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EDITORIAL OFFICE TO MOVE

Effective 1 August 2000, all editorial material except page proofs for the November 2000 issue should be sent to the **incoming editor: David S. Dobkin, High Desert Ecological Research Institute, 15 SW Colorado Suite 300, Bend, OR 97702, tel. (541) 382-1117**. This includes new submissions, revised manuscripts, and reviews. Page proofs for papers to be published in the November 2000 issue of *The Condor* should be returned to the outgoing editor, Walter Koenig, Hastings Reservation, 38601 E. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

NEW BOOK REVIEW EDITOR

All materials regarding book reviews for *The Condor* should be directed to our **new Book Review Editor: Barbara Kus, Department of Biology, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA 92182, e-mail: bkus@sunstroke.sdsu.edu, tel. (619) 594-4357**. The Editorial staff of *The Condor* and the Cooper Ornithological Society express our thanks to Kim Smith, our Book Review Editor since 1995, for an outstanding job, and wish him the best of luck in his new position as editor of *The Auk*.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS

2000 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Don Powers (Chair), David Swanson, and Stephanie Jones

The Nominating committee is pleased to recommend that John R. Faaborg, Joseph C. Ortega, Abby N. Powell, Daniel D. Roby, and David L. Swanson stand for election to the Cooper Ornithological Society Board of Directors (term beginning 2001). Short biographies of each nominee are provided below. Glenn Walsberg substituted for David Swanson on the committee while Dave's nomination was considered.

John R. Faaborg started watching birds as a child and published his first papers in *Iowa Bird Life* when in his teens. He received an undergraduate degree in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology from Iowa State University, then a Ph.D. in ecology and evolution from Princeton University. His graduate work involved studies on the structure of West Indian bird communities, during which he initiated a long-term monitoring project in Puerto Rico which continues still. He started his only job at the University of Missouri in 1975. In the Midwest, he has led research investigating the effects of forest fragmentation and landscape-level habitat characteristics on avian distributions, abundances, and reproductive success. He and his students also have continued work in the West Indies and Mexico, with recent emphasis on wintering ecology of migratory birds. He serves on the editorial board of *Conservation Biology*, was on the local committee for the St. Louis ornithological conference, and reviews lots of papers for the ornithological journals.

Joseph C. Ortega is an Associate Professor of Biology in the Department of Biology at Fort Lewis Col-

lege. He received his Ph.D. in biology from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1988, and graduated cum laude from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1980 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology. He has been a member of COS since 1982, and worked for the local committee at the 1985 COS meetings. Among additional activities, in 2000, he will serve for the fourth year in a row as a review panelist for the National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Program. He has published in *The Condor*, and he also has avian publications in the *Auk*, *Journal of Field Ornithology*, and *Journal of Wildlife Management*. He has presented papers at both the COS annual meetings and at the AOU annual meetings. He regularly reviews manuscripts for potential publication in *The Condor*, *Auk*, and *Wilson Bulletin*. His current research interests are in the effects of brood parasitism by Brown-headed Cowbirds and predation on the nesting success of various Neotropical migrants and resident avian species in southwest Colorado. He is also interested in the potential interaction of various grazing regimes and habitat on reproductive success of avian species.

Abby N. Powell is a research ecologist with the U.S. Geological Survey, Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center. She has worked on rare and endangered species of birds since the early 1980s in southern California and the Great Lakes region. Currently, she is working on grassland birds in the Great Plains region and serving as a graduate advisor in the Department of Biological Sciences, University of Arkansas. She has attended COS meetings annually since 1994, and in 1996 co-hosted the 66th annual conference in San Diego.

Daniel D. Roby is currently the Assistant Unit Leader -Wildlife at the Oregon Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, and an Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology (Courtesy) in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife at Oregon State University. He received a Ph.D. (Biology) at the University of Pennsylvania (1986), where he worked under Robert E. Ricklefs on the relationship of diet to reproductive energetics in seabirds. In addition to his current position at Oregon State University, he has held faculty positions at Southern Illinois University -Carbondale (Assistant Professor of Zoology, 1988–1992) and the University of Alaska Fairbanks (Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology, 1992–1995). His primary area of research is avian physiological ecology, with an emphasis on seabirds. His current research includes bioenergetics of seabirds affected by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill, effects of human disturbance on avian populations, development of biomarkers of exposure to contaminants in birds, and conflicts between fisheries and piscivorous bird populations. Dan has been a member of the Cooper Ornithological Society since 1986 and is an Elected Member of the A.O.U. (1994).

David L. Swanson is Associate Professor of Biology at the University of South Dakota. He received his Ph.D. in Zoology from Oregon State University in 1990. He has been a member of the Society since 1991

and regularly attends COS meetings. He has published several papers in *The Condor*, regularly reviews manuscripts for this journal, and has served on the COS Nominating Committee. David has also served as President of the South Dakota Ornithologists' Union,

where he was instrumental in establishing a program for awarding small research grants for ornithological research. His research interests focus on avian metabolism, the physiology of cold tolerance in birds, and the ecology and energetics of migration.