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From the Keyboard -

Boy, what an issue. This issue is usually nip and tuck to get the information from the Spring Field Trip local committee and then get it out with more than a week to go before that field trip. But Jerry Horak and the local committee are well organized and had their information to me by early February! So I thought I was in good shape and had things pretty well lined out . . . that was until the Winter KOS Board meeting at the end of February. Then all of a sudden I had a whole lot more to get into the *Horned Lark*. I had originally intended for "Is Your Landscape For the Birds" to be one large article, but I was afraid that with everything else that had to go in this issue we would wind up with a mailing that would cost extra. So we'll just spread that article over the next year's worth of issues!

There are lots of activities coming up as you can tell from the articles. It's been a blah winter so let's hope that spring rewards us with some great birding! You've got lots of advance notice so plan to attend the Spring Field Trip (that is unless you are a florist or married to one, in which case you'll be busy with Mother's Day!), as this could be a good place to pick up a few of those warblers you've missed the past several years. And please, take some time to answer our little *survey* . . . your input is DESIRED and NEEDED!

The 1994 Legislature is still in session which means anything can happen! Keep an eye on your local newspaper so when something comes up that you strongly support OR that really concerns you, call or write your local senator/representative and let them know how you feel. Many questionable pieces of legislation get passed every year because "those folks in Topeka" here nothing from "the folks back home" and feel that no news must be good news. As Woody Allen said, "The world is run by those who show up!" If you can't "show up" at least make sure that a letter or phone call shows up!

As always my thanks to Dawn for taking these ramblings and making them look good, thanks to Dawn and Galen for getting this all together and mailed, to Diane for helping get the new Directory together, to Scott for helping proofread the Birding Roundup and finally to all of you who contribute so much to each issue. Keep those cards and letters coming - it's how we'll continue to improve each issue of the *Horned Lark*!

Have a good spring and good birding!

--chuck

This is the last regular mailing you will receive if you have not paid your 1994 dues.

If you don't remember when you last paid or at which level, check you address label. So in order not to miss out on the next exciting issues of the *The Horned Lark* and *The KOS Bulletin*, send your check as soon as possible to the KOS Treasurer.

Just another reminder that Gregg Friesen is now our KOS Treasurer. Please make sure you are using his proper address when sending dues or donations.

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Gregg and the Postal Service appreciate it!

Thank you for your continued support of K.O.S.

--Diane Seltman, Membership Secretary
