

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT: Diane Seltman reported that she had 75 old members to whom she will have to send reminders because they have not renewed for this year.

HOT LINE: Scott Seltman reported that there were no problems.

DINGUS NATURAL AREA: Jim Mayhew reported that he had visited the Dingus Natural Area and it was a very beautiful and unique area. He asked Bob Weese to repaint the signs and authorized payment for this expense. He found evidence of trespassing to mark a trail for a horse ride and he lodged a complaint with the sheriff. He reported that we need to proceed with a boundary survey and fencing. Jim will talk with The Nature Conservancy to see if they will help with the expenses for this.

FALL MEETING: The Fall Meeting will be in Hays on October 2-3. Mike Rader will work with Chuck Ely on this meeting.

SPRING MEETING: The Spring Meeting next year will be at the Marais des Cygnes Wildlife Refuge and the Dingus Natural Area. It was decided to hold it on May 7 - 8.

KANSAS BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE: David Seibel reported that the Kansas Bird Records Committee had approved changes in the Procedural Rules of the committee at their meeting on April 10. These rule changes would:

- 1) provide that members of the committee be elected by the Kansas Bird Records Committee from nominations made by the KOS membership and with approval of the KOS Board. This procedure would replace appointment by the KOS President;
- 2) provide that new members and new officers would take office at the annual KOS Spring Field Trip; and
- 3) provide that the annual meeting of the Kansas Bird Records Committee would be held after the KOS Winter Board Meeting and before the annual KOS Spring Field Trip. The procedure would work as follows: A call for nominations to be sent to the Secretary of the Kansas Bird Records Committee would be published in the June Newsletter. Members would need to determine a nominee's qualifications and willingness to serve before submitting a nomination. At the Fall Meeting, Kansas Bird Records committee members would hold an election to select new members from the nominees. The Board would vote on approving newly elected members at the Winter board Meeting and the KBRC could elect officers at the annual meeting of the committee.

David Seibel moved that the changes in the Procedural Rules of the Kansas Bird Records Committee be approved by the Board. Scott Seltman seconded the motion. Some members of the Board felt that the procedure was too cumbersome. It was also suggested that nomination by KOS members would probably not work very well. It was suggested that the Committee could better select qualified nominees and then the Board or the membership could elect new members from these nominees. Mike Rader moved that the motion be tabled and the procedure be referred back to the committee for reconsideration. Diane Seltman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

STUDENT RESEARCH FUND COMMITTEE: Elmer Finck has asked to resign from the Student Research Fund Committee. Jim Mayhew asked for suggestions of names of persons who would be able to raise money for this fund.

KANSAS NONGAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE: We need to appoint a representative and an alternate to the Kansas Nongame Wildlife Advisory Committee. Jim Mayhew will contact Elmer Finck to find out when the next meeting is and will appoint representatives.

SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE: Southwestern College has asked to apply the payment they made for a life membership (which was denied by the KOS Board) to annual dues. The Board approved this by consensus.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND: Dwight Platt suggested that since interest from the life membership fund was not supporting memberships and since we were planning to try to raise money for the Student Research Fund, it might be wise to retain funds paid by life members who die in the life membership fund rather than transferring them to the Student Research Fund. This will be considered at a future meeting.

David Seibel moved that the meeting adjourn. Mike Rader seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Dwight R. Platt, Corresponding Secretary

Birding Ethics *by Chuck Otte*

We birders frequently feel that we are pretty alert and aware environmentalists. But are we really? Over the past year some disconcerting events have occurred nationwide (all outside of Kansas to my knowledge) drawing attention to the saddening lack of ethical behavior among a few of our following.

- In Guadalupe Canyon, one of the prime birding areas in southeast Arizona/southwest New Mexico, the owners have had to ask for the help of several birding associations to reduce the impact of large groups of birders on fragile vegetation and ecosystems. Tour groups are no longer welcome at this location.
- A Dusky Thrush was present on private property in British Columbia for several months this winter. The non-birding homeowners were, at first, gracious hosts to the hundreds of birders that came to find the bird. But all too quickly things got out of hand with birders assuming that access to the bird was guaranteed and that permission need not be obtained. The owners finally had to post their property as off limits. The sad point is that the bird was clearly visible from public property with just a little patience. (We may have narrowly avoided a similar incident last fall with the Groove-billed Ani of Miami County.)
- In the Davis Mountains of west Texas property owners had a very reliable group of Montezuma Quail that visited them quite regularly. Once again, they were initially friendly and helpful to birders coming to see the quail. But as birding pressure grew with the increasing number of birders, these fine folk finally had to put their property off limits to birders. Imagine coming home to your yard and finding that people you didn't know had pitched their tent and set up camp in your front yard!

I don't bring up these events to point out what a malicious and thoughtless group birders are. On the contrary, 99.99% of all birders I've ever met or have been associated with are fine, thoughtful, conscientious people. BUT, problems can rapidly get out of hand, meaning each and every one of us must make sure things don't get out of hand in the first place!

Okay, so we don't camp out in the yard of someone that we don't know without asking permission. But how many times have we jumped a fence for just a few minutes to kick that warbler up out of that plum thicket? Surely none of us have ever played a tape perhaps just a little too long trying to get that blankety-blank bird to respond. And do we think about the potential impact of pursuing those life-list birds through fragile ecosystems right in the middle of breeding season?

If the ethic we should hold were to come down to one word then, that word would be RESPECT. If we all have some good old fashioned respect, then we won't have problems. Respect for private property, respect for public property, respect for the birds and respect for the environment.

We've all heard the phrase, "treat it like your own." My father, who knows me all too well, always used to tell me, "treat it better than your own." Perhaps that's not such a bad idea. Most of us probably take pretty good care of what we have, so if we treat other's property, privacy and wishes even better than our own, we will promote the positive image of bird watching that I know we all strive for.

The American Birding Association has an excellent code of ethics for birdwatchers which they have graciously allowed us to reproduce. Take the time to read it and then try to follow it. Consider it the "10 Commandments for Birders." Follow those ethics when you're birding. Follow them when you lead a group of birders. Follow them when you're with a group of birders. And if you are with birders who aren't following them, then leave and bird on your own. Don't be guilty merely by association.

We are all active and dedicated birders and share the love of birds. Let's never let a bad image of Kansas birders develop because of inappropriate actions or activities!

Know a Good Kid?

I'm sure we all too often have complained about "those darn kids today," or have at least heard someone say something like that. But when you stop and think about it, we all probably know three "good kids" for every "bad kid." KOS President Jim Mayhew and I are toying around with some sort of Youth Nature Award or Spotlight on Youth article or something similar that will help focus on youth that are doing good things for birds, birding and nature or the environment in general.

But before we can make any awards or spotlight a young enthusiast, we need to know what youth are doing good things. So, anytime you find out about or are involved with a youth that's doing something good for birds or nature, write me a note and give me the details. Thanks for your support of birding and the youth of Kansas!

American Birding Association Code of Ethics

We, the Membership of the American Birding Association, believe that all birders have an obligation at all times to protect wildlife, the natural environment, and the rights of others. We therefore pledge ourselves to provide leadership in meeting this obligation by adhering to the following general guidelines of good birding behavior.

I. Birders must always act in ways that do not endanger the welfare of birds or other wildlife.

In keeping with this principle, we will

- Observe and photograph birds without knowingly disturbing them in any significant way.
- Avoid chasing or repeatedly flushing birds.
- Only sparingly use recordings and similar methods of attracting birds and not use these methods in heavily birded areas.
- Keep an appropriate distance from nests and nesting colonies so as not to disturb them or expose them to danger.
- Refrain from handling birds or eggs unless engaged in recognized research activities.

II. Birders must always act in ways that do not harm the natural environment.

In keeping with this principle, we will

- Stay on existing roads, trails, and pathways whenever possible to avoid trampling or otherwise disturbing fragile habitat.
- Leave all habitat as we found it.

III. Birders must always respect the rights of others.

In keeping with this principle, we will

- Respect the privacy and property of others by observing No Trespassing signs and by asking permission to enter private or posted lands.

- Observe all laws and the rules and regulations which govern public use of birding areas.
- Practice common courtesy in our contacts with others. For example, we will limit our requests for information, and we will make them at reasonable hours of the day.
- Always behave in a manner that will enhance the image of the birding community in the eyes of the public.

IV. Birders in groups should assume special responsibilities.

As group members, we will

- Take special care to alleviate the problems and disturbances that are multiplied when more people are present.
- Act in consideration of the group's interest, as well as our own.
- Support by our actions the responsibility of the group leader(s) for the conduct of the group.

As group leaders, we will

- Assume responsibility for the conduct of the group.
- Learn and inform the group of any special rules, regulations, or conduct applicable to the area or habitat being visited.
- Limit groups to a size that does not threaten the environment or the peace and tranquility of others.
- Teach others birding ethics by our words and example.

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WANTED:
A Story about your Favorite Bird or Birding Spot!
 (We'll take a little more than
 "Just the facts, ma'am"--"sirs," too!!!)

Still Time to Fill Out That Survey! If that survey in the back of this issue looks familiar it's because you saw it in the March issue as well. Volunteer coordinator Roy Beckemeyer indicated that he got a pretty good response, but we'd still like to do a little better. So, if like this editor, you didn't fill out the survey in the last issue take a few minutes today to fill it out and send it to Roy. You'll be glad you did!

Sandhill Crane Season in Kansas?????

by Dave Rintoul

[Following is an article (letter) from Dave Rintoul, KOS member and newsletter editor for the Northern Flinthills Audubon Society in Manhattan. In keeping with last issue's article, "Get Involved," we pass Dave's article on to you and hope that if you have any feelings at all about this subject you WILL get involved and write those commissioners to let them know how you feel. If you want more information or background, contact Dave and he will be more than happy to oblige.]

On June 17, 1993, by unanimous vote, the seven KDWP commissioners requested the agency staff to prepare regulations for a Sandhill Crane season in the fall of this year. For those of us who fought to have this issue decided purely on the biological facts, it was a major disappointment. Even though the KDWP commissioners are not elected, and even though their only constituents are the wildlife and wildlife habitat of the state of Kansas, they voted to please what they perceived to be the majority, the few hundred Kansans who wish to experience Sandhill cranes "over the barrel of a gun." It is saddening to continually be reminded that politics and pressure are the primary determinants of management practices for the wildlife and habitat of the state; biological concerns and the welfare of the wildlife are well behind in this contest. This hunting season proposal was conceived in nonscientific supposition (hunters in the Great Bend area believe that there are more cranes now), fed by biological misrepresentations delivered by the waterfowl "biologist" who prepared the recommendations for the commissioners (there is only one population of cranes in the flyway, and it can be "managed" very easily based on that assumption), and brought to fruition by the woeful failure of staff and commission members to question some truly incredible claims put forward at that meeting (cranes not shot in Kansas will just be shot somewhere else on the flyway). And now we will probably have to live with a season that will contribute to the mismanagement of Sandhill cranes, and potentially set back the recovery of the whooping cranes.

Quite a charming package, all in all. But if you were opposed to the establishment of a Sandhill Crane season

and didn't write letters, make phone calls, or come to the meeting in Emporia, you are partially responsible for that package. The poor turnout by other Kansas conservation groups certainly didn't help the cause; only NFHAS, Topeka and Jayhawk Audubon members ventured to give their opinions to the commissioners. I suspect that many were lulled into complacency because of the fact that similar proposals were beaten back in 1982 and 1986, but I hope that this outcome can serve to extinguish that attitude and help us get back on track.

What can be done at this point? Obviously, this battle is not being fought on biological or scientific grounds. Petitions and public pressure should not decide such issues, but it seems that petitions and public pressure do make a difference to this non-elective body. If it is true that the commission responds to pressure, then we need to put more pressure on them. KDWP estimates (optimistically) that 500 people statewide want to shoot cranes; surely more than 500 people in Kansas want to watch cranes. Those people need to write or call the commissioners. Kansas Audubon members and others throughout the region who have contributed to the Platte River Crane sanctuaries have even more reason to write or call, since their funds, and not hunting license dollars, have helped to save the cranes. If it irritates you to think that you have been contributing to save birds so that they can be shot in Kansas, good. Get irritated, get some stamps, and get busy.

This is one case where conservation organizations have put up substantial funds; we need to remind the commissioners of that fact and make sure that they can't forget it. For too many years we have been told that our concerns about wildlife cannot be given priority because most wildlife conservation funds come from hunting and fishing licenses. Now that the reverse is true, and our concerns still come in second, we need to make some noise and ask why. This need not be an emotional issue, it is a biological issue and a fairness issue. Names, addresses and phone numbers of the commissioners are found on below; they need to hear from you. Call me if you need or want more information.

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(Watch in the next issue for more information on computerized birding from Chuck Otte!)

A Tri-colored Heron brought excitement to several birders at Quivira in late May, (although I missed it by 2 days!). Whooping Cranes appeared through south central Kansas in good numbers with a whopping 50 to 60 Whoopers at one time at Quivira, and others straggling slowly through Reno County. [ed. - at press time questions have been raised as to whether or not these were all Whooping Cranes. Some birders feel that it would be unlikely to have THAT many Whoopers at the same time that early in the year at Quivira.] Numerous species pushed beyond their normal spring limits, and several may be setting new county breeding records. Inca Doves seem to be quite comfortable in Garden City based on the regularity of their sightings. With many Kansas birders actively working KBBAT Blocks, we are all anxiously awaiting to see what the "Swainson's Warbler" kind of discovery will be this year!

Wet weather all across the state May 8th didn't deter those participating in the North American Migration Count. Stafford County led the state with 164 species, Linn County was next with an impressive 151, then Finney - 122, Scott - 110, Riley - 106, and Morton - 85 (but with only 2 observers). Dave Rintoul, participating in the Riley County count, lamented that given the wet conditions he was disappointed not to find a Dipper. Better luck next year, Dave!

Following Spring Roundup you will find a rather lengthy set of corrections to the fall/winter report. Please take note of these corrections. As is frequently the case when a rookie takes over from a seasoned veteran, a few "oops" happen. In an attempt to save space, and perhaps time, I tried to use the 2 letter county codes. Well, not only do most of us not remember what they are, I managed to perform the Herculean task of moving Quivira National Wildlife Refuge to Stanton County! Please note that the refuge is now back in Stafford County where it belongs. Along those lines, though, it would be of help to both Hotline Operator Scott Seltman and myself if, when you call in your reports, you give county locations when not obvious (and remember that what's obvious to you may not be obvious to me!). But seriously, people other than KOS members use these records, so when you do find an error, please call it to my attention so we can get it corrected in the next issue. By the way, just exactly where is the Nelson Environmental Area and is it in Douglas County or not?

BIRDING HIGHLIGHTS / March 1993 through May 1993

Species	Location and number	Observers	Date	County
Common Loon	1 in Breeding Plumage	MR	3-23-93	Russell
Common Loon	1 at Winfield City Lake	RB,PB	3-28-93	Cowley
Common Loon	1 at MDC	m.ob.	5-08-93	Linn
American Bittern	22 at QNWR	m.ob.	5-08-93	Stafford
Least Bittern	2 at West Lassiter Marsh	DLS	5-15-93	Jefferson
Least Bittern	1 at CB	JO,CO	5-23-93	Barton
Tri-colored Heron	1 at QNWR	SC,RP	5-15-93	Stafford
	still present		5-21-93	
White-faced Ibis	8 east of Clay Center	CHe	4-28-93	Clay
Tundra Swan (?)	3 over Lake Afton	JN,DK	3-26-93	Sedgwick
Trumpeter Swan	2 at Silver Lake	JB,DG	3-06-93	Shawnee
	still present		3-26-93	Shawnee
Greater White-front Goose	1 at QNWR	m.ob.	5-08-93	Stafford
Snow Goose	1 at QNWR	LM,GP	5-29-93	Stafford
Ross' Geese	3 at MDC	CH	3-20-93	Linn
Cinnamon Teal	8 in CB pool #2	SS,DS	3-20-93	Barton
Greater Scaup	5 at Paola sewage ponds	CH	3-20-93	Miami
Greater Scaup	4 at Milford Lake	DLS	3-16-93	Geary
Greater Scaup	Kaw Valley Fish Farms and at Clinton State Park	LM,MM,BF,GP	4-04-93	Douglas
Greater Scaup	45 at Perry WMA	DLS	4-04-93	Jefferson
Oldsquaw	1 at QNWR	WH	3-29-93	Stafford
Oldsquaw	1 m, Tuttle Reservoir swimming beach	DR	4-20-93	Pottawatomie
Black Scoter	1 m at El Dorado Lake	RM	4-01-93	Butler
Virginia Rail	2 near Milford Fish Hatchery	JO,CO	3-13-93	Geary

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Common Moorhen	2 at West Lassiter Marsh Still present at East Lassiter Marsh; showing breeding activity	DLS	5-16-93 5-26-93	Jefferson
Sandhill Crane	700+ crossing Pawnee County	SS	3-05-93	Pawnee
Whooping Crane	50 - 60 at Quivira's Big Salt Marsh in with Sandhill Cranes	JNi	3-27-93	Stafford
Whooping Crane	south of Yoder	??	4-07-93	Reno
Whooping Crane	1 imm in western Reno County still present		4-19-93 4-25-93	Reno Reno
Osprey	1 at Winfield City Lake	RB,PB	3-28-93	Cowley
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at Perry Lake Started nesting in February, abandoned nest March 12		3-01-93	Jefferson
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at Clinton Reservoir		3-15-93	Douglas
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at Tuttle Creek Reservoir abandoned in mid-April		3-15-93	Pottawatomie
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at El Dorado State Park		3-15-93	Butler
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at Hillsdale Lake		4-11-93	Miami
Bald Eagle	Nesting Pair at John Redmond Reservoir		4-11-93	Coffey
Northern Goshawk	1 imm, KDOT ponds in Wichita	PJ	3-04-93	Sedgwick
Northern Goshawk	1 along N fork of Solomon River	??	3-27-93	Norton
Northern Goshawk	1 at Upper Ferguson Marsh	LM	4-09-93	Jefferson
Red-shouldered Hawk	1 near Manhattan Airport	DR	4-18-93	Riley
Broad-winged Hawk	2 migrating over Wichita	JN	4-10-93	Sedgwick
Golden Eagle	1 se of Alma	MI,GK	4-11-93	Shawnee
Peregrine Falcon	2 possibly nesting in downtown Topeka egg laying is occurring but the eggs are falling to the ground still present but no new eggs	JB	3-11-93 5-16-93 5-30-93	Shawnee
Peregrine Falcon	1 at QNWR many observers reported a Peregrine Falcon from Quivira during the late winter and spring season.	m.ob.	4-24-93	Stafford
Prairie Falcon	1 at Jct US24 & US59	MM,BF	3-14-93	Jefferson
Piping Plover	1 at QNWR	GK	4-19-93	Stafford
Piping Plover	6 at QNWR	m.ob.	4-24-93	Stafford
Piping Plover	1 at MDC Unit F2	LM	4-24-93	Linn
Ruddy Turnstone	50 at QNWR Big Salt Marsh	KB	5-27-93	Stafford
Baird's Sandpiper	50 at Slate Creek Marsh	???	3-27-93	Sumner
Dunlin	2 in Morton County	LRS	5-08-93	Morton
Dunlin	48 at QNWR Big Salt Marsh	SS	5-15-93	Stafford
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	20+ w of Slate Creek Marsh	m.ob.	5-01-93	Sumner
Short-billed Dowitcher	2 at QNWR Big Salt Marsh	MR	5-12-93	Stafford
Parasitic Jaeger	1 at CB chasing gulls	EM	4-23-93	Barton
Laughing Gull	1 at QNWR	LM,GP	5-29-93	Stafford
California Gull	1 2nd winter at Perry	LM,MM,GP	3-06-93	Jefferson
California Gull	1 at Perry swimming beach still present	LM,GP	3-21-93 3-28-93	Jefferson Jefferson
Thayer's Gull	1 adult at Perry Lake Dam	LM,MM,GP	3-06-93	Jefferson
Thayer's Gull	2 at Rock Creek Marina, Perry	MM,BF	3-14-93	Jefferson
Thayer's Gull	3 1st winter, Rock Creek area	LM,GP	3-21-93	Jefferson
Glaucous Gull	1 imm, Rock Creek area Perry	JL	3-17-93	Jefferson
Common Tern	4 at QNWR	LM,GP	5-29-93	Stafford
Inca Dove	3 in Garden City still being seen	LR,BR	3-25-93 4-20-93	Finney
Inca Dove	0.5 m north of Thayer	RR	4-24-93	Neosho
Long-eared Owl	3 near KWP office, Wilson State Park	MR	3-09-93	Russell
Long-eared Owl	1 M roosting near completed nest evidence in late March showed this nesting attempt failed	DLS	3-27-93	Jefferson
Long-eared Owl	Nesting, Wakefield Arboretum	DR,m.ob.	4-24-93	Clay
Whip-poor-will	1 roosting at Scott Lake	m.ob.	5-08-93	Scott

Dusky Flycatcher	KBBAT block ne of Manning	TSh,SSh	4-17-93	Scott
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1 at Frazier Park, Ulysses	JR	5-09-93	Grant
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	early arrival	MI,GK	4-11-93	Shawnee
Purple Martin	early arrivals in Winfield	MT	3-06-93	Cowley
Tree Swallows	First arrivals at MDC	CH	3-20-93	Linn
Winter Wren	1 near Milford Fish Hatchery	DR, m.ob.	4-24-93	Geary
Mountain Bluebird	Migrants east of Pt of Rocks	DG	3-16-93	Morton
Wood Thrush	1 at Kingman County State Lake	??	5-11-93	Kingman
Northern Shrike	1 in western Pawnee County	SS	3-21-93	Pawnee
Sprague's Pipit	2 near Lenora	SS	4-27-93	Norton
Sprague's Pipit	2 in Rush County	SS	4-29-93	Rush
White-eyed Vireo	1 in Frazier Park, Ulysses	JR	5-07-93	Grand
Blue-winged Warbler	2 in Chisholm Creek Park	JN	5-14-93	Sedgwick
Golden-winged Warbler	2 in Linn County	m.ob.	5-08-93	Linn
Golden-winged Warbler	4 at Mill Creek Park	GP	5-09-93	Johnson
Golden-winged Warbler	1 in Manhattan	CF	5-09-93	Riley
Virginia's Warbler	1 Overland Park	BB	5-09-93	Johnson
Cape May Warbler	1 in Chisholm Creek Park	JN	5-14-93	Sedgwick
Yellow-throated Warbler	2 in Unit G at MDC	BF,GG	4-18-93	Linn
Pine Warbler	1 in Garden City	MO	4-28-93	Finney
Prairie Warbler	1 in Overland Park Arboretum	MC	5-15-93	Johnson
Bay-breasted Warbler	1 in Frazier Park, Ulysses	JR	5-13-93	Grant
Cerulean Warbler	4 at Ft. Leavenworth	JS	5-29-93	Leavenworth
American Redstart	30 at Ft. Leavenworth	JS	5-29-93	Leavenworth
The Cerulean's and Redstarts are probably on territories				
Prothonotary Warbler	3 at River Ponds, Tuttle Creek	DR	5-23-93	Pottawatomie
Worm-eating Warbler	1 in Garden City	MO	4-27-93	Finney
Worm-eating Warbler	2 in Wichita's Oak Park	PJ	4-27-93	Sedgwick
Connecticut Warbler	1 in Lawrence	BA	5-16-93	Douglas
Hooded Warbler	1 in Garden City	MO	4-27-93	Finney
Scarlet Tanager	Pair in Frazier Park, Ulysses	JR	5-13-93	Grant
Scarlet Tanager	1 in Morton County	LRS	5-08-93	Morton
Black-headed Grosbeak	1 male at Ft. Riley	JO,CO	5-03-93	Geary
Black-headed Grosbeak	1 in Wichita	??	5-12-93	Sedgwick
Pyrrhuloxia	1 male still present in shelterbelt north of Elkhart Cemetery	DG	3-15-93	Morton
Lazuli Bunting	1 at Oak Park, Wichita	RB,PB	5-09-93	Sedgwick
Lazuli Bunting	1 M singing at Perry WMA	DLS	5-15-93	Jefferson
Lazuli Bunting	1 in Chisholm Creek Park	JN	5-28-93	Sedgwick
(this bird appeared to be setting up a territory)				
Painted Bunting	1 male at feeder in Russell	LH	5-06-93	Russell
Henslow's Sparrow	4 at Nelson Area near Lawrence	GP	5-21-93	Douglas
LeConte's Sparrow	numerous at Slate Creek Marsh	MT	3-06-93	Sumner
Harris' Sparrow	1 at Perry WMA	DLS	5-26-93	Jefferson
Red Crossbill	Coming to a Wichita Feeder	???	5-08-93	Sedgwick
Pine Siskin	1 at Milford Lake	DLC,CO	5-31-93	Geary
EXOTICS				
Mute Swan	Playa Lake 8 mile n of Garden City		4-11-93	Finney
Ringed Turtle-Dove	Pair Nesting in Topeka	DLS	5-13-93	Shawnee

CB = Cheyenne Bottoms

MDC = Marais des Cygnes

m.ob. = many observers

QNWR = Quivira National Wildlife Refuge

WMA = Wildlife Management Area

KANSAS ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY
MEMBER SKILLS/INTERESTS/NEEDS INVENTORY

NAME: _____ DATE: ___/___/___
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ NR. YRS. IN KOS: _____
PHONE (DAY): (____) _____ - _____ (NIGHT) _____ - _____

ARE YOU PROFESSIONALLY INVOLVED IN ORNITHOLOGY OR A RELATED FIELD? (PLEASE EXPLAIN): _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER SPECIAL SKILLS THAT YOU WOULD CARE TO OFFER TO ASSIST KOS OR KOS MEMBERS (EITHER PROFESSIONAL OR AVOCATIONAL)? (PLEASE DESCRIBE): _____

WHAT ARE YOU EXPECTING TO GAIN FROM KOS MEMBERSHIP? _____

LIST YOUR INTERESTS AND YOUR OWN EVALUATION OF YOUR LEVEL OF EXPERTISE (N=NOVICE, B=INFORMED BEGINNER, I=INTERMEDIATE, E=EXPERT):

	/	N	/	B	/	I	/	E	/
1. _____	/		/		/		/		/
2. _____	/		/		/		/		/
3. _____	/		/		/		/		/
4. _____	/		/		/		/		/
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9. _____	/		/		/		/		/

IF YOU EXPERT AT IDENTIFYING ANY SPECIAL GROUP OF BIRDS PLEASE LIST THEM: _____

ARE YOU WILLING TO LEAD FIELD TRIPS? (Y / N) . WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO GUIDE PEOPLE TO BIRDING LOCATIONS IN KANSAS? (Y / N) WHERE? _____

ARE YOU WILLING TO CONTACT NEW KOS MEMBERS IN YOUR AREA AND WELCOME THEM INTO KOS? (Y / N) . MEET WITH THEM? (Y / N) . INTRODUCE THEM AT SEMI-ANNUAL MEETINGS? (Y / N) . ORGANIZE A LOCAL GET-TOGETHER TO : TAKE A FIELD TRIP (Y / N) . TALK ABOUT BIRD FEEDING (Y / N) . SHOW SLIDES (Y / N) . OTHER? (SUGGESTIONS WELCOME): _____

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS?

WORK OR SERVICE PROJECTS: (Y / N) . PROFESSIONALLY-LED RESEARCH PROJECTS: (Y / N) . SCHOOL TALKS, DEMONSTRATIONS: (Y / N) PLEASE LIST TOPICS: _____

COMPUTER DATA ENTRY OR TYPING: (Y / N) . PLEASE INDICATE COMPUTER TYPE: _____

FIELD TRIPS FOR YOUTH GROUPS: (Y / N) . BIRD STUDY MERIT BADGE COUNSELING: (Y / N) . PUBLIC TALKS ON BIRDS, CONSERVATION, ETC. (Y / N) . PLEASE LIST TOPICS AND AVAILABILITY: _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY PROJECTS, RESEARCH, ETC., FOR WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO ENLIST KOS MEMBER PARTICIPATION AS AN AID TO SPURRING MEMBER INTEREST AND AIDING EDUCATION? (Y / N) PLEASE DESCRIBE: _____

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