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NOTICE TO OUR READERS

With this issue, *Bird Observer* has a new editor, Martha Steele. Dorothy Arvidson, editor of *Bird Observer* since 1983 and an important member of the editorial staff since 1978, decided to step down after the February 1991 issue. She presided over many changes in *Bird Observer* that have substantially enhanced the journal. She maintained the highest standards of quality for which we are all most grateful.

In September 1990, Martha Steele agreed to serve as guest editor of this issue. On March 14, 1991, the Board of Directors appointed her as editor in chief and approved a new organizational structure in which heads of various *Bird Observer* departments will report to her. The Board of Directors and staff wish to congratulate Dorothy Arvidson on a job well done and wish Martha Steele well in her new role.

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