

EDITORIAL

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With this issue my first volume of *Florida Field Naturalist* is completed. I have been fortunate to have had tremendous support from many individuals in making volume 23 a reality. Former editor, Peter Merritt, deserves a special thanks for guiding me through the transitional period. He certainly made that time easy for me, and I thank you, Peter.

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Then, there are the referees, scattered throughout the country, who deserve recognition. As most of you know these folk donate their time and expertise to reviewing manuscripts submitted to *F.F.N.* for possible publication. Most referees that I have dealt with have gone beyond the "call-of-duty" to assist the author in improving his or her MS. Authors most often appreciate the referee's input and often the appreciation is recognized by adding the name of the referee to the acknowledgments. The referees listed below have made my job easier with volume 23 and I thank them all. I miss my friend Herb Kale, for one thing not be able to call on him for help. Herb's consistent comment to authors of MSS he reviewed, "titles of books are capitalized," will be missed by this editor.

Every member of F.O.S. should be proud of their journal. I would like to encourage more members to participate in submitting manuscripts to *F.F.N.* Please, however, consult a recent issue and read the guidelines before you submit. **Walter K. Taylor**, Editor.

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