



Eastern Regional News

Eastern Bird Banding Association

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President's Message

I am looking forward to the 73rd annual meeting of the Eastern Bird Banding Association. The meeting is scheduled for 12 & 13 April 1996 at the Patuxent Natural Wildlife Visitor Center at Laurel, Maryland. It will be of great interest to all banders because it will be the first ever joint meeting with the Inland Bird Banding Association; and, of course, the Western and Ontario Bird Banding Associations are cordially invited.

The first ever meeting of the newly formed North American Banding Council (NABC) will also hold

their meeting prior to EBBA's annual meeting. It will also be our first opportunity to tour the Banding Lab's new facility.

As this is my last message, I would like to thank all the councilors and officers of EBBA for their cooperation, hard work, and support that I received as president. I look forward with interest to helping EBBA in any way I can in the future. If anyone has ideas or thoughts of how to make this an even better organization, please write letters and correspond with the officers and/or councilors.

Mary Forness

Herbert William Kale

(died 16 July 1995)

Herb Kale, born on 24 December 1931, in Trenton, New Jersey, was a noted environmentalist and a good friend of the Eastern Bird Banding Association. He received his Bachelor of Science from Rutgers University and a Doctorate in Ornithology from the University of Georgia. Around 1961, he moved south to Vero Beach, Florida, where he joined the staff of the Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory. Later on, he moved to Maitland, Florida, where he was hired by the Florida Audubon Society. The local branch of FAS, Pelican Island Audubon chapter, was founded by Herb. He had a broad knowledge of, and was able to convey, the environmental message to elementary school children as well as to older adults.

For years, Herb worked on THE BIRDS OF FLORIDA. He was the author and editor of a number of publications and journals and also wrote a number of articles for *EBBA News* and *North American Bird Bander*. He was also influential in advocating that the City of Vero Beach remain a pleasant town and not become like one of the crowded and over-built cities south of it. Herb Kale was an outspoken advocate for the preservation of wetlands and endangered or threatened species. In his younger years, Herb rehabilitated wildlife and was an avid bander. He was called as a consultant when NASA had its woodpecker problems--when Northern Flickers pecked away at the insulation of the space shuttle.

He is survived by two sons, two daughters, and two sisters. A memorial service, attended by his family and many friends and associates in the environmental field, was held at a local church.

Fred Schaeffer

Former EBBA president and Editor of *EBBA News*