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KOS SPRING MEETING AT CHEYENNE BOTTOMS

MAY 9-11

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FOR

DETAILS

A CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

Some said it looked like the sun as it rose into the sky. Some said that it represented the very cutting edge of technology. Still others commented that civilians had no place in going along. Regardless of what others have stated, N.A.S.A. attempted to place yet another shuttle into space. All of the personnel involved understood the risk and accepted the challenge.

It is not the intent of this note to express an opinion of right or wrong with reference to Challenger's final flight. However, it is the intent of this note to express the concern that Kansans acknowledge the economic and ecological challenges that the state faces. The funding requirements for research, the state Water Plan, Cheyenne Bottoms, and various other issues need our attention. Because of the complexities involved in controversial and political issues many times seeing a beginning point can be difficult. Having noted this fact, one current item that comes to mind is the Chickadee Checkoff. This income generating program sets the stage for the research necessary to develop an understanding of the issues. Hopefully the technology to resolve problems such as water level management in the Arkansas River and Cheyenne Bottoms, will follow. Finally, none of this can be accomplished without the involvement of the Kansas citizen as well as the political and academic communities. So, do your part and recruit and contribute.

Dan Williamson
Director-At-Large
Hartford, KS

KOS WINTER BOARD MEETING February 8, 1986 Marvin Schwilling home, Emporia

Members present: Roger Boyd, Elmer Finck, Jane Hershberger, Gene Lewis, Joyce Wolf,

David Bryan, Dan Williamson, Dwight Platt.

Non-voting: John Zimmerman, Marvin Schwilling, Ruth Fauhl, Ron Wolf.

After a delicious lunch served by Mrs. Schwilling, the Board meeting was called to order by President Roger Boyd at 12:35 PM.

MINUTES: The minutes of the Winter 1985 and the Fall 1985 Board meetings were approved as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gene Lewis reported that there was a good balance in KOS accounts.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT: Jane Hershberger reported that 235 members were paid up so far this year. In 1985 there were a total of 373 members; so approximately 140 delinquent notices will need to be sent. There are 71 fully paid life members and 11 partially paid. Due to an oversight, life member pins were not given at the Annual Meeting. It was decided that they should be awarded at the next Annual Meeting.

BULLETIN EDITOR'S REPORT: John Zimmerman reported that the March issue of the Bulletin had gone to the printer. He asked about the procedure for mailing the Bulletin. It was decided that he should ask the printer to send all of the Bulletins to Joyce Wolf, the new Business Manager. She will handle the mailing list and send them to members. John Zimmerman reported that he had enough copy on hand for the next few issues. He asked about the policy for publishing obituaries in the Bulletin. It was agreed that obituaries will be published in the Bulletin only for charter members. Notices of the deaths of other members will be published in the Newsletter. Gene Lewis will prepare a notice of the death of Orville Rice.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT: Elmer Finck reported that he had been receiving enough material for the Newsletter. The next issue will come out in March. Copy will be sent to Joyce Wolf to be duplicated in Lawrence.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT (QUESTIONS): Joyce Wolf, the new Business Manager, raised a number of questions:

How many Bulletin envelopes should be printed, whose return address should be on them and is the artwork for them still available? It was decided that one year's supply should be printed and they should have Joyce's address. Roger will check with Max Thompson about the artwork.

Who needs printouts of the mailing list? Jane Hershberger needs an occasional alphabetized mailing list and one by zip codes in the Fall. Gene Lewis needs a mailing list once a year separated by categories such as members, libraries, foreign, exchange, etc., with an occasional update through the year. Elmer Finck needs a list once a year to check names for the attendance list at the Annual Meeting. Roger Boyd needs a list occasionally. Ruth Fauhl needs a list of libraries and exchanges.

Should the Newsletter be saved to go out with the Bulletin in March? If she has not received the Bulletin by March 7, Joyce should go ahead and mail the Newsletter. John will call Joyce when he sends the galley back to the printer. Mailing of the Newsletter does not need to be with the Bulletin as some should come out between Bulletins. Roger will call Max Thompson to find out about the header for the front page of the Newsletter.

NEWSLETTER ON MICROFILM: A question was raised about putting the Newsletter on microfiche or microfilm. Ruth Fauhl has requested prices but has none yet. David Bryan volunteered to put it on microfilm free.

PRICE FOR BACK ISSUES OF THE BULLETIN: Gene Lewis asked about the price for back issues of the Bulletin. It was decided to sell a complete set of back issues for \$40.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Roger Boyd announced that the Spring Field Trip will be May 9-11 at Camp Aldrich. The 1987 Spring Field Trip is tentatively set for Cherokee County. The Fall Annual Meeting will be October 3-5 at Camp Wildwood. It was suggested that Olin Sewall Pettingill might be contacted for banquet speaker. The Annual Meeting in 1987 will be at Kansas State University.

EDUCATION MATERIALS: Marvin Schwilling reported that he had checked with Joyce Harmon about the preparation of some education materials. She will be glad to advise KOS in their preparation but she cannot do it. Marvin showed many education materials on birds that are available. He asked what type of materials KOS was interested in preparing. It was suggested that the President appoint a committee to evaluate these materials and come to the Spring Meeting with recommendations of one that KOS might purchase and possibly a supplement that could be distributed with it. Roger Boyd appointed a committee consisting of Marvin Schwilling (chair), Joe Schaefer, Ruth Fauhl and Roger Boyd.

WILDLIFE HERITAGE MONTH: Elmer Finck reported that planning is well under way for Wildlife Heritage Month in March as a part of the celebration of Kansas' 125th year. The plan includes establishing a natural area at Cedar Crest, the governor's mansion. They want a representative of KOS to be at the governor's mansion on March 13 at 12:30 PM for a public dedication. Roger Boyd will represent KOS.

Elmer Finck moved that KOS donate \$50 toward the expenses of Kansas Wildlife Heritage Month. Jane Hershberger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

FALCONRY BILL: A falconry bill will probably have committee hearings but probably will not get out of committee.

KANSAS WATER PLAN: Eulalia Lewis reported that the County Conservation Districts will be in charge of riparian habitat and wetlands. We should continue to monitor the development of the program.

KANSAS NONGAME WILDLIFE PROGRAM: Marvin Schwilling distributed copies of Nongame Notes and lists of projects in the nongame wildlife program. He reported that contributions to the Chickadee Checkoff were down \$30,000 last year. This year in the first 16,000 income tax returns there were only 22 contributors as compared to 57 last year. However with greater publicity this year it is hoped that contributions will be higher.

CONSERVATION ISSUES FORUM: A meeting of representatives of conservation organizations was held in October chaired by the Director of the Kansas Fish and Game Commission. Another meeting was called in January to set up a conservation coalition. However some organizations were hesitant to join a coalition so it was decided to hold a Conservation Issues Forum in June and October each year to talk about issues and hopefully plan coordinated programs. A three member steering committee was appointed to plan the forums for this year on June 7 and October 25. Each organization can send a voting representative but others can attend.

SANDHILL CRANE HUNTING SEASON: Roger Boyd reported that he had sent a letter to the Kansas Fish and Game Commission opposing a hunting season. He had received a reply indicating that the agency favored a hunting season. The Kansas Audubon Council is preparing an information sheet on the sandhill crane.

FIELD TRIPS AND HOTLINE: There was no report from the Field Trips Committee. The hotline is working okay although there have been some problems with the equipment.

OFFICIAL RECORDS COMMITTEE: Marvin Schwilling reported that they have 178 new county records that will be sent to the editor for publication in the Newsletter. He reported that there were two vacancies on the committee since Steve Kingswood has left the state and Orville Rice died. A number of suggestions were made for persons to fill these vacancies. Roger Boyd will make the appointments. (See attached report).

NEWSLETTER EXCHANGE: The Kansas Chapter of the Wildlife Society has requested a newsletter exchange with KOS. The Board was agreeable to such an exchange. David Case, with the information section of Kansas Fish and Game Commission, has requested to receive a copy of the Newsletter. The Board agreed to putting him on the mailing list for the Newsletter. If he wants the Bulletin also, he will need to join.

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS: John Zimmerman announced that the number of sites doing Christmas Bird Counts was the highest ever last year. The number of participants was also highest.

INDEX TO THE BULLETIN: A question was raised about having five year indexes rather than fifteen year indexes to the Bulletin. No decision was made.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwight R. Platt Corresponding Secretary Kansas Ornithological Society

KOS FIELD TRIP TO CHEYENNE BOTTOMS AND QUIVIRA - June 8, 1985

The field trip through Barton and Stafford Counties on June 8 had a species total of 122. Our main objective, to find Black Rails at Quivira, was not achieved, the breeze that we had hoped for all day when the temperature touched 106°F arrived after dark when we needed calm winds to listen for rails! (As far as I know there were no reports of Black Rails anywhere in the state this year.) A few late migrants, especially ducks and shorebirds, were present but there were few rarities. Participants were Mel Cooksey, Bob Fisher, Lloyd Moore, Scott and Diane Seltman.

BEST BIRDS

Tricolored Heron	1 in Pool 3	6-08-85	Barton
Cinnamon Teal	at least 2 pair		Barton
King Rail	Several at Quivira after dark		Stafford
Virginia	Several at Quivira after dark		Stafford
Common Moorhen	2 along east edge of Pool 1		Barton
Black-bellied Plover	1		Stafford
Golden Plover	3		Stafford
Sanderling	1		Barton
Short-billed Dowitcher	l carefully studied		Barton
Chuck-will's-widow	Several at Quivira		Stafford
Cooper's Hawk	Just a fleeting glimpse of a large accipiter at the refuge office. Cooper's have nested there previously	•	Stafford
Say's Phoebe	Nest with 5 young atop a light fixture in a Nekoma garage	6-09-85	Rush

Scott Seltman Nekoma, KS

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON COLOR-MARKED SNOW GEESE

Lesser Snow Geese will be color-marked at Sequoyah National Wildlife Refuge in eastern Oklahoma to determine their migrational route and breeding grounds. Lesser Snow Geese use several refuges along the Central Flyway for wintering and migration purposes. This study will attempt to plot the breeding grounds, migration routes and wintering areas of geese using Sequoyah NWR. Knowledge gained from the study will help managers better coordinate management activities between refuges regarding the snow goose flock.

Geese will be sprayed with red paint. As time goes on this may fade into pink and will be shed with molting in the spring and summer.

If you see or hear of any snow geese so colored, please contact:

REFUGE MANAGER SEQUOYAH NWR RT. 1, BOX 18A VIAN, OK 74962 918-773-5251

The date of observation, exact location and any other pertinent information will be important. We would also appreciate it if you would bring this request to the attention of others who may be in a position to observe any of these color-marked snow geese.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Marvin Schwilling Emporia, KS

KANSAS FIELD DAY

Paul Lehman, an avid birder from Goleta, California, spent about 4 hours on May 14, 1985 birding in extreme northwest Kansas and discovered the following first county records for Cheyenne County. Most of the passerine species were found along the river southwest of St. Francis while the waterbirds were seen at some of the temporary ponds in the southern part of the county.

First County Records		Other Notable Sightings	
Solitary Sandpiper Whimbrel Least Sandpiper Stilt Sandpiper	(2) (2) (3) (28)	Upland Sandpiper Red-bellied Woodpecker Least Flycatcher Swainson's Thrush	(1) (2) (7) (7)
Long-billed Dowitcher Hermit Thrush Water Pipit Cedar Waxwing Tennessee Warbler "Audubon's" Warbler Blackpoll Warbler Northern Waterthrush MacGillivray's Warbler Bobolink	(1) (1) (1) (10) (1) (2) (1 male) (4) (2 males) (10)	Gray Catbird Warbling Vireo Ovenbird Yellow-breasted Chat Black-headed Grosbeak Lazuli Bunting	(2) (15) (2) (3) (1) (1 singing male)

Paul Lehman P.O. Box 1061 Goleta, CA 93116

FIRST COUNTY RECORDS - June-December 1985

Arctic Loon	1 on Cedar Bluff still present 11-27	11-23-85	Trego
Horned Grebe	Several on Webster	10-15-85	Rooks
Eared Grebe	(2) (actually a common migrant)	11-09-85	Trego
Clark's Grebe	2 seen by many KC birders et. al.	8-31-85	Barton
Clark's Grebe	4 on Kirwin	10-19-85	Phillips
White Pelican	1 on Elkhart sewage ponds	9-21-85	Morton
Great Egret	2 at new dam near LaCrosse	9-13-85	Rush
Cattle Egret	1 at Elkhart sewage ponds	9-21-85	Morton
Trumpeter Swan	Huge adult identified by long neck,	11-27-85	Trego
	broad flattened bill, and posture.		
	May have been an "escapee" from Neb.		
	or S.D. flocks or a genuine vagrant		
	driven from Canada by the "Siberian		
	"Express".		
White-winged Scoter	4 on Cedar Bluff	10-15-85	Trego
Common Merganser	(1)	11-15-85	Rush
Red-breasted Merganser	(4)	11-09-85	Trego
Red-breasted Merganser	30+ on Wilson Res.	11-16-85	Russell
Cooper's Hawk	one flying across county line	8 -21- 85	Norton
Cooper's Hawk	same bird	8-21-85	Graham
Northern Goshawk	Adult well seen on CBC	12-26-85	Scott
Merlin	1 on K-4 north of Scott City	12-26-85	Scott
Virginia Rail	1 on CBC, previously seen by S. Norman	12-26-85	Scott
Black-bellied Plover	1 on K-96 w. of Leoti	8-23-85	Wichita
Semipalmated Plover	(1)	6-05-85	Rush
Semipalmated Plover	(1)	9-05-85	Trego
Greater Yellowlegs	(2)	9-14-85	Morton
Sanderling	1 on KOS field trip at Cedar Bluff	10-06-85	Trego
Semipalmated Sandpiper	(2)	8-23-85	Wichita
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Several on KOS field trip	10-06-85	Trego
Least Sandpiper	(1)	8-23-85	Wichita -
Least Sandpiper	(20)	9-05-85	Trego
White-rumped Sandpiper	(4)	6-05-85	Rush
Baird's Sandpiper	(1)	10-06-85	Trego
Pectoral Sandpiper	(7)	8-23-85	Wichita
Common Snipe	(1)	10-13-85	Rush
Red Phalarope	1 among Red-necked Phalaropes on	9-21-85	Morton
	Elkhart sewage ponds seen with T.		
	Cable. Later seen by D. Vannoy, R. Wiley, L. & R. Smith		
Bonaparte's Gull	several on Webster	10-15-85	Rooks
Bonaparte's Gull	several on Webster several on Cedar Bluff	10-13-85	Trego
bonaparte s Guii	(reported before)	10-13-63	Itego
Ring-billed Gull	2 near Hill City	10-15-85	Graham
Forster's Tern	(30+) (actually seen previously)	9-05-85	Trego
Eastern Screech Owl	3 near Lenora	9-05-85	Norton
Eastern Screech Owl	2 near Hill City	10-15-85	Graham
Marsh Wren	40 on CBC (also seen last year)	12-26-85	Scott
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	(1)	9-05-85	Norton
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1 by KOS field trip	10-06-85	Trego
Gray Catbird	1 near Hill City	9~05-85	Graham
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Warbling Vireo		6-04-85	Gove
Sharp-tailed Sparrow	seen with McHugh and Moore	10-26-85	Rush
"White-winged Junco	(1)	11-02-85	Trego
"White-winged" Junco	6 well seen on CBC	12-26-85	Scott
"Gray-headed" Junco	1 at feeder	12-20-85	Pawnee
Snow Bunting	2 on CBC	12-26-85	Scott
Purple Finch	1 at Russell Cemetery	11-16-85	Russell
House Finch	(present for many years)	9-05-85	Trego
Evening Grosbeak	(2)	11-23-85	Trego

Scott Seltman Nekoma, KS

LIFE MEMBERS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1985

Katharine B. Kelley Carl S. Holmes Amelia J. Betts (deceased) Max C. Thompson Philip G. Kaul J. W. Butin Charles H. Franklin, Jr. Katherine Nelson Phebe B. Gates Robert G. Barnhardt Robert M. Mengel Ivan L. Boyd (deceased) Dorothy M. Ehart Chandler S. Robbins Richard H. Schmidt I. Mabel Willis Jerome Jackson Mrs. T. M. O'Keefe Wallace Champeny Margaret Boyd Gordon C. Sauer Olin Sewall Pettingill, Jr. Steve Burr Phyllis J. Henney Sebastian Patti Helen Garrett Richard Garrett Joyce Davis Marvin Schwilling Earl Carlson Phillip Menninger Marvin Kuehn

Wally Boles

Marion Mengel Jane Holland George Neavoll Celia White Jay Newton Eulalia Lewis Eugene R. Lewis Shirley Weaver Jane Hershberger I. Leroy Holt II Theodore Sperry Stan Roth Ruth Fauhl Roger Boyd Donna Cooper Charles Ely Steve Kingswood James K. O'Toole Nada Voth John Parrish Lorena Combs Steven Crawford Paul C. Finninger Richard Rucker Ruth Broderson Tom Flowers Don Yockey Hazel Moore Nanette Johnson Jack Tyler Esther Stockebrand Jean M. Bailey Dwight Platt

Jane Hershberger Newton, KS

NEW COUNTY RECORDS

Species	County	<u>Date</u>	Observer
Redhead	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Ring-necked Duck	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Lesser Scaup	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Common Goldeneye	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Common Merganser	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Ruddy Duck	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Greater Prairie Chicken	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
American Coot	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Chuck-wills-widow	Labette	-/-/84	Donald Stout
Eared Grebe	Neosho	-/-/	Donald Stout
Cooper's Hawk	Neosho	-/-/	Donald Stout
Bank Swallow	Neosho	-/-/	Donald Stout
Leconte's Sparrow	Neosho	-/-/	Donald Stout
Water Pipit	Neosho	-/-/	Donald Stout
Magnificant Hummingbird	Linn	-/-/78	Martin & Barbara Pressgrove
Ruff	Barton	6/22/82	Roger Boyd
Western Grebe	Osage	11/03/84	Bob Fisher
Solitary Sandpiper	Bourbon	-/-/ - -	Byron Berger
Screech Owl	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
White-throated Sparrow	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
White-crowned Sparrow	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
Harris Sparrow	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
Brown Creeper	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
Golden Crowned Kinglet	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
Pine Siskin	Atchison	11/03/84	Byron Berger
Northern Shrike	Marion	12/18/84	Marvin Schwilling
Whooping Cranes (2)	Marion	12/18/84	Dale Snelling
Common Redpoll	Sumner	12/10/84	Wallace Champney
Thayers Gull	Wyandotte	1/06/85	Mike McHugh
Worm-eating Warbler	Marion	5/06/78	Steve Crawford & Richard Parker
Bay-breasted Warbler	Marion	5/06/78	Steve Crawford & Richard Parker
Ovenbird			
Northern Waterthrush	Marion	5/06/78 5/06/78	Steve Crawford & Richard Parker Steve Crawford & Richard Parker
Hooded Warbler	Marion Marion	5/06/78 5/06/78	
		5/06/78	Steve Crawford & Richard Parker
Red-necked Grebe	Wyandotte	1/13/85	Lloyd Moore
Glaucous Gull	Wyandotte	1/13/85	Mel Cooksie, et al.
Blue Goose	Atchison	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Hairy Woodpecker	Atchison	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Tufted Titmouse	Atchison	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Oregon Junco	Atchison	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Western Meadowlark	Atchison	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Brewers Blackbird	Brown	1/05/85	Gene Lewis
Pine Siskin	Jackson	1/06/85	Gene Lewis
Glaucous Gull	Jefferson	12/29/84	Gene Lewis
Prairie Falcon	Miami	1/05/85	Mike Mueller, et al.
Red Crossbill	Pratt	1/19/85	Bob Wood
Trumpeter Swans (4)	Anderson	1/23/85	Bill Brecheisen

Tundra Swans (3)	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew
Hooded Merganser	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew
Herring Gull	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew
Screech Owl	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew
House Finch	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew
Pine Siskin	Norton	3/05/84	Jim Mayhew

Marvin Schwilling Emporia, KS

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

The Kansas Fish and Game Commission's Law Enforcement branch is subject to recent Supreme Court decisions regarding work time. Our officers are limited to no more than 171 hours in a 28-day period. If they go over in hours, they must be paid overtime rates. Since our budget is being stretched now, we are in no position to pay overtime. Therefore, we must curtail certain services, one of which is extensive travel and time involved in picking up and caring for sick, wounded, or otherwise grounded hawks, owls, and eagles.

In order to provide care for these birds, we are assessing the potential of voluntary help in picking up, temporarily possessing, and transporting raptors. We are not asking that volunteers climb trees, remove damage-causing birds, or anything other than picking them up and delivering them to places that are equipped to care for them.

Please fill out and return the following questionnaire:

- 1. Would be interested in being a volunteer.
- 2. Not interested in being a volunteer.
- 3. Interested, but would like more information.

NAME		 	 	
ADDRESS				_
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PHONE		 		

Return to: Bill Hlavachick, Supervisor Species Management Section Kansas Fish & Game Commission Route 2, Box 54A

Pratt, KS 67124

COUNTY RECORD ADDITIONS FROM DR. ELY

Species

County

Western Grebe
Brown Pelican
Cattle Egret
Great Egret
Least Bittern
White-faced Ibis
White-faced Ibis
Flamingo
Tundra Swan

Tundra Swan
White-fronted Goose
White-fronted Goose
Fulvous Tree Duck
Mottled Duck
Wood Duck
Wood Duck
European Wigeon
Barrows Goldeneye
Barrows Goldeneye
Barrows Goldeneye

01d Squaw

Broad-winged Hawk

Osprey

Prairie Falcon

Greater Prairie Chicken Lesser Prairie Chicken

Whooping Crane
Whooping Crane
Virginia Rail
Virginia Rail
Semipalmated Plover
Snowy Plover

Mountain Plover American Woodcock Common Snipe Long-billed Curlew Long-billed Curlew

Willet Willet

Greater Yellowlegs Least Sandpiper

Dunlin

Semipalmated Sandpiper Western Sandpiper Western Sandpiper

Sanderling

Harvey Pratt (?) Meade Meade Clark Clark Meade Stafford Meade Greenwood Wilson Pratt Clark (?) Meade Osborne Shawnee Scott Stafford Trego Finney Meade Harper

Johnson
Hamilton
Anderson (?)
Neosho (?)
Douglas (?)
Edwards
Sheridan
Comanche
Sheridan
Clark
Seward
Meade
Pottawatomie

Anderson
Morton
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Species

County Coffey Meade

Short-billed Dowitcher Long-billed Dowitcher Parasitic Jaeger Glaucous Gull

Short-billed Dowitcher

Clark Russell Kearny

Black-legged Kittiwake Band-tailed Pigeon

Harvey (hypothetical) Clark

White-winged Dove Inca Dove Inca Dove

Russell McPherson Saline Ellsworth Meade Allen

Black-billed Cuckoo Roadrunner

Meade

Groove-billed Ani

Delete Lyon, found to be in error

Barred Owl

Carolina Parakeet

Chuck Ely Hays, KS

DATE GUIDE TO THE OCCURRENCES OF BIRDS IN OKLAHOMA

The Bird Records Committee of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society recently created a "Date Guide to the Occurrences of Birds in Oklahoma" as an aid to reporting noteworthy observations. The Date Guide provides information for bird species according to seven regions designated in Oklahoma. This Date Guide will be a functional element of our Verification and Bird Records. Copies are available for \$2.00 from:

> Bill Dirck, Treasurer Oklahoma Ornithological Society P.O. Box 65 Ada, OK 74820

Sightings of noteworthy observations in Oklahoma by KOS members can be sent to me (Joseph A. Grzybowski, 1701 Lenox, Norman, OK, 73069) or to regional compilers listed in our publication -- The Scissortail.

> Joseph A. Grzybowski, Chairman Bird Records Committee Oklahoma Ornithological Society

KOS FIELD TRIP

Field trip to Cherokee County on Saturday and Sunday May 3 & 4, 1986. Contact Scott Seltman 913-329-4411 for further details.

ANNUAL KOS SPRING MEETING

The 1986 KOS spring meeting will be held at Cheyenne Bottoms near Great Bend on May 9-11. Organized field trips to Cheyenne Bottoms and surrounding areas will be available Saturday, May 10, and Sunday May 11. Dormitory-style sleeping accomodations will be available at the Camp Aldridge Conference Center, located two miles east of Cheyenne Bottoms on HWY 156, for Friday and Saturday nights. You will need to bring your own bed and bath linens for these accomodations. Meals will be available at the Barton County Community College Student Union (U-building), located three miles south of the Cheyenne Bottoms Headquarters. If you plan to utilize the Camp Aldridge accomodations and eat meals with the group on campus, I must have your reservations no later than 30 April so that final arrangements can be made with the staff at the college. For those not wanting to stay at Camp Aldridge, there are several motels available in Great Bend, all located on 10th Street (HWY 156). The staging area for the Saturday morning field trips will be the parking lot in front of the Bottoms Headquarters. We are looking forward to having a great time and seeing many good birds.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

MOTELS

Angus Inn (Best Western) 316-792-3541 Holiday Inn 316-792-2431 Econolodge 316-792-8235 Highland Manor Economy Hotel 316-792-7219 Welcome Inn 316-793-7854

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please return the registration form along with your registration fee and payment for any combination of lodging and meals you wish by April 30th. Registration begins after 5:00 PM Friday.

FEES

Registration \$2.00 per person

Lodging \$4.50 per person per night

(Trail's End Cabin, Camp Aldridge)

Meals: Breakfast \$2.50 per person

Lunch \$3.00 per person pinner \$4.00 per person

RETURN THIS PORTION

NAME:			
ADDRESS:		·	
PHONE #:			
REGISTRATION FEE:	\$2.00	No	Amount
LODGING: Friday Night	\$4.50	No •	Amount
Saturday Night	\$4.50	No •	Amount
MEALS: Breakfast Saturday	\$2.50	No •	Amount
Lunch Saturday	\$3.00	No	Amount
Dinner Saturday	\$4.00	No •	Amount
Breakfast Sunday	\$2.50	No	Amount
Lunch Sunday	\$3.00	No	Amount_
			TOTAL

SEND REGISTRATION TO: GUY ERNSTING

R. R. 2, BOX 152

ELLINWOOD, KS 67526 316-564-3394 (Evenings)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: THE KANSAS ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY