Opportunities

horas de la mañana. En la laguna Limón el recorrido fue de 8.65 km, en el cual se observaron 388 individuos correspondientes a 21 especies, siendo las más abundantes el *Podilymbus podiceps, Ploceus cucullatus, Oxyura jamaicensis y Fulica americana*; mientras que en la laguna Redonda el recorrido fue de 11.25 km en donde se detectaron 196 ejemplares distribuidos en 22 especies, resultando ser las más abundates el *Quiscalus niger, Fulica americana*, *Gallinula chloropus y Fregata magnificens*. Se determinaron la diversidad, riqueza, equidad y predominio en ambos cuerpos de agua. Los valores más altos para estos parametros excepturando el predominio se obtuvieron en la laguna Redonda.

Announcements

Supplements to the "Checklist of the Birds of the West Indies," by James Bond are available on request from:

Ornithology Department

Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia

19th and the Parkway

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103 U.S.A.
The Academy normally charges a fee of \$1.00 per
Supplement, but will waive the fee for Caribbean
workers. Questions can be directed to Christine
Bush, Department Assistant, at telephone 215-2991181.

The American Ornithologists' Union has published "Latin American Research Libraries in Natural History: A Survey", compiled by Tristan Davis. It surveys 112 libraries in 27 South and Central American countries, including information on library size, services provided, and kinds of researchers who use their holdings. The report is designed to encourage and assist individuals, organizations, and institutions interested in donating publications. It may be ordered for U.S.\$5.50 + \$2.00 postage and handling from Max C. Thompson, Assistant to AOU Treasurer, Biology Department, Southwestern College, 100 College St., Winfield, Kansas 67156, U.S.A.

Manomet Bird Observatory announces its 1990-91 Field Biology Training Program. Upperclass and beginning graduate students are given a thorough and intense experience in field biology, and work closely with staff biologists in continuing research. For detailed information, write Katherine C. Parsons, Manomet Bird Observatory, Box 936, Monomet, Massachusetts 02345, U.S.A.

The Peregrine Fund offers a position as a Research Scientist, available 1 January 1990, for a Ph.D. level scientist with a strong background and proven scientific ability in ornithology, preferably with raptors. Experience in tropical environments and at least conversational ability in Spanish and/or French desirable. Excellent spoken and written skill in English is manditory. Non U.S. citizens will be considered. Must be willing to relocate to Boise, Idaho, U.S.A., spend several months a year in the field, design and direct research, supervise student workers, write proposals, synthesize data and prepare publications, and answer correspondence or other activities the job may require. Salary will depend, in part, on qualifications. Benefits include health, dental, life and disability insurance, retirement, and workman's compensation. Send letter and resume to William Burnham, The Peregrine Fund, World Center for Birds of Prey, 5666 West Flying Hawk Lane, Boise, Idaho 83709, U.S.A. Deadline 31 December 1989.

Post-Doctoral Opportunity in the Brazilian Amazon. Money is being sought to support a full-time biologist to manage the ornithological research of the Biological Dynamics of Forest Fragments Project in Manaus, Brazil. Responsibilities include training and supervision of field interns who will continue the ongoing banding study of birds in forest islands and management of the associated data base. It is expected that the candidate chosen will take advantage of the ample opportunities to develop independent research into some aspect of the local avifauna, particularly, but not exclusively, in the context of the forest islands being studied by the project. Those interested should contact Rob Bierregaard, NHB-106, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560, U.S.A.

The Peregrine Fund and Boise State University are offering a scholarship for a Master of Science degree in raptor biology to a qualified Latin American citizen. To qualify, the individual must have a Bachelor of Science degree in biology or a related field, be fluent in Spanish and English, and have an intense interest in birds of prey and making a career in conservation in Latin America. The degree is based on a 2-year program that requires course work and research. The research must be accomplished in Latin America in conjunction with The Peregrine Fund. The scholarship will include tuition and fees, books, 12 months living stipend, and 2 round trip tickets from Latin America annually. Send resume and explanation of interest in conservation and birds of prey in Latin America (in English) to William

Burnham, The Peregrine Fund, World Center for Birds of Prey, 5666 West Flying Hawk Lane, Boise, Idaho 83709, U.S.A. Deadline 31 December 1989.

Field Assistant needed for 2 studies in avian biology in Monteverde, Costa Rica, 1 March to 30 June 1990. Will alternate time between (1) study of foraging ecology of euphonias eating mistletoe and (2) study of evolution of clutch size in tropical house wrens. Job involves field observations of foraging birds, nest checks, nest observations, and surveys of fledgling birds. Previous field experience, ability to climb trees and to follow small birds with binoculars a must; ability to speak Spanish desirable. Some or all travel expenses and all living expenses provided. Send letter of interest, resume, and names and phone numbers of 2-3 references as soon as possible (certainly before 1 February 1990) to Bruce E. Young, Department of Zoology, NJ-15, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98195, U.S.A. (FAX 206-543-3041)

Field Assistant(s) needed for study of male-male cooperation, demography and delayed plumage maturation in long-tailed mannakins in Monteverde, Costa Rica (see Animal Behavior 37:1007-1022). Duties include behavioral observations, plumage experiments and coordinating EarthWatch volunteers. Long hours. Relevant experience, Spanish and an interview are desirable, but not necessary. I will provide air fare, room and board, a small stipend; you will have a fascinating system to explore in a fabulous location. In return, I expect you to be diligent, enthusiastic, and of good humor. Must be able to commit for the period 1 March to 30 June For further information, contact David McDonald, Department of Zoology, 223 Bartram Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611, U.S.A.

Opportunity Wanted

I am an 18-year old student in the United Kingdom. Between July 1990 and October 1991, I intend to study birds in North and possibly Latin America, after which I intend to do a degree in zoology and work as an ornithologist. I am interested in doing work connected with ornithological research in the Americas. I would require a subsistence grant or other funding, but would consider volunteer work. I have birding experience in Europe, China, Fiji, Borneo, and Australia. References available. Ian Tomlinson, Ghyll House, Blindcrake, Cumbria CA13 OQP, United Kingdom.

Grants and Awards

The Cooper Ornithological Society is offering a limited number of 2-year student membership awards through support from the Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology. Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and a letter of recommendation from their major professor by 31 December 1989 to Lloyd F. Kiff, Suite 1400, 1100 Glendon Ave., Los Angeles, California 90024, U.S.A.

The American Ornithologists' Union will offer several Marcia Brady Tucker Travel Awards to help defray expenses of outstanding students wishing to present a lecture or poster paper at the Stated Meeting in Los Angeles in 1990. The paper may have multiple authors, but the student's name must be the first and the student must present the paper. Application materials must reach Robert M. Zink, Museum of Natural Science, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803, U.S.A., by 2 April 1990.

News of Society Members

<u>David Blockstein</u> has recently accepted a position with the American Institute of Biological Sciences. However, he will be continuing his field research on the endangered Grenada dove and Grenada hookbilled kite. Dr. Blockstein can be reached on Grenada c/o George Vincent, Manager of National Parks, Ministry of Agriculture, Archibald Ave., St. Georges, Grenada, West Indies.

After 1 January 1990, <u>Don Buden</u> can be reached at Division of Natural Sciences, College of the Bahamas, Nassau, Bahamas.

Meetings of Interest

23-27 January 1990 – <u>First Pan American Congress on Conservation of Wildlife through Education</u>, Caracas, Venezuela. Sponsored by the New York Zoological Society and International Association of Zoo Educators. (Annette Berkovits, Pan American Congress Chair, Education Department, New York Zoological Society, Bronx Zoo, New York, NY 10460, U.S.A.)

15-18 March 1990 - National Wildlife Federation Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado, U.S.A.