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NEW EDITOR OF *WILSON JOURNAL OF ORNITHOLOGY* – The Wilson Ornithological Society is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Ernesto Ruelas Inzunza as the next Editor of our venerable quarterly publication, *The Wilson Journal of Ornithology*. Ernesto will take over in July, replacing Mary Bomberger Brown, who has served our Society with distinction by editing the *WJO* from 2013 to 2017 (Volumes 125-129) and again in 2019 (Volume 131). Dr. Ruelas Inzunza is a Professor and Research Scientist at the Universidad Veracruzana in Xalapa, Mexico, where he teaches in the Ecology and Biotechnology graduate program. He has published over 50 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters on bird migration and biodiversity conservation. He earned his Ph.D. in Dr. John Faaborg's Avian Ecology Laboratory at University of Missouri, and held postdoctoral fellowships at Cornell University and Dartmouth College. In 2009 he was awarded the Partners in Flight International Leadership Award for his work on the Raptor Population Index Project. Prior to joining the faculty at Veracruz he managed the Rapid Inventories program in the Andes-Amazon region for the Field Museum of Natural History. The WOS Council is excited to work with Ernesto on the next era of *The Wilson Journal of Ornithology*, which began publishing articles on bird research as *The Wilson Bulletin* in 1894. Authors that wish to submit manuscripts will continue to interact with the Editor's office through the PeerTrack website, but beginning in July any inquiries and correspondence will be directed to Ernesto.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION TO RAPTOR FIELD TECHNIQUES COURSE at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary: **12-15 Sep 2019**. Raptors...four days of just raptors! The goal of this workshop is to help you build confidence in your raptor field techniques. Join Gene Jacobs of Raptor Services, LLC to learn new methods or hone existing skills at world-renowned Hawk Mountain Sanctuary during the spectacular Fall migration. Throughout the course you will receive hands-on learning experiences with raptor: trapping methods; handling; banding; measurements; blood sampling; broadcast call surveys; telemetry and more. Students will participate directly in real research projects with significant individual interaction and training. The course can be taken for one credit from UW-Stevens

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Point Outreach Program (optional). No special training is necessary, and the class is open to the public. The workshop fee is \$525 and includes a course manual and a certificate of completion. On-site camping is available, please call for more lodging details and options. To register contact Jamie Dawson (PH: 610-756-6000 x 209 EM: dawson@hawkmountain.org).

POSITIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The OSNA Ornithological Jobs page is currently unavailable. To POST or FIND ornithological jobs, please go to the Ornithology Exchange, <http://ornithologyexchange.org/jobs>

THE BIRDSJOBS-L E-LIST will continue to be an option for receiving notices about ornithological jobs. Subscribers to this list will receive the same announcements that appear on Ornithology Exchange, in a weekly/biweekly list. 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. If you need help, contact ctrine@andrews.edu.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

FOR GRANT OPPORTUNITIES, visit: <http://ornithologyexchange.org/forums/forum/139-grants-awards/>

WORLD OWL HALL OF FAME 2019 INDUCTEES – The World Owl Hall of Fame inducted two new members on 2 Mar 2019 at the International Festival of Owls in Houston, Minnesota USA. Dr. PAULA ENRIQUEZ from Mexico won the Champion of Owls Award for her lifetime working with owl ecology, conservation and public education predominantly in Mexico, but also Costa Rica and now Colombia. Dr. RICHARD RAID from the University of Florida won the Special Achievement Award for engaging farmers and students in a project to use Barn Owls for biological rodent control in the Florida Everglades region.

PUBLICATIONS

BIRDS OF SASKATCHEWAN. Manley Callin Series No. 8. Edited by Alan R. Smith, C. Stuart Houston, and J. Frank Roy. 2019. Nature Saskatchewan. 768 pages, \$79.95 CAD. ISBN 978-0-921104-34-6 (hardcover). A full-color, comprehensive look at all of the birds that call Saskatchewan home. 437 species of birds are documented in this compendium, a result of over ten years of work and several lifetimes of observation, research, and writing. This work celebrates Saskatchewan's rich natural heritage, and acknowledges the efforts made to study and sustain each bird's presence in the province. It is a record of change - of the birds who have come, those who remain, and those whose habitats are affected by changes in the environment.

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

137TH MEETING OF AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGY AND THE 3RD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AOS! The theme of this year's meeting is "Birds on the Edge: Dynamic Boundaries," and it will take place **24-28 Jun 2019**, at Anchorage's Egan Center. Apply for Student & Postdoc Travel Awards, Diversity & Inclusion Travel Awards, and the Student Presentation Award competition. Applications are included in the abstract submission process, and we invite you to encourage eligible students and colleagues to participate. Full information on travel, workshops, special events, etc. can be found on the meeting website, <https://amornithmeeting.org/>. We are also striving to make this year's meeting as family-friendly as possible and hope attendees will consider bringing spouses, partners, children, etc. along for a little fun at 61° North latitude. Don't miss this once-a-year opportunity to reconnect with your colleagues in the ornithology community!

THE BIRDSCARIBBEAN 22ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE will be held from **25-29 Jul 2019** in Le Gosier, Guadeloupe. Conference information is available (and will continue to be updated) on the BC Conference Website, <https://sites.google.com/site/birdscaribbeanconferenc2019/>. The conference will feature exciting keynote speakers, symposia, workshops, and discussions related to the conservation of Caribbean birds and nature. The conference theme is "Keeping Caribbean Birds Aloft". This conveys our collective efforts to keep our birds in flight and build resilience for their survival in the face of the many challenges they are facing. There will also be opportunities to explore Guadeloupe, its birds, mountains, beaches, and nearby islands through a number of pre-, mid-, and post-conference field trips. Come ready to immerse yourself in a beautiful, and unique culture found nowhere else but the French West Indies. We invite you to join us for an ocean-side, action-packed conference! If you would like to receive news and updates about this conference and Caribbean birds, please sign up to receive our monthly newsletter (URL: <https://www.birdscaribbean.org/get-involved/stay-informed/>) and join our listserv (Yahoo discussion group - <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/BirdsCaribbean/info>). #BirdsCarib2019

*XI NEOTROPICAL ORNITHOLOGY CONFERENCE – The conference will be held in San José, Costa Rica at the Wyndham San Jose Herradura Hotel & Convention Center from **28 Jul - 2 Aug 2019**. Please visit the congress page for more details: <http://congresoavesneotropicales.com/en/home-in>

THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF CANADIAN ORNITHOLOGISTS (Société des ornithologistes du Canada; SCO-SOC) will be held at the Hôtel Château Laurier in Québec City, **27-30 Aug 2019**. The central theme of the meeting will be Ornithology in the era of new technologies. The atmosphere will be relaxed and friendly, which will facilitate scientific and cultural exchanges. Québec City in late August offers a perfect opportunity for ornithologists to combine work, birding opportunities and some late summer leisure. After our great success in attracting high quality symposia, we are pleased to announce the **opening of the call of papers and registration on 20 Feb 2019**; more details at <http://www.sco-soc-quebec2019.org/>

8TH WESTERN HEMISPHERE SHOREBIRD GROUP MEETING --The Western Hemisphere Shorebird Group is excited to announce its upcoming meeting, to be held **24-28 Oct 2019** in Panama City, Panama, and hosted by the Panama Audubon Society. Abstracts will be due **by 1 May 2019**. Applications for Travel Awards, and nominations for the Baker and Oring awards, will also be **due on 1 May 2019**. Travel award information will be posted soon with the Call for Abstracts. Information for the Baker and Oring Awards is at the WHSG website here! (URL: <http://westernshorebirdgroup.org/awards/>) We hope you will consider submitting an abstract, and attend the meeting in October!" <https://www.audubonpanama.org/2-all/89-whsg2019-eng.html> (English) <https://www.audubonpanama.org/?id=80:whsg2019-esp&catid=21> (Spanish). STEPHEN BROWN, Chair, Science Committee, EVELING TAVERA, Chair, Western Hemisphere Shorebird Group

AFO-WOS 2019 CONFERENCE: Save the date! The Association of Field Ornithologists and the Wilson Ornithological Society invite you to our 2019 joint meeting to take place at the Grand Hotel of Cape May, NJ, **27-30 Oct 2019**. Hosted by the Cape May Bird Observatory, the conference will offer an exciting scientific program and excellent opportunities for birding in this migration hotspot. Important dates: Student travel award application **due 15 Jul 2019**; Early Registration & Abstract submission **due 30 Aug 2019**; Early Registration Fees*: Member rate - \$340, Student rate - \$190. *Registration fees include continental breakfast and lunch at the Grand Hotel during the meeting, and opening and poster socials. Add a banquet ticket (\$50 for members or \$30 for students) to make this an essentially all-inclusive meeting. Reasonable room discounts at the Grand Hotel will be offered to meeting participants. The conference website will be available soon. Stay tuned for future announcements about plenary speaker and symposia. Questions can be addressed to MARK DEUTSCHLANDER (EM: deutschlander@hws.edu) or VALENTINA FERRETTI (EM: ferrettivale@gmail.com). Come join us for a stimulating conference and take a peak at the awesomeness of fall migration at this wonderful location!

*54TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE RAPTOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION will be held in Fort Collins, Colorado, **5-10 Nov 2019**. Co-hosted by the Rocky Mountain Raptor Project and EDM International, the conference will take place at the Fort Collins Hilton. Key dates include: **1 May** – symposium submission deadline; abstract submission and early registration opens. **30 June** – abstract submission deadline, Andersen Award, and Koplín Travel Award submission deadlines. Information on the conference is available on the RRF website (URL: <https://raptorresearchfoundation.org/conferences/current-conference/>) Additional conference details will be added to the RRF website in the weeks ahead.

*THE 43RD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WATERBIRD SOCIETY will be held at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore in Princess Anne, Maryland from **6-9 Nov 2019**. As information becomes available, it will be posted on the meeting website (URL: <https://waterbirds.org/annual-meeting/>). In addition to an outstanding scientific program, this meeting will feature a special diversity emphasis that will include UMES students and students from other, nearby Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The Atlantic Marine Bird Cooperative will hold its annual meeting in conjunction with the Waterbird Society meeting. A call for symposia and workshops has already been issued. 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. Please direct any questions about symposia and workshops to DAVE MOORE (EM: dave.moore2@canada.ca; proposals due **by 01 May, 2019**).

IN MEMORIAM

TOM CADE, a member of AOU since 1950 (Elective member 1957, Fellow 1970), AFO 1983, COS 1950, RRF 1997, and WOS1950, passed away 6 Feb 2019 at the age of 91. Tom established the captive-breeding and release program that snatched the Peregrine Falcon from the brink of extirpation in the lower 48 states and saw their successful re-establishment across the United States. This effort led to their ultimate removal from the Endangered Species List in 1999. He founded the Peregrine Fund (which now works for the conservation of endangered raptors worldwide) to support this effort. In his later years, he also helped create The World Center for Birds of Prey in Boise as a facility to promote the study and conservation of all species of birds of prey.

TSUKASA NAKAMURA (Kofu, Japan), a member of the AOU since 1953 (AOS Honorary Fellow 2015), COS 1959, AFO 1989, and WOS since 1989, passed away on 24 Nov 2018 at 91 years of age. He served as President of the Ornithological Society Japan, Tokyo, 1989–1990.

THE FLOCK - SPECIAL SECTION

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THE NEXT NEWSLETTER will be issued in June. 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 AT andrews.edu), **by 15 May 2019** 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.