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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTH AMERICAN BLUEBIRD SOCIETY RESEARCH GRANTS

The North American Bluebird Society announces the third annual grants in aid for ornithological research directed toward cavity nesting species of North America with emphasis on the genus *Sialia*. Presently, three annual grants of single or multiple awards totaling \$3000.00 are awarded and include:

Bluebird Research Grant.—Available to student, professional, or individual researchers for a suitable research project focused on any of the three species of bluebirds of the genus *Sialia*.

General Research Grant.—Available to student, professional, or individual researchers for a suitable research project focused on a North American cavity nesting species.

Student Research Grant.—Available to full-time college or university students for a suitable research project focused on a North American cavity nesting species.

Further guidelines and application materials are available upon request from Theodore W. Gutzke, Research Committee Chairman, P.O. Box 121, Kenmare, North Dakota 58746. Completed applications must be received by 31 January 1986; decisions will be announced by 15 March 1986.

RESEARCH GRANTS (CONT.)

The North American Bluebird Society is proud to announce the presentation of the second annual research grant awards. The 1985 recipients are as follows:

Bluebird Grant.—Patrick J. Mock (Topic: Reproductive Energetics in Relation to Brood Size in Western Bluebirds.)

General Grant.—Gregg M. Zuberbier (Topic: The Physiological Effects of *Protocalliphora* sp. Larvae on Nestling Growth.)

Student Grant.—Monica J. Schwalbach (Topic: Site Selection in the Eastern Bluebird.)

COST OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN WOS TO INCREASE

As of 1987, the cost of a Life Membership in the Wilson Ornithological Society will increase from the current bargain rate of \$250 (payable in four annual installments of \$62.50) to \$400 (payable in four annual installments of \$100). Those who are not already life members are urged to invest in this option. Life membership fees are added to the endowment fund and help support the Society indefinitely.

WOS CENTENNIAL FUND

In anticipation of the 100th anniversary of The Wilson Ornithological Society in 1988, the Executive Council has established a Centennial Fund. Members and friends of the society are asked to contribute to the fund, which will help support activities during our 100th year. Donations should be sent to the Treasurer, Robert D. Burns, Dept. Biology, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio 43022.

ALEXANDER WILSON GRAVE-SITE RESTORATION

Alexander Wilson, the Father of American Ornithology—and the man for whom the Wilson Ornithological Society is named—died in Philadelphia in 1813 while working on the ninth volume of “American Ornithology.” Members and friends of the WOS are urged to contribute to the restoration of Wilson’s grave site, which is located at Gloria Dei, “Old Swedes” church, in Philadelphia. The project will restore the immediate grave site and will increase the attractiveness of the surrounding cemetery to birds with suitable plantings. For more information, or to contribute, contact David M. Lauer, 1922 Bainbridge St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19146 ([212] 985-0354). Make checks payable to the Scottish Historic and Research Society.