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## Who is...? **Walter Protzman**

Our 2nd Vice President is living in Hopewell, NJ at present but originally came from Englewood, NJ. He is the father of three grown children.

Walt is an Immunochemist for the Schering Corporation but finds time for bowling, bridge, photography, and flying. His banding-related interests involve photography for educational purposes and being No. 1 assistant to our 1st Vice President, Hannah B. Suthers, in her many research projects involving birds.

"Birding and the wonderful people that I have met through it have been among the nicest things that have happened to me."

Anyone who has attended the workshops on photography at our meetings well realizes that Walt is an asset to our organization through his ability to relate to people and his witty way of getting his message across.

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This attractive, readable booklet (24 pp, 8½" x 11", soft cover) contains up-to-date information on the life histories of the 8 species of owls found in New Jersey, but is also applicable to all of the eastern states. Description, nesting habits, voice, habitat, diet, and occurrence are detailed for each species.

The introduction includes a sensible look at predation and discusses the specialized adaptation unique to owls.

This is an informative reference for students, birders, or anyone with an interest in owls. It is beautifully illustrated with original pen-and-ink drawings by Carol Decker, including a full page of scale-sized silhouettes.

## Raptor encounters

**An immature Red-tailed Hawk** banded with an Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources band (R335) was originally captured at Toronto International Airport, Ontario, Canada. It was held for one day and then released at Kingston, Ontario. The capture and banding of this bird was part of a program to control raptors at the airports because of the potential hazards they pose to flying aircraft. Banded and released 6 September 1980.

The bird was captured again on the Kittatinny Mountain Ridge at Wind Gap, PA on 23 October 1980. From correspondence with the Ontario Ministry, I ascertained that this bird lost 134 grams during the 6½ weeks. The direct distance between Kingston and Wind Gap is 386.16 km (120 miles).

David Fluri

**Red-tailed Hawk.** 987-02515. Banded as HY-U by J.B. Holt, Jr., at Lehigh Furnace Gap, PA on 26 October 1972. Trapped at Kittatinny Mountains Raptor Banding Station, NJ on 14 November 1979. 7 years old.

**Cooper's Hawk.** 545-12473. Banded as HY-F by W.S. Clark at Cape May Point, NJ on 25 September 1973. Trapped at Kittatinny Mountains Raptor Banding Station, NJ on 6 October 1979. 6 years old.

Len Soucy

