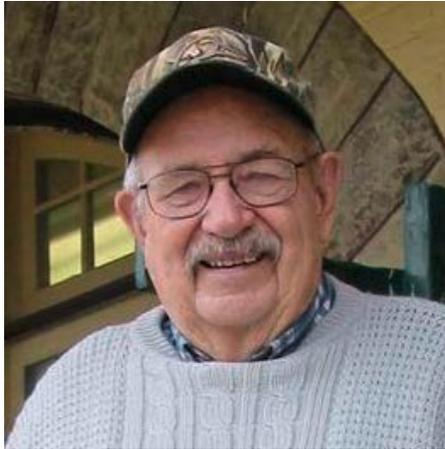


DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Canadian Section - 2017

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Robert Jones

Retired Biologist - Manitoba Wildlife Branch

Robert (Bob) E. Jones has spent a lifetime working in natural resource and conservation management across North America but most notably in Manitoba. From 1974 through 1998, Bob worked for Manitoba Conservation, as Delta Marsh Manager, Wetland Habitat Specialist, Prairie Habitat Specialist, and Endangered Species Biologist. Prior to that he was Director of the Delta Waterfowl Research Station for 3 years and served in several professorships at the University of Delaware, Washington State University and Arkansas State College. Bob has served in many positions helping to promote the cause of wildlife management, including President and program coordinator for the Portage la Prairie Natural History Group, Delta Marsh History Committee, Manitoba Piping Plover Action Group, Scientific Advisory Committee for the Nature Conservancy of Canada, and Peregrine Falcon Recovery Program. He organized or attended the Delta Marsh Christmas Bird Count for over 40 years. Dr. Jones has been a continuous member of The Wildlife Society since 1957. In 1975, Bob was elected the second President of the Manitoba Chapter and was instrumental in preparing a firm foundation for the first professional chapter in Canada. He was the author of the Chapter Bylaws, chair of the Awards Committee for three years, and co-authored the material that formed the Richard C. Goulden Award, an award that continues to encourage research and academic excellence in wildlife by university graduate students in Manitoba. He received the Conservationist of the Year Award from the Chapter in 1988. In 2013, Bob was recognized as an original charter member and is now an honorary member of the Manitoba Chapter. He has been a long time member of the Central Mountains and Plains Section serving as secretary one year and as newsletter editor in 1990-91. He has been a member of the Canadian Section since its formation in 2008.