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Although this issue of EBBA NEWS is actually the May-June issue, it is being prepared during the first week in October. Various circumstances have transpired to prevent the Editor, who also must double as typist and proofreader, from getting out an issue during the past several months. The members have been very patient in waiting for another copy of EBBA NEWS to arrive, and the Editor very much appreciates their forbearance while at the same time apologizing for the delay. It is hoped that arrangements can be made for someone more expert in typing to assume that task, either voluntarily or on a paid basis, thus facilitating the preparation of copy.

The Blue Jay symposium, originally scheduled for this issue, will be presented in a later issue. For one thing, the paucity of material received makes a worthwhile report difficult; this is not due solely to lack of cooperation but also, and chiefly, to insufficient work with this species.

In accordance with action of the Council, the Editor has elected to combine the issues for May and June, July and August, and September and October. A decrease in the number of issues will, to a large degree, be offset by using an extra sheet in each of these issues, giving a total of 30 rather than 36 pages of material. The latter two issues referred to above should appear in close succession, after which we hope to return to a current basis.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

For the past month or so, Council Member Eleanor Dator (Mrs. John Y. Dator) of Ramsey, New Jersey, has been extending invitations to banders in the northern New Jersey and southern New York area to attend a get-together at her home for the purpose of discussing problems of local interest, etc, on Saturday, October 17.

However, about a week ago, Mrs. Dator called the Editor to say that, due to the critical illness of her son with polio and pneumonia, she would have to cancel plans for the affair. Although it will not affect the cancellation of the meeting, it is good to report that a phone call to Eleanor Dator last night (October 4) provided the encouraging information that her son is now improving, and I know that all members of E.B.B.A. will join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

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PENNSYLVANIA BIRD BANDERS -- WANTED !

In a letter to the Editor, Dr. Paul H. Fluck, of Lambertville, New Jersey, active bander, author, and human dynamo, makes the following offer which should sound good to licensed Pennsylvania banders.

"The banding station at Washington Crossing Park, Pennsylvania, is now open to licensed Pennsylvania banders who are welcome to come there and band any time they please.

All bands are tagged by species and are hung on a large board. The record book is self-explanatory. Repeats are listed on filing cards. All you need to bring is your lunch and some baits for the