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### **Summary of AFA's Winter Regional Meeting**

by Jerry Jennings Woodland Hills, California

President's and Valentine Day combined to make an enjoyable three day weekend setting for AFA's 1988 winter regional meeting at Mission Bay, San Diego, California.

Prefaced by an executive committee meeting Friday evening, the board of directors met Saturday morning for a half-day business session. Included in the day's business was the approval of eleven new state coordinators whose names were submitted by state coordinator chairman Dr. Amy Worell. President Tom Marshall announced the drive to raise funds in preparation for AFA's attendance at the next C.I.T.E.S. Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, in 1989. Lee Phillips, former AFA president, was appointed to coordinate AFA's position papers and delegates to this conference.

Educational activities included a series of lectures throughout Sunday featuring: Susan Healy, Sacramento Zoo, Breeding of the Thick Billed Parrot in Captivity and Reintroduc-

tion into the Wild; Jackie Good, San Diego Zoo, Artificial Incubation; Robert J. Berry, former curator of birds at the Houston Zoo, Future of Aviculture; Dick Schroeder, Los Angeles, Softbills and Their Care; Lynn Hall, Canoga Park, CA, Doves and Pigeons in Aviculture. Three round table discussions were led by: Tony Bucci, Breeding and Showing Canaries and Finches; Lee Horton, Breeding and Showing Lovebirds; and Earl Kilki, Breeding and Showing Budgies and Cockatiels.

Robert Berry delivered the luncheon address on board a luxurious paddle wheel steamer moored in Mission Bay. Many interesting gems in solving avicultural problems were offered by Berry — insights born of a professional's long experience working with birds.

The weekend's activities were capped by a Sunday night banquet and a tour of the San Diego Zoo's magnificent bird collection on Monday. ●

#### **Nominees of First Breeding Awards**

by Dale R. Thompson Canyon Country, California

The following is a list of U.S. First Breeding Award nominations that have been submitted in 1987 to the Avy Awards Committee. We ask all aviculturists and all others interested in this part of the avian field to make comments on the following and to notify us if you are aware of any previous first breedings that you may know of personally or have seen written in the literature.

- Red-crowned Amazon, *Amazona dufresniana rhodocorytha* hatched June 12, 1984
- 2. Yellow-lored Amazon, *Amazona xantholora* hatched June 15, 1984
- 3. Parvipes Amazon, Amazona ochrocephala parvipes hatched March 30, 1984
- Diademed Amazon, *Amazona autumnalis diadem* hatched April 30, 1987
- 5. Lilacino Amazon, *Amazona autumnalis lilacina*hatched April 1986
- 6. Salvin's Amazon, Amazona autumnalis salvini hatched April 19, 1986

- 7. Pied barbet, Tricholaema leucomelan hatched July 1, 1987
- 8. Siberian crane, Grus leucogeranus hatched 1981
- 9. Red-breasted musk parrot, *Prospeia tabuensis tabuensis*, hatched April 14, 1987
- 10. Red-wattled lapwing, Vanellus indicus hatched April 19, 1987
- 11. Orange-bellied leafbird, *Chloropsis hardwicki* hatched June 9, 1987
- 12. Red-rumped green woodpecker, *Picus erythropygius* hatched May 18, 1987
- 13. Pleasing or red-flanked lorikeet, Charmosyna p. placentis hatched June 26, 1987
- 14. Channel-billed toucan, *Ramphastos v. vitellinus* hatched June 29, 1987
- Chestnut-eared aracari, *Pteroglossus castanotis*, hatched May 27, 1983
- 16. Black-necked aracari, Pteroglossus a. aracari hatched June 4, 1987 ●