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## Inland Bird Banding Association

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### COMMENTS AND QUOTES ON THE PASSING YEAR - 1986

Comments from our new president, John J. Flora and quotes from the business meetings by our secretary, Carol Rudy are combined in this report to our members. Although we are somewhat healthy financially, we just do not have enough money to publish our newsletter and journal separately as we did in the past. This is because our ranks have become thin. We need most of all, two volunteers for the positions of Membership Secretary and Editor of North American Bird Bander.

At the IBBA Conference in October 1986, the Board of Directors requested the secretary to compile a summary of minutes from the annual board meetings and the members meeting, to be published in the next issue of NABB. The following are some of the issues decided during the recent meeting at the Deere-Wiman center in Moline, Illinois.

1987 CONFERENCE: The board accepted an invitation from the South Dakota Ornithologists' Union to sponsor a joint conference of both associations in Rapid City, South Dakota on September 25, 26, and 27, 1987. The meeting is to be held at the School of Mines and Technology.

BIRD BANDING LABORATORY: A motion was approved to recommend that the Banding Office include in the letter to new permittees a suggestion that they join their regional bird banding association, and include the names and addresses of the treasurers. Presently, the Banding Lab. sends a letter that does not mention banding associations.

ENDOWMENTS: Several important decisions were made regarding the use of our endowments, life membership and memorial funds. Five funds have been established; each to be kept in a separate, insured account where the principal will remain untouched, with the interest to be used for the following purposes.

1. Life Membership Fund interest will be used to support IBBA's publications.
2. The interest from the Paul Stewart Endowment Fund will be used for grants to be used in studies using bird banding to study the evolution of migration in birds. In the event no grants are awarded, the interest will be returned to the principal.
3. The Willetta Lueshen Student Membership Award Fund will give one membership each year to a student who qualifies.
4. A Memorial Fund is being established to make use of donations made in honor of deceased members, their friends or family. The interest will be used to support the IBBA archives room at the Eagle Foundation's Captive Breeding facility at Eagle Valley in Wisconsin.
5. The newly established Willetta Lueshen Harris' Sparrow Endowment Fund will award grants to be used in research on the Harris' Sparrow.

All funds that involve the awarding of money will be under the jurisdiction of the Endowment Fund Committee whose members are the first vice president, second vice president, president ex-officio; chaired by the immediate past president. The committee will also be responsible for the advertising and promotion of the available funds.

DONATIONS: Donations will always be accepted for the following funds:

1. Life Membership
2. Memorial
3. Willetta Lueshen Student Award
4. Willetta Lueshen Harris' Sparrow

When you renew your dues please send a little extra, specifying to which fund you wish to donate.

PUBLICATIONS: Ben Pinkowski of Kalamazoo, Michigan will continue as Acting editor for the rest of volume 11 for NABB.

Although number 2, of volume 8 of the Inland Bird Banding Newsletter was published as a separate issue, subsequent issues will be published in the IBBA regional section of NABB as originally planned, since it costs our association less to print the Newsletter in this manner.

The expenditure of \$600 was approved for up to twelve (12) extra pages per year of camera-ready copy of the Newsletter to be printed in our regional section of NABB.

The board approved the following recommendations regarding the financing of NABB.

1. Advertising revenues would be sent to the NABB coordinator to be applied to publication costs.
2. Each banding association now pays for their share of the cost of space in NABB on the basis of their percentage of the total membership in the three organizations. The board agreed to recommend that each association instead pay for 33 pages per year with the cost to be equally divided; and any extra pages used above that 33 would be paid for by the association using them.
3. A one dollar (\$1.00) increase was approved that would raise the present \$5.00 per page cost of producing NABB to \$6.00 to be paid to the present coordinator, The Eagle Foundation. The increase was requested by the Eagle Foundation to pay for their increased production costs.

--The adoption of these recommendations would require the agreement of the other two banding associations to be put into effect.

Two changes in the bylaws have been approved by the board: one change would permit the notice of our annual meeting to be mailed to members more economically, and the other would be a change in membership categories that would correspond to the dues structure already adopted last year when we began publishing the Newsletter in NABB. The members

will have the opportunity to vote on these changes at the next annual meeting following their official notification of the proposed changes.

The Annual Meeting of the membership was held at the Deere-Wiman House in Moline, Illinois on October 4th, 1986. The following officers were elected to serve during the following year:

- President--John Flora (Michigan)
- 1st Vice President--Dr. Noel Cutright (Wisconsin)
- 2nd Vice President--Peter C. Petersen (Iowa)
- Secretary--Carol Rudy (Wisconsin)
- Treasurer--C. Holmes Smith (Ohio)
- Nathaniel Whitney (South Dakota) was elected to a three year term as director.

Directors Dr. Edwin C. Franks (Illinois), and Jane Olyphant (Minnesota), continue their unfinished terms until 1987 and 1988 respectively, and Dr. Donald G. Varner (Oklahoma) became the Immediate Past President.

APPOINTMENTS: The new IBBA president, John Flora made the following appointments for the following year:

- NABB Coordinator--The Eagle Foundation
- NABB Editor for IBBA--to be appointed
- IBBA Newsletter Editor--Willetta Lueshen
- Membership Secretary--to be appointed

VACANCIES: Nominations are being accepted for the following two positions:

1. Membership Secretary
2. Editor of the scientific section of NABB.

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