ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leslie Brown Memorial Fund

The late Leslie Brown of Karen, Kenya, was one of the most inspired and productive raptor biologists of recent decades. His inventive research and thorough documentation of the status, life histories, and behavior of birds of prey from several continents have set high standards for all who remain as his students. In memory of Leslie and his many accomplishments, The Raptor Research Foundation, Inc., has established the Leslie Brown Memorial Fund. Proposals, on raptor research or the dissemination of information on raptors, should be submitted by **August 31, 1986.** Proposals concerning African raptors will receive highest priority.

Proposals and inquiries about tax exempt contributions to the fund should be sent to: Dr. Jeff Lincer, Chairman, RRF Leslie Brown Memorial Fund, 4718 Dunn Drive, Sarasota, FL 33583 USA.

Symposium on Northern Forest Owls, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, 3-7 February 1987 — Formal Call for Abstracts.

A symposium on the biology and conservation of Northern Forest Owls of the world will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, from 3-7 February 1987. This letter is a call for abstracts of papers to be considered for presentation at the symposium and possible inclusion in the published proceedings.

The Program Committee consists of Drs. Richard J. Clark (USA), Erkki Korpimaki (Finland), Robert W. Nero (Canada), Ronald A. Ryder (USA), and myself as chairman. We hope to bring together speakers whose papers will be published under the tentative title "Owls of the Northern Forests." The symposium's length will be determined by the number of papers submitted, with time being allotted accordingly. Each contribution is to be based on original work not published elsewhere. The refereed proceedings will be published in an appropriate fashion.

If you are interested in participating in the symposium, please contact me and provide an abstract or brief description of your proposed contribution. Please pass this information on to your co-workers or students who may not be aware of the symposium. Appropriate topics include: influence of prey population fluctuations on reproduction, annual and seasonal movements, dispersion and dispersal, influence of forest alteration, population dynamics, roosting dynamics, census techniques, habitat management of conservation, behavior, energetics, and so on. To ensure that your paper will be considered for publication in the proceedings we request that you submit a copy of your paper by **15 January 1987**.

The intent of this symposium is to draw together people from around the world who are interested in Northern Forest Owls. This will provide an opportunity for an exchange of information as well as personal contact with fellow workers. Your attendance will enhance these objectives.

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