

from the nesting box and called. After about an hour she flew off.

A second female was seen in the area for 3 more days, but never close to the nesting box or the male.—PETER G. SAENGER, RD#1, Box 752, Alburts, Pennsylvania 18011. Received 25 Jan. 1982; accepted 8 Jan. 1984.

NOTES AND NEWS

Joint E.B.B.A. and N.E.B.B.A. 1985 Meeting.—The Eastern and Northeastern Bird Banding Associations announce that they will hold a joint meeting 26 April through 28 April 1985 at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. The meeting will be hosted jointly by the Mid-Atlantic Bird Banding Group and the Maryland Ornithological Society. Accommodations will be available at the 4-H center at an approximate cost of between \$42 and \$127 for the 2-night stay, including meals. Commuter price will be approximately \$26, including Saturday lunch and the banquet. One of the highlights of the meeting will be the opportunity to tour the Bird Banding Laboratory and Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. Field trips to some of the Mid-Atlantic region's best birding spots will be scheduled for Sunday. Those interested in presenting papers or displaying posters should contact Dr. John S. Weske, Box 116, Sandy Spring, MD 20860 (301-774-7564). Anyone willing to give a workshop should contact Joe Schreiber, 2910 Hilcrest Ave., Baltimore, MD 21234 (301-661-8340) or Barbara Ross, 308 Thornhill Rd., Baltimore, MD 21212 (301-435-7166). Please provide a brief description of your topic and biographical sketch. Registration forms will be mailed to E.B.B.A. and N.E.B.B.A. members in late February 1985. However other banders who plan to be in the Washington area during the meetings and who would like to take advantage of these attractive rates and spend extra time in Washington should contact M. Kathleen Klimkiewicz, Biologist, Bird Banding Laboratory, Laurel, MD 20707 (301-498-0423).

E. Alexander Bergstrom Research Awards.—The E. Alexander Bergstrom Memorial Research Fund of the Northeastern Bird Banding Association promotes research on birds. Small grants, usually not exceeding \$400, are available to cover expenses but not salaries or overhead charges. Details and applications may be obtained from Susan Roney Drennan, NEBBA Research Committee, American Birds, 950 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022. The deadline for completed applications is 15 February 1985.

EBBA and WBBA Research Grants.—The Eastern Bird Banding Association and the Western Bird Banding Association each offer a grant of \$250 in aid of research using bird-banding techniques or bird-banding data. Applicants should submit a resume of his or her banding or ornithological background, a project plan, and a budget to the joint selection committee chairman: Robert C. Leberman, Powdermill Nature Reserve, Star Route South, Rector, PA 15677. No formal application forms are available; the amount requested should not exceed \$250. Deadline for receipt of applications is 15 March 1985.

Frank M. Chapman Grants.—The Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund gives grants-in-aid of ornithological research and post-doctoral fellowships. While there is no restriction on who may apply, the Committee particularly welcomes and favors applications from graduate students; projects in game management and the medical sciences are seldom funded. Applications for all projects in 1985 should be submitted not later than 15 January 1985. Application forms may be obtained from the Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund Committee, The American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th St., New York, NY 10024.

North American Bluebird Society Research Grants.—The North American Bluebird Society announces the second annual grants in aid for ornithological research directed toward cavity nesting species of North America with emphasis on the genus *Sialia*. Pres-

ently three annual grants of single or multiple awards totalling \$3,000 are awarded and include:

Bluebird Research Grant—Available to student, professional, or individual researchers for a suitable research project focused on any of the three species of bluebird from the genus *Sialia*.

General Research Grant—Available to student, professional, and individual researchers for a suitable research project focused on a North American cavity nesting species.

Student Research Grant—Available to full-time college or university students for a suitable research project focused on a North American cavity nesting species.

Further guidelines and application materials are available upon request from Theodore W. Gutzke, Research Committee Chairman, P.O. Box 121, Kenmare, North Dakota 58746. Completed applications must be received by 31 January 1985; decisions will be announced by 15 March 1985.

Louis Agassiz Fuertes, Margaret Morse Nice, and Paul A. Stewart Awards.—The Wilson Ornithological Society announces the availability of the following awards which are intended to assist ornithological research:

Louis Agassiz Fuertes Awards are available to all ornithologists, although graduate students and young professionals are preferred. Any kind of avian research may be funded. One or two awards of at least \$200 may be presented.

Margaret Morse Nice Awards are limited to independent researchers without access to funds and facilities available at colleges, universities, or governmental agencies. They are thus restricted to amateurs, including high school students. Any kind of avian research may be funded. One, rarely two, awards of at least \$200 may be presented.

Paul A. Stewart Awards are available to any ornithologist. Preference will be given to studies of bird movements based on banding, analysis of recoveries and returns of banded birds, or economic ornithology. Several awards of \$200 will be presented.

Applicants for any of the above awards must use the Research Awards Application Form, which can be obtained by writing: WOS Research Awards, Museum of Natural History, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. Deadline for 1985 applications is 31 March. A condition of all the awards is willingness to report the results of the research either as an oral or poster presentation at one of the Society's annual meetings. Winners of the awards will be announced at the annual meeting of the Wilson Society, 2-6 June 1985, in Boulder, Colorado.

NEBBA 1984 Meeting.—The 1984 annual meeting of the Northeastern Bird Banding Association was held 6-8 April at the Fairfield Audubon Center, Fairfield, Connecticut. The NEBBA Council met on 6 April. The following reports were presented (details are available from the Secretary):

President's Report: President George Clark reported that the overall status of the Association was good, announced arrangements for the 1985 meeting in Laurel, Maryland, and praised the efforts of treasurer Tony Lauro who will be retiring. Dr. Clark also announced that Peter Cannell will be compiling a financial history of the Association and that Sally Laughlin had made a copy of all minutes of past meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tony Lauro reported that the Association was in sound fiscal shape in spite of nearly 10% increases in journal publication costs in the past year. The Council decided to liquidate the Index Fund and transfer those funds to the Bergstrom Award Fund. Allen Press is now handling all membership services and funds. It was decided that the treasurer and others handling Association funds should be bonded.

Editor's Report: Editor Jerome Jackson reported that the Journal of Field Ornithology continues to increase in size and is attracting more manuscripts from a wider geographic area. He expressed gratitude for the assistance of Recent Literature editor, Jed Burtt, Associate Editors George Kulesza and Bette Schardien Jackson, editorial assistants, and over 100 reviewers who have refereed manuscripts in the past year.

Alexander Bergstrom Research Awards Committee: Alexander Bergstrom Committee Chairperson Susan Roney Drennan announced the following recipients of Alexander Bergstrom Awards:

Kevin W. Ballard, George Mason University, \$400, for his study "Hybridization of the chickadees, *Parus atricapillus* and *Parus carolinensis* in southwestern Virginia."
 Matthew Drennan and David Folger, College of the Atlantic, \$400, for their study "Coastal studies involving Arctic, Roseate, and Common tern conservation in the Gulf of Maine."

James M. Hill, George Mason University, \$400, for his study, "Nest predation, brood parasitism, and defense of nesting sites by vireos."

Olafur Darl Nielsen, Cornell University, \$400, for his study "The population ecology of the Gyrfalcon, *Falco rusticolus*, in Iceland."

Francis John Pittocchelli, Jr., American Museum of Natural History and Queen's College (New York), \$250, for his study "Speciation in the genus *Oporornis*."

Christopher C. Rimmer, Bell Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota, \$300, for his study "Prebasic molt in James Bay Yellow Warblers."

Ann Marie Wyckoff, University of North Dakota, \$350, for her study "The reproductive advantage of territory location in Chestnut-collared Longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*)."

Nominating Committee Report: The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of candidates:

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| <i>President</i> | John Kricher |
| <i>Vice-President</i> | Ted Davis |
| <i>Treasurer</i> | Anthony Lauro |
| <i>Secretary</i> | Sarah B. Laughlin |
| <i>Councilors</i> | Helen Hays |
| | Carol Smith |
| | Betty Anderson |

The slate was approved by the Council. [The slate was presented to the assembled members on 7 April. All candidates were elected by acclamation.]

Other Reports: Other reports were presented concerning sale of mist nets, status of Association investments (net growth), a membership drive, sale of the membership list, and National Birds of Prey Conservation Week.

Motions of appreciation were passed by acclamation for the fine work of retiring president George Clark and work on the membership drive by Cindy Youngstrom. A motion of appreciation was also passed for the fine meeting arrangements at the Fairfield Audubon Center made possible through the efforts of John Kricher and Milan Bull.

Marine Birds of the Southeastern United States and Gulf of Mexico. Part III: Charadriiformes.—A limited number of this 1983 publication by R. B. Clapp, R. C. Banks, and D. Morgan-Jacobs is available from the: Information Transfer Specialist, National Coastal Ecosystems Team, 1010 Gause Blvd, Slidell, LA 70458. A few copies of Parts I (Gaviiformes through Pelecaniformes) and II (Anseriformes) have been reprinted and are also available. A list of other NCET publications can be obtained upon request.

Studies in Avian Biology to be Reprinted.—The Cooper Ornithological Society announces the reprinting of Studies in Avian Biology No. 2 (Shorebirds in Marine Environments, edited by Frank A. Pitelka, 261 pp., June 1979, \$12.) and Studies in Avian Biology No. 6 (Estimating Numbers of Terrestrial Birds, edited by C. John Ralph and J. Michael Scott, 630 pp, October 1981, \$25.). Prices include postage and handling (US funds only). Make checks payable to the COS and send to: James R. Northern, Dept. of Biology, Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024.