

EDITOR'S NOTE

The careful reader of this Journal will note an altered subtitle. The change from "Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey and Delaware" to the present format after 59 volumes and 92 years of publication, recognizes the enormous changes in mobility of today's bird enthusiast and his wider ecological and conservation concerns. It also recognizes the need for a comprehensive journal dealing with the avifauna of the Middle Atlantic States, a crucial transition zone from a basically southern to northern bird life.

Cassinia will now accept worthy articles from any area of these states, and invites authors to submit their material.

With this issue of *Cassinia* we have adopted the taxonomy and nomenclature of the A.O.U.'s 6th edition of the *Check-List of North American Birds*, 1983.

I want to thank the former editor, Richard C. Bell, for his advice in making the transition as painless as possible. If this and future *Cassinias* can maintain the high standards set by him, I will feel my efforts have not been in vain.