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Annual Meeting Coming Soon - 28-31 August 2003

If you have not already done so, mark your calendar now and plan to attend WBBA's 78th Annual Meeting, to be held in Stevensville, MT—our first time ever in that state! Hosting WBBA this year is the Lee Metcalf NWR, located in the Bitterroot Valley in western Montana. The Refuge contains a riparian corridor along the Bitterroot River and 13 man-made impoundments which provide resting, feeding, and nesting habitat for migratory birds. A MAPS station has operated successfully there for ten years.

Lodging for 22 people and food for all registrants will be provided by the private Teller Wildlife Refuge in Corvallis, about ten miles south of Lee Metcalf. Overflow guests making their arrangements through Teller will stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Hamilton, and have their meals at Teller.

In addition to scientific papers, a molt limits workshop with Peter Pyle, field trips and demonstrations are planned.

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Call for Papers: Abstracts are now being accepted for posters and oral presentations. Papers and posters should address some aspect of capturing, banding, or marking birds. Acceptable topics include: results of studies, use of techniques, analysis of study results, and/or the value of bird banding in conservation. Abstracts should include: 1) Title; 2) Name(s), affiliation(s), and address(es) of the author(s); 3) Summary of the information to be presented; and 4) Specification of any audio-visual equipment needed. Demonstrations on similar topics are also welcome. Please provide the topic and a brief description; specify time, space, and equipment requirements for display. All correspondence regarding presentations should be directed to Stephanie Jones, USFWS. The dead-line for abstracts is 2 Jun 2003.

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See a fuller description in *NABB* 27:167-168, or refer to the meeting flyer sent to all members in Apr 2003.