

**Minutes LOS Fall Meeting
First Baptist Church, Cameron
Friday, October 24, 2014**

Ed Wallace called the meeting to order, welcomed members, guests, and new members. Ed thanked those who organized the meeting, JoAnn Nunez and Cyndi Sellars, the Cameron Tourist Commission for providing refreshments, Cameron Police Jury for the passes to the East Jetty, Judith O'Neale, Joseph Valle and Ken Harris for working the registration and sales tables

Ed introduced John Sevenair who spoke on "New Guinea, Birds, People and More". As an intrepid traveler John has traveled the globe, picking up the pace after retiring as a chemistry professor at Xavier University in New Orleans.

Ed announced Saturday's field trip led by Ed and Marty Floyd.

Judith announced what is open in Cameron and drew door prizes

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:
Joelle Finley, secretary
May 2, 2015

**Minutes LOS Fall Meeting
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Saturday, October 25, 2014**

President Ed Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:25 and welcomed members, guests and new members.

Ed thanked JoAnn Nunez and Cyndi Sellars for helping with the Cameron arrangements, the Cameron Police Jury for free passes to the jetty, Judith, Joseph Valle, and Ken Harris for working the registration and sales tables and Tressie Smith for the chicken-sausage gumbo.

Ed introduced the officers and board of directors of LOS: Ed Wallace-President, Marty Floyd-Vice-President, Judith O'Neale-Treasurer, Joelle Finley-Secretary, Linda Stewart-Knight-Past-President, Board Members Larry Raymond -N LA, Jay Huner-SW LA, Christine Kooi-SE LA, LOS NEWS Editor-Kimberly Lanka, JLO Editor- Jennifer Coulson.

Ed Wallace moved Joseph Vallee seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in favor

Judith gave the treasurer's report.

Election of Officers-Past-president Linda announced the recommendations of the nominating committee.

President-Marty Floyd
Vice-President- Donna Dittmann
Treasurer-Judith O'Neale
Secretary-Joelle Finley
SE LA Board Member-Christine Kooi

All in favor

Ed congratulated the winners and thanked Linda and the nomination committee. Ed welcomed Donna Dittmann to the board. Ed thanked Linda Stewart-Knight for her years of service to LOS as she leaves the board after serving most recently as past-president.

Ed introduced the evening's speaker, Landon Jones. Landon is a 6th year PhD student in the Environmental and Evolutionary Biology Program at ULL, advised by Dr. Paul Leberg. He received his BS and MS degrees in Wildlife Conservation at Brigham Young University in Utah, where he got hooked on birds and studied Ring-necked Pheasants. Landon conducted his PhD fieldwork in Costa Rica, where he trapped and tracked two species of toucans to estimate their contribution to seed dispersal in fragmented habitats. Landon enjoys birding and traveling, and has studied and observed birds in North and Central America, the Caribbean, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

Marty called the check list. 148 species

Ed announced the winter meeting will be in New Orleans on January 23-25, 2015 at the Wyndham Garden Inn in Metairie. The spring meeting dates in Cameron will be April 24-25.

Judith drew for door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:
Joelle Finley, Secretary
May 2, 2015