

NEOTROPICAL ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX Neotropical Ornithological Congress and VIII Peruvian Ornithological Congress. – The Neotropical Ornithological Society (NOS/SON) and the Peruvian Ornithological Union (POU/UNOP) are pleased to announce the IX Neotropical Ornithological Congress (NOC/CON) and VIII Peruvian Ornithological Congress (POC/COP) to be held in Cusco, Peru (November 8–14 2011) Organizing for the congress is well underway and program and registration information will be available online at www.ixconperu2011.org.

The Secretary General of the congress is Dr Grace Servat Scientific Program Chairpersons are Drs. José Tello and Thomas Valqui who have selected the plenary speakers now listed on the congress web site Titles for symposia, workshops and round tables and the respective organizers Will be listed shortly The editor for the congress proceedings will be Jack Eitinear.

Call for Nominations for Officers and Board Members. – The Society is required by its Bylaws to hold elections for officers (President Elect, Secretary Treasurer) and 3 board members before the IXth Neotropical Congress in Peru (8–14 November 2011) Please suggest names of potential candidates after verifying their willingness to serve and provide names and e-mail contact information to the society's Secretary Jennifer Cahill (jcahill@fcyt.umss.edu.bo) before 8 July 2011.

The society must nominate and elect a new **President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer** to replace the executive officers whose terms expire after the Neotropical Ornithological Congress (14 November 2011) The society must also nominate and elect or re-elect **three board members** to replace or re-elect three members whose terms expire after the Neotropical Ornithological Congress 14 November 2011 (terms expire for Ursula Valdez, Sebastian Herzog, and Pedro Scherer-Neto) Both Ursula Valdez and Pedro Scherer-Neto have expressed a willingness to stand for re-election to the board.

Note that board members and the secretary and treasurer can serve multiple terms if re-elected (if willing to serve) but President and President Elect can serve only one single 4-year term.

Proposals for next (11th) Neotropical Ornithological Congress. – Please help the society identify the next country to host the next Neotropical Ornithological Congress scheduled for 2015. A formal proposal should be presented to the society's Secretary Jennifer Cahill (jcahill@fcyt.umss.edu.bo) prior to November 2011.

Pdfs of recent Ornitología Neotropical articles are now available through the year 2006 on the Searchable Ornithological Research Archive (SORA) at: <http://elibrary.umss.edu/sora/>.

Many thanks to Nacho Areta for getting all the pdfs of volumes 14–17 labeled and organized to bring the SORA collection up to date. Raymond McNeil and André Weller provided pdfs and Raymond Danner also assisted and coordinated with the SORA Webmaster. We are most appreciative for their assistance with this task.

Annual Membership Fees. – Please pay your Neotropical Ornithological Society membership annual fees, if you have not done so for 2012.