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Topic of Note

Eds. Comment: We are very pleased with the response to date to the Topic of Note feature: an article-length contribution and several notes. Interest still seems to be high in our first Topic: feeding and damage by woodpeckers; and we hope there are more notes out there on interactions between birds and snakes. The Topic of Note for the December issue should come as no surprise: roosting locations of birds in Ontario. There is little information available on where most bird species roost. In fact, the roosting behaviour of some species is totally unknown. Also, in Ontario, there are many large roosts known for several species that are common knowledge among birders but are unrecorded in Ontario's bird literature, e.g. starlings under the Burlington Skyway and Gardiner Expressway

Bridges, crows at Chatham and Thunder Bay, numerous blackbird roosts and Blue Jays. Where do the large flocks of migrating Blue Jays spend the evening? If you have factual information on where, when and in what numbers any bird species roost in Ontario, write it up in note form and send it to us.

We will continue the Topic of Note feature into 1986. The Topic for the April issue will appeal to our botanically oriented members: natural foods of passerines in winter. Observe passerines feeding (not at feeders) in winter, 1 December - 28 February or while the ground is snow covered, identify exactly what they are feeding on and send us a short note on it. Notes will be due by 15 February 1986. In the next issue we will try to list several botanists who can assist in the identification of plant seeds, etc.

Corrections.

In Table 1 of Ken Dance's note entitled "Man-made Materials in Nests of Gray Catbird" (Vol. 3(1): 35), the contents of nest No. 6 should include 11 pieces of plastic, not one.

Adolf Vogg's name was inadvertently omitted from the list of those who correctly guessed the Gray Jay Mystery Map from Vol. 2 No. 3.