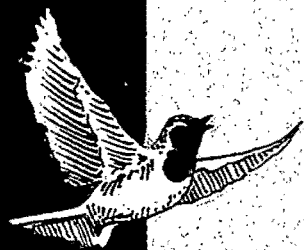


## OSPREYS AND KIDS IN INTERIOR ALASKA

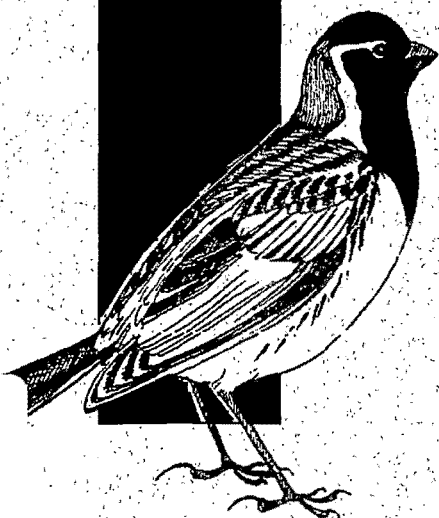
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Productivity of Ospreys (*Pandion haliaetus*) nesting in interior Alaska has been monitored during the past thirteen years. Productivity, the number of young fledged per active nesting pair, has ranged between 0.6 and 1.3. Fluctuations in brood sizes account for much of the variation in annual productivity. A Challenge Grant initiated by the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge provided the opportunity to get high school students out in the field to assist in banding Ospreys. This was a wonderful learning experience for everyone involved.

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