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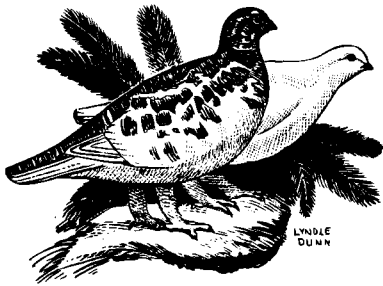
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Applications for membership in the Western Bird Banding Association should be sent to the Treasurer. All classes of membership receive *North American Bird Bander*, the joint publication of Eastern Bird Banding Association and Western Bird Banding Association. Membership classifications are: Active Member, \$6.00 per year; Associate Member, \$6.00 per year; Sustaining Member, \$12.00 per year; Student Member, \$4.50 per year; Life Member, \$150.00.



Annual Meeting

The 1976 annual meeting of the Western Bird Banding Association will be held jointly with the Colorado Field Ornithologists on the campus of Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, 4-6 June. Dr. Ronald A. Ryder, Professor of Wildlife Biology at CSU, is chairman of local arrangements. Fort Collins is at the eastern base of the Rocky Mountains approximately 65 miles north of Denver. Interesting bird habitats from high alpine tundra to arid, shortgrass prairie are within an hour's drive.

Meeting places and accommodations

Registration will be Friday evening in the lounge of Parmelee Hall on the campus of Colorado State University (CSU). An informal get-together and orientation will be held that evening. Those wishing to stay on campus will be housed in Parmelee Hall (rates follow). Those wishing to stay elsewhere will find numerous motels, public and private campgrounds within a few minutes driving.

Business meetings and technical papers sessions of the two organizations will be 8 am - 5 pm Saturday, 5 June, in the nearby Student Center. Lunch and the buffet banquet (6:00 pm) will be served in the North Ballroom of the Student Center.

Field trips

There will be a choice of two field trips Sunday. One will go to over 12,000 ft. elevation in Rocky Mountain National Park (White-tailed Ptarmigan, Brown-capped Rosy Finches, etc.), while a second trip will be to the Pawnee National Grassland — average elevation about 5,200 ft. (McCown's and Chestnut-collared Longspurs, Mountain Plover, Ferruginous Hawks, Prairie Falcons, etc.). Note: Box lunches available with pre-registration.

Maps and checklists available

Anyone wishing maps or checklists of birds of either or both of the above areas can obtain them by writing Dr. R. A. Ryder, Department of Fishery and Wildlife Biology, CSU, Fort Collins, Colorado 80523.

Call for papers

WBBA members are invited to present papers at the Saturday afternoon meeting. Please send titles, approximate times, and visual aids equipment needs to Dr. Ryder by 15 May.

Transportation

Rides to and from the Denver airport as well as on the field trips will be arranged wherever possible. Drop Ron Ryder a note regarding your needs. Hopefully such transportation will be with WBBA and/or CFO members driving to Fort Collins from Denver and elsewhere in Colorado.

Costs

The registration fee is \$6.25 per person which includes program costs, reception and coffee breaks. The served meals and the field trip box lunch may be reserved on an optional basis. Pre-registration is encouraged since 48-hour notice is necessary for meal reservations.

Lodging per night — Parmelee Hall

Double — \$7.50 per person

Single — \$10.50

Couple — \$13.50

Family suite — \$21.00 (up to 4 persons)

A list of local motels is available on request. Please make arrangements directly with the motel of your choice.

New Members

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New Life Member

John Weske

W.B.B.A. is very pleased to welcome John S. Weske of Sandy Spring, Maryland as its newest Life Member.

Life Member

Frederick S. Schaeffer, Past Editor Eastern Bird Banding Association

Fred was born and raised in the Netherlands and immigrated to the United States in 1954, settling in Jamaica, New York.

The U.S. Army took him to Germany in 1961 and during this tour of duty, he discovered bird-banding as a hobby at the Vogelwarte "Untermain" in Frankfurt. The dozens of Hawfinches which he handled did not discourage him (they have huge bills) so, when he returned to New York, he obtained his banding permit.

Fred has banded ever since that time — and at some of the largest banding stations in the East. He is active in Boy Scout work as an adult leader, and bands on one of the BSA reservations in New Jersey.

He became Editor of *EBBA News* in 1970 and has enjoyed his many resulting contacts with EBBA members. During this past year, Fred has visited with several WBBA officers, working out the details of launching *North American Bird Bander*.

Fred works for Scandinavian Airlines Systems in Jamaica, NY, as a tariff agent. Those wishing to correspond with him will find him at 84-55 Daniels Street (Apt. 1-K), Jamaica, NY 11435.



Fred Schaeffer in rapt concentration at the banding table. Photo taken by Jose Fernandez at Kiptopeke Banding Station (Kiptopeke Beach, near Cape Charles, VA) in October 1975