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# NATURALISTS' DIRECTORY

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Dear Friend:

It has been brought to my attention that you are a fellow naturalist, or at least that, like me, you have a deep interest in Natural History, and that you pursue this fascinating science in one branch or another. I think you will agree that in the search for the secrets and meaning of God-made wonders there is nothing so stimulating as association with others with similar interests. Naturalists, of course, work quietly, and are often unaware of the whereabouts of kindred souls, often quite near at hand, whose acquaintance could prove mutually inspiring and beneficial. Even if great distance intervenes, much can be gained through correspondence, if in some way fellow naturalists can find each other.

That is the purpose of the Naturalists' Directory, which has been published every two or three years since 1878, 38 editions in all, and of which I intend to publish the 39th edition just as soon as it can be compiled. That is why I think you will be interested in submitting your name and a summary of your interests, for inclusion in the Directory, and why I hope you will want a copy for your own on its completion. I have received numerous communications over the years testifying to the effectiveness of the Directory in bringing Naturalists together for a sharing of knowledge and interchange of collection items. Without exception, each has emphasized that the benefits attained, the splendid relationships engendered, are entirely attributable to an initial Directory introduction.

Will you help us in the work of compilation by doing this at once; sending in your name, address and particulars of your special interests, as well as names of others who you think might be interested. It would be exceedingly helpful, too, if you could indicate now that you would be interested in a copy of the forthcoming edition. The work of compilation is arduous, and you can see from the prices quoted that our interest cannot be primarily that of financial gain. The directory subscription price is \$4.50, which includes your names and data submitted. Directory price after publication is set at \$5.00

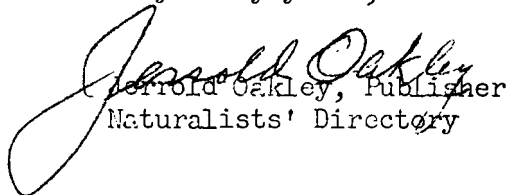
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This 50¢ charge helps defray printing expense, to be sure, but more important it serves to make your membership more selective, confined to Naturalists whose interest is genuine. However, if you feel that you do not wish to pay anything to help defray the expense of publishing the Directory, send your entry blank anyway, if you are a Naturalist, as we wish to make the Directory just as complete as possible.

We hope you will assist in making this edition possible. We look forward to your reply, and thank you now for your co-operation.

*Sent in on 30 Nov 60*

Very truly yours,

  
Jerrold Oakley, Publisher  
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