

The 88th Meeting of the EASTERN BIRD BANDING ASSOCIATION

will be held at Shawnee on the Delaware,
Delaware Water Gap

Dates: 1-3 April 2011

This year's event will take place in the scenic Delaware Water Gap where the Delaware River cuts through the mountains between Pennsylvania and New Jersey. We will stay and meet in the historic Shawnee on the Delaware, a classic Pocono Mountains resort and golf course located along the river. This century old inn is a convenient 70 miles from New York City and located next to the Delaware River National Recreation Area. As the Delaware River is an important migration route, this location offers wonderful opportunities for birding. Our banquet speaker will be Dr. Terry Master who has been involved in groundbreaking research on the effects of the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid disease on numerous bird species who depend on the hemlock ravine habitat. Please check the EBBA website for details and registration

Registration Details

If you did not receive a registration form in the mail, please go to EBBA's website at: <http://www.frontiernet.net/~bpbird> and point to Information on EBBA's upcoming annual meeting. You will be able to point to the registration forms as PDF files and print them off.

Alternately, there are directions on the website to register online plus many other details about directions, lodging and the meeting.

If none of the above options work for registration, please contact:

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2011 MEETING PROGRAM

Friday, 1 April 2011

- 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration -
Lobby of the Shawnee Inn
- 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Council Meeting -
Board Room
- **6:30 p.m. - Dinner and Speaker -
Bill Hilton, Jr.**

Saturday, 2 April 2011

- 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. - Bird Walks
- 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Registration -
Resort Lobby
- 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. - Snacks available
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Bucket Raffle
and Silent Auction

Saturday Program

- 8:30 - 8:45 - Welcome, Introduction of
Special Guests, and Announcements
- 8:45 - 9:15 - First Paper Presentation
- 9:15 - 9:45 - Second Paper Presentation
- 9:45 - 10:15 - Third Paper Presentation
- 10:15 - 10:45 - Break
- 10:45 - 11:15 - Update from Bird Banding
Laboratory
- 11:15 - 11:45 - Fourth Paper Presentation
- 11:45 - 12:15 - Fifth Paper Presentation
- 12:15 - 12:45 - Sixth Paper Presentation

- 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Lunch

- 2:00 - 2:45 - EBBA's Annual Meeting
- 2:45 - 3:15 - Seventh Paper Presentation
- 3:15 - 3:45 - Eighth Paper Presentation
- 3:45 - 4:15 - Ninth Paper Presentation
- 4:15 - 5:00 - Bandit Workshop
- 5:00 - 9:00 - Cash Bar

- **6:30 - EBBA Banquet with Speaker
Dr. Terry Master**

- Close of the Bucket Raffle and Silent Auction
after the speaker.

Speakers include:

**FRIDAY DINNER Speaker: Bill Hilton, Jr. -
“Ruby-throated Hummingbird research
on the OTHER end of the species’
migratory path in the Neotropics”**

Bill Hilton, Jr. is a life member of EBBA and the executive director of Hilton Pond Center for Piedmont Natural History. For many years, he has offered excursions for teachers, citizen scientists, and other nature enthusiasts to Guanacaste Province, Costa Rica, to observe Ruby-throated Hummingbirds on their wintering grounds. An internationally recognized hummingbird expert and educator-naturalist, Hilton is the only scientist conducting long-term, systematic studies of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds in the tropics, with nearly 700 banded in Costa Rica, 50 plus in both Guatemala and Belize, and two in El Salvador.

**SATURDAY DINNER Speaker:
Dr. Terry Master - Title of talk to be
announced**

Terry’s interest in birds began when his father took him on hikes on the Pocono Plateau of northeastern Pennsylvania. A small *Golden Field Guide* stimulated an interest in birds that has continued to this day. He received his B.S. in Biology from Muhlenberg College, his M.S. in Biology at East Stroudsburg University, and his Ph.D. from Lehigh University in 1989. Upon graduating from Lehigh, Terry became a faculty member in the Department of Biological Sciences at East Stroudsburg University, where he currently teaches classes in ecology, animal behavior, and ornithology. He combines his fondness for birds, travel, education, and photography by offering a Tropical Ornithology class in Costa Rica each year and by organizing and conducting natural history tours with his wife, Sally, to the Galapagos Islands, Kenya, Tanzania, and Costa Rica. He is currently a member of the Ornithological Technical Committee of the Pennsylvania Biological Survey, has served on Waterbird society Council, and was a Research Associate at Powdermill Avian Research Center. He

has co-edited and contributed to a book on Pennsylvania Avian Ecology and Conservation and he and his graduate students have authored over 25 peer-reviewed research articles on the foraging ecology of wading birds and on the ecology and habitat use of headwater riparian songbirds in Costa Rica and the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Ongoing research projects include use of the Louisiana Waterthrush as a biodiindicator of riparian ecosystem health in hemlock ravines to hemlock woolly adelgid infestations. Terry also supervises a long-term National Park Service Vital Signs riparian avian community monitoring project using 24 headwater streams in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. His research activities have involved banding Louisiana Waterthrushes and Black-crowned Night-Herons. The first Louisiana Waterthrush banded by Terry currently holds the longevity record for this species, reaching the ripe old age of 12. Terry currently resides with his wife Sally, their four cats and a dog named Tica, in Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

NOTICE

The Membership will be called upon to vote on a change to EBBA’s bylaws during this annual meeting.

