"by initiating and facilitating effective parrot conservation actions, the association will make a substantial contribution to conserve the parrots of the New World, of which 30% of the species are at present threatened."

For further information, please contact Dr. Rosemarie S. Gnam, Executive Director, 13 East Rosemont Ave., Alexandria, Virginia 22301, U.S.A.; telephone: 703-739-9803.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

BAHAMA WHITE-CHEEKED PINTAIL INFORMATION NEEDED.—We are compiling information on the distribution, status, and conservation needs of the Bahama race of the White-cheeked Pintail (Anas b. bahamensis) throughout the West Indies. We especially need information from Hispaniola (Haiti and the Dominican Republic), the U.S. Virgin Islands, Netherlands Antilles (especially St. Martin), St. Barthelemy, St. Kitts, Nevis, Montserrat, and Guadeloupe, but would also welcome contributions from other islands. Please contact Dr. Frank McKinney and Bethany L. Woodworth, James Ford Bell Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota, 100 Ecology Building, 1987 Upper Buford Circle, St. Paul, Minnesota 55455, U.S.A. We request that contributors fill out a simple two-page questionnaire, but unpublished data would also be appreciated. All contributors will be acknowledged and properly cited, and contributors will be provided with a copy of the report.

INFORMATION REQUESTED ON GRASSHOPPER SPARROWS.--I hope that some members of the Society of Caribbean Ornithology might be able to provide information regarding the biology of Grasshopper Sparrows (Ammodramus savannarum) from the Caribbean region. I am responsible for the American Ornithologists' Union Grasshopper Sparrow account for the Birds of North America series. Other than field guides and older references, such as Wetmore and Swales' The birds of Haiti and the Dominican Republic, I am not aware of any published data or information for Grasshopper Sparrow from the Caribbean. Inclusion of such information, if it exists, would be a meaningful addition to this account. If members are aware of any references (Spanish is fine), data, or colleagues working in grassland habitats, I would be most appreciative if you would let me know. I am especially interested in breeding seasonality and behavior, population status, and taxonomy. Any help will be greatly appreciated and full acknowledged.

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CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER

The Caribbean Environmental Information Center, a collaborative program between the Metropolitan University, Puerto Rico, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, has recently opened. The Center provides information on environmental issues of the Wider Caribbean Region. Contact Maritza Alvarez Machin, Centro de Información Ambiental del Caribe (CIAC), Universidad Metropolitana, Apartado 21150, Río Piedras, Puerto Rico 00928. Telephone: 809-766-1717.

MEETINGS OF INTEREST

28 February-3 March 1994 - Sixteenth Vertebrate Pest Conference, Westin Hotel, Santa Clara, California. (Dr. Terrell Salmon, Business Manager c/o DANR - North Region Research Park Facility, University of California, Davis, California 95616, U.S.A. Telephone: 916-757-8621; FAX: 916-757-8866).

20–27 March 1994 – Fifth International Migration Festival, International Birding Center, Eiliat, Israel. (Dr. Reuven Yosef, Director, IBCE, Attn: Spring Festival '94, P.O. Box 774, Eilat 88000, Israel).

11–14 April 1994 – Wetlands: Nature Conservation and Archaeology: Principles, Problems & Practice, University of Bristol, United Kingdom. (Rosalind Ladd, Conference Administrator, Gifford & Partners, Carlton House, Ringwood Road, Woodlands, Southampton, SO4 2HT, England. Telephone: 0703-813461; FAX: 0703-813462).

11-15 May 1994 - Joint meeting of The Association of Systematics Collections and the Society for the Preservation of Natural History Collections, Missouri Botanical Garden. (ASC, 730 11th Street, N.W., Second Floor, Washington, D.C. 20001, U.S.A. Telephone: 202-347-2850).

7–12 June 1994 – Joint annual meeting of the Society for Conservation Biology and The Association for Tropical Biology, University of Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico. (Eduardo Santana, Department of Wildlife Biology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53706, U.S.A. FAX: 608-262-6099; or Laboratorio Natural Las Joyas, Universidad de Guadalajara, Apdo. Postal 1-3933, Guadalajara, Jalisco, C.P. 44100, Mexico. FAX: 52-338-7-27-49).

mid-June 1994 – Second Mesoamerican Workshop on the Conservation and Management of Macaws, Costa Rica. (Center for the Study of Tropical Birds, Inc., 218 Conway Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78209-1716, U.S.A.: FAX: 512-828-5911).

Meetings (continued)

21–26 June 1994 – The American Ornithologists' Union, The Cooper Ornithological Society, and The Wilson Ornithological Society, joint meeting, University of Montana, Missoula, Montana, U.S.A.

24–30 July 1994 – Animal Behavior Society, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, U.S.A. (James C. Ha, Regional Primate Research Center, University of Washington, 1-421 Health Sciences Building, Seattle, Washington 98195, U.S.A.).

12-18 August 1994 - 21st World Conference of the International Council for Bird Preservation, "Global partnership for bird conservation," Rosenheim, Germany.

(Bayerische Akademie für Naturschutz und Landschaftspflege (ANL), ICBP World Conference, Postfach 1261, D-8229 Laufen/Salzach, Germany).

21–27 August 1994 – XXI International Ornithological Congress, Hofburg, Vienna, Austria. (Interconvention, Friedrichstrasse 7, A-1450 Vienna, Austria. Telephone: +43-1-586-7260).

5-11 August 1995 - V Neotropical Ornithological Congress, Asuncion, Paraguay. (Nancy Lopez de Kochalka, c/o Comité Organizador Local del V CON, Museo Nacional de Historia Natural del Paraguay, Sucursal 19, Campus, Central XI, Paraguay, South America. Telephone: 595-21-505075).

NEW PUBLICATION

Cumulative Index by Author, Species & Subject to the Gosse Bird Club Broadsheet.—Catherine Levy. Gosse Bird Club, Kingston, Jamaica. 1993. 24 pages. ISSN 1017-348X. The Gosse Bird Club of Jamaica was formed over 30 years ago. Soon after, the publication of their journal, *The Broadsheet*, began in August 1963 and has been produced continuously since then. This index covers issues 1–60 (1963-1993), and includes sections on authors, species, and subjects. Ms. Levy also provides a history of the Editors of the journal. The Index is a valuable tool providing access to the extensive information available in *The Broadsheet*.

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