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## TRAPS AND BAITS Notes by Frank P. Frazier

Random notes, made from a tape recording of the Trapping Session. conducted by former Ebba president Raymond J. Middleton, at the Annual Meeting in Cape May, follow:

- \* "A trip step trap on a tree, with a limb of the tree coming down towards it, catches all the woodpeckers in the vicinity."
- "I never use gathering cages. I carry a box of bands and band the birds right at the traps" -- Raymond Middleton.
- "A water drip trap is the best trap ever invented" -- Ralph K. Bell.
- t "Catbirds like cooked rice. . . Mockingbirds like oranges. . . Coffee cake crumbs, left overs, apples and raisins are liked by many species"
- # "Banders should do a lot of free feeding. It keeps the birds coming around."
- t "Welded wire is much more durable than hardware cloth for making traps. . . 1/2" x 1" is best."
- # "Paint makes traps less conspicuous -- brown if trap is to be placed on leaves, green if on grass. . . Rustoleum paint is best on galvanized wire traps. It won't flake off like other paint."

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## THE WORKSHOP MANUAL

Copies of the Workshop Manual are still available, although the supply is dwindling. The Manual was compiled by the Workshop Committee headed by Mary-Rebecca Cregar and was given to those who attended the Annual Meeting. It contains invaluable information for banders, scarcely to be found elsewhere, on ageing and sexing flycatchers, thrushes, vireos and warblers, on netting, on handling and examining live birds, dissection, and photographing for record - plus much else of value,

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