

Notes from the Editor

After serving patiently and conscientiously as Editor of the CVBC Bulletin over its entire 14 year tenure, Tim Manolis has decided to step down. It's hard to fully convey the depth of Tim's value to the Bulletin and the membership of the Central Valley Bird Club. Under his careful guidance, the Bulletin has become a valuable and interesting source of information that has contributed to the understanding and conservation of birds in the Central Valley. Much of this information has been acquired through the volunteer efforts of club members, who Tim has expertly guided to get their information into print, and therefore available to the world. Tim was recognized by the club with a special service award in CVBC Bulletin 10(4): 102. Fortunately, Tim has agreed to remain an advisor, Editorial Board member, and author of future Bulletin articles.

I have agreed to serve as the Editor of the Bulletin for the foreseeable future. Frances Oliver also has agreed to assist in the important role of laying out the Bulletin issues for publication. I've been well trained working under Tim for the last 8 years, so Frances and I hope to continue to work with you to produce interesting and valuable articles. Heck, if we can get more article submissions, we may even get the issuance of Bulletin back on schedule!

I also want to thank our Editorial Board members (see list on inside cover), who help find articles and serve as peer reviewers. We appreciate the service of those who are rotating off of the Editorial Board this year: Ken Hashagen, Shelly Kirn, Jim Rowoth, and David Yee. We also welcome new members Chris Conard, Dan Kopp, and Frances Oliver.

Last we thank you, the CVBC members for your support of our Bulletin. We are here to serve you, so please contact us with any ideas you have for articles or suggestions for improvements. As always, I and the Editorial Board are happy to work with you to get your interesting information about Central Valley birds into the Bulletin.

Dan Airola

Editor

CORRECTION

The scientific name included for the Sage Sparrow in the article entitled "**2011 Rare Bird Photo Highlights for the Central Valley**" page 8 of Volume 14, Issue 4, was incorrect. The correct subspecies designation is *Amphispiza belli nevadensis*.