

NEWS

The American Ornithologists' Union has received a two-year grant of \$16,000 from the Pew Charitable Trusts for a survey of Latin American libraries serving researchers in natural history. The study's purpose is to determine the needs of those libraries and to encourage and facilitate donations of natural history publications to them. Direct questions regarding this study to Tristan J. Davis, Museum of Natural History, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045, U.S.A.

A Workshop on Avian Research in Belize is being organized for the American Ornithologists' Union meeting in Fayetteville, Arkansas. The workshop will be held the afternoon of 15 August 1988. Its purpose is to disseminate information on avian research being conducted in Belize, and to coordinate efforts and highlight research opportunities there. Persons interested in participating and making a presentation should send a title and abstract by 1 June to Douglas James, Department of Zoology, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701, U.S.A.

The Wildlife Permits Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is now the Office of Management Authority and has moved into new quarters. The new address, for matters relating to import, endangered species, and CITES permits, is Office of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 27329 Central Station, Washington, D.C. 20038-7329, U.S.A.

Bard College has established a new graduate program leading to the Master of Science Degree in Environmental Studies. The interdisciplinary program will combine studies in the natural and social sciences. It will be offered only in the summer (late June-August) and will span 3 consecutive summers, with 36 credits. For more information, contact Donald Roeder, Director, Master of Science in Environmental Studies Program, Box 1, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York 12504, U.S.A. Telephone 914-758-6822.

Register of Laboratories and Reference Centers for Avian Pathology and Disease. The International Council for Bird Preservation is publishing the Proceedings, edited by J.E. Cooper, of a Symposium on Disease and Management of Threatened Bird Populations held in Canada in 1986. The publication will include a register of persons and organizations working on all aspects of avian pathology and disease. It is hoped that the register will include all those interested in being consulted over problems relating to morbidity and mortality and to facilitate exchange of information and material among those working on avian diseases. Anyone who would like to be listed in the register should write for details and a questionnaire to N. Hillgarth, Department of Zoology, South Parks Road, Oxford OX1 3PS, England, or J.E. Cooper, Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35/43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PN, England.

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NOTICES

The Society is presently evaluating the feasibility of putting out the newsletter every two months. A final schedule is forthcoming.

The Society's journal, *Ornitología Caribeña*, will be out in late May 1988.

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This issue's pitirre was drawn by Beth Wiley.

Thanks Beth and Alex!