## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# MANOMET BIRD OBSERVATORY is pleased to announce THE KATHLEEN S. ANDERSON AWARD

for promising biologists.

An annual award has been created to honor Kathleen S. Anderson's outstanding contributions to Manomet Bird Observatory (MBO) and to promote and perpetuate her special interests in environmental research and education. Mrs. Anderson, who retired January 1984, served as MBO's Executive Director during its first 15 years, when many of its long-term studies were initiated. She has always been especially interested in encouraging young biologists through the MBO intern program and has served as an inspiration to many people of all ages beginning careers in biology. Today, Mrs. Anderson continues to work for preservation of a healthy, diverse environment.

The purpose of this award is to encourage significant avian research in areas of interest to Kathleen Anderson and MBO, and to support promising biologists in their work. Requests for support of projects in one or more of the following areas will be considered: migration, feeding ecology, habitat fragmentation, populations, competition, shorebirds and endangered species. All proposed projects must take place in the Americas, and work based at MBO is encouraged. A total of \$1000 will be awarded annually, either to one person or divided among two or more recipients.

Any person, of any age, beginning a career in biology is eligible. Enrollment in an academic program is desirable, but not required.

For proposal guidelines, write to: Kathleen S. Anderson Award, Manomet Bird Observatory, Box 936, Manomet, MA 02345 (617) 224-6521.

Proposals are due March 10, 1986. Awards will be announced April 7, 1986.

## LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL STUDY

As part of a study which Bertel Bruun and I are conducting on the migration and New World distribution of the races of this species, we would like to examine photographs of Larus fuscus taken in the western hemisphere. Please send photographs (black & white or color), for examination and possible publication, to the name and address given below. We prefer original slides, but duplicates will suffice, provided information is supplied on any color variations from the original. All photographs will be returned. We would also appreciate information on specimen records, as well as references to reports published in state or local publications which give subspecific identification or which contain photographs. Naturally, anyone providing information will be duly acknowledged. Peter W. Post, 141 West 73rd Street #3J, New York, NY 10023.

## Corrigenda

#### Volume 39, Number 3

The title and author of "The Dramatic Composition of Louis Agassiz Fuertes" by Robert McCracken Peck should have been included on the Contents page. It appeared on page 282

The generic name of the Greenish Elaenia was misspelled throughout the article beginning on page 242. The correct name is *Myiopagis viridicata*, not *Myiopagus viridicata*.

On page 245, the scientific name of Red-eyed Vireo was incorrectly spelled as Vireo olivaceous instead of Vireo olivaceus.

On page 255, the first line of the P. William Smith article, "Jackdaws reach the new world," should read: "Probably in early April . . . "

On page 266, under the heading, First Records for northern North America, a Flame-colored Tanager was seen in Arizona on April 11, not a Flame-colored Flycatcher.

## **In Memoriam**

American Birds extends sympathy to the family of Chuck Lawson, who unexpectedly passed on in November. Chuck, who co-authored the Spring report from the Mountain West Region, brought high standards of excellence to Nevada bird watchers through example and teaching.

He served on the editorial board of the Western Field Ornithologists as well as in various capacities in local bird watching groups. He also helped organize the bird collections in the Nevada State Museum.

The dedication and enthusiasm which he put into gathering knowledge of Nevada birds leaves Nevada with better bird records and increased knowledge of its bird life. His insights into Nevada bird distribution and the standards which he applied to his records and the reports of others leaves us better informed about the birds in that crossroads of north, south, and west.—H.E.K.

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