



# Eastern Regional News

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## President's Message

At our 1983 Annual Meeting on the weekend of 15 April at lovely Wesley Forest, Weikert, PA, I introduced our "Cast of Thousands." These faithful workers are behind the up-front action of our organization, the people that make it possible for EBBA to function. Many of our workers are named on the opening page of the Eastern Regional News and in the Flyway Reviews that follow. The Councillors and Officers make policy decisions and chair the committees that help banders throughout the year.

The First Vice President chairs the Program Committee that arranges the annual meeting weekend. The Second Vice President chairs the Locations Committee for the Annual Meeting sites. The Third Vice President heads the Finance Committee that proposes an operating budget for the next fiscal year. The Treasurer receives dues, pays bills, makes investments, and keeps impeccable books that are audited by another professional. The Secretary keeps minutes of the Council and Annual Meetings, and circulates Committee reports and other business by mail to Council. The Historian, Mabel Warburton, keeps a narrative history of the organization along with the Minutes and Committee Reports to be bound into permanent volumes.

Our Editor, together with the two other Regional Editors, puts together NABB. She has anonymous helpers who review manuscripts for publication. Publications Chairperson, Kathryn Schneider, is working with Robert Sagar of the Education Committee to review and edit contributions to a workshop manual on statistics for banders. Still available to banders is *An Introduction to Bird Banding Techniques* by Fred Schaeffer.

The Conservation Committee, headed by Al Dufty, provides help with preservation of habitat currently being used for banding purposes by EBBA members, and with preservation of habitat that is rich in avifauna but not used by EBBA members. He also helps with gaining access to restricted areas such as Federal Wildlife Refuges for specific banding projects by assisting in preparing project proposals and/or vouching for the competency of the bander and the importance of the bander's research project.

Our Membership Chairperson, Robert Pantle, solicits new members and renewals to the Association. Circulation Manager, Fred Schaeffer, keeps the address changes up to date. The Memorial Grant Committee, Robert Leberman, Chair, publicizes the Grant applications and selects the recipients of the Annual Memorial Grant. Ruth Rose of the Honorary Membership Committee

accepts nominations to Honorary Life Memberships recognizing EBBA's volunteer workers who have served beyond the call of duty.

The Net Committee, chaired by Robert Merritt, obtains the mist nets from Japan and keeps us supplied. The receipt and resale of back issues of EBBA News and NABB is handled by Elaine Mease. Other equipment suppliers are listed in "Banders' Marketplace."

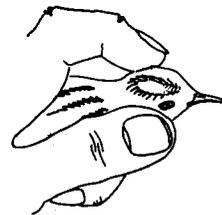
Special Committees to handle current matters are: the Dues Structure Committee headed by Robert Yunick, which reviews the policies of the three associations and makes recommendations; and the Standardization of Forms Committee headed by Valerie Freer, especially important as more data are being entered on station and home computers.

Our Nominations Chairperson, Bill Oberman, seeks potential leadership and presents a slate for our annual elections. (Terms of service are one year for Officers and three years for Councillors. Officers and Councillors, except the Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor, do not serve the same office for more than two consecutive terms.) People interested in serving in any capacity in the "Cast of Thousands" are urged to make it known to any of the cast.

Our President coordinates the inner workings of the organization, coordinates the above committees with each other, with the other Associations, and with the Bird Banding Laboratory, and serves as our up-front person to the public.

To everyone for conscientious contributions to ornithology, thanks!

Hannah Suthers



### Still available

We wish to remind you that *Introduction to Bird Banding Techniques* by Frederick S. Schaeffer is still available from: Tom Mutchler, RD 1, Box 212X, Monticello, NY 12701, at \$3.50 ppd. Please make checks payable to: Eastern Bird Banding Association. Outside of the U.S., please use International money order or its equivalent.