

THE PRAIRIE HORNED LARK
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October Meeting:

Those of you who missed our September meeting missed a treat. Rhea Copening, our Regional Director, gave the program. Rhea is a charming, knowledgeable young woman. We have another charming young woman, Jo Meaker, our Scholarship winner, for the program this month. Join us and stay afterwards for fellowship and refreshments. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Garden Center.

.... Rena Ross

NOTEWORTHY SIGHTINGS:

Osprey - one on the Currie Ranch near Lake Tanglewood Aug. 20 (RC). This is the earliest sighting on record.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet - one in Amarillo during the first week of August (NE) - This is the earliest sighting on record.

Chimney Swift - 500+ congregated at a chimney at the school house in Maimi, Roberts Co. (RB) - this is the largest concentration ever reported in the Panhandle.

Cattle Egret - 150+ in Bates Canyon, Lake Meredith Oct. 6 (FC) - this is the largest concentration ever reported in the Panhandle.

FALL MIGRATION - FIRST REPORTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Observer</u>
Sept. 12	Yellow-rumped Warbler	Adobe Walls, Hutchinson Co. -	T.P.A.S.
17	Catbird	Amarillo, Randall Co.	RR
19	Cedar Waxwing	Buffalo Lake NWR	KS
19	Hermit Thrush	"	"
19	Black & White Warbler	"	"
19	Chestnut-sided Warbler	"	"
19	Black-headed Grosbeak	"	"
19	Lincoln's Sparrow	Downtown Amarillo	PA
20	Nashville Warbler	Miami, Roberts Co.	RB
21	Philadelphia Warbler	Amarillo, Randall Co.	RR
21	Baltimore Oriole (4)	"	"
24	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	"	"
25	Bay-breasted Warbler (5)	Buffalo Lake NWR	T.P.A.S.
25	Scarlet Tanager	"	"
25	Summer Tanager	"	"
25	White-crowned Sparrow	"	"
26	Prairie Falcon	"	KS
26	Sage Thrasher	"	"
26	Solitary Vireo	"	"
26	Brewer's Blackbird	"	"
26	Rufous-sided Towhee	"	"
Oct. 6	Slate-colored Junco	Miami, Roberts Co.	RB
6	Tennessee Warbler	McBride Canyon, Potter Co.	FC
10	Swainson's Thrush	Miami, Roberts Co.	RB

PA - Pogy Acord
 RB - Raymond Bryant
 FC - Fern Cain
 RC - Roberta Currie

NE - Nancy Elliott
 RR - Rena Ross
 KS - Ken Seyffert
 T.P.A.S. - Texas Panhandle Audubon Society

FIELD TRIPS:

Oct. 24 (Sunday) - Tom Green Ranch (Oldham Co.) - meet at the exit ramp off I-40 at Vega at 8:00 a.m.

Nov. 7 (Sunday) - Lake McClellan (Gray Co.) - meet at the concessionaire's building on the north side of the lake at 8:00 a.m.

The Earth does not belong to man
 Man belongs to the earth
 What happens to the earth
 Happens to the sons of Earth
 Man does not weave the web of life
 He is only a strand of the web
 Therefore what man does to the web
 He does to himself

.... Chief Seattle, 1852