



## Peter J. Hayes

A University of Washington graduate in Journalism, Peter's professional writing career began with United Press (later United Press International) in Spokane, WA, followed by assignments as a reporter and editor in Seattle, Anchorage, Alaska, and San Francisco. He later moved to Sacramento as an editor of *The Sacramento Union* and expressed his love for nature by writing frequent editorials celebrating the natural world of northern California, especially along the American River.

In 2001, the American River Natural History Association published 60 of his nature editorials in *An American River Almanac: Reflections on nature throughout the year* with photographs by Tom Myers and George Turner. Peter subsequently joined the ARNHA board as publications chair, edited numerous other ARNHA publications and served as co-editor with Jo Smith of a new edition of *The Outdoor World of the Sacramento Region*.