## NOTES AND NEWS

**THE COOPER ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY** will hold its 56th annual meeting 8-13 September 1986 at the University of California, Davis. The Committee on Local Arrangements is chaired by CHARLES VAN RIPER III, DES/CPSU, Wickson Hall, Univ. of California, Davis, CA 95616. The Committee on Scientific Program is chaired by DANIEL ANDERSON, Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries Biology, Briggs Hall, UC Davis, Davis, CA 95616. Anyone interested in conducting workshops or special symposia should contact one of those individuals. COS members will receive a detailed announcement later. Anyone desiring more information should contact C. VAN RIPER.

**THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND**, to celebrate its 25th anniversary, will convene a conference "Partners in Conservation," **17 Sept. 1986**, in Washington, D.C., to help chart the future of U.S./Latin American cooperation in furthering conservation goals in Latin America. For further information contact *Conference Coordinator*, *World Wildlife Fund*, *1255 23rd Street N.W.*, *Washington*, *DC 20037* (202-293-4800). There is a registration fee; conference open to pre-registered participants only.

WESTERN BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION 1986 annual meeting, 10-12 Oct., Santa Barbara Natural History Museum, Santa Barbara, Calif. Titles and abstracts of papers should be submitted to DAVID F. DeSANTE, Point Reyes Bird Observatory, 4990 Shoreline Highway, Stinson Beach, CA 94970.

THE COLONIAL WATERBIRD GROUP will meet in Charleston, South Carolina, 23-26 October 1986. The meeting will feature a symposium on the ecology of storks. For information on the meeting contact MALCOLM COULTER, Savannah River Ecology Laboratory, P.O. Drawer E, Aiken, SC 29802 (803-725-2472). For information on the scientific program contact DONALD A. McCRIMMON, Point Reyes Bird Observatory, 4990 Shoreline Highway, Stinson Beach, CA 94970 (415-868-1221).

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON URBAN WILDLIFE, National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland, 3-6 Nov. 1986. Theme: Integrating Man and Nature in the Metropolitan Environment. For information, registration and program details, write LOWELL W. ADAMS, Program Chm., Urban Wildlife Symposium, National Institute for Urban Wildlife, 10921 Trotting Ridge Way, Columbia, MD 21044.

**THE GEORGIA ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY** will celebrate its 50th anniversary at its fall meeting at Macon, GA, 7–9 Nov. 1986. ROGER TORY PETERSON, one of the few surviving Founders, will be at the anniversary meeting. Further information may be obtained from *BETSY PHILLIPS*, Secretary, 5110 Marbury Circle, Atlanta, GA 30327.

THE RAPTOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION will hold its annual meeting at the Univ. of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 21-23 Nov. 1986. MICHAEL W. COLLOPY, Dept. of Wildlife and Range Sci., 118 Newins-Ziegler Hall, Univ. Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611, will chair the Local Committee. KEITH L. BILDSTEIN, Dept. of Biology, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, SC 29733, will chair the Program Committee.

THE PACIFIC SEABIRD GROUP will meet 9-14 Dec. 1986 at the Universidad Autonoma de Baja California Sur, La Paz, Baja California.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ZOOLOGISTS, 27–30 Dec. 1986, Nashville, Tennessee. For information write MARY ADAMS-WILEY, ASZ, Box 2739, California Lutheran College, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

A SYMPOSIUM ON THE BIOLOGY AND CONSERVATION OF NORTHERN FOREST OWLS OF THE WORLD will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, 3-7 February 1987. Persons interested in participating should contact SPENCER G. SEALY, Dept. of Zoology, Univ. of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2N2, quickly with a brief description of the proposed contribution. To ensure that a paper will be considered for publication in the proceedings, a copy must be submitted by **15 Jan. 1987**.

**SIGURD T. OLSON COMMON LOON RESEARCH AWARD:** Wisconsin Project Loon Watch is accepting applications for its second annual award for research on Common Loons in the Lake Superior-Lake Michigan region of the United States and Canada. To apply for the \$1000 award, a brief description (maximum 10 pp.) of the proposed research program and curriculum vitae should be submitted by the principal investigator to Dr. PAUL I. V. STRONG, Coordinator, Wisconsin Project Loon Watch, Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute, Northland College, Ashland, Wisconsin 54806 no later than February 15, 1987. Guidelines for prospective applicants can be requested from WPLW. Proposals by students should be accompanied by 2 letters of recommendation. The award will be granted on the basis of the project's potential to better understand and manage Upper Great Lakes populations of Common Loons.