

Season's Greeting

**CHRISTMAS
BIRD COUNT DATES**

December 18 — January 2

Plan to Participate

KANSAS OFFICIAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

At the December 6, 1981, KOS Board Meeting, action was taken to establish an Official Records Committee. President Ely acted shortly thereafter and appointed eight people to this committee. Since appointment this committee has developed an Unusual Bird Report Form, prepared a list of Kansas birds on which "Information is Needed". This list is in addition to the Audubon Societies "Blue List", the Federal and State Endangered and Threatened lists and the state list of those "In Need of Conservation". The committee has also prepared committee rules for operation.

The committee is now functional and unusual bird reports should be submitted on the new form.

Marvin D. Schwilling, Chairperson
Roger Boyd
Max Thompson
Charles Ely
Orville Rice
Scott Seltman
Steve Kingswood
Mick McHugh

Species Lists

1. Endangered or Threatened (Federal and State)
 2. In Need of Conservation, unofficial state
 3. Audubon Blue (1982)
 4. Information is needed, KOS
- I. Endangered (F - Federal, S - State)
1. Whooping Crane (F-S)
 2. Peregrine Falcon (F-S)
 3. Bald Eagle (F-S)
 4. Eskimo Curlew (F-S)
- II. Threatened
1. Prairie Falcon (S)
 2. Least Tern (S)
- III. In Need of Conservation
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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Black-capped Vireo | 8. Mottled Duck |
| 2. Red-shouldered Hawk | 9. Common Gallinule |
| 3. Long-billed Curlew | 10. Mountain Plover |
| 4. Bobolink | 11. Tree Swallow |
| 5. Snowy Plover | 12. Sage Thrasher |
| 6. Whip-poor-will | 13. Prairie Warbler |
| 7. White-faced Ibis | 14. Henslow's Sparrow |
- IV. Blue List of the National Audubon Society (Kansas) 1982
(List of 76 Attached) -
- V. Information Needed
(List of 118 Attached) -

Rules of the KOS Official Records Committee

I. NAME

The name of this committee is the Official Records Committee, hereafter referred to as "the committee".

II. DUTIES

A. Functions of the committee

1. To solicit, organize and maintain records, documentation, photographs, tape recordings, etc. of the birds of Kansas. Two duplicate sets of records will be maintained; one by the chairperson, and one deposited in the Museum of Natural History, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
2. To review reports of species - new or rare in the state - and provide final judgment of their status. Maintain an official Kansas list. Judgments of the committee with editorial comments will be provided in an annual report at the fall meeting of the Society. A single official list will be maintained with the following information annotated for every species:
 - a. (1) Specimen available
(2) Photograph (accepted by the committee)
(3) Sight Record (accepted by the committee)
 - b. Number of species in each of the above categories listed, as possible.
 - c. Breeding status past or present in Kansas.
 - d. List of species on which information is needed and what specific information is needed.
3. Disseminate information through the KOS Bulletin or Newsletter to assist KOS members in developing knowledge and skills.

- B. The purpose of the committee is to serve the professional and amateur KOS member and to promote and help maintain a high degree of quality, integrity and professionalism. For the committee to function, it needs the complete support of all interested persons in the state. Individuals should feel free to dispute in the open literature, the published opinions of the committee, and vice-versa.

III. MEETINGS

- A. Most committee work will be handled by correspondence with one meeting each year at the annual meeting of the society. Other meetings may be held as desired by the Chairperson.

IV. CIRCULATION OF RECORDS

- A. Records shall be circulated as received. Committee members should evaluate and judge the document and return with their comments to the chairperson within 30 days.

INFORMATION NEEDED

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| 1. Eared Grebe | 46. Black-legged Kittiwake | 90. Hermit Warbler |
| 2. Olivaceous Cormorant | 47. Sabine's Gull | 91. Yellow-throated Warbler |
| 3. Anhinga | 48. Caspian Tern | 92. Pine Warbler |
| 4. Magnificent Frigatebird | 49. Black Skimmer | 93. Prairie Warbler |
| 5. Cattle Egret | 50. Band-tailed Pigeon | 94. Connecticut Warbler |
| 6. Great Egret | 51. Ground Dove | 95. Hooded Warbler |
| 7. Snowy Egret | 52. Inca Dove | 96. Hooded Oriole |
| 8. Louisiana Heron | 53. Roadrunner | 97. Scott's Oriole |
| 9. Yellow-crowned Night Heron | 54. Groove-billed Ani | 98. Great-tailed Grackle |
| 10. White Ibis | 55. Snowy Owl | 99. Western Tanager |
| 11. Brant | 56. Saw-whet Owl | 100. Scarlet Tanager |
| 12. Black Brant | 57. Poor-will | 101. Painted Bunting |
| 13. Ross' Goose | 58. White-throated Swift | 102. Evening Grosbeak |
| 14. Black-bellied Whistling Duck | 59. Broad-tailed Hummingbird | 103. Purple Finch |
| 15. Cinnamon Teal | 60. Rufous Hummingbird | 104. Cassin's Finch |
| 16. European Wigeon | 61. Calliope Hummingbird | 105. Common Redpoll |
| 17. Greater Scaup | 62. Rivoli's Hummingbird | 106. Lesser Goldfinch |
| 18. Oldsquaw | 63. Pileated Woodpecker | 107. White-winged Crossbill |
| 19. Common Eider | 64. Williamson's Sapsucker | 108. Brown Towhee |
| 20. King Eider | 65. Ladder-backed Woodpecker | 109. LeConte's Sparrow |
| 21. White-winged Scoter | 66. Cassin's Kingbird | 110. Sharp-tailed Sparrow |
| 22. Surf Scoter | 67. Ash-throated Flycatcher | 111. Rufous-crowned Sparrow |
| 23. Black Scoter | 68. Hammond's Flycatcher | 112. Black-throated Sparrow |
| 24. Hooded Merganser | 69. Dusky Flycatcher | 113. Sage Sparrow |
| 25. Red-breasted Merganser | 70. Gray Flycatcher | 114. White-winged Junco |
| 26. Swallow-tailed Kite | 71. Western Flycatcher | 115. Brewer's Sparrow |
| 27. Goshawk | 72. Vermillion Flycatcher | 116. Golden-crowned Sparrow |
| 28. Golden Eagle | 73. Violet-green Swallow | 117. Smith's Longspur |
| 29. Yellow Rail | 74. Steller's Jay | 118. Snow Bunting |
| 30. Black Rail | 75. Mexican Jay | |
| 31. Purple Gallinule | 76. Common Raven | |
| 32. American Woodcock | 77. Pinon Jay | |
| 33. Whimbrel | 78. Clark's Nutcracker | |
| 34. Ruff | 79. Mountain Chickadee | |
| 35. Red Knot | 80. Bushtit | |
| 36. Curlew Sandpiper | 81. Pygmy Nuthatch | |
| 37. Black-necked Stilt | 82. Curve-billed Thrasher | |
| 38. Red Phalarope | 83. Varied Thrush | |
| 39. Pomarine Jaeger | 84. Sprague's Pipit | |
| 40. Parasitic Jaeger | 85. Northern Shrike | |
| 41. Long-tailed Jaeger | 86. Swainson's Warbler | |
| 42. Glaucous Gull | 87. Worm-eating Warbler | |
| 43. California Gull | 88. Virginia's Warbler | |
| 44. Laughing Gull | 89. Black-throated Blue Warbler | |
| 45. Little Gull | | |

Blue List 1982

1. Common Loon
2. Red-throated Loon
3. Red-necked Grebe
4. Western Grebe
5. White Pelican
6. Double-crested Cormorant
7. Great Blue Heron
8. Black-crowned Night Heron
9. Least Bittern
10. American Bittern
11. Wood Stork
12. Fulvous Whistling Duck
13. Trumpeter Swan
14. Black Duck
15. Redhead
16. Canvasback
17. Turkey Vulture
18. Black Vulture
19. Sharp-shinned Hawk
20. Cooper's Hawk
21. Harris' Hawk
22. Red-shouldered Hawk
23. Swainson's Hawk
24. Ferruginous Hawk
25. Marsh Hawk
26. Osprey
27. American Kestrel
28. Merlin
29. Sharp-tailed Grouse
30. Bobwhite
31. King Rail
32. Piping Plover
33. Snowy Plover
34. Long-billed Curlew
35. Upland Sandpiper
36. Common Tern
37. Least Tern
38. Black Tern
39. Yellow-billed Cuckoo
40. Barn Owl
41. Screech Owl
42. Burrowing Owl
43. Short-eared Owl
44. Whip-poor-will
45. Common Nighthawk
46. Ruby-throated Hummingbird
47. Red-headed Woodpecker
48. Lewis' Woodpecker
49. Hairy Woodpecker
50. Eastern Phoebe
51. Willow Flycatcher
52. Least Flycatcher
53. Bank Swallow
54. Cliff Swallow
55. Purple Martin
56. Scrub Jay
57. Short-billed Marsh Wren
58. Bewick's Wren
59. Carolina Wren
60. Eastern Bluebird
61. Western Bluebird
62. Mountain Bluebird
63. Golden-crowned Kinglet
64. Loggerhead Shrike
65. Bell's Vireo
66. Golden-winged Warbler
67. Yellow Warbler
68. Eastern Meadowlark
69. Orchard Oriole
70. Dickcissel
71. Lark Bunting
72. Savannah Sparrow
73. Grasshopper Sparrow
74. Baird's Sparrow
75. Henslow's Sparrow
76. Bachman's Sparrow

TEN BEST BIRDS OF THE YEAR (October 1, 1981-September 30, 1982)

Marvin D. Schwilling

No procedural changes from last year. Information used in choosing the "top ten" included the "best birds" reports, plus a search of the bulletin, newsletter, Christmas counts and "unusual bird report cards."

As in the past, consideration was given to previous state records or specimens, geographic location in the state, season of sighting, nesting, etc. and as always personal judgments.

Contestants were: (48 considered)

"BEST BIRDS" report forms.

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| 1. Red-throated Loon | 8. Carolina Wren |
| 2. Anhinga | 9. Ruff |
| 3. Whimbrel | 10. Eared Grebes (nesting) |
| 4. Short-billed Dowitcher | 11. Sandhill Cranes (in July) |
| 5. Spragues Pipit | 12. Glaucous Gull |
| 6. Smiths Longspur | 13. Laughing Gull |
| 7. Dunlin | 14. Common Redpoll |

"UNUSUAL BIRDS" report cards.

1. Anhinga
2. Swainsons Warbler
3. Vermillion Flycatcher

CHRISTMAS COUNTS - super year, 146 species listed.

1. Ground Dove
2. Sage Thrasher
3. Lesser Goldfinch
4. White-winged Crossbill (Baldwin)

BULLETIN, NEWSLETTER AND CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1. Western Grebe | 11. Parasitic Jaeger |
| 2. Black-throated Gray Warbler | 12. Ross Goose (shot, Coffey County) |
| 3. White-winged Crossbill (Haskell Co.) | 13. Brant (shot, Quivira NWR) |
| 4. Mottled Duck (Quivira NWR) | 14. Ground Doves (Lyon County) |
| 5. Black Rail (Quivira NWR) | 15. Western Tanager |
| 6. Saw-whet Owl | 16. Pinyon Jay |
| 7. Connecticut Warbler | 17. Pygmy Nuthatch |
| 8. Garganey Teal | 18. Mountain Plover (30) |
| 9. Double Crested (Cormorants,
13 nests, Coffey County) | 19. Cassin's Kingbird |
| 10. Black-bellied Whistling Ducks | 20. Black-throated Blue Warbler |

ENDANGERED

1. Whooping Cranes family (3 birds) with radio tagged young landed and spent night in Pawnee County, October 24, 1981. Two families with radio tagged young left nesting grounds September 15, 1982. Population about 130 to 140, Wood Buffalo Park - 94.

2. Peregrine Falcon, Barton County, October 1; Coffey Co., October 12; Riley County, December 19; Osage County, December 20; Saline County, December 20; Stanton County, fall; Pawnee County, January 13; Scott County, May 10, roadkill.
3. Bald Eagle, Winter Survey, January 8 and 9, 1982, recorded 472 wintering bald eagles - no county records for 14 counties - Barber, Bourbon, Brown, Greeley, Harper, Jackson, Kiowa, Sheridan, Smith, Stanton, Washington, Wichita, Wilson and Woodson.

REINTRODUCTIONS

1. Sharp-tailed Grouse - about 50 birds released in Rawlins County last spring.
2. Swallow-tailed Kite - two three week old young cross fostered into Mississippi Kite nests, Meade County, one fledged.
3. Mountain Plover - a total of 50 young near flight age released in Wallace county in June 1982. Group of 30+ photographed on August 7, 1982, in Morton County by Scott Seltman. Leonard Hopper observed five in Sherman County on August 27 and five or six in Thomas County on September 4.

HONORABLE MENTION

1. Parasitic Jaeger - May 31 - Quivira NWR, Stafford County
2. Western Tanager - September 12, 1982, Morton County
3. Connecticut Warbler - September 7, 1982, Chase County
4. Sage Thrasher - January 2 through January 22, 1982, Rush County
5. Whimbrel - May 17, 1982, Douglas County
6. Ground Dove - November 21, 1981, Lyon County and December 20, 1981, Cowley County
7. White-winged Crossbill - December 25, 1982, Baldwin, Douglas County and Sublette in Haskell County
8. Vermillion Flycatcher - April 9, 1982, Pratt County
9. Black Rail - June 3, 1982, Quivira NWR, Stafford County
10. Black-throated Gray Warbler - May 2, 1982, Barton County
11. Ross Goose - November 29, 1981, Coffey County
12. Mottled Duck - July 6, 1982, Quivira NWR, Stafford County
13. Pinyon Jay - flock of 100 birds - September 12, 1982, Morton County
14. Black-throated Blue Warbler - September 23, 1982, Chase County
15. Laughing Gull - May, 1982, Douglas County

TOP TEN

1. Garganey Teal - Observed in May 1982, one male (photographed) Sumner County, near Oxford, Wallace Champeny
2. Ruff - Observed June 22 (later collected) Barton County - Cheyenne Bottom WMA - Roger and Jan Boyd, Bill Stark, Ed Martinez and Chuck Ely
- * 3. Magnificent Frigatebird - About June 12 and July 23, 1982, Meade State Park (Photographed) Mark Goldsberry, Jim Parker, Marvin Schwilling and others.
4. Red-throated Loon - Observed April 10, 1982, Tuttle Creek Reservoir, River Pond State Park, John Zimmerman and Lowell Johnson
5. Eared Grebes (107 nests) - July 6, 1982, first positive nesting record for Kansas, Quivira NWR, all nests destroyed by storm. Roger Boyd and others
6. Lesser Goldfinch - Observed December 19, 1981, Topeka Christmas Count, Thelma Vogels feeder
6. Black-bellied Whistling Ducks - What appeared to be a mated pair observed May 21, 1982 (photographed) Butler County, Brad Williamson
8. Golden winged Warbler - September 18, 1982, Cowley County, Max Thompson First fall record
9. Pygmy Nuthatch - Observed September 12, 1982, below point of rocks Morton County, Scott Seltman
10. Swainsons Warbler - Observed April 20, 1982, along the Emporia State University Nature Trail, Duane Mitchell
11. Anhinga - Observed May 8, 1982, near Camp Horizon in Cowley County, David Seibel and members of Wichita Audubon Society. Also July 24, 1982, Marais des Cygnes WMA, Linn County, Lloyd Moore and Richard Parker

* Was overlooked in original preparation of list and should be considered in number three position.

COUNTY RECORDS FROM DISTRIBUTION
AND DENSITY OF BIRDS IN SW KANSAS
Nongame Project Fish and Game Commission - Summer 1982

Kevin Will

Great Blue Heron	.....	Haskell County
Franklin's Gull	.....	Haskell County
Upland Sandpiper	.....	Haskell County
Spotted Sandpiper	.....	Haskell County
Greater Yellowlegs	.....	Haskell County
Least Sandpiper	.....	Haskell County
Western Sandpiper	.....	Haskell County
Baird's Sandpiper	.....	Haskell County
Great-tailed Grackle	.....	Haskell County
Common Yellowthroat	.....	Haskell County
Cassin's Sparrow	.....	Haskell County
Great Egret	.....	Grant County
Green Heron	.....	Grant County
Semipalmated Plover	.....	Grant County
Greater Yellowlegs	.....	Grant County
Western Sandpiper	.....	Grant County
Short-eared Owl	.....	Grant County
Barn Owl	.....	Grant County
Hairy Woodpecker	.....	Grant County
Western Wood Pewee	.....	Grant County
Willow (Traill's) Flycatcher	.....	Grant County
Common Crow	.....	Grant County
Blue Grosbeak	.....	Grant County
Black-headed Grosbeak	.....	Grant County
Bell's Vireo	.....	Grant County
Wilson's Warbler	.....	Grant County
Yellow-breasted Chat	.....	Grant County
House Finch	.....	Grant County
Spotted Sandpiper	.....	Stevens County
Western Sandpiper	.....	Stevens County
Baird's Sandpiper	.....	Stevens County
Willow (Traill's) Flycatcher	.....	Stevens County
Yellow-breasted Chat	.....	Stevens County
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	.....	Stevens County
Long-billed Dowitcher	.....	Stanton County
Greater Yellowlegs	.....	Stanton County
Roadrunner	.....	Stanton County
Hairy Woodpecker	.....	Stanton County
Willow (Traill's) Flycatcher	.....	Stanton County
Brown-headed Cowbird	.....	Stanton County
Bullock's Oriole	.....	Stanton County
Rufous-sided Towhee	.....	Stanton County
Common Yellowthroat	.....	Stanton County

NEW COUNTY RECORDS
10/15/82

<u>Species</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Observer</u>
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Thomas	July, 1979	Roth/ Schwilling
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Ellsworth	Aug. 29, 1982	Marge Ptacek
Henslow's Sparrow	Lyon	April 10, 1982	Duane Mitchell
Henslow's Sparrow	Greenwood	April 10, 1982	Duane Mitchell
House Wren	Kiowa	Aug. 17, 1982	Wood/ Brunson
Great Egret	Labette	Aug. 25, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Black-capped Chickadee	Labette	Aug. 25, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Connecticut Warbler	Chase	Sept. 7, 1982	James Ptacek
Northern Waterthrush	Meade	Sept. 9, 1982	James Ptacek
Ovenbird	Chase	Sept. 15, 1982	James Ptacek
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Chase	Sept. 15, 1982	James Ptacek
Chestnut-sided Warbler	Chase	Sept. 16, 1982	James Ptacek
Kentucky Warbler	Chase	Sept. 20, 1982	James Ptacek
Double-crested Cormorant	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Cooper's Hawk	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Great Horned Owl	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Belted Kingfisher	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Black-capped Chickadee	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
American Goldfinch	Jackson	Sept. 28, 1982	Schwilling/ Ptacek
Woodduck	Ellsworth	Oct. 9, 1982	James Ptacek
Pileated Woodpecker	Bourbon	Oct. 7, 1982	Schwilling

Cornell University's Laboratory of Ornithology has begun publication of a new magazine devoted to the study of birds, The Living Bird Quarterly.

Color-illustrated and directed toward everyone with an interest in birds, the quarterly will feature articles and photographs on bird behavior, habitat, conservation, art and research, and will be international in scope. The first issue, for example, contains articles on the reproductive success of songbirds, the conservation efforts of the International Crane Foundation, the restoration to the Maine coast of the Atlantic puffin population, and a direct-from-life color painting and story by artist and author George Miksch Sutton.

In addition to articles written by professional writers and ornithologists, the laboratory will encourage amateur "birders" to contribute. This is part of the larger mission and tradition of the Laboratory of Ornithology--to act as liaison between the amateur and professional ornithologist and to encourage people's interest and increase their knowledge of living birds.

The quarterly, which began publication in July, will be sent to laboratory members and will replace its annual publication, The Living Bird.

The Laboratory of Ornithology is the only recognized institution of its kind in the world. It was founded in 1957 by eminent ornithologist and photographer Arthur A. Allen and pioneer bird sound recordist Peter Paul Kellogg.

More information on the quarterly and other activities of the laboratory can be obtained by writing: Laboratory of Ornithology, Sapsucker Woods, Ithaca, NY 14850. Telephone (607) 256-5056.

Cornell University News Release

WINTER BIRD COUNT

The Winter Bird Count at Manhattan, Kansas, will be held December 18, 1982. You are welcome to participate. Guests are given preference to participate with groups covering the best areas, but you will need to contact John L. Zimmerman, Division of Biology, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506 two weeks before. If that is not possible or you decide to come at the last moment, see you in front of TG&Y, Westloop Shopping Center (Anderson Avenue) at 7:00 a.m. with warm clothes and a big lunch and a time commitment to participate in the species-compilation supper.

KOS FALL BOARD MEETING
October 2, 1982
Education Building, Sedgwick County Zoo
Wichita, Kansas

Members present: Charles Ely, Calvin Cink, Roger Boyd, Eugene Lewis, Max Thompson, Dwight Platt, David Seibel and Charles Hall.

Others present: Steve Kingswood, John Zimmerman, John Parrish, Marvin Schwilling and Ruth Faulh.

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kansas Ornithological Society was called to order by President Charles Ely on Saturday, October 2, at 12:45 p.m. in the Education Building at the Sedgwick County Zoo.

MEETINGS: KOS was invited by John Parrish to meet at Emporia State University on October 1-2, 1983. Charles Ely announced that the spring 1983 meeting would probably be at Camp Horizon, southeast of Arkansas City, April 30-May 1.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS: The following proposed amendments, copies of which had been mailed to the membership, were considered by the Board:

1. Combining of Article II, sections 2 and 4 with regard to classes of membership and membership dues. Relettering remaining parts of section 4 as A to G.
2. Article II, new section 4F
Old by-law--article II, section 4M -- "Principal amounts received from Life Memberships shall be placed in an endowment fund and invested in securities approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors with interest . . ."
Proposed by-law -- "Principal amounts received from Life Memberships shall be placed in an endowment fund and invested in securities approved by the Business Manager with interest . . ."
3. Article VI, section 6 -- add to the duties of the treasurer:
 - F. Be Resident Agent of the Society.
 - G. Prepare annual report for the Secretary of State on incorporation status.
4. Proposed Article VII. Special contribution and property.
 - Sec. 1. Contributions by bequests, memorials, gifts, etc., may be accepted anytime, such contributions to be used as designated by the donor upon approval by the Board of Directors.
 - Sec. 2. The donation of property may be accepted by the Society, by vote, upon recommendation of the Board, such property to be managed in its natural state for scientific or educational purposes, or to be managed or sold as a source of income for the Society.

Sec. 3. The specific uses to which the property is put shall be designated at the time of acceptance by the Society.

Sec. 4. Special funds may be established as needed to administer the contributions and their use in special projects and property management.

(Present articles VII through IX to be renumbered)

Discussion included the following suggestions: a. to delete "etc." from section 1 of the proposed article VII and replace it with "in the form of money." b. to allow the Board to accept property in section 2 of the proposed article VII rather than the Society. David Seibel moved that the above four amendments be recommended to the membership for adoption at the afternoon business session of the Society. Cal Cink seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS: Gene Lewis presented the following proposed amendments:

1. Article IV, section 5 -- add "such reports to be published in full or in resume in the Newsletter."
2. Article VI, section 2 -- delete "E. Be authorized to countersign checks." Reletter succeeding parts of section 2.
3. Article VI, section 4 -- delete "B. Keep an inventory of records and supplies belonging to KOS and shall distribute them to others as necessary."
Delete "C. Be authorized to countersign checks."
Relletter succeeding parts of section 4.
4. Article VI, section 5C -- change from "Advise the Editors of membership changes" to "Advise the Business Manager of membership changes."
5. Article VI, section 2 -- add "H. Be authorized to fill, until the next annual or special meeting, any vacancy on the Board of Directors."

Max Thompson moved that the above amendments be recommended to the membership for adoption at the afternoon business session of the Society. Cal Cink seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DINGUS NATURAL AREA: Gene Lewis reported that the telephone company had asked for permission to put in a cable along the south edge of the natural area. Permission was denied by the Society but the company went ahead and installed the cable. He and Max Thompson will seek just compensation.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwight R. Platt
Corresponding Secretary
Kansas Ornithological Society

KOS ANNUAL FALL MEETING 1982
Education Building, Sedgwick County Zoo
Wichita, Kansas
October 2-3, 1982

The thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Kansas Ornithological Society was held at the Sedgwick County Zoo in Wichita, Kansas, on October 2-3, 1982.

Saturday, October 2, Morning Session.

Steve Kingswood opened the meeting at 9:15 a.m. and introduced Mark Reed, Assistant Zoo Director. Mr. Reed welcomed the KOS to the Sedgwick County Zoo and described some of the zoo programs. Charles Ely, President of KOS, responded to this welcome and thanked the Sedgwick County Zoo for hosting the KOS meeting.

Steve Kingswood made some announcements in regard to local arrangements. Charles Ely then turned the meeting over to Cal Cink who chaired the morning paper session (see attached program). Because of a shortage of time, only the first six papers were presented and the paper by William J. Stark and Roger L. Boyd was moved to the afternoon session.

A business session was called to order by Charles Ely at 11:50 a.m. He asked all those in attendance to sign the attendance register. He announced that the Board of Directors would meet at 12:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Education Building.

MINUTES: The minutes of the Spring meeting had been published in the Newsletter and they were approved as published.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The report of the Nominating Committee, Jean Schulenberg (Chairman), Marvin Schwilling and James Ptacek, was made by Jean Schulenberg. The slate of officers presented was:

President: Calvin Cink

Vice President: Roger Boyd

Business Manager: Max Thompson

Corr. Secretary: Dwight Platt

Membership Secretary: Jane Hershberger

Treasurer: Eugene Lewis

Director: Lawrence Herbert

Director: Scott Seltman

The terms of directors David Seibel and Charles Hall do not expire.

APPOINTMENTS: Charles Ely appointed Galen Pittman and Elmer Finck to an Auditing Committee and John Zimmerman and Allen Jahn to a Resolutions Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gene Lewis reported that general expenses were greater than income from dues last year. He reported that the balance in the KOS checking account was \$743 last year and \$711 this year. The Dingus Natural Area account has increased to \$2500 due to some gifts. The total balance of KOS assets in checking account, certificates of deposit and passbook savings is \$9300. (See attached report).

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT: Charles Ely reported for Jane Herschberger who could not be present to present her report. As of October 1, there were 378 KOS members, including 48 fully or partially paid life members. (See attached report)

BULLETIN EDITOR'S REPORT: John Zimmerman reported that the Christmas Bird Count dates were December 18 to January 2 this year. He encouraged KOS members to participate in a CBC and to start new counts. He reported that more manuscripts are needed for the Bulletin.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS: Cal Cink moved that the reports of officers and committees be accepted. The motion was seconded and passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Steve Kingswood described the six planned field trips.

The morning business session adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Saturday, October 2, Afternoon Session.

After lunch there were zoo tours at 1:00 p.m.

Cal Cink convened the afternoon session at 2:10 p.m. and introduced Roger Boyd who presented the first paper (carried over from the morning) and then chaired the afternoon paper session. (See attached program)

Charles Ely convened the afternoon business session at 4:45 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Charles Ely announced that next year's Fall Meeting would be at Emporia State University on October 1-2 and the Spring Meeting would be at Camp Horizon, April 30-May 1.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT: The Auditing Committee reported that the books were in order. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS: Jean Schulenberg introduced Scott Seltman and Larry Herbert, new nominees for directors. Nominations were opened for officers and directors. Effie Edwards moved that the nominations be closed and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate of nominees. The motion was seconded and passed.

AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS: The following amendments were presented by Charles Ely:

1. Combining of Article II, sections 2 and 4 with regard to classes of membership dues. Relettering remaining parts of section 4 as A to G. Roger Boyd moved that this amendment be approved. Cal Cink seconded the motion. The motion passed.

2. Article II, new section 4F

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Proposed by-law -- "Principal amounts received from Life Memberships shall be placed in an endowment fund and invested in securities approved by the Business Manager with interest . . . "

Roger Boyd moved that this amendment be approved. Cal Cink seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. Article VI, section 6 -- add to the duties of the treasurer:

F. Be Resident Agent of the Society.

G. Prepare annual report for the Secretary of State on incorporation status.

Max Thompson moved that this amendment be approved. Roger Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed.

4. Proposed Article VII. Special contributions and property.

Sec. 1. Contributions by bequests, memorials, gifts, etc. may be accepted anytime, such contributions to be used as designated by the donor upon approval by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. The donation of property may be accepted by the Society, by vote, upon recommendation of the Board, such property to be managed or sold as a source of income for the Society.

Sec. 3. The specific uses to which the property is put shall be designated at the time of acceptance by the Society.

Sec. 4. Special funds may be established as needed to administer the contributions and their use in special projects and property management.

(Present articles VII through IX to be renumbered)

Cal Cink moved that this amendment be approved. Margaret Boyd seconded the motion. Gene Lewis moved to amend the proposal by deleting "etc." from section 1 and replacing it with the phrase "in the form of money." Effie Edwards seconded this amendment. The amendment passed. The amended motion passed.

ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS: Charles Ely introduced the following amendments to the by-laws and stated that they would need a 95% affirmative vote for approval since they had not been circulated to the membership prior to the meeting:

1. Article IV, section 5 -- add", such reports to be published in full or in resume in the Newsletter."

2. Article VI, section 2 -- delete "E. Be authorized to countersign checks." Reletter succeeding parts of section 2.

3. Article VI, section 4 -- delete "B. Keep an inventory of records and supplies belonging to KOS and shall distribute them to others as necessary."
delete "C. Be authorized to countersign checks."
Reletter succeeding Parts of section 4.
4. Article VI, section 5C -- change from "Advise the Editors of membership changes" to "Advise the Business Manager of membership changes."
5. Article VI, section 2 -- add "H. Be authorized to fill, until the next annual or special meeting, any vacancy on the Board of Directors."

Amelia Betts moved the approval of the above amendments. Gene Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed, 28 affirmative, 0 negative.

DINGUS NATURAL AREA REPORT: Gene Lewis presented the Dingus Natural Area Committee report (See attached report).

Max Thompson moved that KOS approach Mrs. Wade about selling 2-3 acres in order to straighten the property line of the Dingus Natural Area and make fencing easier. Roger Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Max Thompson urged all members to report address changes promptly since the return of mailings was a cost to the Society.

The afternoon business session adjourned.

Saturday, October 2, Evening Banquet.

The annual banquet was served in the Formal Dining Room of the Kansas Newman College Administration Building at 6:40 p.m. After the meal, Charles Ely welcomed new KOS members and thanked the local committee for a fine job of making arrangements for the meeting.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: John Zimmerman read the report of the Resolutions Committee (See attached report). The resolutions were adopted by acclamation.

LIFE MEMBERS: Charles Ely announced that there were two new life members, Jane Holland and George Neavoll. He presented a life membership pin to George Neavoll, but Jane Holland was not in attendance.

TEN BEST BIRDS OF THE YEAR: Marvin Schwilling reported on the ten best birds of the year (See attached report). The top ten birds (in order) were: Garganey Teal, Ruff, Red-throated Loon, Eared Grebe (nesting), Lesser Goldfinch, Black-bellied Whistling Ducks, Golden-winged Warbler, Pygmy Nuthatch, Swainsons Warbler and Anhinga. Max Thompson asked about the Magnificent Frigatebird seen at Meade State Park and Marvin stated that that record had been overlooked in the preparation of the list.

Max Thompson introduced George Neavoll, Editor of the Editorial Page of the Wichita Eagle, who gave a challenging talk on meeting the conservation issues of our time. The speech was followed by questions and discussion.

Steve Kingswood announced the field trips for Sunday morning.

The evening session adjourned.

Sunday, October 3, Field Trips.

Six field trips were held in Sedgwick, Cowley and Harvey Counties on Sunday morning. Participants met for lunch at the Pawnee Prairie Park at 12:30 p.m. A total of about 110 species of birds were reported at the compilation.

The annual meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwight R. Platt
Corresponding Secretary
Kansas Ornithological Society

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY,
JANE HERSHBERGER, OCTOBER 1, 1982

TOTAL MEMBERS PAID FOR 1982

Regular

Individual	201
Family	51
Library	27

Sustaining

Individual	34
Family	15

Student

1

Life

Fully Paid	37
Partially Paid	11

Honorary

2
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1982 FALL MEETING FIELD TRIP LIST

Pied-billed Grebe, White Pelican, Double-crested Cormorant, Great Blue Heron, Green Heron, Little Blue Heron, Cattle Egret, Great Egret, Snowy Egret, Black-crown Night Heron, Mallard, Gadwall, Pintail, Blue-winged Teal, American Wigeon, Wood Duck, Lesser Scaup, Ring-necked, Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk (Harlan's), Swainson's Hawk, Ferruginous Hawk, Marsh Hawk, Osprey, American Kestrel, Greater Prairie Chicken, Bobwhite, Ring-necked Pheasant, Sandhill Crane, American Coot, Killdeer, Common Snipe, Spotted Sandpiper, Solitary Sandpiper, Ring-billed Gull, Franklin's Gull, Forster's Tern, Rock Dove, Mourning Dove, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Screech Owl, Great Horned Owl, Burrowing Owl, Barred Owl, Common Nighthawk, Chimney Swift, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, Belted Kingfisher, Common Flicker (Yel.-sh.) Common Flicker (Red-sh.), Pileated Woodpecker, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Red-headed Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Scissor-tailed Flycatcher, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Horned Lark, Tree Swallow, Barn Swallow, Blue Jay, Common Crow, Black-capped Chickadee, Carolina Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch, Red-breasted Nuthatch, House Wren, Bewick's Wren, Mockingbird, Gray Catbird, Brown Thrasher, Robin, Eastern Bluebird, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Water Pipit, Loggerhead Shrike, Starling, Solitary Vireo, Orange-crowned Warbler, Nashville Warbler, Yellow-rumped (Myrtle) Warbler, Black-throated Green Warbler, Mourning Warbler, Wilson's Warbler, House Sparrow, Eastern Meadowlark, Western Meadowlark, Red-winged Blackbird, Great-tailed Grackle, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, Cardinal, Indigo Bunting, American Goldfinch, Rufous-sided Towhee, Savannah Sparrow, Grasshopper Sparrow, LeConte's Sparrow, Vesper Sparrow, Dark-eyed (Slate-col.) Junco, Clay-colored Sparrow, Field Sparrow, White-crowned Sparrow, White-throated Sparrow, Lincoln's Sparrow, Song Sparrow .

NEW WILDLIFE AREAS BILL GOES INTO EFFECT 1 MAY 1982

The Newsletter Editor received the following Kansas statute from Mr. Robert M. Vaughan of Wichita presenting changes and regulations governing wildlife areas. The Board of Directors of KOS have not had time to research this bill, but it appears that it could have serious consequences for birdwatchers using Cheyenne Bottoms and other state wildlife areas. This will be brought before the Board of Directors at the Winter Board Meeting in January, and by that time we should have more information concerning this regulation's implications.

"23-8-11. Wildlife areas; use restrictions. (a) Hunting, shooting, killing, taking, trapping, injuring, pursuing, molesting, or disturbing in any way any bird or animal on or within wildlife areas shall be prohibited, except areas or portions of areas as may be opened, during the legal open season or some part of it, to any of these activities by commission regulation or by posted notice. In the event the director deems it advisable or necessary to restrict the use of hunting equipment

on those wildlife areas open to hunting, the director may effect the restrictions by posted notice. In the event the commission deems it advisable or necessary to restrict any public use on any wildlife area or portions of an area, the commission may effect restrictions by posted notice.

"(B) Blinds may be used on any wildlife area, but shall be portable or on a temporary basis constructed of natural materials available on the blind site. The digging of holes or pits shall be prohibited.

"(Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-224; effective January 1, 1966; amended May 1, 1980; amended May 1, 1983.)

NEWSLETTER EDITOR CHANGE

Until further notice, all newsletter items should be sent to the president, Calvin Cink, Department of Biology, Baker University, Baldwin City, KS 66006.

I would like to thank everyone who has been so helpful to send material over the past year. Please support your new editor as well.

Max C. Thompson

DUES FOR 1982

Dues envelopes will be sent out to members in early December. This is a departure from previous years when we have mailed them in September. PLEASE remit promptly as we spend a good deal of money on dues reminders. Try to remit by return mail. This will help you and help your society.

ENLIST A MEMBER

Your society needs more members. We lost quite a few last year including some long-time members who simply forgot to mail in their dues. If you have friends who are interested in birds, tell them about KOS. Christmas Counts always have a lot of nonmembers and this would be a good place to recruit. Just think if Manhattan could enlist all Christmas Count participants as members, our society would increase by one-fourth more. Compilers could accept dues and forward them to the editor with names and addresses.

The following is a list of Christmas Counts and their dates if known. Those that that are unknown, contact the compiler.

<u>Count</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Compiler</u>
Arkansas City	December 31	Wallace Champeny RR 1 Oxford, KS 67119
Baldwin	December 19	Roger Boyd Biology Department Baker University Baldwin City, KS 66006
Cimarron National Grasslands	December 31	Sebastian Patti 727 West Irving Pk #3 Chicago, IL 60613
Concordia	Unknown	E. Leon 1515 Archer Concordia, KS 66901
Dodge City	Unknown	Unknown
Elk City Reservoir	Unknown	Sylvia Albright Box 258 Longton, KS 67352
Emporia	December 19	Jean Schulenberg RR 1 Admire, KS 66830
Fostoria	December 19	Eunice Webster Box 5 Fostoria, KS 66426
Halstead-Newton	December 18	Dwight Platt RFD 2, Box 209 Newton, KS 67114
Hays	December 18	Donna Cooper 2906 Walnut Hays, KS 67601
Junction City	Unknown	Bob LaShelle 834 1/2 West 4th Junction City, KS 66441

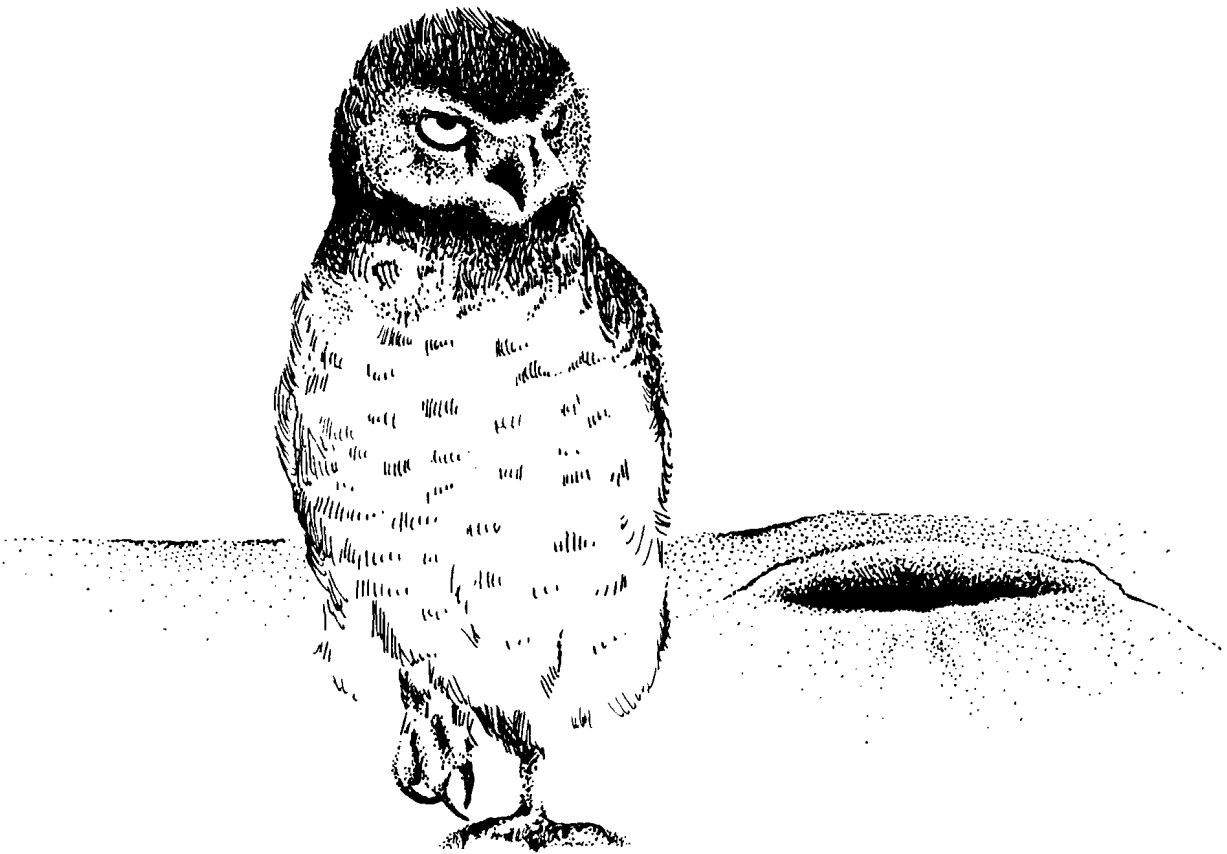
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Kanopolis Reservoir	Unknown	Tom Shane 2136 Wesley Salina, KS 67401
Kansas City	Unknown	Mel Cooksey 5700 Blackhoof Trail Merriam, KS 66203
Kingman Wildlife Area	Unknown	Byron Walker Kingman Wildlife Area Penalosa, KS 67121
Lawrence	December 18	David Seibel Museum of Natural History University of Kansas Lawrence, KS 66045
Linn County	Unknown	Barbara Pressgrove Rural Route Borcourt, KS 66075
Manhattan	December 18 (?)	John Zimmerman Division of Biology Kansas State University Manhattan, KS 66506
Olathe	Unknown	S. Crawford 21465 West 180th Olathe, KS 66061
Oskaloosa-Perry Reservoir	Unknown	R. C. Rucker 1522 Tennessee Lawrence, KS 66044
Pawnee - Rush Counties	Unknown	Scott Seltman Nekoma, KS 67559
Pittsburg	Unknown	Ted Sperry 1513 South College Pittsburg, KS 66762
Pomona Reservoir	December 31	Steven Kingswood Sedgwick County Zoo 6555 Zoo Blvd. Wichita, KS 67212

<u>Count</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Compiler</u>
Salina	Unknown	Virginia Hobson 2039 Raymond Salina, KS 67401
Sawyer	Unknown	Bill Hlavachick 214 North Main Pratt, KS 67124
Topeka	December 18	Orville Rice 1627 West 28th Topeka, KS 66611
Udall-Winfield	December 19	Max Thompson 1704 East 9th Winfield, KS 67156
Wichita	December 18	Wallace Champeny RR # 1 Oxford, KS 67119
Wilson Reservoir	Unknown	Tom Cannon Box 127 Lucas, KS 67648

Attention Attention Attention

A new newsletter editor has been appointed.
Send your news to:

Elmer J. Finck
Division of Biology
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS 66506



BURROWING OWL COLORMARKING: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

In 1982 burrowing owls were colormarked in south-central Saskatchewan during a research program investigating movements of these owls during the breeding season. Information is requested from anyone seeing a colormarked owl to aid in determining migration routes and wintering areas which are presently unknown. Each owl carries a Fish and Wildlife band and from one to three colored plastic leg jesses. Jess colors are yellow, flourescent red, light blue, and dark green and are one centimeter wide and extend approximately 1.5 cm beyond the leg.

Persons observing colormarked owls please record the following: location, date, color and position of leg jess or jesses, leg of attachment of metal leg band and jess or jesses, and any details of the owl's situation. Please send this information to, Bird Banding Office, Canadian Wildlife Service, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, K1A 0E7 plus an additional copy to the bander, Elizabeth A. Haug, Dept. of Veterinary Anatomy, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7N 0W0. Thank you for your assistance.

NOTE: Owls were banded with colored leg jesses in Saskatchewan and with colored leg bands in Manitoba. Please note this difference if marked birds are seen.

Kansas Ornithological Society
Unusual Bird Report Form
Records Committee

1. Species _____ / _____
 (Vernacular name) (Latin name)
2. Number seen: _____ Distance (how measured?) _____
3. Date(s): _____, time seen: _____ to _____
4. Location: _____
5. Description (provide as much detail as possible), report only what was actually seen in the field. Provide photograph, if taken.
6. Describe song or call notes, if heard. Provide recording, if taken.
7. Description of behavior:
8. Habitat where observed - general and specific:
9. Optical equipment:
10. Lighting conditions:
11. Books used for identification:
12. Other observers:

Signature

Address

Date Prepared: _____

City and State Zip

(Use back of sheet or additional pages, if necessary)

Mail completed form to: Official Records Committee Chairperson, Marvin D. Schwilling,
1407 College Drive, Emporia, KS 66801