ORNITHOLOGICAL CONFERENCE – Call for Papers and Expressions of Interest: The Fourth Biennial Australasian Ornithological Conference will be held at the University of Western Australia in Perth, Western Australia, **3-5 Dec 2007**, hosted by The Western Australian group of Birds Australia (RAOU). Post-conference field excursions will be available. For more information visit <http://www.birdswa.com.au/aoc2007> or by write to the conference coordinator: S. MATHER, Birds Australia Western Australia, 167 Perry Lakes Drive, Floreat, WA 6014 Australia (EM: aoc2007@birdswa.com.au; PH: +61 (0)8 93896416).

***68TH MIDWEST FISH AND WILDLIFE CONFERENCE** in Madison, Wisconsin, **9-12 December 2007**, Monona Terrace Convention Center on the shore of Lake Monona just blocks from the State Capitol, the University of Wisconsin campus, and downtown dining and night life. Conference theme: *Be The Change: Manage Locally, Conserve Globally*. What we do locally on our individual fish and wildlife properties or on private lands in our own states can and will have an effect on Midwest regional fish and wildlife populations and their habitat. We invite attendees to explore ways to put their individual management actions into a larger context to benefit all fish and wildlife across the Midwest. Please visit our website early and often to keep track of the call for papers, registration details, and to learn more about the exciting program as it takes shape (URL: <http://midwest.ncd-afs.org/>).

***4TH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS IN FLIGHT CONFERENCE** will be held **13-16 Feb 2008**, at the new McAllen Convention Center in McAllen, Texas. The conference theme, shared with International Migratory Bird Day (URL: <http://www.birdday.org/>) for 2008, is Tundra to Tropics: Connecting Birds, Habitats and People. The focus of the conference will be international connections of all sorts that further bird and habitat conservation throughout the Western Hemisphere. Concurrent paper sessions will focus on issues in bird conservation and will be of two types, 1) standard sessions typical of scientific society meetings, and 2) sessions followed by a facilitated discussion session. The goal of each of the latter sessions will be to produce a strategic action plan to be distributed to all partners within weeks of the conference. Abstracts for contributed papers are now being accepted. The deadline for submissions is **10 Sept 2007**. Details will be posted on the Partners in Flight web site (URL: <http://www.partnersinflight.org>). In the mean time, contact TERRY RICH with inquiries (EM: terry_rich@fws.gov).

12TH BIENNIAL ALASKA BIRD CONFERENCE will be held in Fairbanks, Alaska, **4-7 Mar 2008**. Suggestions for pre-conference workshops, special sessions, and associated meetings are now being accepted. Conference details will be posted on the Alaska Bird Observatory website as they become available (URL: <http://www.alaskabird.org>). For further details contact local organizing committee chair NANCY DEWITT (EM: ndewitt@alaskabird.org).

***5TH ASIAN RAPTOR SYMPOSIUM** of The Asian Raptor Research and Conservation Network (ARRCN) **3-6 Apr 2008**, in Tam Dao National Park, Vinh Phuc province, Vietnam. The Symposium theme is *Raptors and Local People in Asia*. The focus of the Symposium will be on international connections of Raptor experts and conservationists throughout the world. Three concurrent sessions will be held including 1) Oral presentations, 2) Lectures and, 3) Posters. The goals of the sessions are to exchange information, update technologies, enhance cooperation between scientists, and raise awareness of local communities. Details are posted on the ARRCN website (URL: <http://www5b.biglobe.ne.jp/~raptor/index.htm>) or contact LE MANH HUNG with inquiries (EM: Hungniltava@yahoo.com).

THE 2008 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY, will be held **18-20 Apr 2008** in Mobile Alabama, an important trans-Gulf migration site. This will be a joint meeting with the Association of Field Ornithologists. The local host, FRANK MOORE, may be reached at the Dept. of Biological Sciences, University of Southern Mississippi, 118 College Drive, Box 5018, Hattiesburg, MS 39406 USA; (PH: 601-266-4748; EM: Frank.Moore@usm.edu).

CONFERENCE AND CALL FOR PAPERS: Ingestion of Spent Lead Ammunition: Implications for Wildlife and Humans. Convened by The Peregrine Fund, **12-15 May 2008**, At Boise State University, Boise, Idaho. The goal of the conference is to promote a better understanding of ingested spent lead ammunition as a source of lead exposure and to reduce its effect on wildlife and humans. For details, visit (URL: http://www.peregrinefund.org/Lead_conference/), or contact: The Peregrine Fund, 5668 West Flying Hawk Lane, Boise, Idaho 83709 (PH: 208-362-3716, EM: tpf@peregrinefund.org).

JOINT MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION, COOPER ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY, AND THE SOCIETY OF CANADIAN ORNITHOLOGISTS - will take place **6-9 Aug 2008** in Portland, Oregon. This meeting will commemorate the 125th anniversary of the AOU and special events are being planned to celebrate this notable event. A website is in preparation and will be used for abstract submission and registration. Members will receive an e-mail notification as soon as the website is available. The meeting organizers are planning a green meeting. Among the measures being taken to reduce the carbon cost and other environmental impacts of the meeting are the selection of a Green Seal Lodging Property (the Hilton Portland). To save paper and costs, the Circular of Information will be mailed only to members who do not use e-mail. The hotel and nearly all events associated with the meeting are all accessible via the MAX rail (public transportation; free in the downtown area). Numerous special events for students, including receptions and a special luncheon are planned. Meeting partners include: Oregon State University, Portland State University, University of Portland, U.S. Geological Survey, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Oregon Zoo, Portland Audubon Society, and the Audubon Society of Corvallis.

THIRD NORTH AMERICAN SEA DUCK CONFERENCE will be held in Québec City, Canada, on **10-14 Nov 2008**. Hosted by the Canadian Wildlife Service (Québec Region), in partnership with the non-profit organization Regroupement QuébecOiseaux. Additional information on the conference is available on the following web site (URL: <http://www.seaduckconference2008.org>), or use the following contacts: MICHEL ROBERT (Chair of the Organizing committee; EM: michel.robert@ec.gc.ca, PH: 418-649-8071); JEAN-PIERRE L. SAVARD (Chair of the Scientific committee; PH: jean-pierre.savard@ec.gc.ca, PH: 418-648-3500).

THE RAPTOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION 2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE. **29 Sep - 4 Oct 2009**, Scotland will be held overseas for the first time, to reflect the global interests of its membership. Hosted by the Scottish Raptor Study Group, this event will be held in an exclusive hotel in the small town of Pitlochry, central Scotland, with a full program of scientific presentations, workshops and seminars. Social events include the hire of a nearby castle for an evening party, and fieldtrips will include the spectacular west coast island of Mull for eagles, otters and lochs. The conference website is currently under construction. Delegate numbers are limited to 300 so early booking advisable. For further details visit (URL: <http://www.rffcconferencescotland2009.org>) or contact local organizing committee chair RUTH TINGAY (EM: dimlylit100@hotmail.com).

NEWS OF MEMBERS

BRIAN J. WALTON, a member of the AOU since 1975, AFO since 1995, COS since 1980, RRF since 1997, and WOS since 2004, died of a stroke on 15 June 2007 in Santa Cruz at the age of 55. His leadership of the Santa Cruz Predatory Bird Research Group was highlighted by the pivotal role the group played in the restoration of the peregrine falcon on the West Coast. Walton served as the coordinator of the University of California, Santa Cruz program for 31 years.

GLEN E. WOOLFENDEN, member of the AOU since 1947, Elective Member since 1961, and Fellow since 1969; member of COS since 1948; member of WOS since 1954; and member of AFO since 1983, died on 19 June 2007 at the age of 77 following complications associated with surgery. He received numerous awards including the Brewster Medal from the AOU in 1985, the Margaret Morse Nice Medal from the WOS in 2001, and the career award Distinguished Animal Behaviorist from the Animal Behavior Society in 1994 for his long-term study of Florida Scrub-Jays. He served the AOU in many capacities, including as President; this service was recognized by the first Marian Jenkinson Award from the AOU in 1996.

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