



## October Meeting: Wednesday, October 3rd, 7:30 pm

Room 117, UT Vet school. The October meeting of KTOS will feature two local bird rehabilitators. Duree' Snapp of Knoxville specializes in aiding injured and orphaned songbirds, and will talk to us about the special concerns of dealing with such small, fragile animals. She also helps larger birds and may be able to bring a gull to the program.

Katie Cottrell of the Clinch River Raptor Center will also speak. Both women perform public education, in addition to the specialized work of animal rehabilitation, and each is a member of the East Tennessee Wildlife Rehabilitation Council, an organization that meet regularly so its members may keep informed on the latest news in rehabilitating wild animals.

Please join us! Light refreshments will be served.

## KTOS NEEDS A NEW FIELD TRIP COORDINATOR!! TO VOLUNTEER CALL DAVID TRENTLY NOW!!!

### October Field Trips

**Sunday, October 7, 7:00 am,** Field trip to **northwestern Georgia**, with members of the Chattanooga Chapter of TOS Leader from Knoxville. Leave from Stokely Bldg at 7:00 a.m. Meet with Chattanooga members around 8:30 at a site to be determined. We will visit a few sites in this mountain region of Georgia, including the Crockford-Pigeon Mountain WMA for Golden Eagle. Other possible stops include Cloudland Canyon State Park, Arrowhead Wildlife Education Center, a sod farm and Pine Log WMA. This will be an all-day trip. Bring lunch - we will eat in the field somewhere. We may stop at a restaurant for dinner. David Trently (531-1473; dtrently@utk.edu)

**Saturday, Oct 13, 8:00am** Field trip to **Ijams Nature Center/Forks of the River WMA**. This will be an easy walk around Ijams and a section of the Greenway in Forks of the River WMA. We will be looking for local residents, passing migrants and winter species. Several species of sparrows are regularly present. This is a good walk for beginners.

**Sunday, Oct 21, 2:00 pm-** Field trip to **Kingston Steam Plant** Meet in the Stokley Building Parking lot at 320 North Cedar Bluff Rd. We will be looking for migrating waterfowl, late shorebirds, terns, sparrows and brown-headed nuthatches. Sedge wrens and marsh wrens are a possibility.

There will be several informal field trips the weekend of Oct 27, 28. Field trip leader for the fall meeting will be scouting their field trips to get an idea where they might find birds for the following weekend. Contact any of the field trip leaders and I am sure they will be glad to have help scouting.

If you have any questions about upcoming field trips, please call Dan Mooney at 865-525-5681.

## Field trip reports:

**Sept 16, Cherohala Skyway.** Six people attended this trip. There was a good number of birds at the first two stops, but after that it was hard to find birds. Just a few of what we did find: Philadelphia Vireo, singing Black-throated Blue Warbler, Scarlet Tanagers, and heard a couple of Common Ravens.

**Sept 23, Foothills Parkway Hawk Watch.** First people to arrive were treated to more warblers than we could look at! but then it quieted down, but we still had a few small groups of songbirds before going up to the hawk watch site. Some of the songbirds included Red-breasted Nuthatch, Philadelphia Vireo, American Redstart, Blackburnian, Black-throated Green, Chestnut-sided, Tennessee, Bay-breasted and Palm Warblers, Rose-breasted Grosbeaks, Scarlet Tanagers. We had at least 6 raptor species including well over 100 Broad-winged Hawks, 2 Osprey and an unidentified falcon that may have been a Peregrine. The pot luck lunch went really well (thanks for the chili, Tony!), we had beautiful weather, and just enough hawks to keep it interesting.

### TOS Fall State Meeting reminder...

Don't forget about the Fall Meeting, November 2-4. Those who register in advance will get a special gift, so don't delay! See the August issue of The Tennessee Warbler and look on [tnbirds.org](http://tnbirds.org) for information. Special Announcement: On Friday, Nov 2, we will kick off the Fall Meeting earlier than usual, with a field trip and cookout to Yuchi Wildlife Refuge (the Smith Bend Property to which our chapter donated \$2000). TWRA will provide lunch, followed by a short program with information about the refuge...and then of course birding! Please let David Trently know if you plan to attend this special event, so TWRA will know approximately how many people will be attending.

### Obituary

Ron Hoff's mother, Virginia Kaiser of Gainesville, Florida, passed away on September 11 after a battle with cancer. She was 77.

### Fall North American Migration Count, September 15, 2001

If you have any statistics for the fall NAMC, please send them to me as soon as you can at 282 Hackworth Ln., Clinton, Tn. 37716. You can also e-mail them to me ([dollyron@icx.net](mailto:dollyron@icx.net)). I need hours and miles by car, by foot, and owling, along with the weather for the day, the times of your efforts, and the names of the participants. Thanks for helping out.

### \*\*\*\*\*EDITOR NEEDED\*\*\*\*\*

The time has come for me to "retire" from this position. **Unless we get a volunteer, DECEMBER WILL BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER!!**

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