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From the Editor's Desk

We had three birds reported for this issue that are not on the official or hypothetical lists for Georgia. These were: a Masked Booby found dead on Cumberland Island, a Varied Thrush seen in Murray County and an American Tree Sparrow from Blairsville.

One hypothetical list bird, a Franklin's Gull, was reported at Lake Hartwell.

Interesting sightings from around the state: Horned Grebe - Plant Scherer, Clark Hill Reservoir, Sweetwater Creek State Park. Roseate Spoonbill from Andrews Island. Wood Storks reported on Sapelo Island. A Tundra Swan at Dublin and at Banks County.

Greater Scaup held forth at Macon, Clayton County Water Treatment Plant, Cumberland, Sapelo and Tybee Islands. A Black Scoter and a White-winged Scoter were at Macon, as was a Black-bellied Plover. Lesser Golden Plover were at Dublin, Atlanta, Gainesville; while Wilson's Plovers were at Lake Juliette, Plant Scherer, Jekyll Island.

Black-necked Stilts were viewed on Jekyll and Andrews Islands. White-rumped Sandpipers were found in Murray County and Peachtree City Lake, and Red-necked Phalarope made news in Murray County. A Gull-billed Tern was on Cumberland Island and a Sandwich Tern was at Tybee Island.

An Olive-sided Flycatcher turned up in Murray County and Yellow-bellied Flycatcher at Watkinsville. A Warbling Vireo was at Atlanta; Connecticut Warblers were at Jekyll Island, Atlanta, Athens. A Snow Bunting was on Cumberland Island last winter.

GOS News:

The big 50 celebration is coming up. We will celebrate our 50th anniversary at the Macon meeting, November 7-9. You have already received the information/registration packet. Do plan to come to this exciting meeting. Roger Tory Peterson is our featured speaker. All charter members be sure to come! See you at our fiftieth anniversary festivities!

Spring of '87 meeting will be at Augusta. More later!

Welcome New Members

George Smith, Atlanta; R. E. Tucker, Savannah; Patricia Sharpe, Byron; Othal & Delma Knipp, Augusta; Rose Ware, Valdosta; Ken Grahl, Fort Valley; Carol Hukkanen, Marietta; Clare Zenn, LaGrange; Ryan Andrus, Atlanta; Jack Hall, Jr., Stockbridge; Nancy Saunders, Blacksburg, VA; Jackie Conley, Columbus.

News of People

W. Elbridge Freeborn died on May 16. He was an active member of GOS and a lover of birds. Our sympathy is extended to his family.

Did you read the great article about Georgine Pindar? She was featured in the "Profile on Peachtree" section of "The Atlanta Weekly" magazine. A very good article, Georgine!

Travelers: Don and Doris Cohrs to Churchill, Manitoba. 147 species seen. Lifers seen: Franklin's Gull, Lesser Golden Plover, Willow Ptarmigan, Long-tailed Jaeger.

Joe Greenberg to Texas with 235 species seen, including Lesser Prairie Chicken, Whooping Crane, White Collared Seedeater, Blue Bunting, Mexican Crow. The last three are Lifers for Joe.

Anne and Vernon Waters journeyed out to Colorado. Al Jenkins went to Bolivia last year and to Turkey this summer.

Volume II of Birds of Africa was published June 15. Emil Urban is senior editor of this four volume set. The first volume was published in September 1982. He also taught a course in ornithology at Augusta College last spring.

Abbreviations used in this newsletter:

ad	Adult	Mtn	Mountain
AS	Audubon Society	NF	National Forest
Co	County	NM	National Monument
Cr	Creek	NRA	National Recreation Area
f	Female	NWR	National Wildlife Refuge
FSRd	Forest Service Road	NC	Nature Center
Ft	Fort	R	River
GC	Golf Course	Res	Reservoir
im	Immature	RD	Ranger District
Is	Island	SP	State Park
L	Lake	WMA	Wildlife Management Area
m	Male	WTP	Water Treatment Plant

Records listed in this newsletter are largely unchecked and do not constitute an official sighting. Publication of these records is intended to bring interesting sightings to the attention of the membership and to remind them to be alert to unusual species in the areas indicated.

An asterisk (*) following the name of a bird denotes that it is listed as occasional, rare, uncommon or casual for one of the locations where it was seen according to the Annotated Checklist of Georgia Birds, J. Fred Denton. Editor's notes and dates in parentheses are taken from this checklist. Dates are 1986.

Deadlines for this Newsletter

<u>To Editor</u>	<u>For Mailing on</u>
11/15	2/1
2/15	5/1
5/15	8/1
8/15	11/1

Georgia Birds at a Glance

- Red-throated Loon: 6, Cumberland Is, Jan. 3; 19, Jekyll Is, Jan. 4; 26, Tybee Is, Jan. 5, BP
- Common Loon*: Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, April 1 & L Juliette, May 17, TJ; 5, Jan. & Feb., L Chatuge & 2 on Apr. 5, AG; Clark Hill Res, Mar. 2, CB & 4 on Mar. 4 & 1 on Mar. 15, V&AW; 4, Buford Dam, Jan. 5, P&TM, KB, SJ; L. Allatoona, Jan. 12, P&TM; Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 24, D&PMc
- Pied-billed Grebe: 2, Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, summer, TJ
- Horned Grebe*: Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, May 29, TJ; L Chatuge, Jan. 8, 11, 30 with 3 on 15th and 2 on 18th, AG; Clark Hill Res, March 15, V&AW & 8 on Mar. 4, CB; Sweetwater Cr SP, Feb. 22, & 2 on Mar. 2 & 1 on Mar. 14, PR.
- Masked Booby*: found dead, Cumberland Is, Feb. 2, BP, CH, DH, ET (Editor's Note: Not on official/hypothetical lists for GA. About the fifth record and 1st specimen for state.)
- Double-crested Cormorant*: Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, Apr. 1, TJ; 3, Augusta-airport & 2, levee, Mar. 25, AW & 17, Merry Ponds, Apr. 18, V&AW; Macon-Industrial Ponds, early May, TI & 22 on Mar. 16, PB & im, South Macon, June 1 & 14, TI; L Sinclair, May 4, J&MA.
- American Anhinga: 3, Dublin, Apr. 12 & 13, V&AW; f, South Macon, June 14 & 2 on July 17, TI.
- American Bittern*: L Juliette, May 1, TJ; Augusta-Merry Ponds, Apr. 13, V&AW; L Chatuge-Hog Cr, June 19, AG; Okefenokee NWR, Jan. 1, BP
- Least Bittern: Augusta-levee, May 10, AW
- Great Blue Heron*: Murray Co-Grassy Mtn Rd, May 31, HD; Hiawassee, Feb. 5, Mar. 3 & 19, AG; 10-12, South Macon, July 26, TI
- Great Egret: Gordon Co-GA Hwy 53, July 20, HD; Callaway Gardens, Jan. 15, TM; Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 14, PR; L Juliette, July 8, TJ; 35, South Macon, July 27, TI
- Snowy Egret*: Macon-Industrial Ponds, May 4, TI, J&MA; Forsyth Co, Mar. 29, JP
- Little Blue Heron: im, Murray Co-US 411N, July 20, HD; L Winfield Scott, July 9, SC; 2, Macon-Industrial Ponds, Apr. 12, TI, J&MA & May 4 & 5 ad, Mar. 16, D&JD, PB & 30 (all color phases), July 27, TI
- Cattle Egret*: 12, Augusta-Heron Roost, Mar. 30, AW; Elko, Apr. 4, D&PG; Jekyll Is, Feb. 19, LT; Athens, May 18, BP
- Black-crowned Night Heron*: Augusta-Merry Ponds, Apr. 18, V&AW
- White Ibis*: McRae, Mar. 30, D&PG
- Glossy Ibis*: 100, Darien, Mar. 24, LT
- Roseate Spoonbill*: Andrews Is, May 25, BP

- Wood Stork*: Sapelo Is, Apr. 4-6, Ocmulgee AS
Tundra Swan*: Dublin, Jan. 26, TP, BP & Jan. 21, BP, CH; Banks Co, Feb.-Mar. 5, JP & Feb. 2, PB, TM
Greater White-fronted Goose*: Dublin, Apr. 12, GOS & Mar. 15, Ocmulgee AS
Snow Goose*: 12 (blue phase), Banks Co, Feb. 13-Mar. 12, JP
Canada Goose: 85 ad & goslings, L Chatuge, June, AG
Green-winged Teal*: f, Clayton Co WTP, Jan.-Feb. 17, P&TM, PB; 5, Atlanta-Chattahoochee NC, Feb. 12, PR
Black Duck*: 22, Atlanta-Shamrock L, Jan. 25, PB
Northern Shoveler*: Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, Apr. 2, TJ; m & f, Peachtree City L, Jan. 15, TM; 3, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 6 & 2 on Mar. 20, PR; Andrews Is, May 26, BP (22 Aug, 1965-26 Apr. 1932)
American Wigeon*: 28, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 20, PR
Canvasback*: Atlanta-Groover's L, Jan. 26, PR
Redhead*: Clayton Co WTP, Jan. 1, P&TM & 4 f, 2 m, Jan. 27 & 14 on Mar. 1, PB; Peachtree City L, Jan. 4, PR; 65, Atlanta-Groover's L, Mar. 2, PR
Ring-necked Duck*: 3, Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, summer, TJ
Greater Scaup*: Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 16, TI, D&JD, P&DB; f plumaged, Clayton Co WTP, Jan. 11 & 15-Feb. 8, PB & Jan. 15, TM; 4, Cumberland Is, Jan. 2 & 5, Jekyll Is, Jan. 4 & 4, Tybee Is, Jan. 5, BP
Black Scoter*: Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 16, TI, D&JD, P&DB
White-winged Scoter*: Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 16, TI, J&MA, P&DB
Common Goldeneye*: f, Clayton Co WTP, Jan. 4, KB & 2 from Jan. 11-end of month, PB & 4, Feb. 24, PN
Bufflehead*: Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, Apr. 1 TJ; 100, L Burton, Jan. 11, BP
Hooded Merganser: L Chatuge, to Jan. 18, AG; 20, L Burton, Jan. 11, BP
Common Merganser*: m & f, Plant Scherer, Jan. 25, D&JD; f, Jekyll Is, Feb. 3, BP, CH
Red-breasted Merganser*: 12, L Juliette, Apr. 18 & May 29, TJ (10 May 1933); 4, L Chatuge, Mar. 1, AG; Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 29, TI, K&AC; L Burton, Jan. 11, BP; 7 m, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 13, PR
Osprey*: L Juliette, Apr. 5, TJ & Apr. 23 with AD & nested and seen in summer, TJ; Augusta, Mar. 1, Apr. 3 & Apr. 1, AW, CB; Savannah R Bluffs, May 29, GW; Dublin, Apr. 12, GOS; Macon-Ocmulgee NM, Apr. 13 & 20, J&MA; Hiawassee, May 3 & 16, AG
American Swallow-tailed Kite*: 2, Peach Co-Flint R, May 26, KG; Appling Co, Mar. 22, BP
Mississippi Kite: Augusta-airport, Apr. 30, CB; Dublin, Apr. 12, D&JD, DP; nesting, Ocmulgee NM, May 11, J&MA; nesting, Macon, spring, TI; nesting, East Macon & Southwest Macon, RM, MC
Bald Eagle*: sightings from L Juliette, West Point WMA, Hiawassee, Savannah R NWR, Dublin, Macon, Ocmulgee R, Cumberland Is, Butler Is, Callaway Gardens, Darien, Carter's L, Commerce L, Jan.-Jul. by D&TJ, JH, JW, GB, AG, J&MA, D&JD, TI, BP, LT, MHo, LT, MC, JP, JC. Nest in Macon, please see under miscellaneous section.
Northern Harrier: 25, Cordele-A&B Farms, Feb. 16, BP, PB
Sharp-shinned Hawk*: Macon, winter, K&AC; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Vista View, July 30, HD; Hiawassee, May 21, AG; Atlanta-Fernbank, May 3, Atlanta AS
Cooper's Hawk*: Macon, Mar. 8, J&MA; Dalton-yard, Mar. 17, R&ML
Red-shouldered Hawk: nest with 1 young, Macon, June, Ocmulgee AS; Hiawassee, May 6, AG

Red-tailed Hawk: nest with 2 young, Murray Co, May 7, HD
Golden Eagle*: Jasper, May 26, JPe
Merlin*: Cumberland Is, Jan. 2, BP; Jekyll Is, Jan., LT
Peregrine Falcon*: Jekyll Is, Jan. 1 & 16, LT
Ruffed Grouse: f with 12 downy chicks, Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga,
May 23 & with 10 nearly grown young, July 4, HD
Wild Turkey: hen, Murray Co, June 11 & gobbler, June 14 & 34-20 poults -
Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, July, HD
King Rail: 3, Dublin-Buckeye Marsh, Apr. 13, GOS; Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 5,
V&AW
Virginia Rail: Dublin-Buckeye Marsh, Apr. 13, JC; Darien, May 26, BP
Sora*: Dublin-Buckeye Marsh, Apr. 13, GOS; 5, Atlanta-Chattahoochee NC, May 3,
KB, PB, TM and 1 on May 4
Sandhill Crane*: Reports from Hiwassee, Kathleen, Jeffersonville, Okefenokee
NWR, Atlanta, Sweetwater Cr SP, Peachtree City, Henry Co, Jan.-Mar.,
reported by FS, AG, D&JD, CP, BP, PM, HG, NI, D&PB, DH
Black-bellied Plover*: Macon-Industrial Ponds, Apr. 12, TI, J&MA
Lesser Golden Plover*: Dublin, Mar. 15, Ocmulgee AS; Atlanta-Abbott's Bridge,
Mar. 16, H&LG, P&TM, and at Roger's Bridge with 10 there, Mar. 21, BP & 12
on Mar. 23, P&TM, H&LG, D&PB; 5, Gainesville-airport, Mar. 16-17, JP
Wilson's Plover*: L Juliette & Plant Scherer-Ash Ponds, May 1, TJ, TH; Jekyll
Is, Feb. 21, LT (26 Feb. 1947)
Semipalmated Plover*: 8, Augusta-Merry Ponds, May 10, AW; Atlanta-
Chattahoochee NC & Fayetteville, May 3, KB, PB, TM; 1 on July 26 & 2 on
July 27, South Macon, TI
Killdeer: 10, Hiwassee, Mar. 7, AG
Black-necked Stilt*: Jekyll Is, Mar. 25, LD; 20, Andrews Is, May 25 & 26, BP
American Avocet*: 7, Jekyll Is, Mar. 28, BP
Greater Yellowlegs*: many, South Macon, July 26 & 10-15 on July 27, TI; 6,
Murray Co, Apr. 17, HD
Lesser Yellowlegs: many, South Macon, July 26 & 10-15 on July 27, TI; 2, Murray
Co, Apr. 17, HD
Spotted Sandpiper: Clayton Co WTP, Jan. 11, PB (30 Mar. 1944); 3, Irwin Co-
Osierfield, June 27, BB; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Consauga, July 21,
HD
Marbled Godwit*: Sapelo Is, Apr. 4-6, Ocmulgee AS
Semipalmated Sandpiper*: L Juliette, May 29, TJ, TH; 104, Fayetteville, May 24,
PB
Western Sandpiper*: 20, South Macon, July 26 & 10 on July 27, TI
White-rumped Sandpiper*: 12, June 5, Murray Co, HD; 3 Peachtree City L, May 3,
KB, PB, TM (7 May, 1945)
Pectoral Sandpiper: 2, Irwin Co-Osierfield, June 27, BB - early date/late date
Purple Sandpiper: 9, Tybee Is, Jan. 5, BP
Dunlin*: 3, Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 23, TI, J&MA - identified by call
Stilt Sandpiper*: South Macon, July 27, TI
Dowitcher sp*: South Macon, July 27, TI
American Woodcock*: Atlanta-North Fulton Co, Feb., TM
Red-necked Phalarope*: 1 f & 2 m, Murray Co, June 4, HD - first area record
Pomarine Jaeger*: 2, Cumberland Is, Jan. 3, BP; offshore, Feb. 2, Atlanta AS
Parasitic Jaeger*: Cumberland Is, Jan. 3, BP; offshore, Feb. 2, Atlanta AS
Franklin's Gull*: ad, L Hartwell, May 11, BP, CH, AS (Editor's Note: On
hypothetical list. Fifth record for state.)

Ring-billed Gull: 140, Atlanta-Morgan Falls Dump, Mar. 22, PR; 300, Macon-Industrial Ponds, Mar. 16, PB
Great Black-backed Gull*: scattered reports, Jekyll & Cumberland Is, BP, LT, HG; 6, Cumberland Is, Mar. 23, BP
Gull-billed Tern*: Cumberland Is, Mar. 27, BP
Sandwich Tern*: Tybee Is-beach, Apr. 9, V&AW (14 Apr. 1902)
Forster's Tern*: Augusta-Merry Ponds, May 27, CB; South Macon, July 27, TI
Black-billed Cuckoo*: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, May 31, HD; Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, May 3, KB, PB, TM
Common Barn-owl*: nesting, Gainesville, Mar. 16, JP; L Seminole, May 4, PR
Great Horned Owl*: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, May 23, HD; Hiawasse, Mar. 22 & June 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, AG
Short-eared Owl*: 3, Cordele-A&B Farms, Feb. 16, BP, PB
Whip-poor-will*: Hawkinsville, June 1, D&JD; St. Mary's, Mar. 22, BP
Red-headed Woodpecker: Cedarcliff, Jan. 30, Feb. 1 & 16, AG; Whitfield Co, June 24, HD; im, Augusta, Apr. 25, AW
Hairy Woodpecker*: pair nesting, Augusta, Apr., AW
Red-cockaded Woodpecker*: Piedmont NWR, Feb. 23, DH, ET, RW
Olive-sided Flycatcher*: Murray Co, Aug. 28, HD (7 Sep. 1958)
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher*: Watkinsville, May 10, B&BD
Horned Lark: Watkinsville-Herman Michael Park, June 10-13 - territorial display & singing, B&BD; 4, Athens, Jan. 6 & Watkinsville, Feb. 8, BP; 50, Lookout Plateau, Jan. 19, BP, PB
Tree Swallow*: 100-150, Murray Co, Apr. 7, HD; 3 pair nested, each pair hatched 5 eggs, one pair lost four 1/2 grown young, young fledged June 12, 17, 20, Hiawasse, AG; 2, Augusta-Merry Ponds, June 7, SG; 4, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 13, PR; nesting in hollow tree - tree blown down in storm, L Juliette, June, TJ, TH
Northern Rough-winged Swallow: 2, Atlanta-Chattahoochee NC, Mar. 9, PR; Murray Co, Apr.-May, HD
Cliff Swallow*: L Hartwell-Dam, May 11, BP
Barn Swallow: Ben Hill Co, Apr. 13, BB; Decatur Co, May 5, PR
Fish Crow: 12, L Allatoona, Mar. 24, PR: Atlanta-Morgan Falls Dump, Mar. 4, PR & thru May, PR, KB, PB, TM
Common Raven*: Patterson Gap, Jan. 12, BP
Brown Creeper: Marietta, May 11, JS (17 Apr. 1936)
House Wren*: Ocmulgee NM, Apr. 13, J&MA; pair, Augusta-Merry Ponds, Apr. 18, V&AW; Hiawasse, May 19 - pair nested with 6 young hatched, AG; 2, Athens, Mar. 2, BP
Marsh Wren*: Pendergrass, May 20-23, JP
Gray-cheeked Thrush*: 6, Athens, May 18, BP
Swainson's Thrush: Jekyll Is, Mar. 22, LD; Cumberland Is, Mar. 26, BP (9 Apr. 1922)
Varied Thrush*: Murray Co, Aug. 27, HD (Editor's Note: Not on official/hypothetical lists for state. Third record for GA.)
Gray Catbird: Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 9, V&AW
Cedar Waxwing*: 250, Whitfield Co, last week Mar., JDi; 21, Murray Co, May 14, HD; Hiawasse, winter to Feb. 16 & 1 on July 5, AG
Warbling Vireo*: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, May 11, RMa, PR
Blue-winged Warbler*: Augusta-Lover's Lane, Apr. 27, SG; Dawson Co, May 17 & 30, JP

Orange-crowned Warbler*: Commerce L, Feb. 22, DH
Northern Parula Warbler*: Murray Co, June 24 & Aug. 13, HD - low elevation
Magnolia Warbler*: Atlanta, 3 sightings, May 3-18, KB, PB, TM
Prairie Warbler*: Cumberland Is, Feb. 2, CH, BP, ET, DH
Cerulean Warbler*: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, May 3, KB, PB, TM; Athens,
May 8, BP
Prothonotary Warbler: Murray Co, May 7 & 3 on Aug. 13, HD
Swainson's Warbler: 2, Martinez, early May - 2 migrants & 1 on territory, SG;
Athens, May 10, BP
Ovenbird: Athens, June 16, B&BD
Louisiana Waterthrush: 2, Murray Co, May 14 - 1 doing broken wing act, HD
Kentucky Warbler: Murray Co, Apr. 23-July, HD; Floyd Co, June 18, F&HD; 2,
Dublin, Apr. 12, CB; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Hickey Gap Dispersed
Camping Area, Aug. 16, HD
Connecticut Warbler*: possible, Jekyll Is, Mar. 28, LD; Atlanta-Chattahoochee R
NRA, May 11, Atlanta AS; Athens, May 13, 15, 23, BP
Wilson's Warbler*: m, Cumming, May 17, JG; Gainesville, May 12-22, JP
Canada Warbler: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Hickey Gap Dispersed Camping Area,
Aug. 16, HD
Summer Tanager: Hiawassee, Apr. 15, AG
Painted Bunting*: nesting pair, Macon-Central City Park, May 24, J&MA, K&AC,
M&PH, TI; Jekyll Is, thru Feb., LT
Dickcissel*: Watkinsville, May 8 - singing, BD; Augusta-Merry Ponds, May 3, SG;
McDonough, May 1, CL
Savannah Sparrow-Ipswich subsp: Jekyll Is-South Beach, Feb. 2, JG
Grasshopper Sparrow*: Murray Co, June 24 - singing on territory, HD; Augusta-
airport, May 17 - singing, V&AW
Henslow's Sparrow*: Murray Co, Apr. 23, HD - first area record; Darien, Mar. 28
BP
Lincoln's Sparrow*: Darien, Jan. 4 & Athens, Mar. 30, BP; Atlanta-Chattahoochee
R NRA, May 11, JCa
American Tree Sparrow*: Blairsville, Feb. 16, JG (Editor's Note: Not on
official/hypothetical lists for state.)
White-crowned Sparrow*: Rum Cr WMA, Apr. 1, TJ; Augusta-Merry Ponds, Apr. 18,
AW; Pendergrass, Mar. 2 & May 6, BP
Snow Bunting*: Cumberland Is, Jan. 2, HG, BP
Yellow-headed Blackbird*: Atlanta-feeder, Feb. 7, CM
Brewer's Blackbird: Eufaula NWR, Feb. 16, BP, PB
Common Grackle: 2, Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, May 24, HD - third
record for high elevation on district; not seen again thru Aug.
Northern Oriole*: nesting pair, Macon-Central City Park, May 13 & 7-8 pairs
nesting July, J&MA; Murray Co, July 31, HD
Purple Finch*: Macon, June 5, JHa (2 May 1946)
House Finch: m & 3 im, Augusta-feeder, May 17, AW; Macon-feeder, Apr. 22,
K&AC; Statesboro, Feb., EU
Pine Siskin: "Hoards" - Hiawassee-winter, AG; Ben Hill Co, Mar. 16, BB; 25,
Martinez-feeder, Jan. 17, SG
American Goldfinch: 3 m, 1 f, Martinez-feeder, summer, SG
Evening Grosbeak: 2 f, Hiawassee, Jan. 25 & 26, AG; flock, Macon-feeder,
Apr. 1-14, J&MA; 30, Martinez-feeder, Jan. 19-May 7, SG; 1, North Fulton
Co, Jan. 4, TM

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Miscellaneous

The only active Bald Eagle nest in the interior of Georgia (one of only four in the state) is located on Mercer University property just south of Macon. Known to have produced young the last three years, one eaglet was raised last year and one chick is on the nest now (May). John Wilson, local artist and environmental activist is concerned that Mercer's plans for the land may be incompatible with the continued eagle habitation. Trees have been marked in the swamp near the nest, presumably for timbering. There has been talk of marketing the land for development. In order to raise public awareness of this perceived threat, John is forming an Environmental Alliance for Central Georgia. Interested persons can contact him at 743-8551, or write to him at 235A Ocmulgee East Blvd., Macon, GA 31201.

David Brown and Kristin Poulsen report that they observed a Long-billed Curlew along Highway 21 between Beaufort, SC and Hunting Island State Park.

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