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# Association of Field Ornithologists Annual Meeting 21–24 March 1991

# (Tentative schedule)

- 21 March Arrival; Council meeting
- 22 March 0700 Local field trips
  - 0915 Welcome
    - 0930 Symposium—Avian Conservation: Problems and Solutions
      - 0930 Recent population trends—Scott K. Robinson
      - 1030 Coffee break
      - 1100 Preservation of staging areas of shorebirds—Brian A. Harrington
      - 1200 Lunch
      - 1330 Recovery of hawk populations-Tom J. Cade
      - 1430 Conserving the tropics-Carlos Quintela
      - 1530 Coffee break
      - 1600 Considering the future—Frances C. James
    - 1700 Reception
    - 1900 Dinner
    - 2000 Wildlife and landscape of frontier Ohio-Robert C. Glotzhober
- 23 March 0700 Local field trips
  - 0900 Symposium—History of North American Ornithology—William E. Davis and Jerome A. Jackson
  - 1030 Coffee break
  - 1100 Symposium (cont.)
  - 1200 Lunch
  - 1300 AFO business meeting
  - 1400 Contributed papers
  - 1700 Reception, poster papers
  - 1900 Banquet
  - 2000 Avian chamber music—COSO String Quartet
- 24 March Field Trips

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## NORTH AMERICAN BLUEBIRD SOCIETY RESEARCH GRANT AWARDS 1990

The North American Bluebird Society is pleased to announce the presentation of the seventh annual research grant awards. The 1990 recipients are as follows:

#### **BLUEBIRD GRANTS**

**Dr. Janis L. Dickinson**, Hastings Natural History Reservation, Carmel Valley, California Topic: Use of DNA fingerprinting to determine paternity in Western Bluebird nests.

Kevin L. Berner, State University of New York, College of Agriculture and Technology, Cobleskill, New York

Topic: Field tests of acceptance of Eastern Bluebirds of nest boxes which deter raccoon predation.

### **GENERAL GRANTS**

Dr. Michael J. DeJong, Dept. of Biology, College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota

Topic: Indirect effects of the larvicide *Bacillus thuringiensis* on Tree Swallow breeding success.

Charlotte C. Corkran, Northwest Ecological Research Institute, Portland, Oregon

Topic: Reproductive success of Western and Mountain Bluebirds in grasshopper control areas, and potential for using bluebirds to reduce grasshopper densities.

#### STUDENT GRANTS

Susan Meek, Biology Dept., Queen's University, Kingston, Canada

Topic: Parental investment and the maintenance of monogamy in Eastern Bluebirds.

**Jonathan H. Plissner**, Dept. of Biological Sciences, Clemson Univ., Clemson, South Carolina Topic: Does social dominance drive natal dispersal in Eastern Buebirds?

The North American Bluebird Society annually provides research grants in aid for ornithological research directed towards cavity nesting species of North America with an emphasis on the genus *Sialia*. Information and application materials are available from **Kevin Berner**, *Research Committee Chairman*, *College of Agriculture and Technology*, *State University* of New York, *Cobleskill*, New York 12043.

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