Wingspan - Solutions

Here is the correct order for the cards:

Chipping Sparrow	Barn Swallow
Pileated Woodpecker	American Robin
House Finch	Bewick's Wren
Eastern Screech Owl	Lincoln's Sparrow

Now the bird cards spell out braille. The outermost dots don't pair with anything so these won't be relevant. Starting with the braille on the border between Chipping Sparrow and American Robin, then the braille on the Chipping Sparrow and Lincoln's Sparrow, then American Robin and Barn Swallow etc, this spells out USE VPS AS INDEX ORDER BY WINGSPAN.

Ordering the birds by wingspan gives: Bewick's Wren, Lincoln's Sparrow, Chipping Sparrow, House Finch, Barn Swallow, American Robin, Eastern Screech Owl, Pileated Woodpecker. Their VPs are 4, 3, 1, 3, 1, 1, 4, 4, so taking the fourth letter from Bewick's Wren, the 3rd letter from Lincoln's Sparrow etc spells out INCUBATE.