

## NEWS AND NOTES

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### NOMINEES FOR C.O.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The members of the Cooper Ornithological Society shall elect three persons in 1985 to the Board of Directors to replace retiring members: Cynthia Carey, David A. Manuwal, and Kenneth E. Stager.

The Nominating Committee appointed by the Board proposes for election in 1985, for 3-year terms, the following five individuals:

Dr. Daniel Anderson is a Professor of Wildlife and Fisheries at the University of California, Davis. His research concerns marine bird ecology and management, with emphasis on long-term populations studies and pollution effects. He has been a member of the Society since 1975.

Dr. Laurence Binford has served as Secretary of the Society, which he joined in 1955. His research concerns the taxonomy and distribution of Mexican birds.

Dr. Robert Ohmart, a Professor of Zoology at Arizona State University, joined the Society in 1961. He is a general avian ecologist specializing in avian communities on large southwest river systems.

Dr. Charles van Riper is an Assistant Adjunct Professor in Zoology and is unit leader of the National Park Service Research Unit at University of California, Davis. A member of the Society since 1973, he is interested in regulatory mechanisms, particularly disease, that control the size of avian communities.

Dr. Glenn Walsberg, an Associate Professor of Zoology at Arizona State University, has been a member of the Society since 1972. His research interests include avian physiological ecology, biophysical ecology, and behavior.

Members will be asked in the spring to vote by mail ballot for three directors.

### JOINT MEETING OF COOPER AND WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

The fourth joint meeting of these societies will be held 5-6 June 1985, at the University of Colorado, Boulder. A three-day scientific program is scheduled involving contributed papers and several half-day symposia. Early morning field trips to ponderosa pine forests in the foothills, water bird habitats and heronries on the prairie, and open meadows, coniferous and aspen forests in the mountains are planned. All-day field trips on 9 June will tour Rocky Mountain National Park or Pawnee National Grassland. Tours for spouses and guests will visit historical art museums in Denver, the Air Force Academy and Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, the Coors Brewery, and Central City—a historical gold-rush town. The banquet will be held at the Denver Museum of Natural History. The Wilson Society is sponsoring the Sutton competition for excellence in painting of birds by amateurs (see below). The meeting announcement will be mailed in January and abstracts will be due by 6 March 1985. Questions can be directed to Dr. Cynthia Carey (local committee on arrangements) or Dr. Carl Bock (scientific program) at: Department of EPO Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309.

### C.O.S. 1986 MEETING

The Cooper Ornithological Society annual meeting of 1986 will be held in early September at the University of California, Davis. We are planning an exciting program and request that members with suggestions on symposia or

activities please contact Dr. Charles van Riper, (local chairman), at the Division of Environmental Studies, University of California, Davis, CA 95616.

### CONDOR EDITORSHIP

Dr. Peter Stettenheim has requested the C.O.S. to find a new Editor for *The Condor*, to begin duties in summer, 1985 for the 1986 Volume. Suggestions and offers for a new editor are being sought. If you are interested in the job or know someone whom you consider qualified, please notify Ralph Schreiber, C.O.S. President, Natural History Museum, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90007.

### S. DILLON RIPLEY RECEIVES CORNELL AWARD

S. Dillon Ripley—biologist, ecologist, ornithologist, educator, and recently retired Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution—was the 16th recipient of the annual Arthur A. Allen Award, presented by Cornell University's Laboratory of Ornithology on Saturday, 13 October 1984. "... (Arthur) Allen's goal was to make ornithology available to the public. Mr. Ripley, a distinguished ornithologist, has done that and carried it a step further. . . ." said Charles Walcott, Executive Director of the Laboratory.

Dr. Ripley retired from his post as the eighth Secretary of the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., on 17 September 1984. During the two decades of his tenure there, the venerable institution was transformed from "an attic into a special kind of open university." Under his guiding hand, eight new museums and seven new research or backup facilities opened their doors, the number of visitors more than doubled, major research and acquisition efforts were launched, and outreach programs—including *Smithsonian* magazine—were inaugurated. Dr. Ripley has many popular or technical publications to his credit, including *Search for the Spiny Babbler* (noted in Condor 83:321), *Rails of the World* (noted in Condor 80:117), and, jointly with Dr. Sálím Ali, the 10-volume *Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan* (noted in Condor 86:395).

### SUTTON AWARD FOR ORNITHOLOGICAL ART

The Wilson Ornithological Society announces the establishment of the George Miksch Sutton Award for Ornithological Art. The Award will be given for art that would be suitable as a color plate in *The Wilson Bulletin*. The subject matter and medium are at the artist's discretion. Size of the artwork should be no smaller than 9¼" wide × 14" high and no larger than 18¾" × 27¾". Any artist who has not been represented by a major gallery or who has not been featured in magazines such as *Audubon* or *National Wildlife* is eligible to enter. Prior publication of a color plate in a professional journal does not disqualify an artist. In short, the competition is primarily for artists who do not make their living, or a significant portion of it, by painting birds. Artists who question their eligibility should query the Award Committee when requesting entry information. Artwork will be judged by a panel of ornithologists and artists at the WOS/COS joint annual meeting in June 1985 at Boulder, Colorado. All qualified entries will be displayed at the meeting. Artists should insure their entries both to and from the meeting and should include a return mailer with postage attached. Matting and/or framing is at the discretion of the artist. The winner of the competition will receive a check for \$500, and the artwork will appear as a color plate in *The Wilson Bulletin*. For further information and an application form, contact Phillips B. Street, Chairman, Sutton Award Committee, Lionville Station Road, R.D. 1, Chester Springs, PA 19425.

### COMPETITION AND COEXISTENCE SYMPOSIUM

The Zoological Society of Southern Africa will hold a symposium on "Competition and Coexistence" at the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg, Republic of South Africa, 23–26 July 1985. Topics of interest and areas of specialization are likely to include: competition for space; experimental studies of competition theory; trophic niche separation; multigrazer systems; competition, evolution, and speciation; coexistence; and parasitism and symbiosis. Authors who wish to present a paper or poster on the above mentioned topics or related areas of interest should submit titles no later than 1 February 1985. For further information on the program and for registration forms, write to Dr. Graham C. Hickman, Organizing Committee Member, Department of Zoology, P.O. Box 375, Pietermaritzburg Natal 3200, Republic of South Africa.

### RAPTOR RESEARCH CONFERENCE

The 1985 Raptor Research Foundation (RRF) International Meeting and Symposium on the Management of Birds of Prey will be held at the Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn in Sacramento, California, 2–20 November 1985. The meeting will include (1) the second RRF conference on raptor conservation techniques—twelve years of progress, 1973–1985; (2) a Western Hemisphere Meeting of the World Working Group on Birds of Prey (ICBP); (3) the second international vulture symposium; (4) a western North America Osprey symposium; (5) a workshop on North American candidate endangered raptors; (6) an international symposium on raptor reintroduction; and (7) a symposium on raptor rehabilitation, captive breeding, and public education. If you want more information or are interested in presenting a paper, please contact either Dr. Richard R. Olendorf, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825, or Nancy Venizelos, San Francisco Zoological Society, Sloat Blvd. at the Pacific Ocean, San Francisco, CA 94132.

### INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS

The 19th I.O.C. will be held in Ottawa, Canada, from 22 to 29 June 1986, under its President, Prof. Dr. Klaus Immelmann. The scientific program comprises plenary lectures, symposia, contributed papers (oral and posters), round table discussions, special interest group meetings, and workshops. Plans include pre- and post-Congress excursions and workshops, as well as early morning bird walks and other activities for members and accompanying members.

The deadline for registration and submission of contributed papers is January 1986. Additional information, the final circular, and registration forms are available from:

Dr. Henri Ouellet, Secretary General, XIX Congressus Internationalis Ornithologicus, National Museum of Natural Sciences, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M8, Canada.

### CODE OF ZOOLOGICAL NOMENCLATURE

The International Commission of Zoological Nomenclature announces that the third edition of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature will soon be available. The book consists of parallel English and French texts, totaling about 320 pages. It may be purchased for \$21.50, postage and handling included, through the: American Association for Zoological Nomenclature, Room W-115, National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C. 20560.

So that the Code will be widely available, a pre-publication price of \$18.75, postage and handling included, for individuals will be in effect until 31 March 1985. Books will be delivered in spring, 1985. Checks (payable to the American Association for Zoological Nomenclature) drawn on a United States bank or International Money Orders must accompany all U.S. orders.

### NEW LABORATORY TO STUDY LOON CALLS

A grant to establish a bioacoustic research laboratory was recently awarded to Framingham State College in Framingham, Massachusetts, by the North American Loon Fund (NALF) of Meredith, New Hampshire. The laboratory will be used primarily to study the vocalizations of loons. Funds from the grant will be used to purchase sophisticated sound analysis equipment and to support field work. The facility will serve as a memorial to the late Thomas G. Murdough and the late Edward Dane, two of the first supporters of the NALF campaign to preserve the Common Loon.

Field recordings from throughout North America will be sent to the laboratory for analysis by Dr. William Barklow. His analysis of loon calls in Maine over many years has yielded voice-prints that identify individual birds, an essential element in population surveys. The new laboratory will make possible the analysis of recordings from other states and provinces where loons breed, thus testing the procedure over a much larger population.

### BIRDS OF BURKINA FASO

Notices of birds in Burkina Faso (Upper Volta) are wanted for an ornithological synthesis for this western African country. Names of correspondents will be acknowledged in the published text. Contact Yves Thonnerieux, Centre Ornithologique Rhône-Alpes, Biologie Animale et Zoologie, Université Lyon 1, 43 Boul. du 11 Novembre 1918, 69 622 Villeurbanne Cedex (France).

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## THE BULLETIN BOARD

**FOR SALE:** Robert Cushman Murphy's *Oceanic Birds of South America*, 2 vol., 1936 AMNH edition, \$180; (rare) Joseph Grinnell's *Gold Hunting in Alaska*, 1901, \$50. Shipping extra. G. Monson, 8831 N. Riviera Drive, Tucson, Arizona 85704.

**FOR SALE:** Windsong Ministrap. No more guillotine neck. Ministrap takes the pain in the neck out of birding. For cameras also. Puts weight on shoulders while preventing swinging. Field tested. \$7.95 ppd. Avocet Enterprises, 1875 N. First Ave., Upland, California 91786.