

NEWS AND NOTES

1995 ANNUAL MEETING

The Cooper Ornithological Society and CIPAMEX will hold their first joint meeting on the campus of the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California Sur, in La Paz, Baja California Sur, México, from Tuesday to Sunday, April 4–9, 1995. Many field trips and tours will be offered, including a trip to Isla Socorro, Archipiélago de las Revillagigedo. Early registration is encouraged because space for some events will be limited. A registration packet was sent to Cooper Society members in January. For information, contact Juan Guzman, Chairman of Local Arrangements, Universidad Autónoma de Baja California sur, Area de Ciencias del Mar, Depto. de Biología Marina, Apdo. Postal 19-B, La Paz, B.C.S., C.P. 23080, México. Information on the Scientific Program is available from Patricia Escalante, CIPAMEX, Depto. de Zoología, Instituto de Biología, UNAM, Apdo. Postal 70-153, C.P. 04510 México, D.F.

NOMINEES FOR 1995 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In 1955, the members of the Cooper Ornithological Society shall elect to the Board of Directors three people to replace retiring members Deborah M. Finch, Walter D. Koenig and Elizabeth A. Schreiber.

The Nominating for Directors Committee, chaired by Walter D. Koenig, nominates Susan B. Chaplin, Sallie J. Hejl, Barbara E. Kus, Thomas E. Martin and James N. M. Smith for three-year terms to the Board. A ballot will be distributed to all members 45 days prior to the 1994 annual meeting.

Susan B. Chaplin is Associate Professor of Biology at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota. She received her Ph.D. from Cornell University in 1973 and has been a member of the COS since 1970. She attends meetings often and has chaired paper sessions and presented papers at each. Susan has published in *The Condor* and has reviewed many manuscripts submitted to the journal. Dr. Chaplin's research interests include avian energetics, nestling development, thermoregulation and flight physiology. She has published about 30 journal articles and is a coauthor of one ornithology text and lab manual—*Ornithology: An Ecological Approach*.

Sallie J. Hejl is Research Wildlife Biologist for the U.S. Forest Service in Missoula, Montana. She received her Ph.D. from Northern Arizona University in 1987 and has been a member of the Society since 1980. Dr. Hejl chaired the Paper Awards Committee during 1988–1989 and the Student Participation Committee from 1993–1995. She also has been a member

of these committees during other years and participated on the Conservation-Resolutions Committee from 1988–1990. She was a member of the Local Committee for the 1994 joint meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union, Cooper Ornithological Society, and Wilson Ornithological Society. Dr. Hejl contributes papers at annual meetings of the Society and publishes in, and reviews manuscripts for, *The Condor*. Her primary research interests are the effects of forest management practices and of natural processes on bird populations in forested ecosystems.

Barbara E. Kus is Adjunct Professor of Biology at San Diego State University in California. She received her Ph.D. in Ecology from the University of California at Davis in 1985, and has been a member of the COS since 1981. Dr. Kus attends Society meetings regularly and presents results of her research in behavioral and population ecology of wetland birds. Her current activities are focused on conservation of riparian birds and their habitats in California and Baja, and she works closely with wildlife agencies in the development of monitoring and management programs for both.

Thomas E. Martin is Assistant Unit Leader of the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit and Professor of Wildlife and Biology at the University of Montana. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana in 1982 and has been a member of the COS since 1976. Dr. Martin regularly attends annual meetings and served on the Local Committee for the joint ornithological meetings in Missoula in 1994. He organized and is Director of the national BBIRD (Breeding Biology Research and Monitoring Database) program. He has published in *The Condor*, and has published more than 50 scientific papers on birds and edited one book. His current scientific interests include ecological determinants of the evolution of life history traits, nest predation as a determinant of demography, habitat selection and species coexistence, and the interaction of physiological tolerances, microclimate, and nest predation in nest-site selection and incubation rhythms.

James N. M. Smith is Professor in the Centre for Biodiversity Research, Department of Zoology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. He received his Ph.D. from Oxford University in 1971. He has been a member of the Cooper Ornithological Society since 1976. He served as assistant editor of *The Condor* in 1978–1979, and on the editorial board of *Ecology* from 1988–1990. His research is mainly on the population biology of songbirds, particularly Song Sparrows and Brown-headed Cowbirds. Dr. Smith also works on community problems with songbirds and raptors. He has broad interests in communication skills and in conservation education.