

EDITOR'S NOTE

The initial issue of each volume of *The Kingbird* serves basic record-keeping duties for the journal: the corrigenda from the previous volume (and older volumes, if other mistakes come to light) are listed and explained, making the corrections accessible and interpretable, in case the errors propagate into other publications or media. Similarly, the species sequence employed in this Volume's Regional Reports is stated here, so that readers will find it easier to browse for species of interest. The species sequence used in Volumes 69-71 has been updated in the present Volume 72 to reflect changes as of the 62nd Supplement of the American Ornithological Society (AOS, formerly Union, AOU). The format of the species accounts has been revised also. The group names dividing the accounts have been abandoned and the divisions between avian families are now shown by spaces between adjacent families in the linear list. Finally, we are pleased to introduce a new map of New York State's Kingbird reporting Regions, depicting important bodies of water and the roads forming Regional boundaries, where these are not county lines.

In last year's Note I mentioned my intention to write a Patch Birding essay about the Moriches Inlet flats. For various reasons, I have placed that project on the back burner and replaced it with a very different perspective on purposeful birdwatching. In the "50 Years Ago" piece, we have once again sought to preserve the original text as closely as possible, including minor errors of spelling and punctuation.