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Annual Meeting at Calamus Reservoir

The 106th Annual Meeting of the NOU was held on May 13-15, 2005, at the Calamus Lodge near Burwell. Sixty-four members and guests were in attendance.

The slate of candidates presented by the nominating committee was accepted by the members present. The officers elected were Dave Heidt, president (replacing Alice Kenitz), Urban Lehner, vice-president (replacing Dave Heidt), Betty Grenon, treasurer, Kevin Poague, secretary (replacing Mitzi Fox), Mary Lou Pritchard, librarian, Loren Padelford, director, and Janis Paseka, editor.

Friday evening's speaker was Scott Taylor, Upland Game Program Manager for Nebraska Game and Parks, who spoke about current upland game bird research in Nebraska. The focus was on population studies of Mourning Doves and Ringnecked Pheasants.

On Saturday evening, Wayne Mollhoff updated the group on the status of the next Breeding Bird Atlas project. Data for the first project were gathered from 1984 to 1989. The new project may begin gathering data as early as the 2006 breeding season, depending on how soon funding can be secured.

Field trips on Saturday and on Sunday morning went around Calamus Reservoir, along the North Loup River, to Davis Creek Reservoir, to Sherman Reservoir and into Holt and Wheeler Counties. A total of 172 species was counted. Among the highlights were Peregrine Falcon, Virginia Rail, Long-billed Curlew, Caspian Tern, Little Gull, Eurasian Collared-Dove, and Bay-breasted Warbler.

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	Garfield	Loup	Valley	Wheeler	Holt	Greeley
Canada Goose	X	X	X	x	X	
Wood Duck	X	X	x	x	х	X
Gadwall		x			x	
Mallard	X	X	x	X	х	
Blue-winged Teal	X	x	x	x	х	
Northern Shoveler	x	X	X	X	x	
Northern Pintail	x	x				
Green-winged Teal		X		x		
Redhead	x				x	
Ring-necked Duck					Х	
Lesser Scaup	X				X	
Hooded Merganser	X	X	X			
Common Merganser	x					

	Garfield	Loup	Vailey	Wheeler	Holt	Greeley
Ruddy Duck					x	
Ring-necked Pheasant	x	X	x	x	x	X
Sharp-tailed Grouse	x	x				
Greater Prairie-Chicken	X	X				
Wild Turkey	х	х	х	x	X	
Northern Bobwhite	Х	x	x			X
Pied-billed Grebe	х			X	x	
Eared Grebe	x	x			х	
Western Grebe	x	х			x	
American White Pelican	х	X	x			
Double-crested Cormorant	x	x	x	х	х	
American Bittern				х		
Great Blue Heron	x	x	x	x	x	
Great Egret	x	X				
Cattle Egret	x	x	х		x	
Green Heron				X		
White-faced Ibis	X					
Turkey Vulture	x	х	x	х		х
Osprey	x	х				
Bald Eagle	x	х				
Northern Harrier		x			x	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	x					
Cooper's Hawk	x					
Broad-winged Hawk	X					Ī
Swainson's Hawk				х	x	х
Red-tailed Hawk		X	X	х	х	
American Kestrel	x	X	x	x	x	
Merlin	x					
Peregrine Falcon	x					X
Virginia Rail		x		X		
Sora		X		X		
American Coot	x		х		х	
American Golden-Plover			X			
Semipalmated Plover	X					x
Killdeer	x	x	x	x	x	x
American Avocet				x		
Greater Yellowlegs	X			x		
Lesser Yellowlegs	X	x	x	x		x
Solitary Sandpiper	X					
Willet	x	x				İ
Spotted Sandpiper	X	x	x	X		

	Garfield	Loup	Valley	Wheeler	Holt	Greeley
Upland Sandpiper	x	x	x	x	x	
Long-billed Curlew	x					
Hudsonian Godwit	x					
Marbled Godwit				x		
Sanderling	x					
Semipalmated Sandpiper	x	x	x			
Least Sandpiper	x		Х	X		x
White-rumped Sandpiper			х			
Stilt Sandpiper	x			x		
Short-billed Dowitcher			x	x		
Long-billed Dowitcher	X					
Wilson's Snipe	х	х	X	x		
Wilson's Phalarope	x		x	х		х
Red-necked Phalarope				x		
Franklin's Gull	x	x	x		x	x
Little Gull		x				
Bonaparte's Gull	x	<u>~</u>	x			
Ring-billed Gull	x	x	x		x	
Caspian Tern	• •	x	^		<u> </u>	
Common tern		X	-			
Forster's Tern	x	X		x		
Least Tern				x		x
Black Tern	x	x		x		^
Rock Pigeon	X			 _ ^		
Eurasian Collared-Dove	X		x	-		
Mourning Dove	X	x	X		x	v
Great Horned Owl				X		<u>X</u>
Burrowing Owl	X	X	X			
		X				
Common Nighthawk	X				<u>x</u>	
Chimney Swift	X		X	X	<u>x</u>	Х
hummingbird species		<u>x</u>		-		
Belted Kingfisher	X	X	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	-	
Red-headed Woodpecker	X	X	<u>x</u>	X	X	X
Red-bellied Woodpecker	X		X	<u>x</u>		
Downy Woodpecker	X	X	x		X	ļ
Hairy Woodpecker	<u> </u>	×		×		
Northern Flicker	X	<u>X</u>	X	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>x</u>
Least Flycatcher	X	X	x	<u>x</u>		х
Eastern Phoebe	X	X	x			
Western Kingbird	x	X	x	x	x	x
Eastern Kingbird	X	X	X	X	x	X

	Garfield	Toup	Valley	Wheeler	Holt	Greeley
Empid. sp		x			x	x
Loggerhead Shrike	X	x				
Bell's Vireo	X	x	x	x		
Warbling Vireo	X	x	x			
Red-eyed Vireo	X					
Blue Jay	X	х	х	х	X	х
American Crow	x	X	x			
Horned Lark	x	х	x	х	X	x
Purple Martin	X	-				
Tree Swallow	X	x		x	X	
N. Rough-winged Swallow	X	х	X	x	x	х
Bank Swallow	X	х	x			x
Cliff Swallow	x	x	x	x	x	x
Barn Swallow	x	x	x	x	X	x
Black-capped Chickadee	x	x			X	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	X	x				
White-breasted Nuthatch	X	x	x			
House Wren	х	х	x	х	x	х
Sedge Wren			x			
Marsh Wren		х		х	x	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		x			x	
Eastern Bluebird	x		х	x	x	
Swainson's Thrush	х	x		x	x	
American Robin	X	x	х	x	x	
Gray Catbird	x	x	x	x		x
Brown Thrasher	x	x	x	x	x	x
European Starling	x	x	x	x	x	x
Cedar Waxwing	x	х	х	x		
Tennessee Warbler		х	x			
Orange-crowned Warbler	x	x	x			
Yellow Warbler	X	x	х	x	x	x
Chestnut-sided Warbler	····-	x				
Yellow-rumped Warbler	х	x	x	x	x	
Bay-breasted Warbler		x				
Blackpoll Warbler		x	x	x	X	x
Black-and-white Warbler	x	x				
American Redstart	x	x	x	x		x
Ovenbird		x				
Northern Waterthrush		x		x		
Common Yellowthroat	×	×	· ×	· ×	×	1
Yellow-breasted Chat		x				

	Garfield	Loup	Valley	Wheeler	Holt	Greeley
Spotted Towhee	x	x		ļ		
Towhee sp.			X	1		
Chipping Sparrow	х	x	x	x	x	x
Clay-colored Sparrow	Х	x	x	x	x	x
Field Sparrow	X	x	X	x		
Vesper Sparrow		х			<u> </u>	
Lark Sparrow	<u>x</u>	X	X	X	X	x
Lark Bunting	x	x				
Grasshopper Sparrow	x	x		X		
Fox Sparrow	<u>x</u>					
Song Sparrow	X	x	x	x	x	x
Lincoln's Sparrow	x	x		X		
Swamp Sparrow		x		X		
White-throated Sparrow			х	X		
Harris's Sparrow	x	x	x	x		X
White-crowned Sparrow	x	X	x	x		x
Northern Cardinal	x	x	x	X		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	x	X	x	x		
Black-headed Grosbeak		x				
Blue Grosbeak		x	x			
Lazuli Bunting		x	x	x		
Indigo Bunting	x		<u>x</u>	1	_x	
Dickcissel	x					
Bobolink	x	X	х	x	x	
Red-winged Blackbird	x	х	х	x	X	x
Eastern Meadowlark			x			
Western Meadowlark	x	x	x	x	x	x
Yellow-headed Blackbird	x	x		x	х	x
Common Grackle	X	X	x	X	X	X
Great-tailed Grackle	X			x	x	
Brown-headed Cowbird	х	X	x	x	x	х
Orchard Oriole	х	x	х	X	x	x
Baltimore Oriole	X	x	X	X	х	x
House Finch	X	X	x	X	X	
Pine Siskin	X	x	X	I	x	
American Goldfinch	x	x	x	x	x	
House Sparrow	х	x	x	T]	
Total 172 species	130	123	95	92	72	47