

# NFSS Annual Meeting

## Held National Cage Bird Show New Orleans, LA recorded 11/18/95

*Recorded by Patrick Vance  
Recording Secretary*

**Band Secretary's Report:** Eileen Laird reported that 473 band orders were filled, totaling 32,000+ bands sold in 1995. The band color for 1996 will be orange.

**Judges Panel Report:** Dr. Decoteau announce four new apprentices to the Judges Panel. They are: Jerry McCawley, Christine Voronovitch, Armando Lee, and Frank Hudson. There appeared to be two birds reaching championship status in 1995. Results were not in yet. The Star Finch standard has been published. No report was available on the mynah standard. Volunteers were needed for the Pintail Nonpareil standard committee.

**Membership Chairman's Report:** Lynda Bakula reported that there was a total of 90 new members for 1995, making a total of 853 members.

**FinchSave Report:** Stephen Hoppin gave the report. There are currently 58 FinchSave members with 52 species represented. The results of the Waxbill Survey are in. 79 forms were returned, representing 759 individual finches.

**Awards Report:** Awards were presented to individuals for their 1994 achievements. An exhibitor of excellence plaque was present to Dennis Burhans. Champion Exhibitor Awards were presented to Alvin and Dixie Lee, Patrick Vance, Dale Laird, Gene and June Miller, Pat and Mary Krichten, John Dapas, Frank and Sandy Hudson, and Dennis Burhans. An award was presented to Gene and June Miller for their fawn Diamond Sparrow for achieving Champion Bird Status in 1994.

NFSS President Stephen Hoppin introduced the members of the members of the Judges Panel that were present. Stephen also introduced NFSS members that were seeking a position on the NFSS Board of Directors for the 1996/97 term. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Pat and Mary Krichten; Finchshop, Gene Miller; Regional Vice President, Lynda Bakula; Membership and Advertising, Jerry McCawley; Promotions, Eileen Laird; Band Secretary, and Tom Rood; 1st Vice President. Plaques were presented to Linda Oja: FinchSave Director and Martha Wigmore: *Bulletin* editor. A Presidents Award was presented to, Regional Vice President, Dale Laird for his many contributions to NFSS over the years.

Prior to the meeting being adjourned, a gift was presented by Dale Laird on behalf of the NFSS Membership to parting President Stephen Hoppin.

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