

**Winter Meeting, Shreveport/Bossier
Minutes
Friday, January 25, 2013**

President Ed Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed members, guests and asked new members to stand and introduce themselves. Ed gave special thanks to Larry Raymond, Nancy Menasco and The Bird Study Group for organizing the meeting and field trips, the LSUS Museum of Life Sciences, Jim Ingold and Mac Hardy, also thanks to all of the field trip leaders: John Dillon, Jim Ingold, Jeff Trahan, Terry Davis, Paul Dickson, Charlie Lyon and the staff of the Red River NWR for use of their facilities.

Ed introduced the officers and board of LOS: President Ed Wallace, Vice-president Marty Floyd, Treasurer Judith O'Neale, and Secretary Joelle Finley, board members Jay Huner, Christine Kooi and Pam Smart, LOS News editor Kimberly Lanka and JLO editor Jennifer Coulson.

Ed introduced Larry Raymond, president of The Bird Study Group. Larry welcomed everyone to Shreveport/Bossier and recognized Pat Stinson and Terri Jacobson from the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, Nancy Menasco, Jerry Bertrand and Hubert Hervey. Paul and Beverly Dickson were recognized for their work in establishing the RR NWR. Larry thanked LOS for their donation which purchased a bench for the refuge.

Ed introduced the evening's speaker, Jacob Kramer. Jacob is an aviculturist and is the manager of Pinola Preserve, Paul Dickson's state-of-the-art private aviary. He explained the importance of aviculture in conservation, education and research as well as the goals of Pinola Preserve.

Larry Raymond announced that all field trips will leave from the refuge headquarters.

Judith O'Neale drew for door prizes.

Ed asked if there were any comments from the floor and to return your name badges if you are not returning on Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Joelle Finley, secretary
February 1, 2013

**Winter Meeting Shreveport/Bossier
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Saturday, January 26, 2013**

President Ed Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and welcomed members, guests and asked new members to stand and introduce themselves. Ed gave special thanks to Larry Raymond, Nancy Menasco and The Bird Study Group for organizing the meeting and field trips, the LSU Museum of Life Sciences, Jim Ingold and Mac Hardy, also thanks to all of the field trip leaders: John Dillon, Jim Ingold, Jeff Trahan, Terry Davis, Paul Dickson, Charlie Lyon and the staff of the Red River NWR for use of their facilities. He also thanked Judith O'Neale, Ken Harris and Joelle Finley for working the sales and registration tables.

Ed introduced the officers and board of LOS: President Ed Wallace, Vice-president Marty Floyd, Treasurer Judith O'Neale, and Secretary Joelle Finley, board members Jay Huner, Christine Kooi and Pam Smart, LOS News editor Kimberly Lanka and JLO editor Jennifer Coulson.

Terri Jacobson of the Red River NWR welcomed LOS to the refuge headquarters. Larry Raymond, president of the Bird Study Group thanked the members of the BSG and the trip leaders. Nancy Menasco thanked LOS for the bench donation.

Ed introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Mia Revels. Mia was born, raised and educated in Arkansas. She has been at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK, teaching biology and studying birds for the past 17 years. In early spring she can be found sitting in fields watching American Woodcock breeding displays and in late spring and summer, crawling through swamps looking for Swainson's Warblers. She spoke on **Skydancing with the American Woodcocks**.

Vice-president Marty Floyd called the checklist. 124 species

Larry Raymond announced Sunday's field trips and said to see him if interested in the "mystery tour".

Judith drew for door prizes.

Ed announce that the spring meeting will be held in Cameron on April 27-28 and to contact Marty Guidry for nominations for the 2013 LOS President's Award and the George H. Lowry, Jr. award.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Joelle Finley, secretary
February 1, 2013