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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 10 September 1991, 7:00 PM in
the Science building, Room 229 on the
LSUS campus. Mr. Hubert Hervey will
present the program entitled
"Southeastern Arizona Specialities:
Birds and Songs."

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, November 5, 7:00 PM, at Mac
Hardy's house, 1823 S. Brookwood Drive,
Shreveport (phone 687-6738).

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

BIRD REPORT -- Connie Connors 865-6422
BIRD HOT SPOTS -- Larry Raymond 929-2807, Will Smolenski 865-2938
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MEMBERSHIP -- Shirley Huss 865-5959
NEWSLETTER -- Mac Hardy 797-5338 w, 687-6738 h
BEGINNING BIRDERS -- Larry Raymond 929-2807, Jim Ingold 797-5236
PHONE TREE -- Dick Rolandt 797-0255
PROGRAMS -- Hubert Hervey 925-9249
PUBLICITY -- Vacant
SHORT PROGRAMS -- Pat Lonnecker 865-4701
SPECIAL EVENTS -- Rosemary Seidler 869-5231 w, 424-2972 h

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is the start of another year for the Bird Study Group and I hope you are all enthused to take part in an active year. Be sure to bring good tales (not tails) of some good birds you saw this summer.

The birds seem to sense our activity start up again or maybe it is just the weather change. There seems to be more activity at my feeders. Also this morning I saw the Spring Lake Mississippi Kite soaring overhead and he lit in the top of the high tree next door as if to say, "Take a good look at me." and so I did.

We have a lot of things to do this year and I hope many of you will help. A society is only as good as its members and the effort they are willing to provide. A little bit of work by all can get a lot done and not place all the burden on just a few. What a pleasure it is to hear someone ask, "Is there anything I can do to help?"

See you at our September meeting. We have a lot of good programs and field trips planned.

-- Will Smolenski

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, 11 June 1991, in Room 229 of the Science Building on the LSUS campus. President Will Smolenski called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M. Visitors and guests were welcomed. Linda Smith and Betsy Risinger were our visitors.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as recorded in the last newsletter.

Betty Mason gave her financial report starting with a balance of \$1,627.27. Income from the month was \$120.00, expenses \$38.70, leaving a balance of \$1,708.57. The mailing balance at the post office was \$195.33.

Will gave the names of the new officers elected at the June board meeting. Will was elected to remain as president with a rousing applause. Hubert Hervey will serve as vice president, Norma Cobb as secretary, with

Caroline Upchurch putting the minutes on a disk for Mac Hardy to put in the newsletter. Betty Mason will serve again as treasurer.

Will reported that Larry Raymond and he attended the Red River Wetlands Coalition meeting. Plans are to purchase 12,000 acres of wetlands around Bayou Bodcau. Unused money from the Red River Waterways amounts to probably enough money to purchase this tract of land. He encouraged us to write letters to Congressman Jim McCrery and Senator J. Bennett Johnston asking them to use this money for purchase of the wetlands. Will had given T-shirts at the board meeting to some that promised to write letters. Caroline Upchurch wore and modeled her shirt for us and brought copies of her letters.

Will reported that beginner birding was discussed at the board meeting and more at the board meeting and more outings of this type will be planned for the new year. Books are ideal as a place to start birding.

The group took turns giving reports of birds seen recently. The Inca Dove of Oil City, Orioles along Red River, a Lark Sparrow, a Rose-breasted Grosbeak, House Finches, and a family of Brown Thrashers were mentioned. Velda Neilson gave an exciting report of a Painted Bunting and hearing cooing sound that led her to a Greater Roadrunner.

Bill Wood reported on the yearly competition of bird species sightings between Charlie Lyon and himself. Bill had 246 sightings and Charlie 241. Charlie was not present to verify this.

We were reminded of the outing for June 22 to Wallace Lake led by Hubert Hervey.

Will refreshed our memories of the Bird Study Group not meeting in July and August but resuming in September.

We were invited to the Museum after the program for refreshments and fellowship.

Bill Wood presented our program on "Status Update of the Attwater Prairie Chicken." The Attwater Wildlife Refuge consists of 8,000 acres in Texas. This Prairie Chicken has decreased from millions to 66 at Bill's last check. He observed from a

blind and took beautiful pictures. He also told us where old Port-o-lets go when they pass on; they make blinds out of them.

We were asked after the program to turn in names for the mailing list, also to put our names on the committee list we would like to serve on. John McBride will purchase books. More people are needed to help at the Museum to answer the phone, work in the gift shop, etc.

The meeting closed and we move to the Museum. An International Paper Company bird house was given away. Refreshments and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

The Board met on Tuesday, 4 June 1991, at the home of Will Smolenski. Board members present were Norma Cobb, Mac Hardy, Hubert Hervey, Shirley Huss, Jim Ingold, Charlie Lyon, Betty Mason, Jim McCain, Jr., Velda Neilson, Larry Raymond, Dick Rolandt, Rosemary Seidler, Will Smolenski, and Caroline Upchurch. John McBride also attended the meeting. President Will Smolenski called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

Will asked for any additions or corrections to the board minutes as recorded in the May newsletter. There were none and a motion was made and passed to approve the minutes as recorded.

Betty Mason gave the treasurer's report. She reported a May balance of \$1,627.27, income of \$50.00, and expenses of \$38.70, leaving a balance of \$1,638.57. The post office balance is the same as reported at the May regular meeting.

The election of officers for the 1991-92 year was held. Will Smolenski was nominated to serve another year as President, Hubert Hervey was nominated as Vice-President, Norma Cobb was nominated as Secretary, and Betty Mason was nominated to serve another year as Treasurer. All of the nominees were unanimously elected. Caroline Upchurch agreed to help Norma as secretary, especially with transcribing the minutes onto a word

processor.

Will reported that he and Larry attended a meeting of the Red River Wetlands Coalition called by Skipper Dickson. As a result of this meeting, Will has written Congressman Jim McCreery and Senator J. Bennett Johnston encouraging them to lobby for funds for the acquisition of 12,000 acres of wetlands near Bayou Bodcau. Will asked board members to write letters as individuals making the same request. Red River Wetlands Coalition t-shirts were given out as incentives to write. Will also reported that he will attend a 1:30 P.M. meeting at The Times on 5 June concerning this issue.

Mac Hardy asked about committee chairmen for the 1991-92 year. Will noted that as President he will appoint the various chairmen. Betty recommended that an historian or archives committee be appointed to keep the Bird Study Group scrapbook up-to-date once she completes it.

Charlie Lyon reported that Bill Wood will present the June program on "Status Update of the Attwater's Prairie Chicken."

Velda Neilson requested that the board try to provide more activities for beginner birders. She has had several people comment to her regarding the need for more beginner-oriented activities. The board discussed at length possible activities including programs on the use of binoculars, field guides, birding vocabulary and related topics. A suggestion to offer birding workshops was discussed and it was decided to try to have a birding workshop for beginners sometime in late fall. Charlie Lyon, John McBride, Jim Ingold, Mac Hardy, and Larry Raymond were suggested as possible copresenters of such a hands-on workshop.

Velda noted that members want more time to visit and discuss birds seen at the meetings. Mac suggested that we should have a refreshment time again, perhaps in the Museum. After some discussion, it was decided to provide a short period of time at the meetings for members to report birds seen, and to have refreshments in the Museum after the next meeting.

The next scheduled field trip is Saturday, June 22, to Wallace Lake. Hubert

Hervey will serve as the leader of this outing. The June 1 field trip to see the Red-cockaded Woodpeckers did not materialize since no one showed up to lead the trip. In the future, the group leader's phone number will be included in the newsletter so that members interested in participating in an outing can check with the leader.

Shirley Huss reported that membership is staying around 135 paid members. A number of membership reminders have been sent out to those members who need to renew their memberships. John McBride suggested that we mail our newsletter to other bird groups around the country, and request their newsletter in return.

Will asked the hospitality committee to try to have cokes and cookies at the next regular meeting. Betty agreed to purchase the cookies and Will volunteered to bring the drinks.

Larry reported that he was unable to find a good Caddo/Bossier map at Globe Map Company for the Birding Hotspots booklet. He will keep looking for a better map.

Dick Rolandt reported that the phone tree has not been used recently because no unusual birds have been reported.

John McBride discussed the card file for bird sightings and its importance. He listed some of the specific information that should be reported, including dates of first arrival and last observation, sightings of nestlings, and other important life history information. He also emphasized the importance of photographing rare birds, nestlings, unusual behavior, etc.

Will stated that Bobbe Wommack reported to him that Pet Pro and Kamper's Korner want to be kept on our mailing list, and that both want extra copies of the newsletter for their stores. Pet Pro would like to advertise in the newsletter. The board agreed to consider advertisements at the next meeting after determining rates, guidelines for advertisements, and other details.

Mac asked how many extra copies of the newsletter would be needed. It was decided to print ten (10) extra copies each for Pet Pro and Kamper's Korner.

Will stated that the board needs to make a decision regarding the purchase of a book in the name of Vera Lee Grubbs. A motion was made and passed to purchase a book in the memory of Vera Lee.

John McBride volunteered to buy books for the Bird Study Group library. Mac pointed out that we already have a list of books to buy that have not been purchased. John also suggested that we consider buying life memberships in a variety of bird organizations to receive their journals.

Will announced that Bill Hall will remain in charge of outings.

No other business was brought up and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

NEXT FIELD TRIP

The next Bird Study Group outing will be on September 14 (Saturday). Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the McDonalds at the intersection of Bert Kouns and Linwood Ave. Bring a snack or lunch for a trip to the State Fish Hatchery in Natchitoches. We will also visit the ponds along I-49 on the way to and from the hatchery. We plan to be back around noon.

REFRESHMENTS!

Refreshments will be available in the Museum at 6:30 p.m. (30 minutes before the meeting) on the regular meeting nights beginning with our next meeting on September 10 and also following the meeting. Stop by the Museum to visit friends and just have fun.

MEMBERSHIPS

Renew your membership in the BSG when it is time. Many of our members will have their membership anniversary this month. Please check and keep your membership current.

CAVE CREEK CANYON

At the next meeting we will hear a report concerning Cave Creek Canyon in Arizona. Many of you have birded in this wonderful

spot. A serious threat to the continued existence of the canyon is looming. We need a quick response to protect one of the most treasured areas in North America. Details will be given at the next meeting.

BIRDING GUIDE

A new publication, *Birding Guide to Southwest Louisiana*, is now available. This 20 page guide is available free from:

Southwest Louisiana Convention
and Visitors Bureau
1211 N. Lakeshore Drive
Lake Charles, LA 70601

or call toll-free (800)456-7952.

BIRD REPORTS

Beginning this year the Bird Reports will be saved each month as a computer data base. The appearance of the Report in the Newsletter will not change. The difference will be that the data will be maintained on computer disks for analysis or study in the future.

BIRD NOTES -- AUGUST

Compiled
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REPORTERS

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AB	Alice Babers	8/23/91 residence
BillW	Bill Wood	8/ 5/91 residence, 8/24/91 Bickham-Dickson Park, 8/10/91 Bickham-Dickson Park, 8/11/91 Hamels Memorial Park
BW	Bobbe Womack	8/25/91 residence
CL	Charlie Lyon	8/25/91 Lovely Point Plantation
GB	Gordon Blackman	8/20/91 residence, 8/23/91 residence
JM	Jim McCain	8/19/91 residence, 8/21/91 residence
NC	Norma Cobb	8/23/91 residence
NH	Nicky McCombs	8/23/91 residence, 8/25/91 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	8/15/91 residence, 8/20/91 residence

PERMANENT RESIDENTS NO LONGER REPORTED: Great Blue Heron, Great Egret, Wood Duck, Black Vulture, Turkey Vulture, Red-shouldered Hawk, Northern Bobwhite, Killdeer, Rock Dove, Mourning Dove, Eastern Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, Barred Owl, Belted Kingfisher, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker, Blue Jay, American Crow, Fish Crow, Carolina Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch, Brown-headed Nuthatch, Carolina Wren, Eastern Bluebird, American Robin, Northern Mockingbird, Brown Thrasher, Loggerhead Shrike, European Starling, Pine Warbler, Northern Cardinal, Red-winged Blackbird, Eastern Meadowlark, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, and House Sparrow.

Common Name	Data
Snowy Egret	Aug 24 BillW 4; 25 CL 3
Little Blue Heron	Aug 24 BillW 2; 25 CL 8
Cattle Egret	Aug 24 BillW 8; 25 CL 50
Green-backed Heron	Aug 25 CL 1
Mississippi Kite	Aug 15 SH 2; 20 SH 2
Cooper's Hawk	Aug 11 BillW 1
American Kestrel	Aug 24 BillW 1
Spotted Sandpiper	Aug 24 BillW 2; 25 CL 1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Aug 19 JMcC 1; 24 BillW 4; 25 CL 1
Chimney Swift	Aug 24 BillW 2
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Aug 23 AB 2, GB 2, NC 3; 24 BillW 3; 25 CL 15, BW 4
Red-headed Woodpecker	Aug 23 NC 2
Eastern Wood-Peevee	Aug 24 BillW 1
Willow Flycatcher	Aug 25 CL 1
Eastern Kingbird	Aug 25 CL 3

Common Name	Data
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Aug 11 BillW 32; 24 BillW 4; 25 CL 2
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Aug 24 BillW 7; 25 CL 40
Barn Swallow	Aug 25 CL 4
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Aug 24 BillW 1; 25 CL 1
Blue-winged Warbler	Aug 24 BillW 1
Black-and-white Warbler	Aug 24 BillW 1
Prothonotary Warbler	Aug 24 BillW 1
Northern Waterthrush	Aug 25 CL 2
Yellow-breasted Chat	Aug 24 BillW 1
Summer Tanager	Aug 24 BillW 1; 25 CL 1
Blue Grosbeak	Aug 11 BillW 1
Indigo Bunting	Aug 10 BillW 1
Painted Bunting	Aug 25 CL 3
Dickcissel	Aug 11 BillW 3
Northern Oriole	Aug 23 WHeC 2; 24 BillW 4; 25 WHeC 4, CL 1
House Finch	Aug 5 BillW 4
American Goldfinch	Aug 20 GB 1

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is a real pleasure to be president of a group of people who volunteer to do things and are willing to help in all areas of activity.

Hubert Hervey has set us a list of programs for this year that should be exciting and informative. Bill Hall has planned a number of field trips, including some new places, that should provide us with lots of birds to see. Jim Ingold, librarian, is stocking new books, tapes, etc., so we should soon have a fine bird study library. The new bookcases are done and will be installed before the end of September. Caroline Upchurch has eagerly taken on the job as Chairman of the Gift Shop and Information Center and we should see a new uplift in this area. Shirley Huss, as Membership Chairman, has planned new ways to get new members. Dick Rolandt has come up with a new Phone Tree. Mac Hardy, as usual, is providing an interesting and informative newsletter. I thank Bobbe Wommack for taking on Publicity again this year. Rosemary Seidler, as Special Events Chairman, will need your help when these occasions come about. Be sure to report birds sighted to Connie Connors for the Bird Report. Velda Neilson is handling hospitality with only one arm but making new and old members feel at home. Betty Mason has our treasury at a new high even though we are spending money for good birding. Norma Cobb is recording our Board and regular meeting minutes. Thanks to Pat Lonacker for all her help on short programs, newsletter, and other activities.

I expect to see something soon for Novice Birders and Birding Hotspots. Thanks to all of you members for taking part in our meetings, field trips and other events to make our organization a live one. If I have left anyone out, shame on me.

Will Smolenski

FIELD TRIPS

Our September 14th outing was to the Natchitoches Fish Hatchery. Fifteen of us carpooled down and birded from about 9 AM until noon. As we had decided to do, we divided into two groups to facilitate better

birding, and it seemed to work well. The weather was beautiful except for being a trifle hot. Although our species count was not very impressive, the shorebirds and wading birds were plentiful and very tolerant of us. Unobstructed viewing was easy and the birds allowed close approach. For me, this group of birds is always a challenge, and on this trip we got to look, study, look 'em up in the book, look again, argue (discuss?), and finally reach a conclusion as to the identity of even the most obscure of the beasts. It was great fun. By the time we left I think even the newest birders on the trip could differentiate between Least, Semipalmated, and Western Sandpipers. And that's no mean feat! A flock of seven Blue-winged Teal were real crowd-pleasers as were the Yellow-crowned Night-herons, a Northern Shoveler, Lesser Yellowlegs, Pectoral and Solitary Sandpipers, a snipe, Pied-billed grebes and couple of White Ibis that were seen on I-49 as we drove down.

The Hatchery's personnel were most cordial and urged us to return "anytime." They also told us to be sure to come back during the second and third weeks of October, as most of their ponds would be drained then and the birds would be much more plentiful. So grab a buddy and go on down there if you can, it should be a good trip. Call me at 797-1727 for any info I can help you with.

Bill Hall, Outings Chmn.

UP-COMING OUTINGS

OCTOBER: 4,5,&6 Hawk Watch, Cameron, La
Leader: Hubert Hervey 925-9249

19th Pat Sewell's River Farm.
Depart from the LSUS parking lot (near the Museum) at 7:30 a.m. Leader: Bill Hall 797-1727.

25,26,&27th LOS Fall Meeting, Cameron, La. Do-it-yourself trip.

NOVEMBER: 16th Cross Lake Barge Trip Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the entrance of the Shreveport Yacht Club on Cross Lake. Reservations are required by Monday, November 11. Leaders: Chuck and Sally Moffet, 631-0736.

DECEMBER: 6-8th Rockefeller Wildlife
Refuge, Cameron Parish, La.
Leader: Mac Hardy 687-6738 (or
797-5338, Museum).

14th Beginning Birding; meet at
8:00 a.m. at Walter Jacobs
Park. Leader: Larry Raymond
424-2042.

28th (approx.) Christmas Bird
Count (Shreveport)

CAVE CREEK UPDATE

In late 1990 the U.S. Forest Service granted Newmont Mining Corp. permission to begin exploratory drilling for gold on the public lands of Cave Creek Canyon, a unique ecosystem in the Chiricahua Mountains of southeastern Arizona. On June 26, 1991, Arizona congressman Jim Kolbe introduced legislation, HR 2790, to withdraw the Cave Creek Canyon area from any mining activity. This would protect approximately 13,000 acres of National Forest land from mineral entry. Because of the prompt and emphatic response from thousands of people demanding protection of this area, Newmont announced it would defer exploration on its claims, stating, "We recognize that there are some areas of public lands for which any mineral exploration is inappropriate." They also stated that they would permanently abandon their claims if Congress agreed that the area deserves preservation.

Write to Congress. Urge support of HR 2790. Send letters to your own Congressmen and Senators. Make your letters personal, emphatic, and specific about the need to withdraw these lands from mineral entry. The more personal the better. Keep the following points in mind: Unique diversity of wildlife and habitats (a birders paradise), research (over 1000 scientific papers have been published on research conducted here), scenic and recreational values (simply spectacular).

Appropriate Addresses

The Honorable Jim Kolbe
410 Cannon House Office Bldg.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable John J. Rhodes
410 Cannon House Office Bldg.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Senator John McCain
111 Senate Russell Office Bldg
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Senator Dennis DeConcini
111 Senate Russell Office Bldg
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Senator J. Bennett Johnston
111 Senate Russell Office Bldg
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

The Honorable Jim McCrery
410 Cannon House Office Bldg.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

NEW BROWN CATALOG!

We received a new catalog of bird feeders and other supplies from the Brown Company. Check with Caroline Upchurch for details. We can special order anything you need.

NEW SHELVES

LSUS and the Museum of Life Sciences expresses its sincere thanks to Will Smolenski and the Bird Study Group for the very nice shelves that have been installed in the Gift Shop. They are very attractive and greatly improve the function and utility of the office/Gift Shop area.

ROCKEFELLER TRIP

We have received confirmation for our bird outing to the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge in Cameron Parish. We will use the guest house on the grounds of the refuge. The dates are December 6-7. We will depart on the evening of December 6 (Friday) and return on December 8 (Sunday). There is a \$20 per person charge for lodging (total for two nights). Cost of food and transportation is additional. More details later.

HELP NEEDED

We are working on increasing the membership in the Bird Study Group. We need help in typing names and addresses into a computer

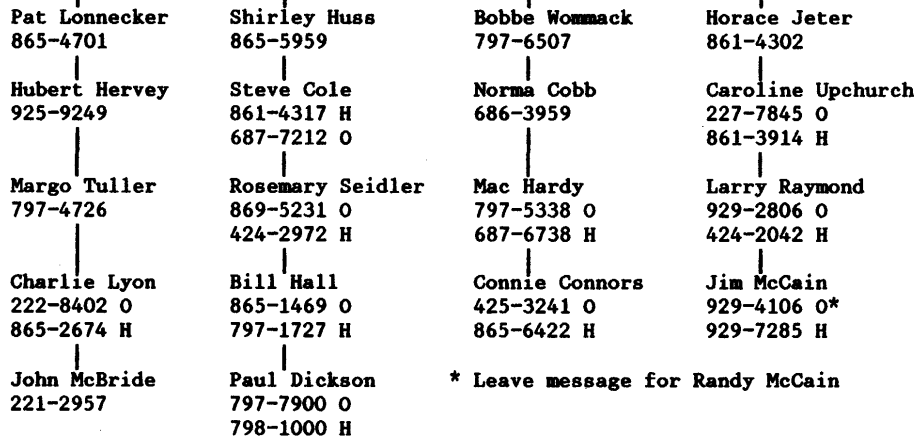
for a mailing list of businesses and organizations that might reach persons interested in birding. Should take 3-4 hours, working on the computer at the Museum. Contact Mac Hardy if you are interested.

BIRD ALERT PHONE TREE

MUSEUM HOT LINE
797-5338

Dick Rolandt (Chairman) 797-0255

Will Smolenski (Alternate) 865-2938



SUGGESTIONS

1. The effectiveness of the Phone Tree depends upon the co-operation of its members.
2. We are all forgetful sometimes. To preserve the accuracy of the sighting information -- write it down at once.
3. If you cannot reach the person below your name on the list, call the next person, etc.
4. If you must leave a message to a non-member or an answering machine, simply give the name of the bird sighted and let the member call someone else on the Phone Tree if additional information is desired.

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BSG	Bird Study Group outing	09/14/91 Matchitoches Fish Hatchery
BW	Bobbe Wonnack	08/27/91 residence, 08/27/91 Stonewall, 09/11/91 Stonewall, 09/15/91 Stonewall, 09/24/91 residence
CL	Charlie Lyon	09/21/91 Bickham Dickson Park, 09/22/91 Lake Bistineau
HH	Hubert Hervey	09/06/91 Stonewall, 09/14/91 Stonewall, 09/18/91 Stonewall
HHo	Helen Hood	09/14/91 residence, 09/22/91 South Park Mall
HH	Mac Hardy	09/29/91 Hamel Memorial Park along Red River
NC	Norma Cobb	09/23/91 residence
NH	Nicky McCombs	09/17/91 residence
PD	Paul Dickson	10/02/91 Loggy Bayou Plantation
RW	Robert Wonnack	09/24/91 residence
SB	Shug Burris	09/23/91 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	09/19/91 residence, 09/22/91 Hamel Memorial Park, 09/22/91 Bickham-Dickson Park

PERMANENT RESIDENTS NO LONGER REPORTED: Great Blue Heron, Great Egret, Wood Duck, Black Vulture, Turkey Vulture, Red-shouldered Hawk, Northern Bobwhite, Killdeer, Rock Dove, Mourning Dove, Eastern Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, Barred Owl, Belted Kingfisher, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker, Blue Jay, American Crow, Fish Crow, Carolina Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch, Brown-headed Nuthatch, Carolina Wren, Eastern Bluebird, American Robin, Northern Mockingbird, Brown Thrasher, Loggerhead Shrike, European Starling, Pine Warbler, Northern Cardinal, Red-winged Blackbird, Eastern Woodswallow, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, and House Sparrow.

Common Name	Data
Pied-billed Grebe	Sep 14 BSG 1
Double-crested Cormorant	Sep 21 CL 1
Snowy Egret	Sep 14 BSG 1, BHHNC&SM 12; 21 CL 1; 29 NH 4
Little Blue Heron	Sep 14 BSG 2, BHHNC&SM 12; 21 CL 1
Cattle Egret	Sep 14 BSG 1, BHHNC&SM 35; 21 CL 1
Green-backed Heron	Sep 14 BSG 1
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	Sep 14 BSG 2
White Ibis	Sep 14 BSG 1
Canada Goose	Sep 18 NH 4
Mallard	Sep 14 BSG 1
Blue-winged Teal	Sep 14 BSG 4
Northern Shoveler	Sep 14 BSG 1
Osprey	Sep 22 CL 1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Sep 14 NH 1
Red-tailed Hawk	Sep 14 BSG 1
American Kestrel	Sep 22 SH 1
Lesser Yellowlegs	Sep 14 BSG 1
Solitary Sandpiper	Sep 14 BSG 1
Spotted Sandpiper	Sep 14 BHHNC&SM 5; 21 CL 3
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Sep 14 BSG 1
Western Sandpiper	Sep 14 BSG 1
Least Sandpiper	Sep 14 BSG 1
Pectoral Sandpiper	Sep 14 BSG 1
Common Snipe	Sep 14 BSG 1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Sep 14 BHHNC&SM 2; 21 CL 3
Black-billed Cuckoo	Oct 2 PD 1
Chimney Swift	Sep 14 BSG 1, BHHNC&SM 3; 19 SH 100; 22 SH 1; 21 CL 3; 29 NH 2
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Sep 23 AB 2, SB 1, NC 3; 24 BW 3
Red-headed Woodpecker	Aug 27 BW 2
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Sep 24 RW 1
Eastern Wood-Pewee	Sep 14 BHHNC&SM 1; 21 CL 4
Least Flycatcher	Sep 21 CL 1

Common Name	Data
Great Crested Flycatcher	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 4; 21 CL 3; 29 HH 1
Eastern Kingbird	Sep 14 BSC 1
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Sep 14 BSC 1; 14 BHNCGSN 3; 21 CL 1; 22 HH 1, SH 4; 29 HH 13
Tree Swallow	Sep 21 CL 3
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 15; 21 CL 30
Horn Swallow	Sep 14 BSC 1; 14 BHNCGSN 8; 21 CL 15; 22 SH 2
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Sep 6 HH 1; 11 BW 2; 21 CL 3
Gray Catbird	Sep 21 CL 1
White-eyed Vireo	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 4; 21 CL 2
Yellow-throated Vireo	Sep 14 HH 1
Warbling Vireo	Sep 21 CL 2
Philadelphia Vireo	Sep 21 CL 1
Red-eyed Vireo	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 5; 21 CL 2
Tennessee Warbler	Sep 21 CL 1
Nashville Warbler	Sep 21 CL 4
Magnolia Warbler	Sep 21 CL 1
Black-and-white Warbler	Sep 21 CL 2
American Redstart	Sep 21 CL 1
Mourning Warbler	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 1
Common Yellowthroat	Sep 21 CL 2
Hooded Warbler	Sep 1 HH 2
Wilson's Warbler	Sep 1 HH 1
Yellow-breasted Chat	Sep 14 BHNCGSN 1; 21 CL 1
Summer Tanager	Sep 11 BW 1; 14 BHNCGSN 1; 14 HH 1; 15 BW 1; 21 CL 2
Scarlet Tanager	Sep 21 CL 1
Indigo Bunting	Aug 27 BW 1; 21 CL 1
Lark Sparrow	Sep 11 BW 1
Northern Oriole	Aug 27 BW 1; 11 BW 2; 14 BHNCGSN 1; 15 BW 1; 17 HHc 1; 21 CL 1; 2 3 SH 2

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**NEXT MONTHLY
MEETING:**

Tuesday, 12 November 1991, 7:00 PM in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS campus. Mac Hardy will present the program entitled "The Birds of Mexico: The Tropical Influence." Note the new meeting place!!

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, November 5, 7:00 PM, at Mac Hardy's house, 1823 S. Brookwood Drive, Shreveport (phone 687-6738).

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MUSEUM OF LIFE SCIENCES**

NEW MEETING PLACE

Our meeting on November 12 will be in a new place: The Museum of Life Sciences. We have decided to try this for at least one meeting. This way our social time, refreshments and the meeting will all be in the same place. We hope this will make our meetings even more enjoyable than they are now.

LYON IS PRESIDENT!

Our own Charles Lyon is the new president of the LOS. Congratulations Charles.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I feel that we are off to an excellent start this year -- good programs, field trips, and getting settled in our new facilities. Caroline in restocking our gift shop and dressing it up.

Charles Lyon has just been elected president of the L.O.S. Plans are in progress for their winter meeting to be held here in Shreveport in early February 1992. I would like many of you to help make this meeting a huge success and give our other Louisiana birders a real warm welcome.

I had a real new experience in birding in early October. Hubert Hervey and I took part in a Hawk Migration Watch near the east jetty at Cameron. On Sunday, October 6, we saw over 600 hawks (12 different species) before we left at around 2:30 to return to Shreveport. The method in spotting hawks in their migration is to know from what direction they are coming and then search the bare skies for spots that are distant hawks that are riding thermals to gain heights and then glide south and west to pick up another thermal. There is a lot out there in the open skies that is not easily seen by the naked eye. If not picked up early they can easily swoop by and out of sight before an identification can be made.

A lot of plans are in progress and I hope you will join me in more and better birding.

♦♦♦♦ Wilfred Smolenski

OOPS !

I forgot to include the September Minutes in the last Newsletter. I apologize; it was all my fault. Norma Cobb and Caroline Upchurch did their jobs beautifully and got the minutes to me in plenty of time for the Newsletter. I intended to insert them last in the sequence of items after everything else was prepared. When the time came -- I just forgot.

-- Mac Hardy

SEPTEMBER MINUTES

On Tuesday, September 10, 1991 at 6:30 p.m. the LSUS Museum of Life Sciences welcomed the SSNS Bird Study Group and visitors for refreshments. At 7:00 p.m., Will Smolenski, President opened the regular monthly meeting by recognizing visitors and welcoming everyone back from the summer break.

Betty Mason, Treasurer, gave her report stating the beginning balance of funds of \$1,708.57. Expenses were \$149.82, with income of \$323.80, with a resulting balance as of August 30, 1991, of \$1,882.55. The post office deposit balance is \$177.42.

Will Smolenski told the group of the request from the Baton Rouge Audubon Society for help in purchasing 27 acres of land in the Henshaw Sanctuary. In the past, we had sent \$300.00 for help in this area and it was thought by some members that this amount was a standing commitment. Records were to be checked, but a motion was made by Velda Neilson and seconded by Betty Mason and unanimously carried to send \$300.00. There was some discussion on how far from the Shreveport area we should contribute funds but no decision was made regarding distance limits.

A reminder to call Connie Connors with our bird sightings. Larry Raymond asked for suggestions on bird hot spots. Old newsletters and scouting teams were suggested.

In the absence of Bill Hall, Dr. Hardy elaborated on an exciting list of outings for the year. The Natchitoches Fish Hatchery outing has been set for September 14. There

is a Hawk Watch in Cameron on October 4-6. The LOS meets in Cameron on October 25-27. Other outings included Pat Sewell's farm, beginning bird walks, barge trips, Rockerfeller Wildlife Refuge, the Christmas bird count, Cheneyville, North Lakeshore Drive duckponds and more. Plans to have no more than 8 persons per group was decided and requests for leaders was expressed.

Caroline Upchurch told of her efforts to organize and maintain the gift shop. She requested ideas for sale items and has plans to redo the gift shop when new shelving has been delivered. She is in the process of making an inventory and ordering items. Will Smolenski is currently constructing the shelving at his home. [Ed. the shelving is now installed]

Jim Ingold reported purchasing two books for the library in memory of Vera Lee Grubbs. Money had been donated for the purpose.

Shirley Huss reported current membership of 135-140 members. Plans are to make posters and flyers to attract new members.

Dick Rolandt submitted a sign-up sheet for preparation of an updated Bird Alert Phone Tree and asked for current data from members.

Hubert Hervey gave a brief description of upcoming programs for meetings, including a talk by Paul Dickson in October on his trip to Scandinavia.

We discussed sharing a booth at the State Fair with LSUS to advertise the group. The Revel was mentioned but was cost prohibitive.

Will Smolenski asked for a volunteer to do publicity. After some discussion, Mr. Womack came forward.

Pat Lonnecker presented a short slide program on hawks.

The program for the evening was given by Hubert Hervey on his recent summer trip to Arizona which he participated with John Dunn, a consultant for the National Geographic. Hubert added 82 life birds to his abundant list, including 13 species of hummingbirds. The program was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Hubert handed out information regarding Cave

Creek Canyon located in the Coronado National Forest which is destined to be opened to mining. He asked that we write our politicians to have this project abandoned.

The meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by Norma Cobb, Secretary

CORRECTION

Bobbe Womack's phone number is incorrect in the phone tree that appeared in the last Newsletter. Her correct phone number is 797-6509

OCTOBER MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, October 8, 1991, in Room 229 of the Science Building on LSUS campus. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with Will Smolenski, President, welcoming members and guests.

Minutes of the last meeting had accidentally been omitted from the Newsletter. Copies were handed out, read and accepted by the group.

Betty Mason gave her financial report starting with last month's balance of \$1,882.55. We had income of \$349.00 and expenses of \$993.63. This left a balance of \$1,237.92 and a Post Office balance of \$177.42. Large expenses for the month were to the Baton Rouge Audubon Society for the purchase of land, stock for the gift shop and building material for bookcases.

Next we were reminded of our October 19 field trip to Pat Sewell's farm on Red River, leaving from the LSUS parking lot at 7:30 a.m. Bill Hall is leader for this outing. Other outings were listed in the October newsletter.

Will gave a report of the trip Hubert Hervey and he made to Cameron to a Hawk Watch. On Sunday, October 6 they saw 600 hawks and 11 species. He also told of the great facilities for lodging at the Rockerfeller Wildlife Refuge.

Dr. Hardy told us of an open house on the

LSUS campus on Saturday, October 12. A sheet was passed for persons available to work at the gift shop and museum.

Velda Neilson, hospitality chairman, promised permanent name tags for members next month. (We won't hold her to this since her writing hand is in a cast.) Shirley Huss reported membership of 130. She brought flyers to place in businesses to advertise our club.

The phone tree chairman worked very fast and sent out new calling lists. Other names can be added.

Bird Talk (sharing of sightings) was very exciting. A Peregrine Falcon, Broad-winged Hawks and, by process of elimination, Sandhill Cranes were sighted. If you would like more information on the Sandhill Cranes, Velda would love to tell you about them.

Pat Lonacker presented her shortslide program on Fall Warblers. They were a real challenge to identify.

Hubert Hervey reported further on the Hawk Watch and listed programs for the year. He introduced our speaker, Paul Dickson. The program "Birding in the Arctic: Lapland and the Yukon" proved to be another of Paul's outstanding programs. This was all firsthand information as Paul had recently visited these places. The photographs were beautiful.

Sheets were passed to sign for those planning to make the trip on December 6-8 to Cameron and the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge. Dr. Hardy is leader for this trip.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45p.m. We were invited to the museum for refreshments and fellowship.

Norma Cobb, Secretary

FIELD TRIPS

Pat Sewell's farm on Red River at McDade, La. was our field trip site for October. Ten birders met at the LSU parking lot and drove down on Saturday morning, the 19th. We had a beautiful day. The farm is a pretty one with many varied habitats and is located on a high bluff overlooking the river. At the

foot of the bluff is a large sandbar which provided some of the best birding of the day and certainly "the biggie" of the trip.

We started just after crossing the levee onto Pat's land. A wooded shallow slough gave us most of the woodpeckers, a Belted Kingfisher, a Common Yellowthroat, Double-crested Cormorants, American Robins, and numerous other common birds. We then picked up some nice sparrows (Song, Lincoln's, White-throated, White-crowned, and a beautiful, very early, Fox Sparrow), and several Indigo Buntings in an adjacent overgrown grassy area. Then we drove along a cotton field and walked a woodmargin, another slough, and an open lakeside. We saw Carolina Chickadees, Tufted Titmouses, kinglets, wrens, and other expected winter residents, and jumped six Wood Ducks on the little lake. Things really got fun again when we worked our way back down to the river bluff and found shorebirds on the sandbar. There were Pectoral Sandpipers and Least Sandpipers, Long-billed Dowitchers, Common Snipe, and the aforementioned "biggie," a Lesser Golden Plover. Everyone, at first, assumed it to be the more expected Black-bellied Plover. But it remained feeding in front of us for a long time and gradually the field-marks of the Lesser Golden Plover were discussed, visualized, and accepted by all present. Quite a bird!

The day was finished with a total species count of 44. It proved to be another good day of friendship, learning, and the pleasures of being out-of-doors. Each of you that missed it should really "do yourself a favor" and make sure you're at the next outing. On November the 16th, the Moffets have arranged our annual Cross Lake barge trip (Eagles, Loons, Mergansers, Canvasbacks, Buffleheads!). The projected cost is about \$10 per person. Call Sally or Chuck at 631-0836, make your reservation (so they'll know how many barges to get) and **be there**. It's always one of the really fun trips of the year.

Bill Hall, Outings Chmn.

ROCKEFELLER TRIP**

The field trip to the Rockefeller Wildlife Management Refuge in Cameron Parish is

scheduled for the weekend of December 6-8, 1991. We will depart on Friday evening, Dec. 6 and return to Shreveport Sunday afternoon. We will stay at the guest house on the refuge Friday and Saturday nights. The cost for lodging is \$20.00 per person (includes both nights). Meals are not included so we need to plan to take food or use local restaurants. We have 18 participants signed up. We will hear more about this at the next meeting.

LOS TO MEET HERE

The winter meeting of the Louisiana Ornithological Society will be in Shreveport on February 14, 1992. More details will be announced later.

NEXT FIELD TRIP

The next outing will be on November 16 to Cross Lake. This will be a barge trip on the lake. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the entrance of the Shreveport Yacht Club. **Reservations are required by Monday, November 11 to Chuck or Sally Moffet, 631-0736.**

FIRST BIRDERS!

An outing for beginning birders will be held at Walter Jacobs Nature Park at 8:00 a.m. on December 14. The instructor will be Larry Raymond. For more information call 929-2806 (park) or 424-2042.

NEW B.R. HOTLINE

The Baton Rouge Audubon Society has a new HOTLINE. The number is 504,293-BIRD.

BIRD NOTES -- OCTOBER

Compiled
October 30, 1991

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Conners (865-6422) by the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since the last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1,5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities. The month is abbreviated only if it is the month preceding the one being reported.

REPORTERS

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
BHCSM	Bill Hall, Chuck & Salley Moffett	10/ 5/91 Bickham-Dickson Park
BSG	Bird Study Group outing	10/19/91 Pat Sewell's Farm, Bossier Par.
BW	Bobbe Womack	9/29/91 Stonewall; 10/16/91 Stonewall; 10/16/91 residence
HH	Hubert Hervey	10/20/91 Toledo Bend Lake (DeSoto Par., Circle Dr)
HHo	Helen Hood	9/29/91 American Legion; 10/ 7/91 Bert Kouns; 10/19/91 residence; 10/22/91 residence
JM	John McBride	10/23/91 residence
LR&MH	Larry Raymond and Mac Hardy	10/ 8/91 Soda Lake Wildlife Man. Area
MH	Mac Hardy	10/13/91 Soda Lake Wildlife Man. Area
NC	Norma Cobb	10/24/91 residence
PD	Paul Dickson	10/ 5/91 Loggy Bayou Plantation; 10/19/91 Loggy Bayou Plantation
RS&HH	Rosemary Seidler and Hubert Hervey	10/13/91 Stonewall, Clear Lake, Fish Hatchery; 10/15/91 Soda Lake and Lake Erlich (Ark)
SH	Shirley Huss	10/16/91 Arthur Circle School

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Pied-billed Grebe	Oct. 13 RS&HH 4; 20 HH 2
Double-crested Cormorant	Sep. 29 HNo 1; 13 RS&HH 2; 15 RS&HH 500; 19 BSG 15
Anhinga	Oct. 13 RS&HH 3
Snowy Egret	Oct. 13 RS&HH 6
Little Blue Heron	Oct. 5 HCSH 1; 8 LR&HH 2; 13 RS&HH 2; 20 HH 1
Tricolored Heron	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Cattle Egret	Sep. 29 HNo 1; Oct. 13 RS&HH 25; 15 RS&HH 10
Greater White-fronted Goose	Oct. 5 PD 1; 13 RS&HH 2
Green-winged Teal	Oct. 13 RS&HH 4; 20 HH 100
Hallard	Oct. 13 RS&HH 20; 15 RS&HH 5; 19 BSG 4; 20 HH 10
Blue-winged Teal	Oct. 13 RS&HH 12; 20 HH 100
Gadwall	Oct. 20 HH 1000
American Wigeon	Oct. 13 RS&HH 3; 20 HH 20
Osprey	Oct. 15 RS&HH 1; 20 HH 1
Northern Harrier	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1; 15 RS&HH 4; 19 BSG 1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1
Cooper's Hawk	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1; 15 RS&HH 1
Red-tailed Hawk	Oct. 13 RS&HH 6; 15 RS&HH 15
American Kestrel	Sep. 29 BW 1; Oct. 13 RS&HH 11; 15 RS&HH 18; 19 BSG 2
Merlin	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1
Virginia Rail	Oct. 16 SH 1
American Coot	Oct. 13 RS&HH 4; 15 RS&HH 8; 20 HH 30
Lesser Golden-Plover	Oct. 19 BSG 1
American Avocet	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1
Upland Sandpiper	Oct. 20 HH 2
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Oct. 13 RS&HH 30
Least Sandpiper	Oct. 13 RS&HH 20; 19 BSG 30; 20 HH 15
Baird's Sandpiper	Oct. 20 HH 2
Pectoral Sandpiper	Oct. 19 BSG 2
Short-billed Dowitcher	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Long-billed Dowitcher	Oct. 13 RS&HH 3; 19 BSG 2
Common Snipe	Oct. 13 RS&HH 20; 15 RS&HH 8; 19 BSG 3
Forster's Tern	Oct. 20 HH 15
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Oct. 5 HCSH 2
Whip-poor-will	Oct. 19 PD 1;
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Oct. 16 BW 1
Red-headed Woodpecker	Oct. 15 RS&HH 1; 19 BSG 1
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Oct. 13 RS&HH 3; 15 RS&HH 12; 19 BSG 5
Eastern Wood-Peeee	Oct. 5 HCSH 1; 13 RS&HH 1; 15 RS&HH 2
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Oct. 5 HCSH 1
Eastern Phoebe	Oct. 13 HH 1; 13 RS&HH 2; 19 BSG 3
Eastern Kingbird	Oct. 5 HCSH 1
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Oct. 7 HNo 1; 13 RS&HH 7
Tree Swallow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 9; 15 RS&HH 12
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Oct. 5 HCSH 35
Barn Swallow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 3
House Wren	Oct. 13 HH 1; 13 RS&HH 1
Winter Wren	Oct. 15 RS&HH 1; 19 BSG 1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Oct. 5 HCSH 1; 15 RS&HH 5; 16 BW 2; 19 BSG 6
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Oct. 5 HCSH 1
Gray Catbird	Sep. 29 BW 1; Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Water Pipit	Oct. 20 HH 2
White-eyed Vireo	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1
Warbling Vireo	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1
Tennessee Warbler	Oct. 5 HCSH 2
Yellow Warbler	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Yellow-rumped Warbler	Oct. 15 RS&HH 2; 16 BW 1
Mourning Warbler	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Common Yellowthroat	Oct. 15 RS&HH 1; 19 BSG 1
Wilson's Warbler	Oct. 5 HCSH 1
Summer Tanager	Oct. 5 HCSH 2; 13 RS&HH 1; 19 BSG 1; 19 HNo 2; 23 JucB 1
Blue Grosbeak	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2
Indigo Bunting	Oct. 13 HH 1; 13 RS&HH 5; 15 RS&HH 3; 19 BSG 4
Dickcissel	Oct. 19 HNo 1
Chipping Sparrow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 6; 15 RS&HH 6
Savannah Sparrow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 6; 15 RS&HH 1
Fox Sparrow	Oct. 19 BSG 1
Song Sparrow	Oct. 15 RS&HH 2; 16 BW 1; 19 BSG 4
Lincoln's Sparrow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 2; 15 RS&HH 2; 19 BSG 1
Swamp Sparrow	Oct. 13 HH 1
White-throated Sparrow	Oct. 13 RS&HH 4; 19 BSG 8; 22 HNo 2; MC 1
White-crowned Sparrow	Oct. 19 BSG 3
Northern Oriole	Oct. 13 RS&HH 1

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Tuesday, 10 December 1991, 7:00 PM in
the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. This is our Christmas Party!
The Bird Study Group will provide a ham;
participants should bring a covered
dish. Call Rosemary Seidler for details
(869-5231 w, 424-2972 h). Note the
meeting place!!

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Tuesday, January 7, 7:00 PM, at
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VISIT THE GIFT SHOP FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

NEW BIRD NOTES

Beginning with this issue the Bird Notes will include all species of birds occurring in our area. This will provide the baseline data for monitoring the population changes that occur in permanent residents, as well as migrants. With the continuing concern over changes in the environment, it is most important to record as much data as possible in order to be able to document changes if and when they occur.

Anytime you are in the field record numbers of individuals of the species that you see. Also, record the common species. These are frequently overlooked, but they are involved in population fluctuations just as much as less common species. Do not forget to include permanent residents in your bird reports that are given to Connie for the Newsletter.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas party will be on December 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Museum. The BSG will provide a ham; all persons attending should bring a covered dish. Rosemary Seidler is coordinating this event; call her (869-5231 w, 424-2972 h) for more details or to find out what kind of food is in short supply. We will set up the area on Tuesday afternoon; anyone who can help set up tables, reorganize, arrange materials, etc. call Mac at the Museum (797-5338).

CHRISTMAS COUNTS

The Shreveport Christmas Bird Count will be on December 21. Call Horace Jeter (861-4302) to be included in a team.

The BCBCBC (Bossier Christmas Count) will be December 28. Call Paul Dickson (797-7900, w; 797-1000 h) to be included in a team.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, November 12, 1991, in the Museum of Life Sciences on

the LSUS Campus. Will Smolenski, President, opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. by welcoming everyone and the minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

Betty Mason gave her report starting with a balance of \$1,237.92. We had income of \$326.05 and expenses of \$578.67. This left a balance of \$985.30 and a post office balance of \$177.42.

Bird Talk came next with an Osprey being seen at Bickham Dixon Park. Other specials were Common Snipes, Horned Grebes, Hooded Mergansers and early House Finches.

Betty Mason read a very interesting letter from her daughter on a trip she had made to Arizona.

More participation is needed in the bird reports to Connie Connors. All birds are to be reported again.

We were reminded of the Cross Lake Barge Trip on November 16 and the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge trip planned for December 6-8. Those planning to go on the Rockefeller trip were asked to stay after the meeting to make plans.

Caroline has the gift shop looking real nice and is ready for business.

A note from Bruce Crider and the Baton Rouge Audubon Society was read thanking us for our contribution towards the purchase of land in the Holleyman-Shealy Sanctuary.

Membership lists were passed out of current paid, non-paid, and gratis members of the club.

A special board meeting will be held on November 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the museum to discuss the February LOS meeting with Charlie Lyon, LOS President.

A novice bird outing and talk is planned for December 14 led by Larry Raymond and Will Smolenski.

The phone tree is being activated. If the bird reported has already left, or you cannot find it, you might pick up others on your drive.

Remember the Christmas Party on December 10 at the museum. Bring a covered dish.

Jim Ingold will present our January program. Larry Raymond has the program for February and Velda Neilson will handle March.

Our short slide program by Pat Lonnecker on water birds was great. Dr. Hardy presented a very interesting and colorful program on "Birds of Mexico". Larry Raymond and he enjoyed a trip to Mexico. Dr. Hardy got 30 life birds and Larry Raymond got 50.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Norma Cobb, Secretary

BOARD MINUTES

The board meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, November 4, 1991, at Dr. Hardy's home. President, Will Smolenski called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with eleven (11) board members present.

It was noted that Bobbe Wommack (not Robert Wommack) is publicity chairman. Minutes of the last board meeting were accepted.

Betty Mason's treasury report started with a balance on October 8 of \$1,237.92 with income of \$306.05. We had expenses of \$288.38 leaving a balance of \$1,255.59 and a post office balance of \$159.88.

Approval of \$100.00 for the Caroline Dorman Sanctuary was given. Plans to scout this area were mentioned with interest in a future field trip.

We were reminded of our November 9 barge trip on Cross Lake with Chuck and Sally Moffitt as leaders.

The Rockefeller trip was discussed with car pooling suggested. Further plans will be made at the next regular meeting.

Future trips to the Caroline Dorman Sanctuary, Soda Lake, Loggy Bayou, and Bodcau were suggested. Bill Hall asked for more leaders.

Hubert Hervey gave an exciting list of programs starting with Birds of India in

January. Larry Raymond will speak in February and Velda Neilson in March.

Caroline Upchurch has given the gift shop a face lift and is ready for business. There is a bulletin board for notes, items of interest and sale located at the gift shop.

We took a break at 7:45 and refreshments were served by our host, the Hardys.

At 8:00 p.m. we recognized the new president of LOS, our own Charlie Lyon. The winter meeting of LOS is to be in February 1991 and the board will meet again on Thursday, November 21 at the museum to make plans to help Charlie.

The Christmas Party is December 10 in the museum. Please bring a covered dish.

It was noted that next year we could be listed in the A.B.A if we list an individual's name, such as Dr. Hardy, rather than the museum. Visiting birders might call this listing for area information.

It was decided to record all bird sightings in the area.

Jim Ingold, librarian, suggested we invite the person who donated the money for the books purchased in Vera Lee Grubbs' name to our meeting and show them the books. Other library suggestions were to purchase remaining Books of Access, a video for beginning birders and to have a lending library, but to go slowly. \$35.00 was allotted to purchase the video with the option to keep or return.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Norma Cobb, Secretary

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This certainly has been the biggest year I have ever had in birding. Not just in number of different species identified, but also for methods used for identifying and even locating birds. I am doing more reading especially of birds we have seen on field trips. For Christmas I have asked for a couple of books on birds I need to improve my identification skills. I should have asked for several more.

We have a number of interesting field trips coming up. The field trip area has been expanded for more exciting birding.

(Dec. 28). If you would be interested in joining a team, a lot can be learned and assistance provided for the team.

Again we are hosting the winter meeting of the LOS. We solicit your help to help make this meeting a huge success and make our other state birders feel welcome.

A merry Christmas to you all and make this a special holiday for our back yard birds with special treats. Maybe a new life back yarder will visit your feeder.

This month we also have the Christmas bird counts in Caddo (Dec. 21) and Bossier

--- Will Smolenski, President

BIRD NOTES -- NOVEMBER

Compiled

December 1, 1991

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Connors (865-6422) by the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since the last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1.5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities.

REPORTERS

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
AB	Alice Babers	11/13/91 residence, 11/16/91 residence, 11/22/91 residence, 11/24/91 residence
BH	Bill Hall	11/17/91 residence, 11/24/91 residence
BH&BW	Bill Hall and Bill Wood	11/10/91 North Market & Dixie
BSG	Bird Study Group	11/16/91 Cross Lake
CL	Charlie Lyon	11/ 3/91 residence, 11/23/91 Ponds on I-49 (50 mi.S Shreveport)
CLHJ	Charlie Lyon & Horace Jeter	11/ 3/91 Cross Lake, northern part
HH	Hubert Hervey	10/28/91 residence, 10/29/91 residence, 11/ 5/91 residence, 11/ 8/91 residence, 11/10/91 residence
HH&RS	Hubert Hervey & Rosemary Seidler	11/ 9/91 North Caddo & Bossier Par.(Hwy 1, 157, 2), 11/16/91 Cross Lake (Mallard Bay & Refuge area)
HHo	Helen Hood	10/26/91 residence, 10/28/91 residence, 11/ 2/91 residence, 11/10/91 residence, 11/19/91 residence, 11/23/91 residence
HHSI	Hervey, Hardy, Seidler, Ingold	11/23/91 residence
JMcC	Jim McCain	11/24/91 residence
LR	Larry Raymond	11/10/91 residence, 11/26/91 Caddo Lake at Oil City
NC	Norma Cobb	11/ 8/91 residence, 11/11/91 residence, 11/13/91 residence, 11/16/91 residence
NMcC	Nickie McCombs	11/16/91 residence, 11/17/91 residence, 11/22/91 residence, 11/23/91 residence, 11/24/91 residence
PD	Paul Dickson	11/17/91 Loggy Bayou Plantation, 11/22/91 residence, 11/22/91 Loggy Bayou Plantation, 11/23/91 residence
PLVCVN	Pat Lonacker, V. Camp, V. Neilson	11/14/91 Hodges Gardens
RS&LC	Rosemary Seidler & L. Cunningham	11/23/91 South Lakeshore Drive
SB	Shug Burris	11/12/91 residence, 11/22/91 residence, 11/23/91 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	11/12/91 Line Ave. by Uptown Center (Shreveport), 11/18/91 residence
TC	Terry Connors	11/10/91 residence, 11/15/91 residence, 11/21/91 residence
WS	Will Smolenski	11/ 3/91 Bickham-Dickson Park

Common Name	PERMANENT	RESIDENTS	ARE	NOW	BEING	REPORTED,	BEGINNING	WITH	THIS	ISSUE!						
Common Loon		11/16/91	BSG	1												
Pied-billed Grebe		11/23/91	RS&LC	4, 11/ 9/91	HH&RS	6, 11/16/91	HH&RS	5, 11/14/91	PL,VC,VN	6, 11/ 3/91	CLHJ	1				
Eared Grebe		11/16/91	BSG	1												
American White Pelican		11/16/91	BSG	500												
Double-crested Cormorant		11/23/91	RS&LC	500, 11/26/91	LR	500, 11/10/91	BH&BW	2, 11/ 9/91	HH&RS	50, 11/16/91	HH&RS	300, 11/14/91	PLVCVN	6, 11/ 3/91	CLHJ	200

Common Name	Date
Great Blue Heron	11/16/91 BSG 6, 11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 3, 11/16/91 HH&RS 10, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 3
Great Egret	11/23/91 RS&LC 9, 11/16/91 BSG 4, 11/10/91 BH&BW 9, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 3, 11/16/91 HH&RS 25, 11/23/91 HHSI 1, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 20
Green-backed Heron	11/23/91 RS&LC 6
Canada Goose	11/23/91 PD 1, 11/24/91 BH 15
Wood Duck	11/16/91 HH&RS 29, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 4
Green-winged Teal	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 5, 11/16/91 HH&RS 25, 11/23/91 CL 2
Hallard	11/23/91 RS&LC 8, 11/26/91 LR 12, 11/16/91 BSG 40, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 6, 11/16/91 HH&RS 40, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 2, 11/23/91 CL 25
Northern Shoveler	11/22/91 PD 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 2, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 10, 11/23/91 CL 2
Gadwall	11/16/91 BSG 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 8, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 5, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 25, 11/23/91 CL 1
American Wigeon	11/ 3/91 CLHJ 1
Canvasback	11/23/91 RS&LC 14, 11/16/91 BSG 60, 11/16/91 HH&RS 15, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 50
Redhead	11/ 3/91 CLHJ 1
Ring-necked Duck	11/26/91 LR 2, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 4, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 1
Lesser Scaup	11/23/91 RS&LC 3, 11/16/91 BSG 20, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 20, 11/16/91 HH&RS 20, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 1, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 150
Bufflehead	11/23/91 RS&LC 24, 11/16/91 BSG 30, 11/16/91 HH&RS 6, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 52
Hooded Merganser	11/10/91 BH&BW 55, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 84, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 38, 11/ 3/91 WS 1
Red-breasted Merganser	11/16/91 BSG 4
Ruddy Duck	11/23/91 RS&LC 100, 11/16/91 BSG 300, 11/16/91 HH&RS 400, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 500
Black Vulture	11/10/91 BH&BW 21, 11/12/91 SH 6, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 1
Turkey Vulture	11/23/91 RS&LC 3, 11/16/91 BSG 2, 11/10/91 BH&BW 25, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 80
Bald Eagle	11/23/91 RS&LC 3, 11/16/91 BSG 1
Northern Harrier	11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 1, 11/23/91 CL 1
Cooper's Hawk	11/15/91 TC 1, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/23/91 HHSI 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2
Red-tailed Hawk	11/23/91 RS&LC 1, 11/16/91 BSG 2, 11/10/91 BH&BW 6, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 5, 11/16/91 HH&RS 3, 11/23/91 HHSI 3, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 2, 11/10/91 LR 1
American Kestrel	11/10/91 BH&BW 3, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 3, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1
Merlin	11/14/91 PLVCVM 1
Northern Bobwhite	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 4
American Coot	11/23/91 RS&LC 28, 11/26/91 LR 10, 11/16/91 BSG 12, 11/16/91 HH&RS 100, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 20
Killdeer	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/23/91 HHSI 2
Greater Yellowlegs	11/ 3/91 WS 1
Upland Sandpiper	10/28/91 HH 1
American Woodcock	10/29/91 HH 1
Franklin's Gull	11/16/91 BSG 3
Bonaparte's Gull	11/16/91 BSG 4, 11/16/91 HH&RS 2
Ring-billed Gull	11/23/91 RS&LC 500, 11/26/91 LR 100, 11/16/91 BSG 60, 11/16/91 HH&RS 60, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 75
Forster's Tern	11/16/91 BSG 4
Rock Dove	11/23/91 RS&LC 7
Mourning Dove	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/13/91 NC 12, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 12
Greater Roadrunner	11/23/91 RS&LC 1
Great Horned Owl	11/16/91 HH&RS 2
Barred Owl	11/ 3/91 CL 1
Common Nighthawk	11/12/91 SH 2, 11/18/91 SH 6
Belted Kingfisher	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/16/91 BSG 16, 11/22/91 SB 2, 11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 2
Red-headed Woodpecker	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2, 11/23/91 HHSI 1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	11/23/91 RS&LC 2
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	11/23/91 RS&LC 3, 11/10/91 BH&BW 1, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2, 11/23/91 HHO 1, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 2, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 1, 11/24/91 JMcG 1
Downy Woodpecker	11/23/91 RS&LC 1
Northern Flicker	11/22/91 SB 12, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 4, 11/16/91 HH&RS 4, 11/23/91 HHO 1, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 6
Pileated Woodpecker	11/14/91 PLVCVM 6
Eastern Wood-Pewee	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 2
Eastern Phoebe	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/10/91 BH&BW 1
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	11/10/91 BH&BW 1
Tree Swallow	11/10/91 BH&BW 300, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 200, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 75
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	11/ 3/91 CLHJ 10
Barn Swallow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2
Blue Jay	11/23/91 RS&LC 6
American Crow	11/23/91 RS&LC 11, 11/23/91 HHSI 80
Fish Crow	11/23/91 RS&LC 3, 11/23/91 HHSI 6
Carolina Chickadee	11/23/91 RS&LC 7
Tufted Titmouse	11/23/91 RS&LC 2
White-breasted Nuthatch	11/23/91 RS&LC 1
Brown-headed Nuthatch	11/23/91 RS&LC 2
Brown Creeper	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/14/91 PLVCVM 2, 11/ 3/91 CLHJ 2
Carolina Wren	11/16/91 BSG 2
House Wren	11/10/91 BH&BW 1, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1

Common Name	Date
Sedge Wren	11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 2
Winter Wren	11/10/91 BH&BW 2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	11/23/91 RS&LC 9, 11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 10, 11/10/91 HNo 1, 11/24/91 JMcC 1, 11/16/91 WMcC 1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	11/ 3/91 CLNJ 1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	11/16/91 BSG 1
Eastern Bluebird	11/23/91 RS&LC 15, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 25, 11/16/91 HH&RS 16, 11/23/91 HNSI 8, 11/23/91 HNo 2
Hermite Thrush	11/23/91 RS&LC 1, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 1
American Robin	11/16/91 BSG 1
Northern Mockingbird	11/23/91 RS&LC 4, 11/23/91 HNSI 2
Brown Thrasher	11/23/91 RS&LC 2, 11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/23/91 HNSI 1
Water Pipit	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2, 11/23/91 HNSI 16, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 1
Cedar Waxwing	11/22/91 PD 20, 11/16/91 HH&RS 22, 11/23/91 WMcC 8, 11/24/91 WMcC 7
Loggerhead Shrike	11/23/91 RS&LC 1, 11/10/91 BH&BW 4, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 2
European Starling	11/23/91 RS&LC 40
Solitary Vireo	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1
Orange-crowned Warbler	11/23/91 RS&LC 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 2, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 2
Cerulean Warbler	11/23/91 HNo 1
Magnolia Warbler	11/23/91 HNo 1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	11/23/91 RS&LC 12, 11/16/91 HH&RS 8, 10/28/91 HNo 6, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 20, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 5, 11/16/91 1 WMcC 5
Yellow-throated Warbler	11/23/91 RS&LC 1
Pine Warbler	11/23/91 RS&LC 18, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 12, 11/16/91 HH&RS 20, 11/23/91 HNo 3, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 12, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 4
Summer Tanager	10/26/91 HNo 1
Northern Cardinal	11/23/91 RS&LC 6, 11/23/91 HNo 6
Rufous-sided Towhee	11/ 3/91 CLNJ 3
Chipping Sparrow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 20, 11/16/91 HH&RS 30, 11/23/91 HNSI 1, 11/17/91 BH 15, 11/19/91 HNo 1, 11/14/91 P LVGVN 40
Field Sparrow	11/10/91 BH&BW 4, 11/16/91 HH&RS 10, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 1
Vesper Sparrow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 5
Savannah Sparrow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 3, 11/23/91 HNSI 10
LeConte's Sparrow	11/16/91 HH&RS 20, 11/23/91 HNSI 5
Fox Sparrow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 1
Song Sparrow	11/10/91 BH&BW 1, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 20, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 1, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 2
Swamp Sparrow	11/10/91 BH&BW 2, 11/16/91 HH&RS 4
White-throated Sparrow	11/23/91 RS&LC 22, 11/13/91 WC 6, 11/10/91 BH&BW 10, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 8, 11/16/91 HH&RS 8, 11/23/91 HNSI 6, 11/17/91 BH 8, 11/ 2/91 HNo 2, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 12, 11/ 3/91 CLNJ 6, 11/23/91 WMcC 4
White-crowned Sparrow	11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/23/91 HNSI 3
Park-eyed Junco	11/23/91 RS&LC 9, 11/16/91 AB 2, 11/13/91 AB 2, 11/22/91 AB 2, 11/24/91 AB 2, 11/12/91 SB 7, 11/11/91 WC 2, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 8, 11/16/91 HH&RS 4, 11/17/91 BH 10, 11/14/91 PLVGVN 4, 11/23/91 WMcC 4, 11/17/91 WMcC 2
Red-winged Blackbird	11/23/91 RS&LC 38, 11/10/91 BH&BW 100, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 50
Eastern Meadowlark	11/10/91 BH&BW 10, 11/ 9/91 HH&RS 1, 11/16/91 HH&RS 2, 11/23/91 HNSI 12
Brewer's Blackbird	11/ 8/91 HH 8, 11/23/91 HNSI 6
Great-tailed Grackle	11/ 5/91 HH 3, 11/10/91 HH 1
Common Grackle	11/23/91 RS&LC 200
Brown-headed Cowbird	11/10/91 BH&BW 25
House Finch	11/ 8/91 WC 8, 11/10/91 TC 1, 11/22/91 WMcC 2
American Goldfinch	11/23/91 SB 4, 11/16/91 WC 4, 11/21/91 TC 1, 11/17/91 PD 1, 11/17/91 BH 1, 11/16/91 WMcC 10, 11/23/91 WMcC 6
House Sparrow	11/23/91 RS&LC 2

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 14 January 1992, 7:00 PM in the
Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. Dr. Jim Ingold will present an
illustrated program on "Birds of India."
Note the meeting place!!

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, January 7, 7:00 PM, at
Hubert Hervey's home (925-9249); call
for directions.

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NEXT MEETING == JANUARY 14 AT THE MUSEUM
THE GIFT SHOP CAN SPECIAL ORDER FOR YOUR BIRDING NEEDS

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I have ended this year with two great bird outings (Caddo Christmas Bird Count and Bossier Christmas Bird Count). I also had the opportunity to participate in these with two good birders as well as all round super people, Hubert Hervey and Bill Hall. Neither day were conditions ideal for birding, rain and overcast, but we still saw some good birds.

For Christmas I received a sturdy tripod for my spotting scope and a microrecorder, ideal for use in bird counts. I have certainly enjoyed our first half of our Bird Group year and hope you have also.

This could be one of our best years. We have a number of good things planned and everyone seems to be having a good time. A group of young enthusiasts have asked us to help in an Eagle Watch on January 18th. The last weekend of this month we host the L.O.S. winter meeting. We will need a lot of you to help. Besides all of this, we have several good field trips planned as well as some good programs for our meetings.

Happy New Year and may 1992 be a top birding year for all of you.

*** Will Smolenski

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING

The regular monthly meeting and Christmas party of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, December 10, 1991, in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS campus.

Rosemary Seidler, in charge of special events, did a great job. Everything was arranged so nicely and the food was delicious. Paul Dickson brought huge pots of gumbo and rice (a special treat).

Will Smolenski opened the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m. Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

Betty gave her treasurers report starting with a balance of \$985.30. We had income of

\$350.00 and expenses of \$250.00 leaving a balance of \$1,085.30. The Post Office balance was \$142.42.

Will reported seeing about 20 Eastern Bluebirds and one Purple Finch at Bickham-Dickson Park.

Mac gave a report on the birds seen on the trip to the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge. The total count was 120. Velda gave her report on the trip next. Rosemary reported seeing a Tundra Swan and an albino American Coot. Hubert had led an owl search at Rockefeller and we coaxed him to do his call for the meeting.

Larry reminded us of the beginning bird walk at Walter B. Jacob's Nature Park on December 14.

A field trip to Bodcau in March to see Wild Turkeys was discussed. Paul Dickson knows where the turkeys are.

Caroline showed us a new item she has in the Gift Shop. It is a real nice carrier for your bird book, lunch, etc. She also has bird tiles [decorative] for sale, donated by Mrs. Bitowski.

The Louisiana Ornithological Society meets in Shreveport, January 31 through February 2. Help is needed in different areas.

The Caddo Christmas Bird Count will be December 21. Horace Jeter and Charlie Lyon will be in charge. The counters will meet at Pat Lonacker's that night for dinner.

The Bossier Christmas Bird Count, led by Paul Dickson, will be December 28, meeting for dinner at Jimmy's Lakeside Restaurant.

A drawing was held with a T-shirt being won by Terry Connors and a calander by Neva Kamphius.

The next board meeting will be January 7 at Hubert Hervey's home.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

*** Norma Cobb

CAROLINE DORMAN WORK DAY

There will be a work day at the Caroline Dorman Nature Preserve (near Natchitoches) on the last Saturday in February. The Nature Preserve furnishes coffee and cokes -- volunteers bring gloves and labor; everyone has fun. Call Richard L. Johnson (318, 576-3379) for more details.

BCBCBC AWARDS

Paul Dickson has announced the annual BCBCBC awards for this year. The No-Doz Award, for the largest number counted for any species ("blackbirds" includes several species), was won by Charlie Lyon by counting 5,060 Blackbirds. The Golden Birdy, for the rarest species found, was won by Jim Ingold with a White-eyed Vireo. The Iron Binoculars Award, for the most time in the field, was earned by Larry Raymond and Mac Hardy with a total of 12 hours. The Hit List Champion, for the most species on the hit list, is the team of Will Smolenski and Bill Hall with 6 species.

BANDED BIRDS

Watch for color bands on the following species: Killdeer, Common Loon, and Ring-billed Gull. Note the date, location, and the position of colored and aluminum bands

(right versus left leg of bird and above versus below if two bands are on one leg). For Common Loons notify David Evers, Whitefish Point Bird Observatory, HC 48 Box 115, Paradise, MI 49768 (906, 492-3596) as soon as possible. For Killdeer notify David Blaskiewicz, Department of Biology, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI 48859 (517, 774-3921).

BIRD BANDING DAY

The annual bird banding outing for American Goldfinches and other species at Paul Dickson's house (Ellerbe Road, phone 798-1000) will be on February 15, beginning at 7:00 a.m. We will need several volunteers to help with the nets, bands, and records.

ROCKEFELLER TRIP

The Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge was a wonderful success. We had about 15 participants and all seemed to enjoy the experience. We saw 120 species, including many life birds for several of the birders. Some of the best birds included: Roseate Spoonbill, Fulvous Whistling Duck, Mottled Duck, Cooper's Hawk, Peregrine Falcon, Merlin, King Rail, Clapper Rail, Virginia Rail, Long-billed Curlew, Gull-billed Tern, Sandwich Tern, Rufous Hummingbird, Buff-bellied Hummingbird, Black-chinned Hummingbird, Marsh Wren, Sprague's Pipit, Sharp-tailed Sparrow, and Seaside Sparrow. We will definitely do this again sometime.

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AB	Alice Babers	12/10/91 Residence, 12/25/91 Residence
BH	Bill Hall	11/29/91 Residence
BH,et al	Bill Halls, Moffitts, & Jordans	12/ 8/91 Cross Lake

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BSG	Bird Study Group	12/14/91 Jacob's Mature Park, Blanchard
BW	Bobbe Wonnack	12/12/91 Stonewall, 12/18/91 residence, 12/24/91 residence, 12/27/91 residence, 12/28/91 residence
GB	Gordon Blackman	12/10/91 Residence, 12/24/91 Residence
GF	Gloria Frantom	12/19/91 Residence, 12/25/91 Residence
HH	Hubert Hervey	12/24/91 residence
HHo	Helen Hood	12/ 9/91 residence, 12/10/91 residence, 12/14/91 Bickham-Dickson Park, 12/16/91 residence, 12/24/91 residence, 12/25/91 Martin, 12/28/91 Caddo Lake at Mooringsport
LR&NH	Larry Raymond & Mac Hardy	12/20/91 vicinity of Blanchard
NH	Mac Hardy	12/15/91 Kingston & Bert Kouns, Shreveport
NC	Norma Cobb	12/24/91 Residence
NMcC	Nicky McCombs	12/ 7/91 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	11/ 7/91 Yearwood road
WS	Will Smolenski	12/16/91 Bickham-Dickson Park

RECORDS

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Common Loon	91/12/16 WS 2
Pied-billed Grebe	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 1
American White Pelican	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 5
Double-crested Cormorant	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 3000
Great Blue Heron	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 12; 12/14/91 HHo 1; 12/15/91 HH 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/25/91 HHo 3; 12/28/91 HHo 1
Great Egret	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 5
American Coot	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 60
Canvasback	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 250
Lesser Scaup	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 14
Bufflehead	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 39
Ruddy Duck	12/ 8/91 BH, et al
Black Vulture	12/14/91 BSG 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Turkey Vulture	12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Bald Eagle	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 1
Northern Harrier	12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	12/15/91 NH 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/25/91 HHo 20
Red-tailed Hawk	12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/25/91 HHo 6
American Kestrel	12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Bonaparte's Gull	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 45
King-billed Gull	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 80; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Forster's Tern	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 35
Rock Dove	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 2
Hourning Dove	12/15/91 NH 1
Belted Kingfisher	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Downy Woodpecker	12/18/91 BW 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/16/91 HHo 1; 12/18/91 BW 1; 12/19/91 GF 3; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	12/18/91 BW 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Northern Flicker	11/29/91 BH 3; 12/ 9/91 HHo 1; 12/19/91 GF 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Pileated Woodpecker	12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/25/91 HHo 1
Eastern Phoebe	12/12/91 BW 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 11
Blue Jay	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 3; 12/14/91 BSG 5; 12/15/91 NH 3; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
American Crow	12/ 8/91 BH, et al 7; 12/14/91 BSG 2; 12/15/91 NH 3; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Carolina Chickadee	12/10/91 GH 2; 12/14/91 BSG 3; 12/15/91 NH 1; 12/16/91 HHo 1; 12/19/91 GF 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/24/91 MC 6; 11/29/91 BH 12
Tufted Titmouse	11/29/91 BH 5; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/16/91 HHo 1; 12/19/91 GF 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
White-breasted Nuthatch	11/29/91 BH 1; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/19/91 GF 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Brown Creeper	12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Carolina Wren	11/29/91 BH 3; 12/ 8/91 BH, et al 3; 12/10/91 HHo 2; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/15/91 NH 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 2
Golden-crowned Kinglet	11/29/91 BH 1; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	11/29/91 BH 2; 12/10/91 HHo 1; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/16/91 HHo 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Eastern Bluebird	11/29/91 BH 2; 12/ 9/91 HHo 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 2; 12/25/91 HHo 8
Hermit Thrush	11/29/91 BH 2; 12/15/91 NH 1
American Robin	12/15/91 NH 10; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Northern Mockingbird	11/29/91 BH 1; 12/15/91 NH 8; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Brown Thrasher	12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/15/91 NH 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Water Pipit	12/24/91 HH 20
Cedar Waxwing	12/10/91 GB 12; 12/20/91 LR&NH 14; 12/28/91 BW 15
Loggerhead Shrike	12/15/91 NH 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
European Starling	12/15/91 NH 10

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Common Name	Data
White-eyed Vireo	11/29/91 BH 1
Orange-crowned Warbler	12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	12/10/91 HNo 1; 12/15/91 HH 1; 12/16/91 HNo 6; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Pine Warbler	12/ 9/91 HNo 2; 12/14/91 BSG 1; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Northern Cardinal	11/29/91 BH 12; 12/10/91 HNo 6; 12/15/91 HH 10; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/24/91 NC 13; 12/25/91 GF 12
Chipping Sparrow	11/29/91 BH 15; 12/12/91 BH 30; 12/19/91 GF 11; 12/24/91 NC 3
Field Sparrow	12/15/91 HH 3; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Fox Sparrow	12/15/91 HH 1
Song Sparrow	12/15/91 HH 20; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Lincoln's Sparrow	12/20/91 LR&NH 4
Swamp Sparrow	12/15/91 HH 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 2
White-throated Sparrow	11/29/91 BH 8; 12/15/91 HH 20; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/24/91 GB 4; 12/27/91 BW 2; 12/28/91 HNo 2
White-crowned Sparrow	12/10/91 HNo 2; 12/24/91 GB 4
Harris' Sparrow	11/ 7/91 SH 1
Dark-eyed Junco	11/29/91 BH 25; 12/14/91 HNo 2; 12/14/91 BSG 2; 12/15/91 HH 10; 12/19/91 GF 20; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/24/91 HNo 1; 12/27/91 BW 3; 12/28/91 HNo 1
Red-winged Blackbird	12/15/91 HH 50; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Eastern Meadowlark	12/15/91 HH 3; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Western Meadowlark	12/24/91 HH 1
Brewer's Blackbird	12/24/91 HH 8
Common Grackle	11/29/91 BH 2; 12/10/91 AB 1; 12/15/91 HH 100; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1
Purple Finch	12/14/91 BSG 2; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/25/91 AB 6
House Finch	12/ 7/91 HHc 1; 12/24/91 GB 6; 12/24/91 NC 5; 12/24/91 BW 20
American Goldfinch	11/29/91 BH 3; 12/ 7/91 HHc 1; 12/14/91 BSG 6; 12/20/91 LR&NH 1; 12/24/91 NC 1; 12/24/91 HNo 1; 12/24/91 BW 1
House Sparrow	12/15/91 HH 4

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 11 February 1992, 7:00 PM in
the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. Larry Raymond will present an
illustrated program on "Summer Friends
and Changes in Bird Populations." Note
the meeting place!!

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, March 3, 7:00 PM, at Norma
Cobb's home (1851 Live Oak Dr.; phone
686-3959).

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NEXT MEETING == JANUARY 14 AT THE MUSEUM
THE GIFT SHOP CAN SPECIAL ORDER FOR YOUR BIRDING NEEDS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a way to start off February! We can certainly be proud of our members for their efforts in making the Winter meeting of the L.O.S. a huge success. The planning, work, special effort, and friendliness brought good comments from several members who attended.

Dr. Mac Hardy made a super effort to make our Bird Study Group look great. His time and coordination in computerizing and printing field trip lists, name tags, trip leaders, drivers, as well as shuffle and update lists was outstanding. Shirley Huss worked closely with Mac to see that name tags and field trip packets were made for those not previously registered. Velda Neilson also assisted at the registration table.

Dr. Charles Lyon, President of L.O.S., but also one of our members, provided two excellent speakers: Dr. George Shannon and Julie Zickefoose for Friday and Saturday nights. Julie is not only a great artist and birder but a delightful person. She is the one who spotted the Red-throated Loon on Cross Lake and made many friends on the field trips she attended and at the meetings.

Thanks go to the field trip leaders Paul Dickson, Bill Hall, Hubert Hervey, Shirley Huss, Jim Ingold, Pat Lonnecker, Charles Lyon, John McBride, Larry Raymond, Rosemary Seidler, and Bill Wood. All had scouted their areas previously for locations of the various species.

Drivers included some of the field trip leaders plus Velda Neilson, Dick Rolandt, Richard Speairs, and myself. They got the birders to the right place on time plus got them back to the Sheraton on time for lunch and the afternoon trips.

Caroline and John Upchurch did a great job in bringing the Gift Shop materials to the hotel and setting them up. Caroline also manned the Gift Shop table and talked to many of the visitors who came by. Betty Speairs also helped at the gift table.

Others, including Betty Mason, helped in the planning. Thanks to Chuck and Sally

Moffett for making the Yacht Club available for a rest stop for the barges on Cross Lake.

It was a pleasure to renew acquaintances as well as meet new friends. It was most rewarding to hear that others besides myself were told that our group was the most friendly, congenial and helpful group in the state. Thanks again to all of you who participated and I apologize if I left anyone out.

*** Will Smolenski, President

FIELD TRIPS

FEBRUARY 15 -- Bird banding (principally American Goldfinches) at Paul Dickson's. We will also get to view Paul's collection of exotic waterfowl. Contact Paul (798-1000) for the starting time.

MARCH 7 -- Bodcau Wildlife Management Area to see Wild Turkeys. Also will see woodland and meadow birds; perhaps some early spring migrants. Leave at 5:00 A.M. in car pool from LSUS parking lot next to the Museum. We need to be in place for the turkeys by daybreak. Contact Paul (798-1000) for more information.

MARCH 21 -- LSU Experiment Station and Pat Sewell's farm for the last of the winter residents and the first of the spring migrants. Perhaps Sprague's Pipits, Horned Larks, Western Meadowlarks, and various shorebirds. Leave by carpool at 7:00 A.M. from the LSUS Museum parking lot. Contact Bill Hall (797-1727).

APRIL 11 -- Bickham-Dickson Park for spring migrants, warblers, and shorebirds. Meet at 8:00 A.M. at the Bickham-Dickson horsebarn. Contact Bill Hall (797-1727).

APRIL 18 -- Hubert Hervey's Berry and Dairy Farm for spring migrants, woodland, pasture, and meadow birds. Carpool from the LSUS Museum parking lot at 8:00 A.M. Contact Hubert Hervey (925-9249).

MAY 1-3 -- A week-end trip you will remember. The Louisiana Ornithological Society Spring Meeting in Cameron, Louisiana. Spring migrants to blow your mind! Anyone interested in nature and/or birds must do

this trip at least once in their life. Contact Charlie Lyon (865-2674), Mac Hardy (797-5338), or Bill Hall (797-1727) to get together with others who will be making the trip or to help in planning your own trip.

MAY 9 -- Loggy Bayou Spring "Big Day." Spring migrants and local residents of all habitats. Always one of the best outings of the year.. Meet at Loggy Bayou Plantation at 7:00 A.M.. Contact Paul Dickson (798-1000) for directions and to find out what food to bring. More about this will be announced in a regular meeting.

MAY 23 -- Soda Lake Wildlife Management Area. An exploration outing to see what's there. Depart by carpool at 8:00 A.M. from the Burger King on North Market Street. Contact Mac Hardy (797-5338).

JUNE 6 -- Kisatchie National Forest, Longleaf Vista Area. Piney woods residents, hopefully to include the Red-cockaded Woodpecker. Carpool from the LSUS Museum parking lot at 7:00 A.M. Contact Mac Hardy (797-5338).

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

The SSNS Bird Study Group board meeting was held Tuesday, January 7, 1992, at the home of Hubert Hervey. Will Smolenski, president, called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. with nine members present.

Betty Mason, treasurer, was in California. Will gave the last balance of \$1,085.30 and a Post Office balance of \$142.42.

We are invited to the Carolyn Dorman Sanctuary February 29. Bring garden tools and a lunch. Bird watchers usually work in the morning and bird in the afternoon.

Remember to report your birds to Connie Connors. Forster's Terns, Ring-billed Gulls, and Bonaparte's Gulls were reported at Bickham-Dickson Park.

Bill Hall researched the field trips to Toledo Bend and Millwood Lake and was unable to secure barges and boats; however, there are many other good trips planned.

The Asbury United Methodist Church of Bossier City asked Will for guides for a Bald Eagle watch on Cross Lake January 18. Will, Hubert, and Jim volunteered to help, leaving from Barrons Landing at 8:00 A.M.

Remember the LOS meeting on January 31 and February 1 and 2. There are many good field trips and a banquet.

There is a bird banding at Paul Dickson's house on February 15.

A suggestion to update bird slides was made. Mac and Jim will work on this as time permits.

Our membership is 125 now. It was noted that most of our club money previously had been from the sale of bird seed. Hopefully this can be done again but the main problem is storage space.

Will praised the committee chairpersons for good work. It was decided to shorten our regular meeting by not recognizing each committee person at every meeting. The speaker will have full time and we can get out a little earlier.

Hubert's program list is great with Jim Ingold on the Birds of India in January and Larry Raymond in February on Old Bird Friends and Changes in Bird Populations.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M. Refreshments served by our host were enjoyed by all.

*** Norma Cobb, Secretary

JANUARY MINUTES

The regular meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held January 14, 1992, at 7:00 P.M. in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS campus.

Will Smolenski, president, opened the meeting with minutes from the last meeting being approved. He gave a short financial report with a balance of \$1,084.34 and a Post Office balance of \$124.79. The last Newsletter mailing had not been subtracted.

Mac Hardy updated us on the LOS meeting being held in Shreveport January 31 and Feb-

ruary 1 and 2, 1992. Our members have graciously volunteered to help with field trips, registration, etc.

Paul Dickson reported on the BCBCBC and gave out awards. Ninety nine species of birds were seen with a **White-eyed Vireo** being the most exciting. The Iron binoculars Award went to Mac Hardy and Larry Raymond, the No-Doz Award to Charlie Lyon, the Golden Birdie Award to Jim Ingold, and the Hit List Award to Will Smolenski and Bill Hall.

The Asbury United Methodist Church of Bossier City asked Will if our club would furnish guides for a **Bald Eagle** watch on Cross Lake January 18. Our people were eager to help.

The Cheneyville trip changed to January 19, leaving the LSUS campus at 7:00 A.M. There is a bird banding at Paul Dickson's house on February 15, and a **Wild Turkey** trip on March 7. Watch the Newsletter for more details.

Please keep a list of bird sightings to give to Connie Conners.

Caroline Upchurch, in charge of the Gift Shop, has been sick and we have missed her.

Our membership is 125.

Birdtalk was exciting with a **Red-throated Loon** being reported on Lake-o-the-Pines, **American Woodcocks** at Lucien Field, **Bald Eagles** on Cypress Lake, and several grebes, terns, and gulls at area lakes.

Larry Raymond is our speaker for February and Velda Neilson for March.

Jim Ingold was in charge of our January program, speaking on the Birds of India. Jim had made a trip to India a few years back giving his program a personal touch. Very nice, Jim!

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Remember to come early, look around the Museum, and have refreshments.

*** Norma Cobb, Secretary

THANKS TO OUR VISITORS!

The SSNS Bird Study Group thanks all of the visitors who came to the Winter meeting of the L.O.S. You made the effort to travel to the meetings and your presence is always what makes the meetings a success. Thanks for coming; we look forward to other productive visits in the future.

REPORT BIRDS

The Bird Notes section of the Newsletter is not limited to expert birders or the results of major birding outings. Any of you who see uncommon birds or rarely seen birds should call Connie Conners to make a report (see that section for the phone number). If everyone would call in their reports we would have a much more complete picture of the bird populations in our area. We need your help.

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CC	Connie Conners	1/18/92 Bickham-Dickson Park
CL	Charlie Lyon	1/12/92 I-49 to Alexandria
CLBW	Charlie Lyon and Bill Wood	1/18/92 Cross Lake
DR	Dick Rolandt	1/26/92 residence
EB	Evelyn Bohan	1/6/92 residence; 1/8/92 residence; 1/9/92 70th Street; 1/9/92 Youree Drive; 1/11/92 residence
GB	Gordon Blackman	1/23/92 residence
GF	Gloria Frantom	1/18/92 residence
HH	Hubert Hervey	1/11/92 Soda Lake; 1/11/92 Caddo Lake area
HHo	Helen Hood	1/5/92 South Lakeshore Drive; 1/6/92 residence; 1/7/92 residence; 1/11/92 residence; 1/12/92 residence
HSHRS	Hubert Hervey, S. Huss, & R. Seidler	1/17/92 Yearwood Road
HHVN	Hubert Hervey & Velda Neilson	1/10/92 Toledo Bend
JMcC	Jim McCain	12/28/91 Hwy. 71 between Ida & Dixie
NC	Norma Cobb	1/15/92 residence; 1/16/92 residence; 1/18/92 residence
NMcC	Nicky McCombs	12/27/91 residence; 1/3/92 residence; 1/11/92 residence; 1/18/92 residence; 1/26/92 residence
SB	Shug Burris	1/24/92 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	1/5/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 1/12/92 residence; 1/16/92 residence; 1/22/92 residence; 1/24/92 Lake-O-the-Pines
T&CC	Terry & Connie Conners	12/30/91 residence; 1/23/92 residence
WS	Will Smolenski	1/1/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 1/17/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 1/27/92 Bickham-Dickson Park

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Horned Grebe	1/11/92	HH 2; 1/24/92 SH 1
Bareed Grebe	1/17/92	WS 1; 1/11/92 HH 2
American White Pelican	1/10/92	HH&VN 36; 1/11/92 HH 5; 1/24/92 SH 9; 1/12/92 CL 15; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Double-crested Cormorant	1/10/92	HH&VN 500; 1/11/92 HH 20; 1/11/92 HH 200; 1/5/92 HHo 17; 1/18/92 CLBW 600
Great Blue Heron	1/10/92	HH&VN 40; 1/11/92 HH 3; 1/11/92 HH 5; 1/17/92 HH, SH, RS 3; 1/18/92 CLBW 15
Great Egret	1/10/92	HH&VN 60; 1/11/92 HH 15; 1/17/92 HH, SH, RS 20; 1/18/92 CLBW 12
Little Blue Heron	1/24/92	SB 1
Tricolored Heron	1/17/92	HSHRS 3
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	1/5/92	HHo 1
Wood Stork	1/5/92	HHo 12
Snow Goose	1/12/92	CL 3000
Wood Duck	1/24/92	SB 2; 1/11/92 HH 30; 1/17/92 HSHRS 3; 1/18/92 CLBW 5
Green-winged Teal	1/10/92	HH&VN 14; 1/11/92 HH 19; 1/12/92 CL 10
Mallard	1/10/92	HH&VN 300; 1/11/92 HH 40; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/12/92 CL 200
Blue-winged Teal	1/12/92	CL 2
Northern Pintail	1/12/92	CL 75
Northern Shoveler	1/11/92	HH 15; 1/12/92 CL 150
Gadwall	1/11/92	HH 21; 1/12/92 CL 20
American Wigeon	1/10/92	HH&VN 150; 1/11/92 HH 257; 1/12/92 CL 15
Canvasback	1/10/92	HH&VN 12; 1/12/92 CL 50; 1/18/92 CLBW 50
Ring-necked Duck	1/10/92	HH&VN 15; 1/11/92 HH 22; 1/12/92 CL 20; 1/18/92 CLBW 30
Lesser Scaup	1/12/92	CL 5
Common Goldeneye	1/24/92	SH 1
Bufflehead	1/10/92	HH&VN 11; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/24/92 SH 12; 1/18/92 CLBW 20
Hooded Merganser	1/10/92	HH&VN 2; 1/11/92 HH 13; 1/18/92 CLBW 3
Ruddy Duck	1/10/92	HH&VN 4; 1/11/92 HH 40; 1/12/92 CL 50; 1/18/92 CLBW 200
Black Vulture	1/10/92	HH&VN 80; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/17/92 HSHRS 4
Turkey Vulture	1/10/92	HH&VN 50; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/11/92 HH 4; 1/17/92 HSHRS 10
Bald Eagle	1/11/92	HH 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Northern Harrier	1/17/92	HSHRS 10; 1/12/92 CL 3
Cooper's Hawk	1/11/92	HH 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	1/11/92	HH 2; 1/12/92 CL 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Red-tailed Hawk	1/10/92	HH&VN 4; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 19; 1/18/92 CLBW 1; 12/28/91 JMcC 4
American Kestrel	1/9/92	HH 1; 1/18/92 CC 1; 1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 6; 1/18/92 CLBW 4; 12/28/91 JMcC 5
Common Moorhen	1/10/92	HH&VN 250

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Common Name	Date
American Coot	1/18/92 CG 2; 1/11/92 HH 15; 1/12/92 CL 200; 1/18/92 CLBW 150; 1/10/92 HH&VN 30; 1/11/92 HH 22; 1/11/92 HH 8; 1/17/92 HSHRS 15
Sandhill Crane	1/12/92 CL 37
Killdeer	1/24/92 SB 2; 1/18/92 CG 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/11/92 HH 3; 1/17/92 HSHRS 30
Least Sandpiper	1/17/92 HSHRS 3
Long-billed Dowitcher	1/12/92 CL 150
Common Snipe	1/17/92 HSHRS 80
American Woodcock	1/11/92 HH 2
Bonaparte's Gull	1/10/92 HH&VN 12; 1/11/92 HH 6; 1/5/92 SH 4; 1/18/92 CLBW 4; 1/1/92 WS 10
Ring-billed Gull	1/18/92 CG 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 25; 1/11/92 HH 3; 1/11/92 HH 8; 1/5/92 SH 20; 1/12/92 CL 1; 1/1/92 WS 150
Herring Gull	1/10/92 HH&VN 4; 1/5/92 HHo 14
Forster's Tern	1/18/92 CLBW 2; 1/27/92 WS 4
Ringed Turtledove	1/15/92 NC 1
Rock Dove	1/11/92 HH 4; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1
Mourning Dove	1/11/92 EB 3; 1/17/92 HSHRS 40; 1/11/92 HHo 2; 1/3/92 NMcC 1; 1/18/92 NMcC 3
Greater Roadrunner	1/19/92 C&SM 1
Great Horned Owl	1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1
Barred Owl	1/11/92 HH 1
Belted Kingfisher	1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 2
Red-headed Woodpecker	1/17/92 HSHRS 2; 1/12/92 CL 1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	1/15/92 NC 2; 1/18/92 GF 3; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 2
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1/11/92 EB 1; 1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 3; 1/12/92 CL 3; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Downy Woodpecker	1/18/92 GF 1; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1; 1/7/92 HHo 1
Hairy Woodpecker	1/11/92 HH 1
Northern Flicker	1/13/92 AB 1; 1/15/92 AB 1; 1/24/92 SB 1; 1/15/92 NC 1; 1/10/92 HH&VN 2; 1/11/92 HH 12; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/17/92 HSHRS 2; 1/7/92 HHo 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 4
Pileated Woodpecker	1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 3; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Eastern Phoebe	1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/11/92 HH 3; 1/17/92 HSHRS 3; 1/12/92 CL 3; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Horned Lark	1/17/92 HSHRS 150
Blue Jay	1/24/92 SB 6; 1/10/92 HH&VN 2; 1/11/92 HH 4; 1/17/92 HSHRS 8
Fish Crow	1/11/92 HH 2
Carolina Chickadee	1/24/92 SB 1; 1/15/92 NC 5; 12/30/91 T&CC 1; 1/18/92 GF 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/11/92 HH 10; 1/17/92 HSHRS 6; 1/6/92 HHo 2
Tufted Titmouse	1/15/92 NC 5; 1/18/92 GF 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 2; 1/11/92 HH 6; 1/12/92 HHo 1
White-breasted Nuthatch	1/18/92 GF 2; 1/12/92 HHo 1
Brown-headed Nuthatch	1/10/92 HH&VN 1
Carolina Wren	12/30/91 T&CC 1; 1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/17/92 HSHRS 6; 1/12/92 HHo 2
House Wren	1/17/92 HSHRS 2; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
Winter Wren	1/18/92 CLBW 1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	1/18/92 CLBW 10
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1/11/92 HH 3; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 6; 1/3/92 NMcC 1; 12/27/91 NMcC 1
Eastern Bluebird	1/24/92 SB 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 4; 1/11/92 HH 8; 1/17/92 HSHRS 10; 1/12/92 HHo 3; 1/12/92 CL 30; 1/18/92 CLBW 10
Hermit Thrush	1/11/92 HH 2; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 1; 1/17/92 BW 1
American Robin	1/11/92 HH 28; 1/17/92 HSHRS 6
Northern Mockingbird	1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 4
Brown Thrasher	1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 2
Water Pipit	1/10/92 HH&VN 50; 1/12/92 CL 8
Cedar Waxwing	1/23/92 CB 6; 1/8/92 EB 11; 12/30/91 T&CC 2; 1/10/92 HH&VN 4; 1/12/92 HHo 11; 1/3/92 NMcC 60; 1/26/92 DR 300
Loggerhead Shrike	1/9/92 EB 1; 1/15/92 NC 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 8; 1/18/92 CLBW 2
European Starling	1/10/92 HH&VN 3; 1/11/92 HH 30; 1/17/92 HSHRS 80
Yellow-rumped Warbler	1/11/92 EB 1; 1/18/92 CG 4; 1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 8; 1/17/92 HSHRS 3; 1/12/92 HHo 15; 1/18/92 CLBW 8; 1/3/92 NMcC 2; 1/6/92 EB 1
Pine Warbler	1/10/92 HH&VN 8; 1/6/92 HHo 1; 1/12/92 HHo 4; 1/18/92 CLBW 10
Northern Cardinal	1/11/92 EB 2; 1/24/92 SB 40; 1/10/92 HH&VN 6; 1/11/92 HH 13; 1/17/92 HSHRS 15; 1/7/92 HHo 10; 1/3/92 NMcC 3; 1/18/92 NMcC 7; 1/18/92 BW 24
Rufous-sided Towhee	1/11/92 HH 2
Chipping Sparrow	1/10/92 HH&VN 20; 1/17/92 HSHRS 10; 1/6/92 HHo 1; 1/12/92 CL 75; 1/18/92 CLBW 100; 1/17/92 BW 10
Field Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 8; 1/18/92 CLBW 2; 1/17/92 BW 10
Vesper Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 40
Savannah Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 20; 1/12/92 CL 100
Fox Sparrow	1/11/92 HH 1; 1/17/92 HSHRS 8
Song Sparrow	1/11/92 HH 4; 1/17/92 HSHRS 100; 1/12/92 CL 25; 1/17/92 BW 1
Lincoln's Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 8; 1/12/92 CL 1
Swamp Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 100; 1/12/92 CL 5; 1/18/92 CLBW 1
White-throated Sparrow	12/30/91 T&CC 2; 1/18/92 GF 3; 1/10/92 HH&VN 4; 1/11/92 HH 42; 1/17/92 HSHRS 40; 1/11/92 HHo 1; 1/12/92 CL 100; 1/18/92 CLBW 20; 1/3/92 NMcC 16; 12/27/91 NMcC 18; 1/11/92 NMcC 16; 1/18/92 NMcC 27; 1/17/92 BW 25
White-crowned Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 150; 1/12/92 CL 25; 1/10/92 BW 1; 1/18/92 BW 1

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Common Name	Data
Harris' Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 3
Dark-eyed Junco	1/18/92 AB 21; 1/9/92 BB 8; 1/16/92 WC 18; 1/18/92 GF 10; 1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 6; 1/17/92 HSHRS 25; 1/6/92 HBo 1; 1/18/92 CLBW 100; 1/3/92 NMc 1; 1/11/92 NMc 5; 1/18/92 NMc 3; 1/26/92 NMc 20
Red-winged Blackbird	12/30/91 T&C 50; 1/11/92 HH 16; 1/17/92 HSHRS 100
Eastern Meadowlark	1/11/92 HH 10; 1/17/92 HSHRS 60
Rusty Blackbird	1/18/92 CLBW 1
Brewer's Blackbird	1/17/92 HSHRS 4
Common Grackle	1/11/92 HH 60; 1/11/92 HH 400; 1/17/92 HSHRS 1000
Brown-headed Cowbird	1/17/92 HSHRS 100
Purple Finch	1/7/92 AB 7; 1/24/92 SB 2; 1/11/92 HH 18; 1/17/92 HSHRS 8; 1/18/92 CLBW 15
House Finch	1/9/92 AB 5; 1/24/92 SB 1; 1/15/92 WC 15; 12/30/91 T&C 10; 1/23/92 T&C 50; 1/12/92 HBo 1; 1/12/92 SH 1; 1/16/92 SH 1; 1/22/92 SH 3; 1/12/92 CL 12; 12/27/91 NMc 1; 1/10/92 BW 50; 1/18/92 BW 70
American Goldfinch	1/1/92 AB 6; 1/16/92 AB 12; 1/24/92 SB 15; 1/18/92 WC 10; 12/30/91 T&C 2; 1/23/92 T&C 7; 1/18/92 GF 4; 1/10/92 HH&VN 1; 1/11/92 HH 2; 1/12/92 SH 1; 1/12/92 CL 6; 1/18/92 CLBW 75; 1/3/92 NMc 8; 1/11/92 NMc 1; 1/18/92 BW 3
House Sparrow	1/17/92 HSHRS 6

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 10 March 1992, 7:00 PM in the
Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. Velda Neilson will present the
program on "Birds of the South Texas
Tour-92"

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, March 3, 7:00 PM, at Norma
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NEXT MEETING == MARCH 10 AT THE MUSEUM
THE GIFT SHOP CAN SPECIAL ORDER FOR YOUR BIRDING NEEDS

MINUTES of the LAST MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the S.S.N.S. Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, February 11, 1992 in the Life Sciences Museum on the L.S.U.S. Campus.

Will Smolenski called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. welcoming everyone and recognizing visitors. Our visitors were Pat Luminello, and Robert and Candice Bozeman. We were also glad to have Mac DeMoss back.

A correction was made in the January minutes. The treasury balance should have read \$1184.34 instead of \$1084.34. The minutes were then approved.

Betty gave the new report starting with a balance of \$1184.34 and income of \$30.00. Expenses were \$27.24 leaving a balance of \$1187.10. The post office balance was \$89.51.

Caroline Upchurch was recognized for her outstanding performance in transporting and maintaining the gift shop during the L.O.S. meeting.

We were reminded of the bird banding at Paul Dickson's on February 15, and the invitation to the Caroline Dorman Sanctuary on February 29.

Will reported that the Eagle watch the group had asked us to help with was cancelled due to bad weather.

Jim Ingold was asked to talk on birds to grades 3-6 at the A.C. Steere School.

It is very important to give your bird sightings to Connie Conners. All birds are to be reported.

Mac needs information for the newsletter. Shirley Huss reported our membership at 119.

No sightings have been called in on the phonetree for awhile but please remember to do this if you see something exciting.

Will thanked everyone for their participation in the L.O.S. meeting held

here. Visitors reported that the organization and speakers were outstanding.

Larry Raymond brought to our attention that the Natural Heritage Program of Louisiana may be cut from our state budget. If this happens we will be the only state without a program to help our endangered species. He asked that we write to Governor Edwards and send a copy to Joe Herring, Director of Wildlife and Fisheries.

During Bird Talk a Red Throated Loon, Greater Scaups, Harris Sparrows and Horned Larks were reported.

Jim Ingold will have a new section in the Newsletter. He might have a quiz for us and make us study.

Mac Hardy has entered a lot of bird data in a computer at the museum and told us to feel free to come in and play with the computer and obtain this information.

Velda has our program for the March meeting.

Larry Raymond presented our program "Summer Friends and Changes in Bird Population." He had done a lot of research, had great pictures and prepared a chart with thanks going to Mrs. Raymond for her artistic contributions. The problems he gave to us were alarming with no proven solutions yet.

Prizes were drawn for and won by Caroline Upchurch and Candice Bozeman.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It is that time of year that many birds are migrating north and the opportunity is here to see some unusual and rare sightings in the fields and woods.

A couple of weeks ago I observed two small birds feeding on the ground along with a number of robins. They were small sparrow sized, stroaked on the breast, dark brown back, head stroaked, no wing bars and pinkish legs. That is about all I could positively see since they were moving a lot feeding on the ground. It was among trees so shadows

caused trouble seeing well. Having a big dog along did not help in getting close. Finally they flew off. A good birder would probably have been able to identify them but I could not.

I first heard and saw Martin Scouts February 13. There are increasing numbers of Warblers and other and other birds that are stopping on their way through so polish your lenses and enjoy observing some colorful birds. Oh, Yes! Do not forget to try to identify the more drab colored ones too. Even though it may be more exciting to see our more colorful species it may also be more rewarding to identify a bird that looks similar to several others.

*** Will Smolonski

NATCHITOCHEs TRIP

"Hubert, we've got to be crazy, going birding on a day like this," my birding partner for the day correctly suggested. Rosemary Seidler is usually right, so I readily agreed that having a nutty quality is part of what a good birder is made of. At least non-birders might consider us nuts, but birders understand. We had not been out since the LOS meeting 3 weeks prior and we were suffering from the birders equivalent of cabin fever. We needed to see feathers move -- even if they were wet feathers, seen through a foggy pair of binoculars by a soaked nut.

And so we were off for Natchitoches to bird with members of the Natchitoches Audubon Society. We checked the I-49 west-side bar pits and got a few ducks and hawks while observing that the continuing drizzle was coming nearer to what we would have to admit was really rain. A stalled front was allowing gulf moisture in the south door of the Ark-La-Tex and making the predicted 80% chance of rain look like the work of an experienced, expert meteorologist.

At the meeting site we learned that wiser heads had prevailed and cancelled the "bird walk." Rosemary asked Charlie Harrington, formerly of Shreveport, to draw us a map of the best places to go (Che-Che Bay on Saline Lake and other areas seldom heard of in Shreveport birding locale discussions).

Perhaps she shrewdly knew the impossibility of the existence of such a map, because Charlie gallantly volunteered to be our guide. Thus began a good birding day in new country for me. And a new experience for Rosemary also as she enjoyed sharing the back seat with "Lady Dogg." This thick-furred refugee from the dog pound got progressively wetter and muddier as the day got longer. She loved to swim to wash the mud off, but there was always more mud between the lake and the car. Rosemary never came out of her rain gear because for her it was also wet inside the car -- because of "Lady-Dogg." On a dry, clear day "Lady-Dogg" would have been a welcome and delightful companion.

You may need a map to follow the route I will try to describe and I confess to being completely lost at times. Perhaps Charlie was also, but he never gave a clue. As we headed east toward Clarence, Rosemary mentioned that we only had 18 species so far and our chances for getting 40 species in the rain looked grim. I must explain to those who don't know that 40 is my personal and very arbitrary number that constitutes a decent birding effort in northern Louisiana. Any less than that is to be considered akin to losing the Gulf war. Laurie had even warned Rosemary not to plan to return to Shreveport before Tuesday, because Hubert wouldn't allow her to quit until he got 40 species. Now come on Laurie, "Gimme a break!" The real problem is that when I get to 46 I want 50, and the same with 60 and 70 too. When Charlie learned of this "hang-up," he quickly identified the male and female cardinal as two species. "They sure look different to me, Hubert." So I had to deduct 5 species for skullduggery. We had fun and I lost track with no check list to refer to. At least I said I did and when the Belted Kingfisher put us to 40 I was the only one aware of it.

They were still sweating after the Eastern Phoebe and the Great Egret too. We wound up with 52 species. Not near enough to 60 to cause a problem!

Our route was: Natchitoches to Clarence, Hwy 6 to Saline Lake. Watch for 2 or 3 abandoned stores and a construction co. sign beside a gravel road to the north. This leads to a dam construction site with good birding along the dam and some beautiful

nature pine groves along the banks of Che-Che Bay. Here we were looking for signs of Cormorant, Heron and Egret rookeries, but none were to be seen through the misty drizzle. I thought it a likely Red-Cockaded Woodpecker habitat, but saw no indication that this troubled species was aware of the area.

The drive on La 1226, north toward Goldonna is truly between the lakes, Saline and Clear are both visible at times. (Continued in next newsletter.)

BIRD QUIZ

Test your knowledge of birds. With this issue of the Bird Study Group Newsletter we are instituting a monthly bird quiz. The answers will be given at the next meeting, after the newsletter appears, as well as in the next newsletter. If you have a topic or a question you would like to see in the quiz, give them to Jim Ingold. This month's quiz

deals with vernacular bird names. What is the common name for the birds below?

1. Timberdoodle
2. Blackjack
3. Rain Crow
4. Hairyhead
5. Mexican Squealer

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BIRD NOTES -- FEBRUARY

Compiled
March 2, 1992

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Conners (865-6422) by the the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1,5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities.

REPORTERS

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
AB	Alice Babers	2/1/92 residence; 2/3/92 residence; 2/7/92 residence; 2/8/92 residence; 2/9/92 residence; 2/10/92 residence; 2/19/92 residence; 2/23/92 residence; 2/24/92 residence
BSGLS	BSG/LOS	2/1/92 Cross Lake; 2/1/92 Shreveport Airport
BW	Bobbe Wonnack	2/11/92 Linwood; 2/14/92 Stonewall; 2/15/92 Bickham-Dickson Park
CL	Charlie Lyon	1/26/92 Ellerbe Road
CL&HH	Charlie Lyon & Hubert Hervey	1/29/92 Yearwood Road
GB	Gordon Blackman	2/22/92 residence
HH	Hubert Hervey	2/11/92 residence; 2/18/92 residence; 2/20/92 residence; 2/22/92 residence
HHo	Helen Hood	2/2/92 Cross Lake (North Lakeshore); 2/3/92 residence; 2/14/92 residence
HHoNC	Helen Hood and Norma Cobb	2/7/92 South Lakeshore on Cross Lake
HHRSC	H. Hervey, R. Seidler, C. Harrington	2/22/92 Saline Lake and Mill Creek Reservoir
JI	Jim Ingold	2/29/92 LSUS campus; 3/1/92 Hubert Hervey farm; 3/2/92 LSUS campus
JMcC	Jim McCain	2/23/92 residence
KP	Kathy Pyle	2/24/92 residence
NC	Norma Cobb	2/23/92 residence; 2/24/92 LA hwy.7, Tex. to Nacogdoches
PD	Paul Dickson	2/21/92 La. 1 at Flournoy-Lucas (Harlan's)
SH	Shirley Huss	2/14/92 residence; 2/16/92 residence; 2/21/92 residence; 2/24/92 residence

RECORDS

Common Name	Date	Data
Red-throated Loon	2/1/92	BSGLOS 1
Pied-billed Grebe	2/22/92	HRSCH 2
American White Pelican	2/1/92	BSGLOS 30
Double-crested Cormorant	1/29/92	CL&H 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 55
Great Blue Heron	2/1/92	BSGLOS 60; 2/2/92 HNo 3; 2/22/92 HRSCH 9
Great Egret	2/1/92	BSGLOS 6; 2/22/92 HRSCH 24
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	2/2/92	HNo 1
Canada Goose	2/7/92	HNoC 1
Wood Duck	2/22/92	HRSCH 7
Mallard	2/22/92	HRSCH 20
Northern Pintail	2/22/92	HRSCH 30
Northern Shoveler	2/22/92	HRSCH 6
Gadwall	2/1/92	BSGLOS 10; 2/22/92 HRSCH 2
American Nigeon	2/22/92	HRSCH 5
Canvasback	2/1/92	BSGLOS 100; 2/7/92 HNoC 3
Greater Scaup	2/1/92	BSGLOS 1
Lesser Scaup	2/1/92	BSGLOS 15
Bufflehead	2/1/92	BSGLOS 30
Red-breasted Merganser	2/1/92	BSGLOS 2; 2/15/92 BW 5
Ruddy Duck	2/1/92	BSGLOS 200; 2/7/92 HNoC 15
Black Vulture	1/29/92	CL&H 2
Turkey Vulture	1/29/92	CL&H 8; 2/22/92 HRSCH 8
Bald Eagle	2/1/92	BSGLOS 1; 2/7/92 HNoC 1
Northern Harrier	2/1/92	BSGLOS 1; 2/22/92 HRSCH 1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2/20/92	HH 1
Cooper's Hawk	2/18/92	HH 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	2/20/92	HH 2
Red-tailed Hawk	2/21/92	PD 1; 2/20/92 HH 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 20;
American Kestrel	2/22/92	HRSCH 1
Killdeer	2/2/92	HNo 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 8
Common Snipe	1/29/92	CL&H 6; 2/22/92 HRSCH 1
Bonaparte's Gull	2/1/92	BSGLOS 25
Ring-billed Gull	2/1/92	BSGLOS 60; 2/22/92 HRSCH 1
Herring Gull	2/1/92	BSGLOS 4; 2/2/92 HNo 50
Forster's Tern	2/1/92	BSGLOS 5
Rock Dove	2/22/92	HRSCH 45
Mourning Dove	2/10/92	AB 3; 2/14/92 HNo 4; 2/22/92 HRSCH 9
Barn Owl	1/29/92	CL&H 1
Barred Owl	2/23/92	JMc 1
Belted Kingfisher	2/22/92	HRSCH 2
Red-headed Woodpecker	1/29/92	CL&H 1; 2/22/92 HRSCH 1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	2/22/92	HRSCH 2; 2/7/92 AB 1
Northern Flicker	2/22/92	HRSCH 2
Pileated Woodpecker	2/1/92	BSGLOS 2
Eastern Phoebe	2/14/92	BW 1; 2/22/92 HRSCH 3
Horned Lark	1/26/92	CL 100
Purple Martin	3/ 2/92	JI 1; 2/11/92 HH 2; 2/11/92 BW 2; 2/14/92 SH 1; 2/24/92 AB 4; 2/24/92 SH 4; 2/24/92 KP 1
Tree Swallow	3/ 1/92	JI 1
Barn Swallow	2/29/92	JI 1
Blue Jay	2/22/92	HRSCH 5
American Crow	2/22/92	HRSCH 15
Carolina Chickadee	2/22/92	HRSCH 3; 2/3/92 AB 1
Tufted Titmouse	2/22/92	HRSCH 2
Brown Creeper	2/3/92	HNo 1
Carolina Wren	2/22/92	HRSCH 2
Bewick's Wren	1/29/92	CL&H 1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1/29/92	CL&H 2
Eastern Bluebird	1/29/92	CL&H 12; 2/22/92 HRSCH 9; 2/24/92 NC 50; 2/3/92 HNo 2
Hermit Thrush	1/29/92	CL&H 1
American Robin	2/19/92	AB 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 30
Northern Mockingbird	2/22/92	HRSCH 6
American Pipit	1/29/92	CL&H 150; 2/22/92 HH 50; 2/22/92 HRSCH 50
Cedar Waxwing	2/14/92	BW 200; 2/22/92 HRSCH 20; 2/3/92 HNo 11
Loggerhead Shrike	1/29/92	CL&H 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 4
European Starling	2/22/92	HRSCH 40
Yellow-rumped Warbler	2/22/92	HRSCH 3
Pine Warbler	2/14/92	HNo 1; 2/3/92 HNo 2
Summer Tanager	2/24/92	KP 1
Northern Cardinal	2/1/92	AB 9; 2/21/92 SH 2; 2/23/92 AB 4; 2/3/92 HNo 6; 2/8/92 AB 5
Chipping Sparrow	2/14/92	BW 25; 2/22/92 HRSCH 50
Field Sparrow	2/22/92	HRSCH 4
Vesper Sparrow	1/29/92	CL&H 8

Common Name	Date	Data
Savannah Sparrow	2/22/92	HRSCH 25
LeConte's Sparrow	2/1/92	BSGLOS 8
Fox Sparrow	1/29/92	CL&HH 2
Song Sparrow	1/29/92	CL&HH 20; 2/14/92 BW 3; 2/22/92 HRSCH 6
White-throated Sparrow	2/14/92	HHo 1; 2/22/92 HRSCH 30
White-crowned Sparrow	1/29/92	CL&HH 100
Harris' Sparrow	1/29/92	CL&HH 2
Dark-eyed Junco	2/14/92	HHo 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 40; 2/23/92 JMcC 6; 2/9/92 AB 16
Smith's Longspur	2/1/92	BSGLOS 3
Red-winged Blackbird	2/14/92	HHo 4; 2/22/92 HRSCH 90
Eastern Meadowlark	2/22/92	HRSCH 50
Brewer's Blackbird	1/29/92	CL&HH 50
Common Grackle	2/22/92	HRSCH 500
Brown-headed Cowbird	2/22/92	HRSCH 80
Purple Finch	2/16/92	SH 2; 2/22/92 HRSCH 25
House Finch	2/16/92	SH 5; 2/21/92 SH 5; 2/22/92 GB 12; 2/23/92 AB 2; 2/23/92 MC 24; 2/24/92 AB 2
American Goldfinch	2/16/92	SH 2; 2/21/92 SH 2; 2/22/92 GB 1; 2/22/92 HRSCH 6; 2/23/92 MC 4; 2/23/92 JMcC 6
House Sparrow	2/22/92	HRSCH 8

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 14 April 1992, 7:00 PM in the
Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. Mr. Richard McMullen will
present a program entitled "The Birds of
Bodcau Bayou and the Plants they
Utilize"

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 PM, at Will
Smolenski's home (526 Dunmoreland Dr.;
phone 865-2938).

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NEXT MEETING == APRIL 14 AT THE MUSEUM
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BIRD QUIZ #2

Birds are noted for their songs which are produced by the syrinx. Birds can also produce sounds in other ways. For the birds below, identify the specific body part they use to produce a non-vocal sound.

1. Ruffed Grouse
2. Common Flicker
3. Short-eared Owl
4. Common Snipe
5. American Woodcock

Answers to Bird Quiz #1

1. Timberdoodle - American Woodcock
2. Blackjack - Ring-necked Duck
3. Rain Crow - Yellow-billed Cuckoo
4. Hairyhead - Hooded Merganser
5. Mexican Squealer - Fulvous Whistling Duck

Board of Directors Meeting

The Shreveport Society for Nature Study Bird Study Group board meeting was held on Tuesday, March 3, 1992 at the home of Norma Cobb. Will Smolenski opened the meeting at 7:05p.m. and previous minutes were accepted.

Betty Mason gave the financial report stating that there was a balance of \$1,187.00. We had income of \$224.80, expenses of \$34.01 leaving a balance of \$1,377.89. The Post Office balance was \$71.11.

Caroline Upchurch spoke of branching out in the gift shop and checking with Glamor Home Products since most merchandising outlets want to sell in too large quantities for our group.

It was suggested that we start putting articles on club members in our newsletter.

The Phone Tree and Bird Alert were discussed and also what birds should be called in to the Phone Tree. It was decided that anything uncommon for this area should be called in and each person can decide the importance of that bird to him.

Field trips were March 7, leaving LSUS campus at 5:00 a.m. going to Bodcau to see wild turkey and March 21 going to Pat

Sewell's farm and the Louisiana Experiment Station.

The program for March is by Velda Neilson. Richard McMullen will speak in April on wild turkey and the birds of Bodcau. In May we will have Ray C. Telfair II from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department of Research. He has banded and studied cattle egrets for years.

A motion was made and accepted to subscribe to the North American Blue Bird Society publication on a continuing basis for our library.

Larry Raymond and Dr. Hardy are updating our checklist for this area.

A short program before the regular program was suggested in order to utilize our group talent and less business in the regular meeting would help us get out earlier.

Names were mentioned for new board members and officers. The next board meeting is May 5 at Will Smolenski's. Officers will be elected at that time.

Refreshments were served and the meeting was adjourned.

NEW CHECKLIST

The new *Field Checklist of the Birds of Northwestern Louisiana* is ready. The following 11 species have been added:

Red-throated Loon
Brown Pelican
Ross' Goose
White-winged Scoter
Black-necked Stilt
Band-tailed Pigeon
Ringed Turtle-Dove
Say's Phoebe
Ash-throated Flycatcher
Golden-crowned Sparrow
House Finch

These additions are species for which there is documentation in the scientific literature or a specimen is available from this area.

Common names that are different from the

old list and that are now official are the following (new followed by old):

Barn Owl for Common Barn-Owl
American Pipit for Water Pipit

Also, four typographical errors were corrected.

NATCHITOCHEs TRIP

(Continued from Vol. 6, No. 7)

We passed by Briarwood earlier, so much loved by Caroline Dorman, and a must stop if it is open when you travel this way. We passed a pasture of troubled pitcher plants, in trouble because of cattle damage. This spot is nearing Saline. Saline was so named because of a spring or well of salty water used by animals, natives, settlers, and civil war soldiers, each in their time. It is located at the edge of town.

After a warm-up and good hamburger at Kalico Kitchen in Saline, home of the water melon festival and the picturesque setting for rural scenes in "Blaze," we went a mile or so to Mill Creek Reservoir. This small lake has clear water and a sandy bottom ideal for swimming, so we were told.

Crossing across Black Lake Dam on Hwy. 9 I let it slip that we had 40 species. My companions joint elation almost caused us to miss the first Yellow-rumped Warblers of the day. The Cypress trees in Black Lake are stark sentinels of a problem. They are bare and ugly in death and if I know Cypress wood they will stand for many years as symbols of mans' failure to understand his environment and manage it wisely.

On we went to Campti and the Campti cut-off road which traverses rich Red River bottom land. Here many Red-tailed Hawks find our rodent population sets the table for their winter meals.

I had hopes of seeing the endangered Sturgeon at the Natchitoches Fish Hatchery, which has approval to keep this rare river fish and attempt to propagate it. The wind was fierce as we dropped Charlie Harrington off and congratulated him for finding his way back. He never could have made it without help from wonder dog, "Lady Dogg."

At the fish hatchery the first thing we saw was a Mallard drake flying backward. The wind was a gale and at full forward effort a hover was the best a duck could accomplish. The storm had knocked out the electric power and the aquarium was dark. Hatchery personnel were busily starting and hooking up gas powered air pumps outside the buildings that house the fish holding tanks in order to aerate them. I was leaning into the gale trying to turn an American Pipit into a Sprague's Pipit by seeing stripes on its back when the wind abated a little causing me to nearly fall on my face. A fierce cloud was southeast of us, but the rain had stopped. One shallow pool had several large paddlefish in it. A hatchery employee told us that the Sturgeon had not yet been caught, but all was in readiness for them. Three Mallards never did land while we were there -- they were afraid of being blown backwards on their keesters by the gale and decided the air was the safest haven for them. Fifteen Least Sandpipers also made no headway into the wind for so many minutes that we tired of watching their efforts at regrouping and progressing in the face of such a gale. We humans often miss observing the survival "daring do" of animals in nature by not doing the daring and being out to observe during natures extremes.

We left Natchitoches and enjoyed some good duck scoping in the I-49 east side bar pits. The male Northern Harrier was resplendent in grey and blackish garb, as if ready to go out courting. Good luck fellow, it won't be long now.

And so ends this saga of wonder dog alias "Lady Dogg" and wonder farmer alias Hubert "Bring'em back alive" Hervey. Our charges once again have been returned alive and well. Maybe it does take just a little bit of a nut to enjoy a day like that -- don't you wish you'd been along!

P.S. For her never complaining, trusting, determined and enthusiastic attitude Rosemary deserves the title, "Wonder Birder"!

*** Hubert Hervey

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We will elect five new board members at the April meeting. Be there to defend

yourself. The nominees are: Will Smolenski, Bobbe Wommack, Pat Lonnecker, and Shirley Iuss. We need one more nomination so if you have a suggestion call Will Smolenski. If necessary we will take nominations from the floor at the next meeting.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Shreveport Society for Nature Study Bird Study Group was held on Tuesday March 10, 1992 in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSU campus. Will Smolenski, President, opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Our guests were Sherry Souba and daughter and Bill McCleary.

Betty Mason gave the financial report starting with a balance on February 11 of \$1,187.10. We had income of \$224.80, expenses of \$147.30, leaving a balance of \$1,264.60. The Post Office balance was \$53.53.

We were reminded of the trip to Pat Jewell's farm and the Louisiana Experiment Station on March 21.

The trip to Bodcau to see the wild turkey led by Paul Dickson and Richard McMullen was outstanding. A lot of turkeys were seen and heard and some came up to the vehicle. Paul did his turkey calls for us at the meeting. He also brought two baby Emus and their eggs to show.

The Caroline Dorman trip did not materialize but it was noted that this is a worthwhile trip to consider on our own.

We had membership renewals bringing our membership to 130.

An explanation of the bird alert and the phone tree was given.

Jim Ingold spoke to the A.C. Steere school on Novice Birding.

Remember the funding for our Louisiana Natural Heritage Program is in danger of being cut. We need to write to Governor Edwards and Joe Herring, Director of Wildlife

and Fisheries. A sample letter by Caroline Upchurch is on the bulletin board at the museum.

Five new board members will be elected and Will asked that you tell him if you are interested in serving or of someone you think would like to serve.

During "Birdtalk", Greater Road Runners, a Solitary Vireo, Rufus-sided Towhee, Barn Swallow, Tree Swallow and geese going north were reported.

Richard McMullen will speak at our April meeting on wild birds and feed. Ray C. Telfair II of the Texas Wildlife and Fisheries will speak to us in May on the cattle egret.

Our program by Velda Neilson on her trip to South Texas with friends Pat Lonnecker and Vicki Camp was very exciting. Even though they admitted choosing on off time for birding they still had a great time and want to go back.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

BIRD ALERT AND THE PHONE TREE

Some birders have asked when they should use the Bird Alert Hotline and when they should use the Phone Tree. The Bird Alert is a taped message on the Museum's answering machine. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It should be used to report bird records for the newsletter, to ask questions regarding birds or the Bird Study Group, to find out details of recent sightings of uncommon or rare birds in our area, and to leave details of any such sightings. The Bird Alert is not an immediate response system; it is for the convenience of birders who wish to communicate findings.

The Phone Tree is an immediate response system. Sightings of rare birds that need confirmation as soon as possible should be phoned to coordinator Dick Rolandt (797-0255 or Will Smolenski (865-2938). Any reports phoned to them will be immediately transmitted to other birders on the phone

tree. The purpose is to get the message to other birders quickly enough (within minutes) so that others can confirm and/or enjoy the birds. Rare birds that might not remain in the area should be called in to the phone tree.

In summary, the Phone Tree is fast and limited to the persons on the phone tree. The Bird Alert is slower and is available to everyone.

BOOKS NEEDED

The Gosse Bird Club of Jamaica is working with a group of teenagers who have become very keen on learning about birds. Although working with slides and in the field, they are hampered by a lack of guide books. Do you have any older editions of guides that you would be willing to donate to the Club for this use? Send them to: Catherine Levy, 2 Starlight Ave., Kingston 6, Jamaica, W. I.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

Now is the time to write to your Congressman concerning re-authorization of the Endangered Species Act. Urge your Representatives to support HR 4045, the Endangered Species Act Amendments of 1992, introduced by Congressman Studds of MA and co-sponsored by 30 others. Oppose any bill that would weaken the Act. You may voice your opinion by calling 202-224-3121 and asking for your Representative by name.

The Wild Turkeys of Bodcau Bayou

I have to admit, it's not often I get up at 4:00 am in the morning to go birding, much less do anything else. However, the chance to hear and observe Wild Turkeys in Louisiana was an opportunity I couldn't pass up. To be honest, I'm really trying to pad my list for the L.O.S. state year list contest. I'm up to 183 species as of March 13, but that's another story. So, back to the turkeys! There were 7 blurry-eyed birders, including out trip leader Paul Dickson, that met at the Life Sciences Museum at 5:00 am to make the journey to the Bodcau Bayou Wildlife Management Area just east of Benton. My expectation of seeing spectacular views of

these magnificent creatures weren't really great. I figured we would probably see a few scurry through the woods and that would be it. We met Richard McMullen, the manager of the Bodcau Bayou Wildlife Management Area, around 6:00 am. and after a short drive we arrived at the area where the turkeys had been seen. Upon arrival, Paul began to imitate a Barred Owl, at which he is quite good. He was promptly answered by, you guessed it, a Barred Owl. The owl flew into a tree less than thirty feet from us. No turkey, but the morning was off to an excellent start. According to Paul, turkeys will response to any loud noise. As Paul continued to call, we could hear hens and gobblers in the woods no more than 100 feet away. Richard and Paul estimated that there were around 25 hens with 5 or 6 gobblers. They all sounded alike to me, but according to Paul each hen and gobbler has a different call. We all sat in Mac's van waiting patiently and staring intently down a dirt road in hopes of seeing a wild turkey. After several minutes, an immature male, called a jake, timidly walked onto the road in front of us. However, one quick glance at our van and he headed back into the woods with a very erect posture and giving an alarm call. This posture and call combine to warn other turkeys of danger. I'm thinking to myself, I really got up at 4:00 am to see one turkey warn all his buddies to stay in the woods. After another five or ten minutes, the young jake again strolled onto the road. This time he was in good view for at least a whole minute and everyone got a great look. Richard decided we should back the van up and check another dirt road about twenty feet behind us. Just as Mac was about to hit the ignition switch Jackie McVey yelled for everyone to freeze. Just to the left of us and less than fifteen feet from the van were six hens and a gobbler. Just to make things even more impressive the gobbler began to strut. We observed them for several minutes when they suddenly disappeared into the woods. Strangely enough, they were spooked by a White-tailed Deer that ran right past us. Well, we figured this was the highlight of the day, but much to our surprise the excitement wasn't over yet. As we continued to look down the road, Paul got out and began to call like a hen. Paul is famous for his turkey calling and has even been stalked by turkey hunters. Being around Paul and Richard for a couple of hours was like taking

a course in Wild Turkey behavior. Both are very knowledgeable and were eager to answer all our questions. Paul's calling attracted the attention of four hens that were at the end of the road some one hundred feet away. These hens ran up the road at a feverish pace with a look in their eyes that spelled trouble. I could see the headlines now "Birder Mutilated by Four Mad Turkeys." These hens were on a seek and destroy mission and Paul was their target. It was the kind of stuff one would expect to see on Public Television's Wild America. Actual, it was quite amusing as this part of our outing came to a close. Oh yes, Paul escaped alive.

It was an eventful outing, being able to see thirteen of Bodcau Bayou's Wild Turkeys in their nature habitat. More so, we were able to share a birding experience that only those brave enough to set their alarms for 4:00 am could hope to witness.

*** Bill Wood

MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT

What a beautiful time of year! Birds abound in the new foliage. Now that the leaves are out it is more difficult to sometimes find our feathered friends. A little twitter or slight movement catches our attention. Now -- patience till a movement

exposes our quarry, hopefully to make a positive identification. Their plumage is generally brightest during the breeding season and may vary significantly from wintertime. Reidentifying the same bird in a different season can sometimes become a challenge.

There are still a number of strangers that are occasionally sighted in our area. The spring migration is not over. Up to 60 Lesser Golden-Plovers were recently seen on the LSUS campus. When put on the phone tree only one in ten calls produced someone at home. Be sure to report unusual sightings to make it available for others to see as well as help confirm a find.

When you see a bird or a pair come to your garden to find a grub, worm, or bug and fly away only to return on repeated trips, it probably indicates a nest nearby. Try to find it and enjoy watching the brood grow up.

Last night my son in Baton Rouge called and said that our granddaughter, seven, was collecting information on a family of Carolina Wrens that has taken up residency in one of their bird houses. She is to give a report about them in school.

We all need to teach our children and grandchildren to watch the birds and observe and enjoy the wonders of nature.

*** Will Smolenski

BIRD NOTES -- MARCH

Compiled
March 29, 1992

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Connors (865-6422) by the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1,5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities. All bird records reported here are the responsibility of the observer. The Bird Study Group is reporting observations on the word of the observers.

REPORTERS

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
B&EB	Bill & Evelyn Bohan	2/29/92, 2/26/92, 3/1/92, 3/2/92, 3/9/92, 3/8/92, 3/18/92, 3/19/92 residence, 3/18/92 Clyde Fant Parkway, 3/19/92 East Bert Kouns, 3/22/92 7 mi. E Many, 3/20/92 residence
BH	Bill Hall	3/22/92 residence
BSG	Bird Study Group	3/7/92 Bodcau WMA, 3/7/92 Cypress Lake, 3/21/92 Cross Lake, 3/21/92 Red River Experimental Station

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
BW	Bobbe Wonnack	3/3/92 Plournoy-Lucas (pond by retirement center), 3/5/92 residence, 3/7/92 Black Bayou/Cypress Lake, 3/7/92 Bickham-Dickson Park, 3/8/92 Stonewall, 3/10/92 residence, 3/14/92 Stonewall, 3/25/92 Stonewall
BW	Bill Wood	3/26/92 LSUS campus
HH	Hubert Hervey	3/21/92, 3/15/92, 3/25/92 residence
HHo	Helen Hood	3/9/92, 3/15/92 residence
JJ	Jim Ingold	2/29/92 Jacob's Park, 3/21/92 70th St. nr. Bickham-Dickson Park, Hamel's Park, 3/22/92 Clyde Fant Parkway nr. Hamel's Park, 3/28/92 Clyde Fant Parkway
JMcB	John McBride, Jr.	3/21/92 Sentell Road, 3/21/92 Catfish ponds on U.S. hwy. 71, north
JMcC	Jim McCain	3/25/92 residence
JMcV	Jackie McVey	3/8/92 Cross Lake, 3/22/92 Cross Lake
JMcV&N	Jackie McVey & Velda Neilson	3/4/92 Cross Lake
HH	Hac Hardy	3/23/92 LSUS campus
NC	Norma Cobb	3/28/92, 3/24/92, 3/25/92 residence
OR	Olga Rawls	3/24/92 residence
PT	Phone Tree	3/28/92 East of Wallace Lake Dam, 3/28/92 LSUS campus
RSLC	Rosemary Seidler, Lori Cunningham	3/21/92 North Lakeshore Drive, 3/22/92 U.S. hwy 71, south Bossier
RSSHLC	R. Seidler, S.Huss, L.Cunningham	3/16/92 Cypress Lake/Black Bayou

RECORDS

Common Name	Data
Pied-billed Grebe	3/4/92 JMcV&N 2, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 3
Double-crested Cormorant	3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/21/92 RSLC 4, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/22/92 RSLC 1, 3/4/92 JMcV&N 4, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/7/92 BSG 4
Great Blue Heron	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/8/92 JMcV 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 1, JJ 1
Snowy Egret	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1
Cattle Egret	3/21/92 HH 4
Green-backed Heron	3/22/92 HH 3
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	3/21/92 HH 3
Snow Goose	2/29/92 JJ 200, 3/15/92 HH 350
Wood Duck	3/3/92 BW 2, 3/7/92 BSG 50, 3/7/92 BSG 20, 3/21/92 RSLC 2
Hallard	3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/21/92 BSG 3
Blue-winged Teal	3/21/92 JMcB 8, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
Gadwall	3/22/92 RSLC 6
Ruddy Duck	3/4/92 JMcV&N 8
Black Vulture	3/7/92 BSG 2
Turkey Vulture	3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
Bald Eagle	3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1
Northern Harrier	3/21/92 BSG 2
Sharp-shinned Hawk	3/7/92 BSG 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 HH 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/25/92 JMcC 2
Red-tailed Hawk	3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 HH 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
American Kestrel	3/2/92 B&B 2, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/18/92 B&B 1, 3/21/92 BSG 3
Wild Turkey	3/7/92 BSG 15
American Coot	3/4/92 JMcV&N 14, 3/7/92 BSG 15, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 37, 3/21/92 RSLC 28
Lesser Golden-Plover	3/26/92 BW 24, 3/28/92 PT 60, 3/28/92 PT 100
Killdeer	3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/19/92 B&B 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 3, 3/22/92 JMcV 2
Ring-billed Gull	3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 4
Rock Dove	3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 10, 3/21/92 RSLC 8, 3/22/92 RSLC 3
Mourning Dove	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/8/92 JMcV 1, 3/15/92 HHo 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 5, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/22/92 RSLC 26
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	3/22/92 HH 1
Greater Roadrunner	3/4/92 JMcV&N 2
Barred Owl	3/7/92 BSG 16, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/25/92 JMcC 1
Chimney Swift	3/21/92 RSLC 2, JJ 3
Belted Kingfisher	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 1
Red-headed Woodpecker	3/7/92 BSG 4
Red-bellied Woodpecker	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/9/92 HHo 1, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/22/92 HH 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 1
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/7/92 BW 3, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 B&B 2
Downy Woodpecker	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 4, 3/22/92 RSLC 1
Hairy Woodpecker	3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/21/92 RSLC 1
Northern Flicker	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/8/92 JMcV 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 9, 3/19/92 B&B 1, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 5, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 4, 3/22/92 B&B 2
Pileated Woodpecker	3/7/92 BSG 12, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 2
Eastern Phoebe	3/4/92 JMcV&N 1, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 1
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	3/28/92 JJ 1

Common Name	Data
Horned Lark	3/21/92 JMcB 2, 3/21/92 BSG 8
Purple Martin	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 2, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/18/92 B&B 6, 3/21/92 BSG 4, 3/21/92 RSLC 5, 3/21/92 BSG 4, 3/22/92 RSLC 18, 3/25/92 JMcC 12
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	3/21/92 JI 1, 3/22/92 JI 1
Blue Jay	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 12, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/8/92 JMcV 3, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 12, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/22/92 RSLC 8, 3/25/92 JMcC 4
American Crow	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 2, 3/7/92 BSG 10, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 10, 3/21/92 RSLC 8, 3/21/92 BSG 8, 3/22/92 RSLC 6
Fish Crow	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 5, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 RSLC 2
Carolina Chickadee	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 24, 3/7/92 BSG 7, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/22/92 BH 5, 3/22/92 RSLC 3
Tufted Titmouse	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 18, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 4, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 BH 8
White-breasted Nuthatch	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/7/92 BW 1, 3/22/92 B&B 1
Brown-headed Nuthatch	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/8/92 BW 4
Brown Creeper	3/7/92 BSG 1
Carolina Wren	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 12, 3/7/92 BSG 5, 3/8/92 JMcV 1, 3/21/92 BSG 3, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 1, 3/25/92 MC 1
House Wren	3/22/92 RSLC 1
Winter Wren	3/21/92 RSLC 1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/7/92 BSG 5
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 4, 3/21/92 RSLC 6, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 3, 3/25/92 BW 2
Eastern Bluebird	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/9/92 HHo 1, 3/15/92 HHo 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 5, 3/21/92 RSLC 6, 3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/22/92 RSLC 9, 3/22/92 B&B 10, 3/25/92 JMcC 3
Hermit Thrush	3/7/92 BSG 6, 3/7/92 BW 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 1
American Robin	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 3, 3/7/92 BSG 40, 3/7/92 BSG 5, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 15, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 28, 3/21/92 BSG 15, 3/22/92 RSLC 37
Northern Mockingbird	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 3, 3/7/92 BSG 4, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/8/92 JMcV 4, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/21/92 RSLC 6, 3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/22/92 RSLC 3
Brown Thrasher	3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/8/92 B&B 1, 3/9/92 B&B 1, 3/18/92 B&B 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 B&B 2
American Pipit	3/21/92 HH 46
Cedar Waxwing	3/7/92 BSG 8, 3/24/92 OR 25, 3/21/92 BSG 9, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/22/92 B&B 100, 3/23/92 MH 25
Loggerhead Shrike	2/26/92 B&B 2, 3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 3
European Starling	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 2, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 9, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 21, 3/21/92 BSG 100, 3/22/92 RSLC 200
Solitary Vireo	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 15, 3/7/92 BSG 11, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 15, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 6, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
Pine Warbler	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 12, 3/7/92 BSG 5, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 8, 3/21/92 RSLC 4
Black-and-white Warbler	3/14/92 BW 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/25/92 BW 2
Common Yellowthroat	3/25/92 HH 2
Northern Cardinal	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 2, 3/7/92 BSG 24, 3/7/92 BSG 7, 3/8/92 JMcV 3, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 25, 3/21/92 RSLC 6, 3/21/92 BSG 15, 3/22/92 RSLC 8, 3/22/92 JMcV 4, 3/22/92 B&B 6
Rufous-sided Towhee	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 1, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
Chipping Sparrow	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 4, 3/7/92 BSG 30, 3/7/92 BSG 1, 3/8/92 JMcV 5, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 8, 3/22/92 BH 7, 3/22/92 JMcV 4, 3/25/92 BW 5
Field Sparrow	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 3, 3/8/92 JMcV 4, 3/22/92 BH 3
Vesper Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 30, 3/21/92 BSG 2
Lark Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/21/92 BSG 8
Savannah Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 5, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/25/92 HH 10
Le Conte's Sparrow	3/21/92 HH 6
Song Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/21/92 BSG 8, 3/22/92 RSLC 2
Lincoln's Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 1, 3/21/92 BSG 2
Swamp Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 5, 3/21/92 BSG 12
White-throated Sparrow	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 3, 3/7/92 BSG 40, 3/7/92 BSG 4, 3/9/92 HHo 1, 3/10/92 BW 15, 3/21/92 BSG 2, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 6, 3/22/92 BH 5, 3/22/92 RSLC 6
White-crowned Sparrow	3/21/92 BSG 5, 3/21/92 BSG 5, 3/22/92 RSLC 5
Dark-eyed Junco	2/26/92 B&B 2, 2/29/92 B&B 2, 3/1/92 B&B 2, 3/4/92 JMcV&VN 6, 3/7/92 BSG 30, 3/7/92 BSG 9, 3/8/92 JMcV 6, 3/9/92 HHo 1, 3/15/92 HHo 2, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/20/92 B&B 1, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/22/92 BH 10, 3/22/92 RSLC 10, 3/22/92 JMcV 3, 3/25/92 BW 5
Red-winged Blackbird	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 1, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 3/8/92 JMcV 5, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 30, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 4, 3/21/92 BSG 100, 3/22/92 RSLC 70
Eastern Meadowlark	3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 1, 3/21/92 BSG 15, 3/21/92 RSLC 2, 3/21/92 BSG 7, 3/22/92 RSLC 5
Western Meadowlark	3/21/92 BSG 1
Common Grackle	3/4/92 JMcV&VN 3, 3/7/92 BSG 12, 3/7/92 BSG 3, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 30, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 28, 3/21/92 BSG 16, 3/22/92 RSLC 38
Brown-headed Cowbird	3/7/92 BSG 4, 3/8/92 JMcV 1, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 10, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/21/92 RSLC 16, 3/21/92 BSG 50, 3/22/92 RSLC 300

Common Name	Data
House Finch	3/5/92 BW 10, 3/21/92 BSG 15, 3/21/92 RSLC 3, 3/21/92 BSG 15, 3/22/92 RSLC 2, 3/23/92 HH 2, 3/24/92 NC 3
Pine Siskin	3/28/92 NC 5
American Goldfinch	3/7/92 BW 20, 3/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/24/92 NC 15, 3/25/92 HH 6, 3/25/92 JHeC 36
House Sparrow	3/4/92 JHeV&W 1, 3/7/92 BSG 2, 5/16/92 RSSHLC 2, 3/22/92 RSLC 19

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, 12 May 1992, 7:00 PM in the
Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS
campus. Mr. Ray C. Telfair, II, of the
Texas Parks and Wildlife Management and
Research Station, will present a program
entitled "Cattle Egrets."

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 PM, at Will
Smolenski's home (526 Dunmoreland Dr.;
phone 865-2938).

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BIG DAY OF BIRDING - MAY 9 - LOGGY BAYOU PLANTATION

NEXT MEETING == MAY 14 AT THE MUSEUM

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I went trout fishing up in Arkansas in the middle of April and the first thing I saw as I was ready to throw my first cast fly fishing is the White River was a pair of Blackburnian Warblers. No matter what my activities are I still enjoy seeing birds as I golf, exercise my dog, fish, work in the garden, or am involved on a work project. Even sitting on the back porch at breakfast or an evening toddy watching the inquisitive Carolina Wren or Cedar Waxwing eating berries makes the food and drink taste better.

You members have made this the best I have ever had in birding. You are the most cooperative, active, and happy group I have ever worked with. Two years ago I did not realize how many talented birders we had in this group and the talent seems to be expanding and improving with the increase in field trips we have and the quality of the presentations at our meetings.

See you at the next meeting.

*** Will Smolenski

MINUTES of the LAST MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Shreveport Society for Nature Study, Bird Study Group was held on Tuesday, April 14, 1992, in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSU campus. Hubert Hervey, Vice President, opened the meeting at 7:05 pm. We had several visitors and they were asked to introduce themselves. Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

We were reminded of our field trip to Hubert's farm on Saturday, April 14.

The LOS meets in Cameron May 1-3. This is a week later than usual. This is also the week the Arkansas group meets.

The field trip to Bickham-Dickson Park was successful and enjoyable.

Remember to write to Governor Edwards and

our congressman concerning a cut in our natural heritage program.

Many good bird sightings were reported in bird talk time.

Paul Dickson explained to us the concern of the Red River Wetlands Coalition about the Dangerfield Reach Project. This project is to make the Red River navigable on to Jefferson, Texas. This would cause a loss of property and wetlands.

Bill Wood has been made Editor of the LOS newsletter and encouraged us to join the LOS. The cost is \$10.00 a year and you receive six newsletters.

Remember the Big Day at Paul Dickson's on May 9. Several door prizes were given next. The new checklists are ready with added birds.

A request was made from North Toledo Bend State Park for leaders to guide birders on the weekends.

The operation of the giftshop is undergoing some changes. It has been determined that we do need to collect sales tax. The University has established an account for us as an auxiliary enterprise of the bookstore. They will provide a monthly statement and we can charge the xerox charges for the newsletter and any postage needs except the bulk mailing of the newsletter. Because the SSNS is not a part of LSU's Business Office will collect a 5% overhead from sales. A motion was made and carried that we operate under these rules on a trial basis for six months.

Richard McMullen from the Bodcau Wildlife Refuge was our speaker. He loves to talk on the Wild Turkey. He brought food plants and acorns and told us how valuable they are to the wildlife. He also told us how the beavers have to be controlled or the wetlands would flood and the forest die. He gave us maps and showed us good places to bird. He showed a video he had made of Wild Turkeys and decoys. It was very amusing. We kept Mr. McMullen late asking many questions.

*** Norma Cobb

BIG DAY - MAY 9

BIG DAY -- MAY 9

The annual Big Day of Birding will be on May 9, 1992, at Loggy Bayou Plantation (Paul Dickson's farm). This is always a lot of fun, excellent food, and great birding. Call the Museum (797-5338) or Paul (797-7900) for instructions.

TOLEDO BEND

Volunteers are wanted to lead bird outings in the North Toledo Bend State Park, located near Zwolle. The outings would center around the 1.5 mile self-guiding nature trail in the park on Saturday and Sunday mornings. Anyone who does this can camp free in the park. Contact John LeBlanc, Park Manager (phone 318, 645-4723), if interested. The outings can start at any time. If anyone does this or is interested please let Will Smolenski know so we can be informed about our groups activities and publicize it in the newsletter.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The new board members, elected at the April meeting, are: Bobbe Wommack, Will Smolenski, Pat Lonacker, Shirley Huss, and Larry Raymond. Congratulations.

BIRD FEEDER PLANS

Ed Bitowski has prepared extensive plans for the construction of good weather-proof bird feeders. The plans will be available at the May meeting.

BIRD QUIZ #3

A lot of birdwatchers use song to identify birds. An easy way to learn and remember a bird's song is to give words to the song. Below are translations of bird songs into words. How many do you recognize?

1. Hurry, Worry, Blurry, Flurry
2. Perchikoree
3. Cheer up, Cheer-a-lee
4. Cheer, Cheerful Charmer
5. Teacher Teacher Teacher TEACHER
6. Tea kettle Tea kettle Tea kettle
7. Sweet sweet sweet, I'm so sweet
8. Sweet sweet sweet, I'll switch you
9. Here here, Come right here dear
10. It's sweet to me (or) Spring of the year

Answers to Quiz #2

1. Ruffed Grouse - beats its wings against the air to produce a sound known as drumming
2. Common Flicker - pounds its bill against limbs, or aluminum siding, or eaves
3. Short-eared Owl - claps its wings together on the down stroke
4. Common Snipe - in a dive whistles thru narrow, stiff out tail feathers to produce a sound called winnowing
5. American Woodcock - in a dive, the whistles thru narrow, stiff outer primaries

BIRD NOTES -- MARCH

Compiled
April 29, 1992

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Connors (865-6422) by the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1,5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities. All bird records reported here are the responsibility of the observer. The Bird Study Group is reporting observations on the word of the observers.

REPORTERS

Abbrev	Name	Dates and Places
BH	Bill Hall	04/18/92 residence
BM	Betty Mason	04/07/92 Knight St., Shreve City
BSG	Bird Study Group	04/11/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 04/18/92 Hubert Hervey's farm
BW	Bobbe Wonnack	04/08/92 Stonewall; 04/09/92 residence; 04/13/92 residence;
CL	Charlie Lyon	04/15/92 residence; 04/25/92 residence 03/29/92 Kisatchie Hills; 03/29/92 1-49 ponds, 49 mi. S Shreveport; 03/29/92 S. of Shreveport; 03/30/92 Walter Jacob's Nature Park; 04/01/92 Yearwood Road; 04/01/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 04/10/92 residence
CL&BW	Charlie Lyon and Bill Wood	04/11/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 04/12/92 Bodcau Wildlife Management Area
CL&HJ	Charlie Lyon and Horace Jeter	04/26/92 Yearwood Road
ET	Ellen Tippet	04/09/92 jct. Benton Rd. & Old Minden Rd.
GF	Gloria Franton	04/07/92 residence; 04/21/92 residence
HH	Hubert Hervey	04/22/92 residence
HH&RS	Hubert Hervey & Rosemary Seidler	04/25/92 Wallace Lake Dam area
HHo	Helen Hood	03/31/92 residence; 04/01/92 residence; 04/05/92 residence; 04/06/92 residence; 04/10/92 residence; 04/19/92 Cross Lake boat landing;
JC	Jim Cope	04/21/92 residence
JI	Jim Ingold	04/28/92 LSUS campus; 04/29/92 LSUS campus
JMcC	Jim McCain	04/18/92 residence; 04/21/92 residence; 04/21/92 North Highlands; 04/24/92 Donnie Bickham Middle School; 04/24/92 Blanchard; 04/24/92 LA hwy. 173 between LA 1 & US 71; 04/24/92 residence; 04/25/92 near Benton Rd.; 04/25/92 residence
JMcV	Jackie McVey	04/19/92 residence; 04/25/92 residence
LR	Larry Raymond	03/26/92 Jacob's Nature Park; 03/30/92 residence; 03/31/92 Earl Williamson Park; 03/31/92 Caddo Lake Dam; 04/03/92 Jacob's Nature Park; 04/04/92 S of Springwood Lane (between Blanchard & Longwood); 04/05/92 residence; 04/09/92 Jacob's Nature Park; 04/10/92 Jacob's Nature Park; 04/18/92 Soda Lake Wildlife Management Area; 04/26/92 residence; 04/28/92 Jacob's Nature Park
LR&HJ	Larry Raymond and Horace Jeter	04/23/92 Jacob's Nature Park
MH	Mac Hardy	04/28/92 residence; 04/29/92 residence; 05/01/92 residence; 05/02/92 residence
MS	Mildred Smith	04/29/92 residence
NC	Norma Cobb	04/21/92 residence; 04/25/92 residence; 04/26/92 residence
McC	Wickie McCombs	04/25/92 residence; 04/26/92 residence
SH	Shirley Huss	04/23/92 residence; 04/26/92 Hamel Mem. Park
TO	Tommy Osborn	04/23/92 1 mi. S Mooringsport

RECORDS

Common Name	Data
Pied-billed Grebe	03/31/92 LR 1; 04/01/92 CL 3
White Pelican	04/07/92 BM 2
Double-crested Cormorant	03/29/92 CL 4; 04/11/92 BSG 3; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 6
Great Blue Heron	04/11/92 BSG 4; 04/18/92 BSG 4; 04/19/92 HHo 15; 04/19/92 JMcV 3; 04/25/92 HH&RS 30; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 3
Great Egret	03/29/92 CL 20; 03/31/92 LR 1; 04/01/92 CL 2; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Snowy Egret	03/29/92 CL 15; 04/01/92 CL 3; 04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/11/92 CL&BW 1; 04/19/92 HHo 7
Little Blue Heron	03/29/92 CL 15; 04/01/92 CL 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 10; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Cattle Egret	03/29/92 CL 5; 04/12/92 CL&BW 30; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 15; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 75
Green-backed Heron	03/29/92 CL 1; 04/18/92 BH 3; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 3; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Wood Duck	04/12/92 CL&BW 4; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 20
Green-winged Teal	03/29/92 CL 20
Hallard	03/29/92 CL 15; 04/01/92 CL 2; 04/11/92 BSG 4
Blue-winged Teal	03/29/92 CL 8; 03/31/92 LR 2; 03/31/92 LR 8; 04/11/92 BSG 4
Northern Shoveler	03/29/92 CL 1; 03/31/92 LR 2
Gadwall	03/29/92 CL 8
Ruddy Duck	03/31/92 LR 1
Black Vulture	04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 5; 04/21/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 9; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Turkey Vulture	04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 6; 04/25/92 HH&RS 12; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Mississippi Kite	04/18/92 BH 4; 04/18/92 JMcC 6; 04/26/92 LR 1
Northern Harrier	03/29/92 CL 1; 04/01/92 CL 1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	04/18/92 BSG 4
Cooper's Hawk	04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/21/92 JMcC 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Broad-winged Hawk	04/11/92 BSG 1

Common Name	Data
Red-tailed Hawk	04/01/92 CL 6; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
American Kestrel	04/01/92 CL 1; 04/24/92 JMcC 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Merlin	04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Northern Bobwhite	04/18/92 BSG 12; 04/19/92 JMcV 1
American Coot	03/31/92 LR 12
Lesser Golden-Plover	03/29/92 CL 350; 04/01/92 CL 400
Killdeer	03/31/92 LR 1; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/24/92 JMcC 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/26/92 SH 4
Greater Yellowlegs	03/29/92 CL 12; 03/31/92 LR 1; 04/01/92 CL 15
Lesser Yellowlegs	03/29/92 CL 6
Solitary Sandpiper	03/31/92 LR 1; 04/01/92 CL 3; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Spotted Sandpiper	04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 3
Upland Sandpiper	04/01/92 CL 1
Common Snipe	03/29/92 CL 2; 04/01/92 CL 1
Wilson's Phalarope	04/29/92 JI 7
Ring-billed Gull	04/11/92 BSG 2
Rock Dove	04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/18/92 BSG 15; 04/19/92 JMcV 9; 04/25/92 HH&RS 24
Mourning Dove	04/11/92 BSG 15; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/21/92 NC 10; 04/23/92 SH 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8; 04/25/92 JMcC 2
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	04/18/92 BH 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1; 04/25/92 JMcC 1
Barred Owl	04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/24/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Common Nighthawk	04/11/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Chuck-will's-widow	04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Chimney Swift	03/30/92 CL 4; 03/30/92 LR 2; 04/05/92 LR 3; 04/18/92 BH 4; 04/18/92 BSG 6; 04/25/92 HH&RS 20
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	03/31/92 Hho 1; 04/11/92 BSG 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 4
Belted Kingfisher	04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Red-headed Woodpecker	04/12/92 CL&BW 6; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/18/92 JMcC 1; 04/24/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/25/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 NC 2
Red-bellied Woodpecker	04/07/92 GF 3; 04/10/92 Hho 1; 04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 12
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/01/92 CL 2; 04/10/92 LR 1
Downy Woodpecker	04/11/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Hairy Woodpecker	04/01/92 CL 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Red-cockaded Woodpecker	03/29/92 CL 4
Northern Flicker	04/01/92 Hho 1; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 JMcV 1
Pileated Woodpecker	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/04/92 LR 1; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 7; 04/25/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 JMcV 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Eastern Wood-Pewee	04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Acadian Flycatcher	04/25/92 HH&RS 14
Eastern Phoebe	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/01/92 CL 1
Great Crested Flycatcher	04/11/92 CL&BW 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/25/92 JMcC 1;
Eastern Kingbird	03/29/92 CL 1; 04/08/92 BH 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 6; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 14; 04/26/92 SH 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 5D
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	04/09/92 Ht 1; 04/18/92 BSG 5; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/24/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/25/92 JMcC 1; 04/26/92 SH 5
Horned Lark	04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Purple Martin	04/11/92 BSG 8; 04/18/92 BH 3; 04/18/92 BSG 15; 04/19/92 JMcV 7; 04/23/92 SH 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 12; 04/25/92 JMcC 12
Tree Swallow	04/18/92 BSG 10
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	03/29/92 CL 2; 04/01/92 CL 6; 04/18/92 BSG 2
Bank Swallow	04/18/92 BH 2
Barn Swallow	03/29/92 CL 30; 03/30/92 CL 2; 04/11/92 BSG 15; 04/11/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BSG 7; 04/24/92 JMcC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 18; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 20
Blue Jay	04/05/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 10; 04/19/92 JMcV 4; 04/23/92 SH 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 11; 04/25/92 JMcC 2
American Crow	04/11/92 BSG 6; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 4; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 15; 04/25/92 JMcC 3
Fish Crow	03/30/92 CL 100; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 25
Carolina Chickadee	04/05/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 10; 04/18/92 BH 6; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/21/92 GF 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 20; 04/25/92 JMcC 2
Tufted Titmouse	04/01/92 Hho 1; 04/04/92 LR 1; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/07/92 GF 2; 04/11/92 BSG 8; 04/18/92 BH 4; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 24; 04/25/92 JMcC 1
White-breasted Nuthatch	04/04/92 LR 1; 04/06/92 Hho 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/21/92 GF 4; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Brown-headed Nuthatch	03/29/92 CL 4; 04/06/92 Hho 1; 04/07/92 GF 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 3; 04/19/92 Hho 1
Carolina Wren	04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/18/92 BH 4; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 14; 04/25/92 JMcC 1
House Wren	04/18/92 BSG 1
Winter Wren	04/11/92 BSG 1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	03/30/92 CL 15; 04/01/92 CL 20; 04/01/92 Hho 4; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 LR 3; 04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	03/30/92 CL 6; 04/01/92 CL 4; 04/04/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 LR 3; 04/11/92 CL&BW 6; 04/12/92 CL&BW 10; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 3; 04/25/92 HH&RS 20; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Eastern Bluebird	03/30/92 CL 2; 04/05/92 Hho 2; 04/11/92 BSG 4; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/21/92 JG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 6; 04/25/92 JMcC 5
Gray-cheeked Thrush	04/25/92 HH&RS 2
Hermit Thrush	04/01/92 CL 3; 04/05/92 LR 1

Common Name	Data
American Robin	04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/18/92 BH 4; 04/25/92 HH&RS 6
Gray Catbird	04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/18/92 LR 2
Northern Mockingbird	04/11/92 BSG 6; 04/18/92 BSG 12; 04/19/92 JMcV 4; 04/25/92 HH&RS 6; 04/25/92 JMcC 2
Brown Thrasher	04/05/92 LR 1; 04/07/92 GF 1; 04/11/92 BSG 2
American Pipit	04/22/92 HH 52
Cedar Waxwing	04/01/92 CL 10; 04/18/92 BH 3; 04/18/92 BSG 4; 04/19/92 JMcV 8; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 20
Loggerhead Shrike	04/11/92 BSG 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 4; 04/25/92 JMcC 1
European Starling	04/05/92 LR 3; 04/11/92 BSG 12; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 12
White-eyed Vireo	03/26/92 LR 1; 03/30/92 CL 2; 04/04/92 LR 1; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 3; 04/12/92 CL&BW 3; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 4; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 16
Solitary Vireo	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Yellow-throated Vireo	04/04/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 CL&BW 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Warbling Vireo	04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Red-eyed Vireo	04/09/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/11/92 CL&BW 3; 04/12/92 CL&BW 4; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 30
Blue-winged Warbler	03/26/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 CL 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Tennessee Warbler	04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 3
Orange-crowned Warbler	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/01/92 CL 3
Nashville Warbler	04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Northern Parula	03/30/92 CL 2; 04/01/92 CL 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 4; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8
Yellow Warbler	04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Magnolia Warbler	04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	03/30/92 CL 6; 04/01/92 CL 100; 04/01/92 HHo 1; 04/10/92 LR 12; 04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 20
Black-throated Green Warbler	04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Yellow-throated Warbler	04/04/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 LR 1; 04/11/92 BSG 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8
Pine Warbler	03/30/92 CL 2; 04/05/92 LR 1; 04/10/92 LR 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 3
Cerulean Warbler	04/11/92 CL&BW 1
Black-and-white Warbler	03/30/92 CL 2; 04/10/92 LR 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2
American Redstart	04/06/92 HHo 1
Prothonotary Warbler	04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 LR 5; 04/25/92 HH&RS 9; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Northern Waterthrush	04/13/92 BW 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Louisiana Waterthrush	03/30/92 CL 1; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 2
Common Yellowthroat	04/01/92 CL 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 3; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/18/92 LR 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Hooded Warbler	04/01/92 CL 2; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Canada Warbler	04/18/92 BH 1
Yellow-breasted Chat	04/18/92 LR 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1
Summer Tanager	04/08/92 BW 1; 04/10/92 LR 1; 04/12/92 CL&BW 2; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 LR 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/23/92 LR&HJ 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1
Northern Cardinal	04/01/92 HHo 4; 04/05/92 LR 2; 04/11/92 BSG 12; 04/18/92 BH 8; 04/18/92 BSG 12; 04/21/92 GF 4; 04/23/92 SH 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 25; 04/25/92 JMcC 20
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	04/23/92 TO 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 1; 04/25/92 MC 1; 04/28/92 LR 1; 04/28/92 MH 7; 04/29/92 MH 6; 04/29/92 MS 8; 05/01/92 HH 3; 05/02/92 MH 2
Blue Grosbeak	04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 10; 04/26/92 MC 1
Indigo Bunting	04/11/92 CL&BW 1; 04/18/92 BH 20; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/18/92 LR 3; 04/19/92 JMcV 8; 04/21/92 GF 9; 04/21/92 MC 18; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8; 04/25/92 JMcC 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 6; 04/28/92 LR 1
Painted Bunting	04/18/92 BH 1; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 4; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1; 04/28/92 JI 1
Dickcissel	04/25/92 HH&RS 14; 04/25/92 MC 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 15
Chipping Sparrow	04/01/92 CL 4; 04/11/92 BSG 2; 04/12/92 CL&BW 4; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/21/92 MC 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 4
Vesper Sparrow	04/01/92 CL 8
Lark Sparrow	04/08/92 BW 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
Savannah Sparrow	04/01/92 CL 100; 04/18/92 BSG 30; 04/25/92 HH&RS 14; 04/26/92 CL&H 10
Grasshopper Sparrow	04/11/92 CL&BW 1
LeConte's Sparrow	04/18/92 BSG 2
Song Sparrow	04/01/92 CL 10; 04/11/92 BSG 1
Lincoln's Sparrow	03/29/92 CL 2; 04/01/92 CL 8; 04/01/92 CL 2; 04/18/92 BSG 1
Swamp Sparrow	03/29/92 CL 1; 04/01/92 CL 20; 04/11/92 BSG 3
White-throated Sparrow	04/01/92 CL 150; 04/05/92 HHo 4; 04/05/92 LR 6; 04/07/92 GF 5; 04/09/92 LR 8; 04/10/92 HHo 3; 04/11/92 BSG 8; 04/12/92 CL&BW 50; 04/18/92 BH 6; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/18/92 JMcC 5; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 BW 5; 04/25/92 HH&RS 6; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 1
White-crowned Sparrow	03/29/92 CL 10; 04/01/92 CL 100; 04/01/92 HHo 2; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/25/92 BW 5; 04/25/92 HH&RS 30; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 15
Dark-eyed Junco	04/01/92 CL 10
Bobolink	04/25/92 HH&RS 50
Red-winged Blackbird	04/11/92 BSG 10; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 6; 04/19/92 JMcV 5; 04/25/92 HH&RS 25
Eastern Meadowlark	04/01/92 CL 15; 04/18/92 BSG 12; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8; 04/26/92 SH 1
Western Meadowlark	04/01/92 CL 1
Brewer's Blackbird	04/01/92 CL 10
Common Grackle	04/05/92 LR 25; 04/11/92 BSG 5; 04/18/92 BH 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 20
Brown-headed Cowbird	04/11/92 BSG 10; 04/18/92 BH 4; 04/18/92 BSG 2; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/25/92 HH&RS 15

Common Name	Data
Orchard Oriole	04/08/92 BW 1; 04/11/92 BSG 4; 04/18/92 BH 3; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/21/92 MC 1; 04/25/92 HH&RS 2; 04/26/92 SH 1; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 2
Northern Oriole	04/11/92 BSG 1; 04/15/92 BW 1; 04/19/92 JMcV 2; 04/26/92 HHcC 3; 04/26/92 SH 2; 04/26/92 CL&HJ 4
Purple Finch	04/03/92 LR 2
House Finch	04/09/92 BW 1; 04/26/92 NG 2
Pine Siskin	04/07/92 GF 29; 04/09/92 LR 20; 04/18/92 BSG 6; 04/22/92 HH 21
American Goldfinch	04/01/92 HHo 10; 04/03/92 LR 22; 04/07/92 GF 39; 04/09/92 LR 5; 04/11/92 BSG 10; 04/11/92 CL&BW 6; 04/18/92 BH 3; 04/18/92 BSG 1; 04/21/92 JMcC 15; 04/21/92 NG 5; 04/22/92 HH 4; 04/23/92 SH 1
House Sparrow	04/11/92 BSG 12; 04/18/92 BH 2; 04/18/92 BSG 3; 04/25/92 HH&RS 8
Printed 558 records.	

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BIG DAY OF BIRDING will be at
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JUNE PROGRAM

"INTERSTATE ORNITHOLOGY: *What's happening to the birds west of Shreveport?*"
To be presented by Mr. John L. Darling of Arlington, Texas, at the next meeting of the Bird Study Group on June 9, 1992, 7:00 PM in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS campus.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last month as President of the Bird Study Group and I thank all of you who have made this organization really tick. We have been a very active group taking part in a wide variety of bird watching activities. Our dedication of efforts toward better birding has brought us closer together and made us a happy group. I feel that all of us have learned new things about birding and birds through a series of good programs and field trips as well as exchanging experiences with experts in the field from other areas.

You have an excellent group of new officers [see below] to lead us this coming year. You also have a strong board to back them up as well as you members who have helped in many ways to make this group exceptional.

Again, thanks for your support this last year and may your efforts kindle into even greater support this coming year.

*** Will Smolenski

OUTINGS

June 6 - Bodcau Wildlife Management Area to search for **Red-cockaded Woodpeckers** and **Bachman's Sparrows**. Carpool from the Museum at 6:30 AM. We will be back at the Museum park-ing lot by noon. We will divide into two groups (if necessary and bird two areas; one will be the immediate vicinity of the cars in mixed pine-oak forest and the other will involve considerable walking (not on trails).

RESULTS!

Six birders participated in the Soda Lake outing on May 23 and found 49 species, including **Hooded Merganser**, **Warbling Vireo**, good views of a **Painted Bunting**, and **Yellow-crowned Night-Herons**.

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COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

BIRD REPORT -- **Connie Conners** 865-6422
 BIRD HOT SPOTS -- **Larry Raymond** 929-2806, **Will Smolenski** 865-2938
 FIELD TRIPS -- **Bill Hall** 797-1727, **Charles Lyon** 865-2674
 FUND RAISING -- **Ed Bitowski** 688-4848
 GIFT SHOP -- VACANT
 HISTORIAN -- **Jim McCain** 929-2691 w, 929-7285 h
 HOSPITALITY -- **Velda Neilson** 1-872-4821, **Betty Mason** 687-0225
 LIBRARIAN -- **Jim Ingold** 797-5236 w, 742-5067 h
 MEMBERSHIP -- **Shirley Huss** 865-5959
 NEWSLETTER -- **Mac Hardy** 797-5338 w, 687-6738 h
 BEGINNING BIRDERS -- **Larry Raymond** 929-2806, **Jim Ingold** 797-5236
 PHONE TREE -- **Dick Rolandt** 797-0255
 PROGRAMS -- **Rosemary Seidler** 869-5231 w, 424-2972 h
 PUBLICITY -- **Bobbe Wommack** 797-6509
 SHORT PROGRAMS -- **Pat Lonnecker** 865-4701
 SPECIAL EVENTS -- **Rosemary Seidler** 869-5231 w, 424-2972 h

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The board meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held Tuesday, May 5, 1992, at the home of Will Smolenski. The meeting opened at 7:05 PM with 12 members present.

Treasurer, Betty Mason, gave her report starting with a balance of \$1,264.60. We had income of \$343.95, expenses of \$103.01, leaving a balance of \$1,505.54. The post office balance was \$53.53. She stated that she would soon transfer \$200.00 into the post office mailing fund. Membership is 107.

Field trips are to Paul Dickson's on May 9, Soda Lake on May 23, and Bodcau on June 6.

The newsletter chairperson was asked to always put the monthly meeting, outings, and the speaker on the front page of the newsletter.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1991-92

President - **WILL SMOLENSKI**, 1
 Vice-President - **HUBERT HERVEY**, 3
 Secretary - **NORMA COBB**, 3
 Treasurer - **BETTY MASON**, 3
 Members at Large:
ED BITOWSKI, 1
CONNIE CONNORS, 1
BILL HALL, 2
MAC HARDY, 2
JIM INGOLD, 3
CHARLIE LYON, 1
JAMES MCCAIN, Jr. 2
VELDA NEILSON, 2
DICK ROLANDT, 1
ROSEMARY SEIDLER, 2
CAROLINE UPCHURCH, 3

BODCAU FIELD TRIP --- JUNE 6, 6:30 a.m.
NEXT MEETING == JUNE 9 AT THE MUSEUM

The phone tree is working well.

Bobbe Wommack was commended for her efforts in publicity.

Suggestions were made on making our guests feel welcome and how to make them want to be a part of our organization. Giving a bookmark, getting addresses and phone numbers so a follow-up call can be made and send a newsletter were some accepted suggestions.

The giftshop, as stated before, is undergoing changes because of University policies.

Mac reported that he and Marilyn visited North Toledo Bend State Park and were very pleased. It has a nature center, cabins, and nature trails.

Ray C. Telfair, II, from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept, was our speaker for May, speaking on his experiences with **Cattle Egrets**. John L. Darling is our speaker for June. The topic is: "Interstate ornithology: what's happening to the birds west of Shreveport?"

Officers for 1992-93 were elected; Hubert Hervey will serve as president, Rosemary Seidler as vice-president, Jim Ingold as secretary, and Betty Mason as treasurer.

A motion was made to send a gift of \$100.00 to the Louisiana Nature Conservancy.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by our host.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the SSNS Bird Study Group was held May 12, 1992, in the Museum of Life Sciences on the LSUS campus.

The meeting opened at 7:05 p.m. with introduction of our guests: Jeff McCord, David Hervey, and Paul Lawrence.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

The treasurer's report started with a balance of \$1,505.54 and income of \$33.00. Expenses were \$300.00, leaving a balance of \$1,238.54. The post office balance was \$35.49 plus \$200.00 not yet posted.

Field trips are to Soda Lake on May 23 and Bodcau on June 6.

Mac welcomes information for the newsletter and he needs it in by the 25th of the month.

Officers for the new year are Hubert Hervey as president, Rosemary Seidler as vice-president, Jim Ingold as secretary, and Betty Mason as treasurer.

The "Big Day" was enjoyed by all with the Paul Dickson family at the Loggy Bayou Plantation. Ninety eight bird species were recorded. The food was great.

Many outstanding birds were reported in Birdtalk. Jack Fish has a **Pileated Woodpecker** nesting in his yard at 870 Ed's Boulevard (Trinity Heights area). You are welcome to visit. The phone number is 425-5005.

North Toledo Bend State Park is still needing help in conducting bird walks. Hubert and others plan to help.

Our speaker for June will be Mr. John L. Darling.

Mr. John C. Telfair, II, from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. was our speaker in May. He has been studying the **Cattle Egret** since 1955. He is a highly educated man but had the ability to share some of this information with us in a way that left us wanting more but time would not permit.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

BIRD QUIZ #4

-- KENTUCKY FRIED BIRD QUIZ

This is the last bird quiz for the season. This summer while relaxing with family and friends and eating your fried or barbequed chicken, try to find the following parts of a bird!

1. Uncinate process
2. Pygostyle
3. Patagium
4. Uropygial gland
5. Pterylae

Answers to last bird quiz

1. Hurry, Worry, Blurry, Flurry - **Scarlet Tanager**
2. Perchikoree - **American Goldfinch**
3. Cheer up, Cheer-a-lee - **American Robin**
4. Cheer, Cheerful Charmer - **Eastern Bluebird**
5. Teacher Teacher Teacher TEACHER - **Ovenbird**
6. Tea kettle Tea kettle Tea kettle - **Carolina Wren**
7. Sweet sweet sweet, I'm so sweet - **Yellow Warbler**
8. Sweet sweet sweet, I'll switch you - **Chestnut -sided Warbler**
9. Here here, Come right here dear - **Northern Oriole**
10. It's sweet to me (or) Spring of the year - **Eastern Meadowlark**

SUMMER RESIDENTS

The following list includes 55 species that are summer residents only in northwestern Louisiana. This does not include permanent residents. These summer residents make up 17.7 percent of the 310 species known from our area.

Anhinga
Least Bittern
Snowy Egret
Little Blue Heron
Cattle Egret

Green-backed Heron
Black-shouldered Kite
Mississippi Kite
Broad-winged Hawk
Purple Gallinule
Common Moorhen
Least Tern
Yellow-billed Cuckoo
Common Nighthawk
Chuck-will's-widow
Whip-poor-will
Chimney Swift
Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Eastern Wood-Pewee
Acadian Flycatcher
Great Crested Flycatcher
Eastern Kingbird
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
Purple Martin
Northern Rough-winged Swallow
Barn Swallow
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Wood Thrush
Gray Catbird
White-eyed Vireo
Bell's Vireo
Yellow-throated Vireo
Warbling Vireo
Red-eyed Vireo
Northern Parula
Yellow-throated Warbler
Prairie Warbler
Cerulean Warbler
Black-and-white Warbler
American Redstart
Prothonotary Warbler
Swainson's Warbler
Louisiana Waterthrush
Kentucky Warbler
Common Yellowthroat
Hooded Warbler
Yellow-breasted Chat
Summer Tanager
Blue Grosbeak
Indigo Bunting
Painted Bunting
Dickcissel
Lark Sparrow
Orchard Oriole
Northern Oriole

NEW OFFICERS

Officers for the new year (1992-93) are **Hubert Hervey** as president, **Rosemary Seidler** as vice-president, **Jim Ingold** as secretary, and **Betty Mason** as treasurer.

PROGRAMS AND NEWS

If you have any ideas for programs (short or long) for the new year or of items that you would like to see in the newsletter please let some officer know.

GIFTSHOP

Because of increased responsibilities at her job and a heavier time commitment Caroline Upchurch has decided that she must relinquish her work with the Giftshop of the Bird Study Group. Caroline, we deeply appreciate your help with the giftshop.

If anyone else is interested in working with the giftshop please contact Mac Hardy (797-5338 or 687-6738) or any officer.

LOS REVIEW LIST

The LOS Bird Records Committee solicits reports of observations of species on the following list. See *The Journal of Louisiana Ornithology*, vol. 2, no. 1, pp. 36-37, for more information.

Red-throated Loon, Least Grebe, Red-necked Grebe, Western Grebe, Yellow-nosed Albatross, Greater Shearwater, Audubon's Shearwater, Leach's Storm-Petrel, Masked Booby, Brown Booby, Red-footed Booby, "Great White Heron," Tundra Swan, Trumpeter Swan, Ross' Goose, Brant, Eurasian Wigeon, White-winged Scoter, Common Merganser, Masked Duck, Northern Goshawk, White-tailed Hawk, Zone-tailed Hawk, Ferruginous Hawk, Rough-legged Hawk, Golden Eagle, Greater Prairie Chicken (e), Yellow Rail, Black Rail, Whooping Crane (e), Mongolian Plover, Eskimo Curlew, Purple Sandpiper, Curlew Sandpiper, Ruff, Red-necked Phalarope, Red Phalarope, Pomarine Jaeger, Parasitic Jaeger, Longtailed Jaeger, Little Gull, California Gull, Thayer's Gull,

Lesser Black-backed Gull, Glaucous Gull, Great Black-backed Gull, Black-legged Kittiwake, Sabine's Gull, Roseate Tern, Arctic Tern, Bridled Tern, Brown Noddy, Ancient Murrelet, Band-tailed Pigeon, Flammulated Owl, Snowy Owl, Long-eared Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl, Lesser Nighthawk, Antillean Nighthawk, Vaux's Swift, Anna's Hummingbird, Calliope Hummingbird, Broad-tailed Hummingbird, Allen's Hummingbird, Williamson's Sapsucker, Ivory-billed Woodpecker, Western Wood-Pewee, Alder Flycatcher, Willow Flycatcher, Hammond's Flycatcher, Say's Phoebe, Ash-throated Flycatcher, Brown-crested Flycatcher, Great Kiskadee, Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher, Tropical Kingbird, Couch's Kingbird, Cassin's Kingbird, Gray Kingbird, Rock Wren, Northern Wheatear, Mountain Bluebird, Varied Thrush, Sage Thrasher, Curve-billed Thrasher, "*Plumbeous Vireo*," Black-whiskered Vireo, Bachman's Warbler, Virginia's Warbler, Lucy's Warbler, Tropical Parula, Blacked-throated Gray Warbler, Townsend's Warbler, Hermit Warbler, MacGillivray's Warbler, Painted Redstart, Hepatic Tanager, Western Tanager, Black-headed Grosbeak, Blue Bunting, Lazuli Bunting, Green-tailed Towhee, American Tree Sparrow, Brewer's Sparrow, Lark Bunting, Golden-crowned Sparrow, "*Gray-headed Junco*," McCown's Longspur, Smith's Longspur, Chestnut-collared Longspur, Hooded Oriole, Scott's Oriole, House Finch (i), Red Crossbill, Lesser Goldfinch.

For more information on how to document rare species see: Dittmann, D. L. and Steven W. Cardiff. 1990. How to provide documentation for Review List species. L. O. S. News, No. 135.

FOR THE TRAVELERS

Below are Rare Bird Alert phone numbers for many of the Rare Bird Alerts in North America. These are from the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology.

Alabama (Statewide) 205, 987-2730
 Arizona (Phoenix) 602, 832-8745
 Arkansas (Statewide) 501, 753-5853
 California (Los Angeles) 213, 874-1318
 (Monterey) 408, 375-9122 (San Francisco)
 415, 528-0288

Colorado (Statewide) 303, 973-7207
 Connecticut (Statewide) 203, 254-3665
 Delaware (Statewide) 215, 567-2473
 District of Columbia (Districtwide) 301,
 652-1088
 Florida (Statewide) 813, 984-4444
 Georgia (Statewide) 404, 509-0204
 Idaho (Southeast) 208, 236-3337
 Illinois (Chicago) 708, 671-1522 (Central
 Illinois) 217, 785-1083
 Indiana (Statewide) 317, 259-0911
 Iowa (Statewide) 319, 338-9881
 Kansas (Statewide) 913, 329-4499
 Louisiana (New Orleans) 504, 246-2473
 Maine (Statewide) 207, 781-2332*
 Maryland (Statewide) 301, 652-1088
 Massachusetts (Boston) 617, 259-8805
 Michigan (Statewide) 616, 471-4919
 (Detroit) 313, 278-4288
 Minnesota (Statewide) 612, 544-5016
 Mississippi (Coast) 601, 467-9500
 Missouri (Statewide) 314, 445-9115
 Montana (Statewide) 406, 721-2935*
 Nebraska (Statewide) 402, 453-0724*
 New Hampshire (Statewide) 603, 224-9990*
 New Jersey (Statewide) 609, 884-2626
 New Mexico (Statewide) 505, 662-2101
 New York (Buffalo) 716, 896-1271 (New
 York & L.I.) 212, 832-6523 (Rochester) 716,
 461-9593
 North Carolina (Statewide) 704, 332-2473
 Ohio (Cleveland) 216, 289-2473 (Dayton)
 513, 277-6446
 Oklahoma (Oklahoma City) 405, 373-4531
 Oregon (Statewide) 503, 292-0661
 Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) 215, 567-2473
 (Western PA) 412, 963-0560
 South Carolina (Statewide) 704, 332-2473
 Tennessee (Statewide) 615, 356-7636
 Texas (Rio Grande Valley) 512, 565-6773
 (San Antonio) 512, 733-8306
 Utah (Statewide) 801, 538-4730
 Vermont (Statewide) 802, 457-2779*
 Virginia (Statewide) 301, 652-1088
 Washington (Statewide) 206, 526-8266
 Wisconsin (Statewide) 414, 352-3857
 Wyoming (Statewide) 307, 265-2473

*Calls usually restricted to 5pm to 7am week-
 days. Anytime on weekends.

BIG DAY RESULTS

We had an excellent turnout of about 25-
 30 birders for the annual Big Day of Birding at

Loggy Bayou Plantation. As always, the food
 was great and the birding was exciting. The
 total number of species seen, 98, included
Red-breasted Nuthatch, Bobolink, and
 several other uncommon species. Many
 thanks to Paul and Bev for a great time.

CAVITY NESTERS

**"Birds Nesting in Hollow Aged
 Cypress Trees at Bodcau Bayou
 WMA, Louisiana."**

During several float trips on lovely Bodcau
 Bayou, north of Minden, LA, I saw the
 following birds nesting in hollow Cypress
 trees. The ones I was surprised to see are
 marked by *.

**Wood Duck
 Hooded Merganser*
 Black Vulture*
 Barred Owl
 Chimney Swift*
 Red-bellied Woodpecker
 Red-headed Woodpecker
 Pileated Woodpecker
 Tufted Titmouse
 Carolina Chickadee
 Great Crested Flycatcher
 Prothonotary Warbler**

Probably nesting but not seen entering a
 cavity:

**Downy Woodpecker
 Hairy Woodpecker
 Northern Flicker
 Purple Martin**

Needless to say many mammal species
 also use these favored areas as den sites.

*** Hubert Hervey ***

NEWSLETTER FORMAT

With this issue of the Newsletter I have
 incorporated a new format based on your
 suggestions. I apologize for all errors you
 might find; I am still working out the details of
 the layout. If any of you have any comments
 for improving the appearance and/or content
 of the Newsletter, please let me or some
 officer know. Details are appreciated.

BIRD NOTES -- MAY

Compiled
May 28, 1992

Report bird records for the Newsletter to Connie Connors (885-6422) by the 25th of each month. Only records not printed since last Newsletter are published.

Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of observer, number of birds observed; initials of another observer, number of birds observed; etc.). For example: 15 PD 3; BW 1,5) means that on the fifteenth PD saw 3 birds, BW saw 1 at one locality and 5 at another. For the number of birds observed, a one is used both for one specimen or for numbers not reported by the observer. Two (or more) numbers following an observer are numbers of birds seen at two (or more) different localities. All bird records reported here are the responsibility of the observer. The Bird Study Group is reporting observations on the word of the observers.

REPORTERS

Abbrev-Name	Dates and Places
AB - Babers	04/28/92 residence; 05/02/92 residence; 05/07/92 residence; 05/10/92 residence; 05/13/92 residence
BillW - Bill Wood	05/24/92 Clyde Fant Parkway; 05/24/92 corner Highland and Marshall; 05/25/92 residence
BM - Betty Mason	04/31/92 Eastwood on Bayou near Shreve City; 05/08/92 residence
BSG - Bird Study Group	05/09/92 Loggy Bayou Plantation; 05/23/92 Soda Lake WMA
BW - Bobbe Wommack	04/26/92 residence; 04/28/92 residence; 05/02/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 05/04/92 residence
CL - Charlie Lyon	04/30/92 Olive & Line st., Shreveport; 04/30/92 Robson Road; 04/30/92 Norton Art Gallery, Shreveport; 05/17/92 Cross Lake; 05/24/92 residence
HH - Hubert Hervey	05/06/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 05/10/92 residence; 05/20/92 Richard Flemming Park; 05/20/92 3100 Woodlawn Ave., Shreveport; 05/23/92 extreme northern Bossier Parish
HHB&JH - Hubert Hervey, Bill & Jane Hall	05/16/92 Bodcau Bayou
HHL - Hubert Hervey, LeBlanc, et al.	05/18/92 North Toledo Bend State Park
HHo - Helen Hood	05/05/92 residence; 05/11/92 residence; 05/12/92 residence; 05/14/92 residence; 05/21/92 residence
JC - Jim Cope	05/07/92 Bickham-Dickson Park; 05/21/92 residence; 05/22/92 residence; 05/28/92 residence
JMcC - Jim McCain	04/24/92 Wasson Road; 04/30/92 Richard Flemming Park; 05/09/92 residence; 05/15/92 Donnie Bickham Middle School; 05/23/92 residence; 05/23/92 McCain Creek, Mooringsport Road; 05/24/92 residence; 05/25/92 residence; 05/25/92 Donnie Bickham Middle School
LR - Larry Raymond	04/26/92 residence; 04/28/92 Walter Jacobs Nature Park; 04/30/92 Walter Jacobs Nature Park; 05/01/92 Walter Jacobs Nature Park
MHLRJI - Mac Hardy, L. Raymond, J. Ingold	05/19/92 Soda Lake WMA
MS - Mildred Scott	04/27/92 residence; 05/07/92 residence; 05/25/92 residence
MW - Mark Wommack	05/16/92 Stonewall
NMcC - Nicki McCombs	04/26/92 residence; 04/27/92 residence; 05/06/92 residence; 05/08/92 residence
PD - Paul Dickson	05/16/92 I-49 ponds; 05/27/92 residence (Ellerbe rd.)
SH - Shirley Huss	05/03/92 residence; 05/05/92 residence; 05/10/92 residence
TC - Terry Connors	05/22/92 Shreveport, Shreve City shopping center

RECORDS

Common Name	Data
Pied-billed Grebe	05/09/92 BSG 1
Double-crested Cormorant	05/06/92 HH 1
Anhinga	05/09/92 BSG 1
American Bittern	05/09/92 BSG 1
Great Blue Heron	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/06/92 HH 3; 05/07/92 JC 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 12; 05/18/92 HHL 4; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 3; 05/20/92 HH 3; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Great Egret	05/06/92 HH 2; 05/07/92 JC 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 3; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 1; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/23/92 BSG 9; 05/06/92 HH 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Little Blue Heron	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/06/92 HH 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 5; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Cattle Egret	05/09/92 BSG 13; 05/10/92 HH 18; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 60; 05/18/92 HHL 10; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Green-backed Heron	05/10/92 HH 1; 05/18/92 HHL 4
Black-crowned Night-Heron	05/19/92 MHLRJI 1
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6; 05/23/92 BSG 4
Wood Duck	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/15/92 JMcC 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 10; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 2
Mallard	05/07/92 JC 3; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Hooded Merganser	05/16/92 HHB&JH 3; 05/23/92 BSG 1

Common Name	Data
Black Vulture	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 9; 05/18/92 HHL 3; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 JMcC 1
Turkey Vulture	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 12; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 3; 05/18/92 HHL 6; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/23/92 JMcC 1
Osprey	04/30/92 JMcC 1
Mississippi Kite	04/26/92 LR 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/24/92 JMcC 1; 05/25/92 B&W 1
Cooper's Hawk	05/18/92 HHL 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/21/92 JC 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/23/92 JMcC 1
Broad-winged Hawk	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 1; 05/18/92 HHL 1
Red-tailed Hawk	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 3; 05/18/92 HHL 1
Northern Bobwhite	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 12
Killdeer	05/10/92 HH 7; 05/25/92 JMcC 3
Black-necked Stilt	05/16/92 PD 1
Spotted Sandpiper	05/06/92 HH 1
Least Sandpiper	05/09/92 BSG 1
Pectoral Sandpiper	05/09/92 BSG 1
Least Tern	05/16/92 PD 1
Mourning Dove	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/06/92 HH 4; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 AB 1; 05/10/92 HH 8; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 5; 05/22/92 JC 4; 05/24/92 JMcC 2; 05/25/92 MS 4
Black-billed Cuckoo	05/09/92 BSG 1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6; 05/18/92 HHL 5; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 3
Greater Roadrunner	05/09/92 BSG 1
Eastern Screech-Owl	05/27/92 PD 5
Great Horned Owl	05/17/92 CL 1
Barred Owl	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Common Nighthawk	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/10/92 SH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/24/92 B&W 5; 05/25/92 B&W 1
Chuck-will's-widow	05/09/92 BSG 3; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/17/92 CL 1
Chimney Swift	05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/10/92 HH 3; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 10; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/22/92 JC 2; 05/23/92 BSG 2; 05/24/92 JMcC 1
Belted Kingfisher	05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Red-headed Woodpecker	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/09/92 JMcC 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/25/92 B&W 1; 05/25/92 MS 4
Red-bellied Woodpecker	05/06/92 HH 3; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/18/92 HHL 10; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 MS 1
Downy Woodpecker	05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Hairy Woodpecker	05/09/92 BSG 1
Red-cockaded Woodpecker	05/23/92 HH 2
Northern Flicker	05/07/92 AB 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1
Pileated Woodpecker	05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 7; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 1
Eastern Wood-Pewee	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 8
Acadian Flycatcher	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/18/92 HHL 10; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 3
Least Flycatcher	05/09/92 BSG 1
Great Crested Flycatcher	04/26/92 JMcC 1; 04/30/92 CL 2; 04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 5; 05/18/92 HHL 4; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 2
Eastern Kingbird	05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6; 05/18/92 HHL 4; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	05/07/92 AB 2; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2; 05/22/92 TC 1; 05/24/92 B&W 2
Purple Martin	04/24/92 JMcC 2; 05/06/92 HH 10; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 24; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 8; 05/23/92 BSG 2; 05/24/92 B&W 200
Tree Swallow	05/06/92 HH 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 1
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	05/10/92 HH 2; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/23/92 BSG 3
Barn Swallow	05/06/92 HH 7; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 3; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 30; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/24/92 B&W 8
Blue Jay	05/05/92 HHo 2; 05/06/92 HH 4; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 8; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/18/92 HHL 7; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 6; 05/22/92 JC 4; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 JMcC 2; 05/25/92 MS 6
American Crow	05/06/92 HH 4; 05/07/92 JC 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 8; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 16; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 5; 05/23/92 BSG 5
Fish Crow	05/06/92 HH 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 6; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2; 05/18/92 HHL 5; 05/20/92 HH 7
Carolina Chickadee	05/06/92 HH 3; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 10; 05/11/92 HHo 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/18/92 HHL 12; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 6; 05/22/92 JC 4; 05/23/92 BSG 3; 05/25/92 JMcC 1; 05/25/92 MS 20
Tufted Titmouse	05/06/92 HH 5; 05/09/92 BSG 5; 05/10/92 HH 10; 05/11/92 HHo 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 8; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/22/92 JC 3; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 MS 10
Red-breasted Nuthatch	05/09/92 BSG 1
White-breasted Nuthatch	05/03/92 SH 1; 05/11/92 HHo 1; 05/25/92 JMcC 1; 05/25/92 MS 1
Brown-headed Nuthatch	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/14/92 HHo 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6; 05/18/92 HHL 5
Carolina Wren	05/06/92 HH 3; 05/09/92 BSG 4; 05/10/92 HH 5; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 18; 05/18/92 HHL 5; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 JMcC 1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	04/30/92 CL 1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 3; 05/18/92 HHL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 3; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 5

Common Name	Data
Eastern Bluebird	04/27/92 MS 2; 05/06/92 HH 3; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 12; 05/18/92 HHL 4; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/22/92 JC 1; 05/25/92 JMcc 6; 05/25/92 MS 3; 05/28/92 JC 2
Veery	04/30/92 CL 1
Wood Thrush	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 MS 2
American Robin	05/05/92 HHo 2; 05/06/92 HH 3; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2; 05/22/92 JC 3; 05/23/92 BSG 1; 05/25/92 MS 6
Gray Catbird	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1
Northern Mockingbird	05/06/92 HH 4; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 6; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/23/92 BSG 6
Brown Thrasher	05/21/92 HHo 4; 05/22/92 JC 1; 05/25/92 JMcc 1
Cedar Waxwing	04/30/92 CL 20; 05/06/92 HH 45; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 32; 05/24/92 CL 40
Loggerhead Shrike	05/23/92 BSG 1
European Starling	05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 5; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 2; 05/23/92 BSG 4
White-eyed Vireo	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 5/16/92 HHB&JH 18; 05/18/92 HHL 22; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Yellow-throated Vireo	05/04/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Warbling Vireo	05/23/92 BSG 1
Philadelphia Vireo	05/09/92 BSG 1
Red-eyed Vireo	04/30/92 CL 15; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/05/92 HHo 2; 05/06/92 HH 3; 05/08/92 NMcc 2; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 2; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 14; 5/18/92 HHL 18; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 3; 05/20/92 HH 6; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Golden-winged Warbler	04/30/92 CL 1
Tennessee Warbler	04/30/92 CL 75; 04/30/92 CL 2; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Northern Parula	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Yellow Warbler	04/26/92 BW 1; 04/30/92 CL 3; 05/10/92 HH 1
Chestnut-sided Warbler	04/30/92 CL 2; 04/30/92 CL 5; 05/06/92 NMcc 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/24/92 BW 100; 05/25/92 JMcc 4
Magnolia Warbler	05/02/92 BW 2; 05/05/92 SH 1; 05/06/92 NMcc 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	05/02/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Black-throated Green Warbler	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/02/92 BW 2
Blackburnian Warbler	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/06/92 NMcc 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1
Yellow-throated Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 8; 05/18/92 HHL 7
Fine Warbler	04/30/92 LR 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 3; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 18; 05/18/92 HHL 30; 05/20/92 HH 3
Prairie Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6
Bay-breasted Warbler	04/30/92 CL 4
Black-and-white Warbler	04/30/92 CL 2; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/06/92 HH 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/14/92 HHo 1
American Redstart	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/04/92 BW 1; 05/06/92 HH 6
Prothonotary Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/17/92 CL 1; 05/18/92 HHL 15; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 4; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 BSG 2
Swainson's Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1
Northern Waterthrush	04/30/92 CL 1
Louisiana Waterthrush	05/09/92 BSG 1
Kentucky Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 2
Common Yellowthroat	05/04/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Hooded Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/18/92 HHL 2
Wilson's Warbler	05/04/92 BW 1
Canada Warbler	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/20/92 HH 1
Yellow-breasted Chat	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 16; 05/17/92 CL 1; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Summer Tanager	04/30/92 CL 2; 04/31/92 BM 1; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 9; 05/17/92 CL 2; 05/18/92 HHL 12; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Scarlet Tanager	04/30/92 CL 1; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1
Northern Cardinal	05/05/92 HHo 6; 05/06/92 HH 6; 05/09/92 BSG 2; 05/10/92 HH 11; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 12; 05/18/92 HHL 11; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 3; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/22/92 JC 2; 05/23/92 BSG 2; 05/25/92 MS 16
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	04/28/92 BW 5; 04/28/92 LR 1; 04/30/92 CL 1; 04/30/92 JMcc 2; 04/30/92 LR 2; 05/07/92 MS 4; 05/08/92 BM 2; 05/11/92 HHo 1; 05/16/92 MW 1
Blue Grosbeak	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 6; 05/12/92 HHo 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 2
Indigo Bunting	04/27/92 MS 5; 04/28/92 LR 1; 04/30/92 CL 1; 04/30/92 LR 1; 05/05/92 HHo 1; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 16; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 5; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/23/92 BSG 7
Painted Bunting	04/30/92 LR 1; 05/01/92 LR 1; 05/09/92 BSG 3; 05/10/92 HH 9; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10; 05/23/92 BSG 1
Dickcissel	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 12; 05/24/92 BW 1
Chipping Sparrow	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 14; 05/20/92 HH 5
Field Sparrow	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 10
Lark Sparrow	05/12/92 HHo 1
Savannah Sparrow	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 4
Song Sparrow	05/09/92 BSG 1
Lincoln's Sparrow	05/06/92 HH 1
White-throated Sparrow	05/25/92 MS 4
Bobolink	05/09/92 BSG 1
Red-winged Blackbird	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 5; 05/18/92 HHL 6; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 BSG 3
Eastern Meadowlark	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 8; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 6; 05/25/92 JMcc 1
Common Grackle	05/06/92 HH 6; 05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 4; 05/18/92 HHL 2; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 1; 05/20/92 HH 4; 05/23/92 BSG 7
Brown-headed Cowbird	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 14; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 16; 05/18/92 HHL 8; 05/19/92 MHLRJI 2; 05/20/92 HH 2; 05/22/92 JC 3; 05/23/92 BSG 6
Orchard Oriole	05/09/92 BSG 1; 05/10/92 HH 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 5; 05/17/92 CL 4

Common Name	Data
Northern Oriole	04/26/92 NMCC 2; 04/27/92 NMCC 3; 04/30/92 CL 3; 05/02/92 BW 1; 05/16/92 HHB&JH 1; 05/24/92 BHW 4
Purple Finch	05/02/92 AB 2
House Finch	05/25/92 MS 6
Pine Siskin	05/06/92 HH 1; 05/10/92 HH 4; 05/14/92 HHo 1
American Goldfinch	04/27/92 MS 50; 04/28/92 AB 6; 05/03/92 SH 1; 05/05/92 SH 1; 05/13/92 AB 1; 05/25/92 MS 4
House Sparrow	05/06/92 HH 3; 05/10/92 HH 10; 05/23/92 BSG 1

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SUGGESTIONS

1. The effectiveness of the Phone Tree depends upon the co-operation of its members.
2. We are all forgetful sometimes. The preserve the accuracy of the sighting information — write it down at once.
3. If you cannot reach the person below your name on the list, call the next person, etc.
4. If you must leave a message to a non-member or an answering machine, simply give the name of the bird sighted and let the member call someone else on the Phone Tree if additional information is desired.

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