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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Dear readers:

While working to conserve birds throughout the Western Hemisphere the Partners in Flight network also creates deep relationships that cross many international boundaries.

We would like to express our warm congratulations to Sarahy Contreras and her husband for their four new little Mexican conservationists, Abril, Axel, Diego, and Hugo, born on March 26th. All the babies are at home now and doing well.

Congratulations also to Charles Duncan, for receiving the Chan Robbins Outreach and Education award from the American Birding Association

We also wish to express our deepest condolences and support to Ann Sutton on the tragic loss of her husband Robert.

Jose M. Zolotoff-Pallais
Editor

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION ACT - AN OVERWHELMING RESPONSE TO THE NEW GRANTS PROGRAM

By Terry Rich, mailto:terry_rich@fws.gov

Passed in 2000 by Congress, the Act establishes a matching grants program to fund projects promoting Neotropical migratory bird and habitat conservation in the U. S., Latin America and the Caribbean. Congress appropriated \$3,000,000 for FY02 of an authorized \$5,000,000. The response in the first year was overwhelming. The US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), which administers the grant, received 286 proposals from 33 countries and 31 US states as of the May 13, 2002 deadline. Applicants requested more than \$25 million and offered more than \$95 million in non-federal matching funds. The quality of the proposals was truly outstanding and the reviewers had a very difficult time selecting from among them. Awardees will be announced when tentative selections are approved. We are hopeful that the high quality and quantity of projects will demonstrate the magnitude of interest that exists in Neotropical migratory bird conservation action and that this will lead to increased authorizations and appropriations. The needs are great and the partners have responded, showing capacity, imagination and attention to the priorities established in PIF Bird Conservation Plans.

NEW GRANTS AWARDED BY ABC'S SMALL GRANT PROGRAM

American Bird Conservancy's 2002 Small Grant Program which is conducted in partnership with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has awarded funding to the following projects: 1) An education outreach and reforestation project at the Sierra Gorda Biosphere Reserve in Mexico conducted by Grupo Ecologico Sierra Gorda. The reserve is a key location for the Bearded Wood-Partridge (*Dendrortyx barbatus*) and numerous Neotropical migrants; 2) A conservation project for the most important site for the conservation of the White-winged Guan (*Penelope albipennis*) in Peru conducted by ProAves Peru; 3) A project to conserve Cerro Blanco Protection Forest in Ecuador, a stronghold for the threatened Great Green Macaw (*Ara ambigua*), conducted by Fundacion ProBosque; 4) The West Indian Whistling Duck (*Dendrocygna arborea*) conservation project of the Society for Caribbean Ornithology; 5) The conservation of the Sierra de Bahoruco in the Dominican Republic, the key site for Bay-breasted Cuckoo (*Hyetornis ruficularis*), La Selle Thrush (*Turdus swalesi*), Hispaniolan Crossbill (*Loxia megaplaga*), Ridgway's Hawk (*Buteo ridwayi*) and a wintering area for Bicknell's Thrush (*Catharus bicknelli*). The project is conducted by local conservationists in partnership with the Vermont Institute for Natural Sciences; 6) To help establish a reserve to protect the Gray-bellied Comet (*Taphrolesbia griseiventris*) in Peru, a project conducted by ProAves Peru; 7) To help conservation outreach for Bosques Sin Fronteras in their work to establish a bi-national project to conserve Tumbesian forest endemics in Ecuador and Peru. For more information contact: Mike Parr, American Bird Conservancy, PO Box 249, The Plains, VA 20198, USA, Tel: (540) 253-5780, Fax: (540) 253-5782, <mailto:mparr@abcbirds.org> or visit: <http://www.abcbirds.org>

THE MAPS/MoSI PROGRAM

Recent results from the North American MAPS (Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship) Program suggest that low survival, rather than low breeding productivity, is the proximate demographic cause of population decline for many Nearctic-Neotropical migratory landbird species. Other evidence suggests that habitat loss and degradation on these species' tropical wintering grounds decrease their overwintering survival and/or their physical condition. We thus propose the establishment of the MAPS Program (MoSI-Monitoreo de Sobrevivencia Invernal, in Spanish), a cooperative effort among agencies, organizations, and individual bird-banders in Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean. MoSI will facilitate the determination of survival rates for about 20 target migratory landbird species (and many resident species) in a wide range of tropical habitats,

and the collection of feathers for DNA and stable isotope analyses to link the breeding and wintering grounds for populations of these species. The proposed pilot MoSI protocol is as follows: (1) one pulse of mist netting during the early part of the winter season, between November 9 and December 22, consisting of the operation of at least 16 12-m nets for two or (preferably) three consecutive days on one half of a 40-ha study area, followed immediately by two or (preferably) three days of operation of at least 16 nets on the other half of the study area; and (2) one pulse of mist netting during the latter part of the winter season, between February 5 and March 20, which replicates the same protocol at the same net locations on the same study area. All birds captured are to be identified to species, age, and (if possible) sex, and marked with uniquely numbered leg bands; if possible, individuals of one or two focal species should also be individually color-banded to provide mark-re sighting data. We propose the initiation of a four-year pilot project to evaluate and enhance the operation of this network of MoSI stations. If you are interested in establishing one or more MoSI stations in Mexico, or would like more information regarding the MoSI Program in Mexico, contact: Claudia A. Romo de Vivar Alvarez, Laboratorio de Ornitología del CIB, Universidad Autónoma del Estado de Morelos, Av. Universidad 1001, Col. Chamilpa, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, mailto:clarovial@yahoo.com.mx. If you are interested in establishing MoSI stations in Central America (Guatemala through Panama), please contact Alexis Cerezo, FUNDAECO, 7a. calle "A", 20-53, Zona 11, Colonia Mirador, Guatemala, Guatemala 01011, mailto:gralleria@hotmail.com or mailto:fundaeco@quetzal.net. There currently is no MoSI coordinator for the Caribbean region. If you are interested in filling such a position, or if you are interested in establishing MoSI stations in the Caribbean, please contact David F. DeSante, The Institute for Bird Populations (IBP), P.O. Box 1346, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956-1346 US, mailto:ddesante@birdpop.org. For more information about the MoSI Program, please visit IBP's website at: <http://www.birdpop.org>

BIRD INFORMATION SUMMARIES NEEDED

Every person is invited to contribute national and state summaries of birds of America. Bo Beolens, the creator of the "Fat Birder" web site (<http://www.fatbirder.com>), invites ornithologists that are working in Latin America to participate by submitting summaries of the countries or state/provinces in which they have worked. The purpose is to create a web site that any amateur or professional ornithologist can use to consult information related to a state he/she plans to visit in the future. If you are interested in participating, contact: Bo Beolens, mailto:bo.beolens@btinternet.com or Raul Ortiz-Pulido, Investigador Titular C, Centro de Investigaciones Biológicas, Universidad Autónoma del Estado de Hidalgo, Apartado Postal 69, Plaza Juárez, Pachuca, Hidalgo, 42001, Mexico, Tel:771-71-72-000 ext. 6642, Fax: 771-71-72-112, mailto:ortizrau@uaeh.reduaeh.mx

WEB NEWS

"COOPERATIVE FIELD PROJECTS". The goal is to encourage select amateurs to collect behavioral observations that relate to specific projects. For more information visit: <http://www.ibirding.com>

CUMULATIVE INDEX TO BIRDING MAGAZINE NOW AVAILABLE. The American Birding Association is pleased announce the availability of a cumulative index for *Birding*. The index is accessible via a new interactive search by clicking. You can search for articles by subject or author and search for book and media reviews by title word or reviewed book author. The search can also be limited to recent issues only and the results can be sorted in a variety of ways. For more information visit: <http://americanbirding.org/>

"EARLY CLASSICS IN BIOGEOGRAPHY, DISTRIBUTION, AND DIVERSITY STUDIES": To 1950," at: <http://www.wku.edu/~smithch/biogeog/>

THE LIVING PLANET REPORT, a WWF's periodic update on the state of the world's at: <http://www.panda.org/livingplanet/lpr02/>

NATIONAL BIRDS OF OVER 60 COUNTRIES as well as the official bird of every U.S. state and Canadian province, at: <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/birds/Birdsymbols.html> and <http://www.camacdonald.com/birding/CountryIndex.htm>

NEW EDITION OF HUITZIL, at: <http://www.huitzil.net>

NEW WEB SITE FOR THE ECOREGIONAL NETWORK FOR TROPICAL LATIN AMERICA, REDECO (as initialed in Spanish), at: <http://www.redeco.org/>. The web site contains a menu of events that are oriented toward issues on natural resources, agriculture, rural development, forest management, biotechnology, geometrics and environmental education, plus information on other issues such as opportunities, information resource information and web contacts

PARTNERS IN FLIGHT NEWSLETTER, July 2002 edition at: <http://www.partnersinflight.org>

THE PATUXENT BIRD QUIZ. The bird quiz lets you test your knowledge of North American bird identification, distribution in winter (from the Audubon Christmas Bird Count) and summer (from the North American Breeding Bird Survey), and song. The program has information on how to interpret the breeding distribution and wintering distribution relative abundance maps, along with information on the photographs and songs. For more information or to take the quiz visit: <http://www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/>

THE PEREGRINE FUND'S 2001 ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE, a downloadable pdf file is now available online: http://www.peregrinefund.org/Information_Resources_publications.html

BAND RECOVERY SITE, at <http://www.pwrc.nbs.gov/bbl/>. For those who may one day need to report a band recovery, or for those interested in reading about bird banding, please visit the Bird Banding Laboratory at the US Geological Survey web site. There is information and a form to submit online the data on bands recovered.

SUMMER EDITION OF AUDUBON'S BIRD CONSERVATION NEWSLETTER, visit <http://www.audubon.org/bird/news.html>. Highlights include IBA Program updates, as well as policy, sanctuary, and educational news along with upcoming meetings and events, as they relate to bird conservation.

WEB PAGE OF BIRDLEXI, a set of files that add the scientific name of bird species and subspecies to the spelling checker of Windows or Macintosh word processors, at: <http://members.aol.com/sbsp>

WEB PAGE OF PHOTOS AND VIDEOS OF ENDEMIC BIRD SPECIES FROM PUERTO RICO, at: <http://www.utuadoweb.com/aves>

BIRD WEB SITES OF INTEREST:

- Downloadable books at: <http://www.cabi-publishing.org/bookshop/ReadingRoom/browseA-Z.asp>
- Carbon Sequestration (<http://www.netl.doe.gov/coalpower/sequestration/>)
- Web site devoted to the growing tower kill issue <http://www.towerkill.com/index.html>
- Society of Concerned Scientists, at: <http://www.ucsusa.org/ucs-home.html>

FUNDING

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ABC 2002 SMALL GRANT PROGRAM

American Bird Conservancy (ABC) is pleased to announce that it is now accepting grant inquiries for its 2002 Small Grants Program. Grants will support projects to protect Endangered and Critically Endangered bird species in Latin America and the Caribbean. Inquiries are due with ABC by October 1st and may be submitted in English or Spanish. For more information contact: Mike Parr, American Bird Conservancy, PO Box 249, The Plains, VA 20198, USA, Tel: (540) 253-5780, Fax: (540) 253-5782, mailto:mparr@abcbirds.org or see the following link for application details: http://www.abcbirds.org/international/small_grants_2002.htm

THE LINCOLN PARK ZOO NEOTROPIC FUNDS

A major source of funding supports research in wildlife conservation and conservation education around the world in Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. Each fund typically supports between five and six projects annually, including project renewals for a second year. Most awards fall into the range of \$3,000-\$6,000. The current deadline for receipt of Neotropic pre-proposals is October 1, 2002. The investigators of the approved pre-proposals will be contacted by the 20th of October and invited to submit a full proposal by the 15th of December. For additional information and application procedures contact: LINCOLN PARK ZOO NF/AA FUNDS, Department of Conservation and Science, Lincoln Park Zoo, 2001 N. Clark St, Chicago, IL 60614, USA, mailto:conservation@lpzoo.org, or visit: <http://www.lpzoo.com/conservation>

SANDPIPER TECHNOLOGIES EQUIPMENT

Sandpiper technologies equipment celebrates its fifth year of providing free use of its rental fleet to students conducting wildlife research. Equipment for ornithological studies were: a Sentinel Surveillance Video system granted to Jeffrey Ball of Simon Fraser University for his study, "Variation in parental provisioning and fledging success of Red-throated Loons in western Alaska," and a TreeTop Peeper Telescoping Video System granted to Julie Gibson of the University of Wisconsin to study "Predation incidence and habitat relationships between nesting woodland raptors and mammalian predators in the upper peninsula of Michigan." The deadline for submitting proposals for the 2003 spring/summer field season is December 1, 2002. For a list of available equipment and proposal requirements, go to the Sandpiper website at: <http://www.Peeperpeople.com>.

TRAINING / JOB OPPORTUNITIES

VOLUNTEER FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS NEEDED (UP TO 14) FOR LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY'S FALL MIGRATION MONITORING PROGRAM.

Located on the north shore of Lake Erie, Long Point is one of the last wild areas left in southern Ontario. During migration huge numbers of landbirds (and monarch butterflies) are funnelled down Long Point. Founded in 1960, Long Point Bird Observatory (LPBO) is North America's oldest bird observatory. The core program is centered on monitoring populations of migrating birds through daily census and banding routines at three field stations. Volunteers staying for at least 1 month have food and accommodation fees waived. Short-term volunteers are required to pay a nominal fee covering housing, on-site travel and food. All participants will experience intensive and diverse training in field ornithological techniques. Up to 14 long-term (4 "banders-in-charge" and 10 banders/trainees) are required for the fall 2002 field season (August 12 to November 15). Previous ornithological work and bird identification skills are preferred but not required. International applicants with good English skills are encouraged to apply. For applications or more information contact: Keith Larson, Landbird Programs Coordinator, Long Point Bird Observatory, P.O. Box 160, Port Rowan, Ontario, N0E 1M0 Tel: (519) 586-3531, Fax: (519) 586-3532, mailto:lpbo@bsc-eoc.org or visit: <http://www.bsc-eoc.org>

FIELD BIOLOGIST AND MEXICAN COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR CONDOR PROJECT IN BAJA CALIFORNIA

The San Diego Zoo and CICESE are working together in a program, in coordination with the DGVS/SEMARNAT Technical Committee for the Reintroduction of the California condor, to establish a

population of the California Condor in the San Pedro Martir range, in the northern area of the Baja California peninsula. Five to seven condors will be set free on fall 2002 with the purpose of reestablishing this bird in its range. Similar groups will be set free annually to establish a population of 20 condors. Duties of the biologist will include: carry out feeding, monitoring and care of the condors; prepare technical reports, among others. Requirements: Biology degree or equivalent field and wildlife experience; experience with telemetry, availability to live in the field. English fluency is desired, but not required. Duties of the coordinator: coordinate the project's staff, and provide technical and administrative orientation for carrying out the proposed activities; coordinate the implementation of the activities and adopt any necessary measures to keep the project as scheduled; carry out the monitoring and evaluation program, among others. Requirements: Biology degrees or equivalent field and wildlife experience, experience with staff management, public relations and inter-institutional coordination. The interested applicants should send their resume and cover letter. For further information or to apply contact: Dr. Horacio de la Cueva, Presidente del Comité de Reintroducción del Condor, <mailto:cuevas@cicese.mx>

MEETINGS

23rd INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS, August 11-17, 2002. The meeting is to be held in Beijing, China, under the auspices of the International Ornithological Committee. The Congress features ten plenary lectures, 40 symposia, round-table discussions, oral presentations, and poster presentations. For further information, or to obtain a copy of the brochure, contact: Liu Feng, Assistant Secretary General, 23rd International Ornithological Congress, <mailto:infocenter@ioc.org.cn>, or visit: <http://www.ioc.org.cn>

18TH. INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON FOREST AND NATURAL RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT. The seminar will take place August 25 - September 12, 2002, and it will be hosted by Colorado State University's College of Natural Resources. In the past, over 414 managers from 112 nations have attended this seminar, which focuses on strategies and methods to develop, manage, and conserve natural resources for the sustainable delivery of goods and services to meet the full range of human needs. For further information contact: Ms. Ann Keith, Tel: (970) 490-2449, <mailto:IFS@cnr.colostate.edu>, or visit: <http://www.fs.fed.us/global/is/isfam/welcome.htm>

III NORTH AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGICAL CONFERENCE, September 24-30, 2002. The meeting will be held at the Intercontinental Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. The Conference will consist of symposia, workshops and roundtables, contributed oral presentations, poster sessions and a session about birds of the Caribbean with the Society of Caribbean Ornithology. For further information on the conference contact: Tom Sherry, <mailto:tsherry@tulane.edu> or Kimberly Smith, <mailto:kgsmith@uark.edu>. For more information on the symposia, workshops or roundtables contact: Dr. Phil Stouffer, Co-Chair, Scientific Program Committee, 3rd NAOC, Department of Biological Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA 70402-0736, USA, Tel: (985) 549-2191, Fax: (985) 549-3851, <mailto:stouffer@selu.edu>; or visit: <http://www.tulane.edu/~naoc-02/>

SATELLITE TELEMETRY SYMPOSIUM, September 24-30, 2002, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. The Raptor Research Foundation (RRF) is proposing a symposium entitled Satellite telemetry studies of birds for the 3rd North American Ornithological Conference (NAOC). This will be a joint meeting of the American Ornithologists Union, The Cooper Ornithological Society, the Society of Canadian Ornithologists /Societe des Ornithologistes du Canada, the Raptor Research Foundation, and the Society of Caribbean Ornithology. For more information contact: Dr. Ken Meyer, Avian Research and Conservation Institute, 411 N.E. 7 St., Gainesville, FL 32601, USA, <mailto:meyer@arcinst.org>

SEMINAR ON WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

The seminar will take place from September 27 - October 13, 2002. Jointly offered by the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point and the USDA Forest Service International Programs. The seminar combines instruction with discussions to engage participants on critical global and regional watershed management issues. For further information contact: Dr. Earl Spangenberg, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, College of Natural Resources, Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897, USA, <mailto:espangen@uwsp.edu>; or visit: <http://www.fs.fed.us/global/is/watershed/welcome.htm>

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON NEOTROPICAL RAPTORS AND HARPY EAGLE, October 24 - 27, 2002 Panama City, Panama. The Peregrine Fund and Fondo Peregrino - Panama invite you to join scientists, conservationists, resource managers, falconers, representatives of zoos, government and non-governmental organizations, and other persons and institutions with an interest in research and/or conservation of birds of prey in Latin America and the Caribbean to participate in a meeting to share knowledge, interests, and concerns and help develop a network of practitioners in the fields of raptor conservation, research, captive-breeding, and falconry. For further information contact: Neotropical Raptor Conference, The Peregrine Fund, 5668 West, Flying Hawk Lane, Boise, Idaho 83709, USA, Tel: 208-362-3717, Fax: 208-362-2376, <mailto:tpf@peregrinefund.org> or visit: <http://www.peregrinefund.org/nrconference.html>

SYMPOSIUM ON TERRESTRIAL VERTEBRATES IN TIDAL MARSHES: EVOLUTION, ECOLOGY, AND CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, November, 2002 at Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, Maryland, USA. Papers on related species and subspecies would be considered if they provide insight into the biology and conservation of their salt marsh relatives. To aid us in establishing a tentative table of contents for the proceedings and schedule for the conference, contact Russ Greenberg at the Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center <mailto:antbird@erols.com>, Tel: (202) 673-4908. Individuals interested in receiving updates on the meeting send a blank email to: <mailto:join-mire@rana.er.usgs.gov>

6TH WORLD CONFERENCE ON BIRDS OF PREY AND OWLS, May 18-25, 2003. The conference is hosted by The World Working Group on Birds of Prey & Owls (WWGBP), and will take place at the Hotel Agro Conference Centre in Budapest, Hungary. Deadline to submit an abstract is deadline March 1, 2003. For further information contact: WWGBP, P.O. Box 52, Towcester NN12 7ZW, England, Tel/Fax: ++44-1604-86 23 31, <mailto:WWGBP@aol.com> or <mailto:robin.chancellor@virgin.net> ; or visit: <http://www.Raptors-International.de> or <http://www.egroups.com/group/raptor-conservation>

VII NEOTROPICAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS, October 5-11, 2003. The congress will take place in Puerto Varas, Chile. The scientific program will include plenary lectures, concurrent symposia sessions, oral papers, poster sessions, and round-table discussions. In addition, special evening sessions with talks and films are planned. English and Spanish will be the working languages of the congress. Oral Contributions, and Posters abstracts must be received no later than March 5, 2003. Submit the proposals and abstracts by e-mail to either of the Scientific Program co-chairs. The Proceedings of the VII Neotropical Ornithological Congress will be published after the congress as a special issue or supplement of Ornitologia Neotropical. The VIIth Neotropical Congress Officers are as follows: President: François Vuilleumier, <mailto:vuill@amnh.org>; Secretary General: Luis Espinosa G., <mailto:legpvar@entelchile.net>, Congress Organizer for North America: M. Victoria McDonald, <mailto:vickiem@mail.uca.edu>; Co-chairs of the Scientific Program Committee: Jaime Jimenez, <mailto:jjimenez@ulagos.cl>, and Cristina Y. Miyaki, <mailto:cymiyaki@usp.br>; Proceedings Committee: Editor: Raymond McNeil, <mailto:Raymond.McNeil@umontreal.ca>; and Assistant to the Editor: Ivan Lazo, <mailto:bubo@entelchile.net>. The official webpage for registration, accommodation, other local information, travel, and tour information is: <http://www.nocchile.cl>

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE

"WHERE TO WATCH BIRDS IN CENTRAL AMERICA, MEXICO, AND THE CARIBBEAN", by Nigel Wheatley and David Brewer. 2002. Princeton University Press. 448 pp. Over 100 maps. 50 line illus. 5-3/8 x 8-1/2. ISBN: 0-691-09515-9. Price: \$19.95. This book is the sixth and latest in the Where to Watch Birds series that will ultimately cover the whole world. It contains: 430 species of birds in the Caribbean, 1350 species of birds in Central America, over 215 individual sites examined in detail, covering every Central American country, Mexico, and all of the popular Caribbean islands enabling birders to maximize their chances of finding the special birds of each region. Endemic species for each site and region listed separately; accounts include practical information on accommodation, transport, safety, and the timing of visits; list of other interesting wildlife; and numerous site maps and line drawing further enhance the text. For more information visit: <http://www.pupress.princeton.edu/>

"STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF DATA FROM MARKED BIRD POPULATIONS", edited by Byron Morgan and David Thomson, proceedings of the EURING 2000 Conference. Published as Journal of Applied Statistics vol. 29, numbers 1-4. This volume is a compilation of papers by biologists and statisticians at the forefront of development and application of methodologies in capture/recapture analyses, including papers by K. Burnham, D. Anderson, J.-D. Lebreton, J. Nichols, K. Pollock, G. White, E. Cooch, W. Link, and many others. 668 pages. Price: \$60 USD. For information on ordering contact: Abra Brayman, Tel: (415) 868-1221 ext 320, <mailto:abrayman@prbo.org>; or visit: <http://www.prbo.org/tm/euring2000.htm>

SONGS OF THE ANTBIRDS-CD, Cornell Lab of Ornithology releases, July 2002. Songs of the Antbirds, a three-CD set produced by the Lab's world renowned Macaulay Library of Natural Sounds with coauthors Phyllis R. Isler and Bret M. Whitney and support from the W. Alton Jones Foundation, features the voices of most of the 270 or so species of antbirds, including multiple song types of species for which there is significant geographical variation. Accompanying the CD is a 56-page booklet describing the birds' foraging strategies, habitat and behavior information, and a play list keyed to put each song in behavioral context. To listen to sound samples from the audio guide, go online to <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/audiopromos/antbird/> The CD retails for \$39.95 USD and is available at the online Cornell Lab Birding Shop at: <http://www.withoutbricks.com/clo>, from Wild Birds Unlimited at Sapsucker Woods, Tel: (877) 266-4928, from the American Birding Association, Tel: (800) 634-7736.

RECENT LITERATURE

NOTE: For thorough searches of the ornithological literature consult ROL in the web at: <http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/ROL> (# 83 now posted)

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