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Our Secretary, DOROTHY FOY, would like an original copy of meeting and council minutes of 1966 and earlier. She is trying to compile all minutes into one volume. The original copies will be returned to the sender. If you can assist her, please do so - apparently the minutes of earlier meetings have been misplaced or never filed with us.

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Two additional "Rare Bird Alert" numbers have been sent to us, for publication. In the Washington, D.C. area, number 301-652-3295, known as the Voice of the Naturalist, is sponsored by the Audubon Naturalist Society of the Central Atlantic States (fide Elting Arnold). In the Los Angeles, Ca., area, one may call 213-874-1318 to obtain local information, sponsored by the Los Angeles Audubon Society (fide Ernest R. Abeles of Woodland Hills, Ca. 91364).

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Several members have remarked that they miss the Membership List usually published in EBBA News. It is considerable work for the Treasurer and Circulation Manager to type such a list for EBBA News. Since we were switching Treasurers, we felt that we could best issue a list separately. This we did. The list is available at cost (50¢) from our membership chairman Mr. Herbert Volker of 1023 Weikel Road, Lansdale, Pa. 19446. In EBBA News 34(3): 106, we listed Mrs. Smith as Membership Chairman. We apologize to Mr. Volker for the error - we were misinformed.

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The following was sent to us for mention in EBBA News: "At the top of the aquatic food-chain, the Great Blue Heron may well be an important indicator species. The Laboratory of Ornithology is planning a nation-wide survey of this species.

The first step will be to compile an inventory of heronries. To this end, we appeal to all readers with knowledge on this point to write to us. Information may be recent or old; detailed or sketchy. Even 'I remember seeing a heronry as a boy' is helpful if the site is remembered well enough to locate on a topographic map.

We hope that this inventory will contain the exact locality of the heronry, a general description of the site, and as much history as possible. We hope that this stage of the program can be completed by the winter so that arrangements can be made for census work in the 1972 breeding season." (signed: David B. Peakall, Ph. D., Senior Research Associate, North American Nest-Record Card Program, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, New York 14850).