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January 21 at 6:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Amarillo Garden Center, 1400 Streit, will be the time and place for the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Texas Panhandle Audubon Society. It will be a planned buffet instead of the usual covered dish meal.

Besides the election and installation of officers for the new year, there will be some recommendations to act upon.

Bringing a report from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will be J. D. Peer, the Information and Education officer of the department, covering North West Texas. Mr. Peer is no stranger to this part of the Panhandle and always brings good information on the activities of the department. Members will have opportunity to ask pertinent questions.

We are delighted to announce an Art Exhibit of the works of some of our members who value the Audubon Magazine for its art work. Those exhibiting are Billie Orr, Lillian Neely, Estelle Duncan, Mary Sawyer, Mary Moore, Stefan Kramer and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jones. If there are other painter members who we may not know about, we would appreciate your contacting us for space.

All members of the Audubon Society are urged to attend this annual stockholders meeting to help make the decisions for the coming year. There will be a contribution charge of \$1.75, and RESERVATIONS MUST be made by FRIDAY, JANUARY 18 by calling a member of the committee.

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We do hope to see just a lot of you there for our ANNUAL MEETING.

## Regional Representative

We are sorry to announce that our Regional Representatives, both Dr. Dede Armentrout and Rhea K. Copening will not be able to make our annual meeting, but will be here the following evening, and members of the Board of Directors will be called about meetings with them. They will be here through part of Wednesday, so if anyone has a particular need to have a meeting with either of them, contact Mary Donelson.

And Yes, we are still in the Aluminum business, and have around \$150.00 in our scholarship fund. Not all from aluminum, but a good piece of it is. If everyone really worked at this project we could have a truck full every month to cash in. Remember to fold up the aluminum pie pans and TV dinner trays into fist size. You can do this while walking across the room to place it in your Re-Cy-cling sack.

We still want to keep the dates of the Regional Meeting with the Mountain Region in BOLD TYPE on your calendar.

Ghost Ranch in New Mexico on June 23-30, 1980. Will probably be hearing about reservations pretty soon.

## December Christmas Bird Count

Due to the effort to get this newsletter to you in plenty of time before the annual meeting, we cannot include the tabulation of the Christmas Bird Count. It is almost ready, and were Kenneth here all the time, it would be included.

However, the most spectacular thing about the Palo Duro Count on December 16 was the bitter cold wind, but they did see 69 species.

Lake Meredith West Dec. 23 had a total of 51 species, and Lake Meredith East, Dec. 30 had 61, with the most outstanding sighting of 3 Long eared owls.

Have no specific information on the other counts, but the total tabulation will be in a later mailing or included with the February Newsletter.

When Congress gets back to "work"??? on January 23 (?), there will be some legislation we will need to be watching. Keep reading the papers, and we will try to keep you informed. The Dickey-Lincoln Bill should be one of them.

What do you know - we have some extra space in our usually crowded letter. The Nominating Committee is busy at work on the selection of the new officers and board, so if you are interested in having one of these choice offices, do phone Winnie Wester or Esther Waddill. A lot of you are more than capable. DO YOU HAVE YOUR NEW MEMBER????