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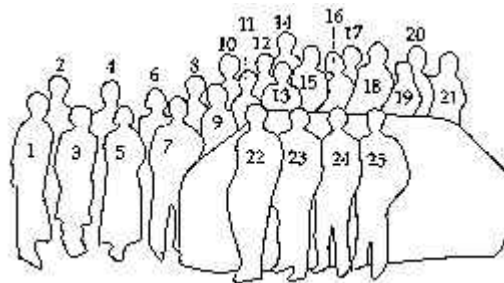
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Since 1982, BCI's staff has gradually grown to 23 full-time and three part-time employees, one summer intern, one fall intern, and several regular office volunteers. This superb team is far more than Merlin Tuttle ever dreamed of when he founded BCI. Out of pure desperation for the plight of bats, he began devoting his off-hours to the protection of these misunderstood animals, with the help of a single part-time assistant.

Today, despite the worldwide scope of BCI's education, research, and conservation programs, our staffing remains minimal. For example, Amy McCartney, our Membership Manager, now in her tenth year, has overseen BCI's growth from 1,500 to almost 14,000 members, but she didn't gain the help of a full-time assistant until two years ago.

We want you, our members, to know that we do our very best to respond to your letters and calls, helping you to be as involved in bat conservation as you want to be. You will find identification for each of us on page 18 inside. We thank all of you for your vital support and look forward to another successful year ahead.



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