

## BERGSTROM MEMORIAL RESEARCH FUND

The newly formed E. Alexander Bergstrom Memorial Research Fund of the Northeastern Bird-Banding Association is pleased to announce two awards made during 1975, one to assist Thomas R. Clough in his study of the Atlantic Brant during spring migration, the second to Erma J. Fisk to help defray expenses incurred in establishing a banding station on Cape Cod.

The Bergstrom Research Fund exists to promote bird research by awarding small grants, rarely exceeding \$500. Persons desiring additional information should write the chairman of the NEBBA Research Fund Committee, currently DR. GEORGE A. CLARK, JR. *Department of Biological Sciences, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut 60268*, or to the Secretary of the Northeastern Bird-Banding Association.—Brian A. Harrington, Chairman Pro-tem.

## SOUND LABORATORIES

The Museum of Vertebrate Zoology announces the opening of a sound analysis laboratory funded by the National Science Foundation. The laboratory will emphasize research on geographic variation in vocalizations of birds in conjunction with studies of morphological variation. The facility will be available for use by qualified investigators engaged in studies of this type. Address inquiries to DR. MERCEDES S. FOSTER, *Curatorial Associate in Ornithology, Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, University of California, Berkeley, California 94720*.

The Florida State Museum, University of Florida, Gainesville, has established in the last two years a very active new Bioacoustic Archive and Laboratory. The tape recording collection holds several thousand specimens of the voices of birds, with emphasis on the northern Neotropics but with sizable holdings from South America and the United States. Dr. John William Hardy who curates the collection encourages workers in the field to deposit their original recordings or copies thereof in the archive, especially if specimens of the recordings have not been deposited in a permanent collection elsewhere. Subject to restrictions agreed to by the worker donating the tapes and the Museum, the voice specimens can thus be made available to other qualified investigators, much as are other museum specimens, and can be cited in publications by catalogue numbers. The laboratory can provide copying and analysis facilities as well as replacement tapes in return for donation of voice specimens. Write to Dr. Hardy for further information.

## REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

I am seeking weight and wing measurements on the following species from the orders Coraciiformes and Passeriformes: *Chloroceryle amazona*, *C. americana*, *C. aenea*, *Todus subulatus*, *T. augustirostris*, *Eumomota superciliosa*, *Hyolmanes momotula*, *Aspatha gularis*, *Setophaga ruticilla*, *Pitangus sulphuratus*, *Todiorstrum cinereum*, *Myiozetetes grandensis*, *Megarynchus pitangua*, *Merops ornatus*, *Alcedo leucogaster*, *Ceyx fallax*, *Clytoceyx rex*, and *Dacelo noveaguineae*. If you have information on these species, please write SHARON SIMPSON, *Marsh Life Science, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt. 05401*.

A study is currently in progress to determine the historical and present status of the Great Gray Owl (*Strix nebulosa*) in North America. Any information regarding sight records or possible breeding occurrences of the Great Gray Owl is urgently required. Your cooperation will be gratefully acknowledged. Please write to: M. COLLINS, *Department of Zoology, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada R3T 2N2*.