



# THE SPOONBILL

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\* I think that I shall never see \*  
\* A billboard lovely as a tree. \*  
\* Perhaps, unless the billboards \*  
\* fall, \*  
\* I'll never see a tree at all. \*  
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\* Ogden Nash \*  
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## COMING EVENTS

December 27 (Sunday) - Freeport Christmas Count. Area leaders will be contacted by our leader(s) for full particulars. At the end of the day we will meet to tally up at 6:45 PM at Boyd's Colonial Restaurant in Rosharon, Texas.

December 30 (Wednesday) - Galveston Christmas Count. Steve Williams is in charge of this census and if he has not already reached you, and you want to join this week-day count, please contact Henry or Louise Hoffman and they will see that Steve gets your name to place in one of the parties. Being a week-day, there are many people unable to attend for one reason or another (usually work) so we need lots of volunteers from among the rich, retired, idle, part-time workers, school vacationers or anyone willing to take off a day.

January 2 (Saturday) - Houston Christmas Count. At the last meeting, Dr. Dave Marrack announced that we are quite a bit short of the number of participants for this count as compared to last year when 65 people made a record count for Houston of 192 species. If you can go out into the field for even a few hours this day, your help will be much appreciated. Call Dave at MO7-1397. *See Page 7 -*

For all newcomers taking part in any or all of the counts, remember to bring plenty of food for the day, clothing enough to keep dry and/or warm and 50¢ to give to the compiler. This charge is a requirement of the Audubon Society to help defray the expense of compiling all the count records throughout the country for publishing in Audubon Field Notes.

Houston Christmas Count participants are reminded to bring a "covered dish" and clean shoes to the Snyder's home. The dish may be anything convenient for you to bring in your car that will keep throughout the day and, if needed, be heated that night. The shoes are a consideration of our host and hostess. Also, we want to remind all not to drive on the Snyder's lawn.

January 17 (Sunday) - Linda Snyder will lead us on an all day field trip to Chambers County. Meet at 8:30 at LaPorte side of Baytown Tunnel.

NOVEMBER FIELD TRIP - WELDER WILDLIFE FOUNDATION

Harvey Patten

"We are finding that this is one of the richest and most interesting faunistic and floristic regions in the country. White-tailed deer, wild turkeys, bob-white quail, mourning doves, jacks and cottontail rabbits, javelinas, armadillos, opossums, raccoons, coyotes, and bobcats are common residents of the area. Attractive bird life of many varieties abound and are most abundant during the winter and long periods of migration. Because of its location in relation to the Gulf of Mexico and because of the variety of habitats available, this section of country near the Coast seems to act like a great continental funnel in drawing birds through it. Consequently, species and races that are summer residents from coast to coast and the Arctic regions of Canada and Alaska winter or migrate through here. . . . . Nearly four-hundred species and races of birds have already been recorded on or in this immediate vicinity." Thus wrote Dr. Clarence Cottam in Contribution No. 28, Series A, Welder Wildlife Refuge. And thus it was to this region in Southeast Texas that the Ornithology Group emigrated from Houston on the evening of November 6 and the morning of November 7.

Marilyn and I arrived at the entrance to the foundation located 7 miles north of Sinton about three minutes to eight, the meeting time established by leader Jim Ellis. Almost everyone had arrived by eight, but we had to wait at the gate for refuge personnel to admit us. We waited and waited and waited for almost half an hour before Jim explained that he set the meeting time at 8:30 with the refuge personnel. Smart trick! But at least no one arrived late. I thought of that extra half hour that could have been spent in bed at Rockport, where we had spent the night, or how we could have more closely studied the Sandhill Cranes in flight or the Western Meadowlark singing along the roadside as we drove from Rockport to Sinton in the early morning. However, while waiting at the entrance, all were treated to the sight of a young buck white-tailed deer as he crossed through the barbed-wire fence, walked across an open area and stood upon the railroad tracks defying all the hunters in San Patricia County that day. We also had excellent observations of the many lark sparrows in the area.

At the appointed hour, the gate was opened and the Houston entourage entered the premises and drove to the headquarters area where we were met by Eric Bolen, our guide for the day. We gathered in the rotunda, received a brief introduction and were provided with maps of the area. We looked forward eagerly to visiting such places as Pecan Motte, Hackberry Motte, Encina Lake, Lagarto tank and Big Lake so that we might uncover the ornithological mysteries and goodies that were sure to abound. Eric suggested that half our group visit one portion of the foundation while the other half visit another area during the morning and after lunch reverse the procedure. This we did and at this point it is extremely difficult to attempt to mention what birds were seen by whom, where, and how many.

Marilyn, two women from Beaumont and I chose to join Jim Ellis' group and remain in the vicinity of headquarters. Within three minutes of starting our car we were quickly separated from the rest of the group. So we proceeded to an interestingly-looking spot and began to bird. Ladder-backed and Golden-fronted Woodpeckers put in an appearance as we beat the brush flushing Lincoln's and Grasshopper Sparrows. Cardinals were everywhere and Ground Doves were also present. At Encino Lake we added Green-winged and Blue-winged Teal and six very tame Long-billed Dowitchers.

At noon we gathered at the rotunda for lunch and to hear the news of what birds were seen by the party that went to Big Lake. Waterbirds were abundant as were shorebirds, but no one had seen any Black-bellied Tree Ducks. Eric Bolen told us he had placed about twelve young birds there as part of his research project. Each one had a special characteristic tag identifying it. We had noticed these tags on the Turkeys near the headquarters. They were made of multi-colored strips of plastic fastened together in different color patterns. None was duplicated. In this way each Turkey could be identified, just as if it had a name, from considerable distance. When we finished lunch, those of us who had not been to Welder before were guided on a tour of the laboratory, library, museum, and offices. The beauty and splendor of the three-dimensional paintings by G. L. Jaques are indescribable.

Back in the field our group drove to Big Lake to observe the "rafts" of ducks and other water birds which abounded there and who knew, perhaps a Least Grebe which had not yet been seen. We scanned and closely scrutinized the many Pied-billed Grebes in search for the little Mexican wanderer, but to no avail. However, shortly before heading back to the rotunda, Marilyn spied a Black-bellied Tree Duck as it rose from the lake and quickly settled near a levee. The bird was in good plumage, hence Eric said the bird was not one of his, but rather a wild one.

We had a good day amassing a total of 117 different species, some of which were:

Herons & Bitterns - Great Blue, Common Egret, Snowy Egret, Louisiana Heron, American Bittern.

Ducks - Mottled, Gadwall, Baldpate, Pintail, Shoveler, Redhead, Ring-necked, Lesser Scaup, Bufflehead and Ruddy.

HAWKS - Sharp-shinned, Cooper's, Red-tailed, Red-shouldered, Marsh, Sparrow.

RAILS & SHOREBIRDS - Common Gallinule, Coot, Killdeer, Snipe, Long-billed Curlew, Spotted Sandpiper, Great and Lesser Yellowlegs, Least Sandpiper, Western Sandpiper.

OWLS - Great Horned and Barred.

WOODPECKERS - Yellow-shafted Flicker, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.

FLYCATCHER - Scissor-tailed, Eastern Phoebe, Wood Pewee.

WRENS - House, Bewicks, Long-billed and Short-billed Marsh.

THRUSHES etc. - Robin, Hermit Thrush, Bluebird, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Ruby-crowned, and Golden-crowned Kinglet.

VIREOS - White-eyed, Solitary and Warbling.

WARBLERS - Black and White, Orange-crowned, Nashville, Myrtle, Yellow-throat, and Wilson's.

FRINGILLIDS - Cardinal, House Finch, Rufous-sided Towhee, Savannah, Grasshopper, Vesper, Lark, Clay-colored, Field, White-crowned, White-throated, Lincoln's and Swamp Sparrows.

Species typical of the SouthWestern United States - Black-bellied Tree Duck, Ground Dove, Golden-fronted and Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Vermilion Flycatcher, Black-crested Titmouse, Verdin, Green-tailed Towhee, Pyrrhuloxia, and Cassin's Sparrow.

In addition we added three species to the foundation's check-list, the Red-headed Woodpecker, the Carolina Chickadee and the best bird of the day observed by Jerry Strickling, a Long-eared Owl. Do you suppose Jerry might have obtained this one in New England last Fall just for such an occasion? Nah! Jerry wouldn't do a thing like that.

The field trip consisted of thirty persons including a group from Beaumont and a group from San Antonio.

#### LAST STAND by Linda Snyder

Over a year ago I received my first "off-hand" report of Wild Turkeys still in the southern part of Harris County. Then early this year a local guide told me of seeing 18 in one group - that really stirred me into some action! With the area fairly well pin-pointed on a map I had to start working on special permission from the Humble Company to explore, and to figure the routes into the wild area. When Clint came home for Easter we concluded our plans and decided to make a trial run (March 26). It was a rough three mile hike across fields and thru marshes and virgin coastal woods, but it was very interesting, too. We saw many birds (including a nesting Red-shouldered Hawk who screamed at our intrusion), deer and other animals. Two wolves crossed our path a hundred feet in front of us. Finally we reached a clearing and sat down to rest. Then it was that we heard the turkeys gobbling off in the woods! We tried to track them down but finally had to give up the chase. It was very disappointing not to be able to see as well as hear them.

My next opportunity to explore came on November 1 when my husband and a friend volunteered to strong-arm a canoe up the shallow bayou. Now there is the ideal way to bird - especially when one sits in the middle. This time luck was a little better for we scared up several turkeys, heard their alarm notes, and caught a glimpse of their bronzed backs as they flew off into the woods! Still it was frustrating not to be able to sit and study them.

This is the last stand of Wild Turkeys in Harris County (no reports of these birds either since July, 1942). The worst of it is that they are right in the heart of the big Humble development project. One Humble executive tells me that the company is considering setting aside about 600 acres of the heavily wooded area as a game preserve. It would be a worthwhile project to save this vestigial wild area from the bulldozer and perhaps ensure the survival of our last stand of Wild Turkeys and other wildlife in Harris County.

#### Clearing House November 1964

Common Loon: (2)29 Cove AKM; (12)22 TCD LS.  
 Horned Grebe: (3)22 TCD LS.  
 Eared Grebe: (100)22 Bayshore & TCD LS.  
 Pied-billed Grebe: (20-30)5,9,21 Cove AKM; (2)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 White Pelican: (1000)6 (150)21,29 Cove AKM; (25-100) most days Bayshore LS.  
 Olivaceous Cormorant: (2)21 Cove AKM.  
 Double-crested Cormorant: 7 days Cove AKM; (1-5) most days Bayshore LS;  
 (4)14 Skinner Lane Lake CJ JK.  
 Little Blue Heron: (1)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Cattle Egret: (30)6 (2)10 (26)22 Cove AKM; (10)20 (30)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Black-crowned Night Heron: (1-20)5 days Cove AKM; (4)14 Skinner Lane Lake CJ JK.  
 Yellow-crowned Night Heron: (1)5 Cove AKM.  
 American Bittern: (1)4 Cove AKM.  
 Roseate Spoonbill: (1)4 (20)6 (12)10 Cove AKM.  
 Canada Goose: (300-500)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 White-fronted Goose: 6 days Cove AKM; (100)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Snow and Blue Geese: Daily (least in years) Cove AKM; (5000)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Mallard: (2)5 (4)20 (25-35)21,26,27,29 Cove AKM; (nc)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Mottled Duck: (30-40)20,21 Cove AKM; (nc)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Gadwall: (1200)5 (1000)14,21 Cove AKM; (50-100)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Pintail: (10-100)4 days (500)20 Cove AKM; (1000)22,29 Bayshore LS.  
 Green-winged Teal: (5000)20 Cove AKM; (50)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Blue-winged Teal: (5)22 Bayshore LS.  
 American Widgeon: (800)5 (1500)21 Cove AKM; (50)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Shoveler: (2-15)5,14,21 (200)10,20 Cove AKM; (500)22,29 Bayshore LS.  
 Redhead: (6)15 (1)20 (4)21 Cove AKM.  
 Ring-necked Duck: (1500-2000)5,14,21 (100)9 (3)29 Cove AKM; (1)22 TCD LS.  
 Canvasback: (200)5 (50)9,14 (150)21 Cove AKM.  
 Greater Scaup: (1)5 Cove AKM.  
 Lesser Scaup: (500)5 (300)21 Cove AKM; (100)20,29 Bayshore (1000)22 TCD LS.  
 Common Goldeneye: (5)21 (134)29 Cove AKM.  
 Bufflehead: (2)21 (10)29 Cove AKM; (4)22 TCD LS.  
 Ruddy Duck: (1)5 (30)21 Cove AKM; (1000)22,29 Bayshore LS.  
 Hooded Merganser: (7)20 Cove AKM.  
 Common Merganser: (1)22 TCD LS.  
 Red-breasted Merganser: (1)6 (13)21 (40)29 Cove AKM. (6)22 TCD LS.  
 Black Vulture: (6)14 (1)21 Cove AKM.  
 Sharp-shinned Hawk: (1)6,29 Cove AKM.  
 Cooper's Hawk: (1-2)4,10 Cove AKM.  
 Red-tailed Hawk: (2 dark phase)2 (1)29 Cove AKM; (15)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Red-shouldered Hawk: (1)5,6,9,26,29 Cove AKM.  
 Rough-legged Hawk: (1)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Marsh Hawk: (20)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Osprey: (1)21,24 Cove AKM; (1)1 Clear Lake LS.  
 Turkey: (2-3)1 Clear Lake LS JAS  
 Sandhill Crane: (200-300)15 Precinct Rd. CJ.  
 King Rail: (1)24,27 Cove AKM.  
 Clapper Rail: (2)6 Cove AKM.  
 Common Gallinule: (3)9 (1)21 Cove AKM.  
 American Coot: (2500)5,9 (4000)14,21 Cove AKM; (5-10)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Semipalmated Plover: (8)21 Cove AKM.  
 Black-bellied Plover: (1)6,15 (10)21 (2)29 Cove AKM; (1-2)daily Bayshore LS.  
 Ruddy Turnstone: (3)6 Cove AKM.

Common Snipe: (1)21 Cove AKM.  
 Long-billed Curlew: (25)6 (125)15 (8)20 (46)21 (1)29 Cove AKM; (12)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Spotted Sandpiper: (1-2)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Willet: (10)6 (7)15 (26)21 (1)29 Cove AKM.  
 Greater Yellowlegs: (1-6)7 days Cove AKM; (5-10)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Lesser Yellowlegs: (nc)20,30 Cove AKM; (5-10)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Least Sandpiper: (nc)10,21 Cove AKM; (10-20)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Dunlin: (nc)5 days Cove AKM; (nc)20,22,29 Anahuac Ref. & TCD LS.  
 Dowitcher (species): (40-50)6,21 (150)10 Cove AKM; (nc)20,22,29 Anahuac Ref. & TCD LS.  
 Stilt Sandpiper: (nc)5 Cove AKM.  
 Semipalmated Sandpiper: (nc)10,21 Cove AKM.  
 Western Sandpiper: (nc)10,21,29 Cove AKM.  
 Sanderling: (5-50)most days (100)23,24 Bayshore LS.  
 American Avocet: (35)10 Cove AKM; (50)22 Bayshore LS.  
 Herring Gull: (1)15 (5)21 (15)29 Cove AKM.  
 Franklin's Gull: (30-100)9,14,15 Cove AKM; (10)27 Bayshore LS; (30-40)13 Houston CJ; (20,000)11 Freeport-Angleton LH HH JS NS.  
 Bonaparte's Gull: (5)26 Bayshore LS.  
 Common Tern: (25)29 Cove AKM.  
 Sandwich Tern: (10-15)6,15,29 Cove AKM.  
 Black Tern: (1)29 Anahuac LS.  
 White-winged Dove: (1)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo: (1)6,21 latest ever by 6 days Cove AKM,  
 Groove-billed Ani: (1)28 Precinct Rd. CJ.  
 Barn Owl: (1)29 Cove AKM; (1)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Screech Owl: (1)27 Cove AKM.  
 Great Horned Owl: (1)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Short-eared Owl: (6)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Common Nighthawk: (2)18 (1)27 Houston NP; (1)26 Houston HAJE BE.  
 Belted Kingfisher: (1-3)5 days Cove AKM; (1)21,24 Bayshore LS.  
 Yellow-shafted Flicker: (1-5)7 days Cove AKM; (1-2)daily Bayshore LS.  
 Pileated Woodpecker: (1)20 Anahuac LS.  
 Red-headed Woodpecker: (1)6 Cove AKM.  
 Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: (1-2)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Eastern Phoebe: (1-5)9 days (8)29 Cove AKM; (1-2)from 25th Bayshore LS.  
 Vermilion Flycatcher: (1-6)6 days Cove AKM; (2)28 Precinct Rd. CJ.  
 Horned Lark: (10-25)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Tree Swallow: least ever, only a few on 5 days Cove AKM.  
 Rough-winged Swallow: (nc)6 Cove AKM.  
 Barn Swallow: (3)5 Cove AKM.  
 Fish Crow: (1)20 Turtle Bayou LS.  
 Carolina Chickadee: 6th only Cove AKM.  
 Brown-headed Nuthatch: (2)20 Turtle Bayou LS.  
 Brown Creeper: (1)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 House Wren: (2)15 Cove AKM; (1) most days Bayshore LS.  
 Long-billed Marsh Wren: (1)10,27 Cove AKM.  
 Short-billed Marsh Wren: (1)6 Cove AKM; (5)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Catbird: (2)15 Cove AKM.  
 Robin: (400)21 (15)29 Cove AKM; (2)29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Hermit Thrush: (3)15 (1)20 (2)21 (6)29 Cove AKM; (1-4)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Eastern Bluebird: (1)21 (7)29 Cove AKM.  
 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: (1-3)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet: least ever Cove AKM; (1-4)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Water Pipit: (10)21 (9)27 (5)29 Cove AKM; (1-25)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Sprague's Pipit: (4)6 (3)20 (1)29 Cove AKM.  
 Cedar Waxwing: (15)12 (20)20 (200)21 (10)29 Cove AKM.  
 Starling: (500)20 Anahuac (200)29 Cedar Bayou LS.  
 Solitary Vireo: (1)17 Fondren Rd. CJ.  
 Orange-crowned Warbler: (1-3)most days Bayshore LS.  
 Myrtle Warbler: (1)5 (5)21 (1)29 Cove AKM; (1-5)23,30 Bayshore LS.  
 Pine Warbler: (1)29 Cove AKM; (1-3)28,29 Bayshore LS.  
 Palm Warbler: (1)5 Cove AKM.  
 Yellowthroat: (7)5 (1)9,10,21 Cove AKM; (1-2)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Western Meadowlark: (1)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Baltimore Oriole: (3)4 yard CJ.  
 Brewer's Blackbird: (1)21 (10)29 Cove AKM.  
 Common Grackle: (35)4,5 (15,000)11 (2500)13,14,16 Cove AKM.  
 American Goldfinch: (20)20 (10)21,29 Cove AKM; (5)29 Turtle Bayou LS.  
 Rufous-sided Towhee: (1)15 Cove AKM.  
 Savannah Sparrow: (50-100)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Sharp-tailed Sparrow: (2)6,21 Cove AKM.

Seaside Sparrow: (30)6 (7)15 (2)21 (11)29 Cove AKM; (50)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS  
 Vesper Sparrow: (1)9,15 (15)29 Cove AKM; (1)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Lark Sparrow: (2)29 Cove AKM; (12)29 Cedar Bayou LS.  
 Chipping Sparrow: (1)20 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Field Sparrow: (1)9,21,29 Cove AKM.  
 White-crowned Sparrow: (1)6 Cove AKM; (1)29 Cedar Bayou LS.  
 White-throated Sparrow: the only sparrow near par Cove AKM; (5-10)daily Bayshore LS.  
 Lincoln's Sparrow: (1)5,20 (3)9,21 Cove AKM; (1-2)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Swamp Sparrow: (11)5 (20)9 (2-3)6,2127,29 Cove AKM; (20-25)20,29 Anahuac Ref. LS.  
 Song Sparrow: (1)5,9 Cove AKM; (1)23 (3)25 Bayshore LS.

AKM Arlie K. McKay  
 LS Linda Snyder  
 JAS J. A. Snyder  
 LH Louise Hoffman  
 HH Henry Hoffman  
 NP Noel Pettingell

HAJE H.A.J. Evans  
 BE Boots Evans  
 NS Nancy Strickling  
 JS Jerry Strickling  
 CJ Charlotte Johnson  
 JK Janet Kepner

#### NOTE FROM CLEARING HOUSE REPORT

I counted 89 birds Nov. 21 and 75 the 29th, and averaged 25 the other 28 days. The first half of November I got 115 birds, 149 in 1959; 112 the second half, 143 in 1959; The 30 year total is 256, 252, and for whole month 258.

Boat-tailed Grackles very scarce in November, no Titmice seen, Savannah Sparrow very few.

Arlie K. McKay

#### NEW MEMBERS and SUBSCRIBERS:

Mrs. Robin (Jane) Robinson, 10102 Holly Springs, Houston, Texas SU2-7225  
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 Miss Sarah Gordon, 1746 Wroxton Courts, Houston, Texas 77005  
 Miss Nell Ray, 1750 Wroxton Courts, Houston, Texas 77005  
 Mrs. Joyce Wildenthal, 5325 Hidalgo, Houston, Texas 77027

On October 4, a Sunday, Jerry and Nancy Strickling and Jim Ellis sighted a flight of accipters between Bolivar and High Island. There were at least 50 Sharp-shinned Hawks and a good number of Coopers. There were heavy concentrations of Hawks seen that day. Many were Broad-winged Circling high on their way through. The flock of accipters was quite high and it was difficult to get a truer count on the Coopers.

#### PRAIRIE CHICKENS-(LAST ?) CRY FOR HELP

As Hubert Mewhinney stated in his column in the Houston Post, "A bird so lacking in charm as the Attwater Prairie Chicken may have a hard time finding friends enough to save him." As he further states, "birds far more picturesque than the Prairie Chicken have already become extinct."... and he recalls the fat dodos and the moas and we can think of many more such as the Ivory-billed Woodpecker & Passenger Pigeon and we do know that some birds could be helped to survive with a little effort from people interested enough, and the surviving few Prairie Chickens in our own state are in dire need of this interest and help.

Contributions for the purchase of 3400 acres of land near Eagle Lake are far short of the \$365,000. needed and time is running very short.

If you haven't made your contribution yet, or if you can give a little more, please send your check to either the Texas Prairie Chicken Committee, P.O. Box 52341, Houston, Texas or to Miss Ella Wolfer, 3707 Reveille Road, Houston,

Texas and she will forward this to the World Wildlife Fund.

We all shake our heads in dismay at what "progress" is doing to nesting sites, breeding grounds, wintering grounds, and what "they" are doing to many species. This is an opportunity for us to become "they" and really take an active part in saving these fascinating birds that are practically in our own back yard.

Recent contribution from O. G. Members:

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Smith, Houston, Texas

LATE POOP ON HOUSTON CHRISTMAS COUNT Dave Marrack

The parties at the time of going to press are: (leaders name is first)

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| 1A | <u>Bill Pettit</u><br>Gene Pettit<br>Joe Farrell<br>Bob Moore   | 4B | <u>Bob Deshayes</u><br>Frank Kokesh<br>Mary Belle Kokesh<br>Clayton Gilman<br>Eva Gilman<br>Helen Wolfer<br>Ella Wolfer & Miss Kokesh |
| 1B | <u>L.A.M. Barnette</u><br>Johnnie Fay Barnette<br>S. G. Kershner<br>Ruth Kershner                                   | 5  | <u>Hardin Craig</u><br>Trevor Feltner<br>Paul Caillet<br>Betty Caillet<br>Chris Jordan<br>Ray Jordan & Betty Walden                   |
| 2  | <u>John O'Neill</u><br>Jim Ellis<br>Pat Ellis<br>Jane Dodge<br>Jane Robinson  | 6  | <u>Bill Harwell</u><br>Jean Harwell<br>Henry Hoffman<br>Louise Hoffman<br>Nell Ray<br>Melba Drake<br>Sara Gordon                      |
| 3A | <u>Irving Greenbaum</u><br>Bill Wright<br>Betty Wright<br>Mrs. Busby  | 7  | <u>Linda Snyder</u><br>J. A. Snyder<br>Clinton Snyder<br>J. L. Tveten<br>Dennis Shepler<br>Midge Susie<br>Bill Globoy                 |
| 3I | <u>Harvey Patten</u><br>Jerry Evans<br>Boots Evans<br>Mary Sears<br>Pat Sullivan<br>Frankie Daves<br>Jonell Buckels |    |   |
| 4A | <u>Carl Aiken</u><br>Arlie McKay<br>Carl Hacker   |    |   |

Any person NOT already contacted concerning this count who wishes to take part, please contact me urgently. Dr. David Marrack, MO7-1397.

Area Boundaries

- 1A: From the intersection of the circle circumference and Crosby-Cedar Bayou Rd. Southeast to Garth Road, south on Garth to Wallisville Rd., the east and south on Wallisville to Interstate 10 and east to edge of circle. All area north and east of above.
- 1B: Area in northeast part of circle south of Interstate 10, east of Cedar Bayou and north of Cove Road.
- 2: Area in northwest part of circle northwest of Crosby-Cedar Bayou Road, west of Garth Rd., and north of Decker Dr. The southeast portion of this area is defined as north of Goose Creek and a portion of Bob Smith Road.
- 3A: Area in north central part of circle east of Garth Rd., south of Wallisville Rd. and Interstate 10, west of north-south branch of Wallisville Road and Cedar Bayou and north of Bob Smith Road.

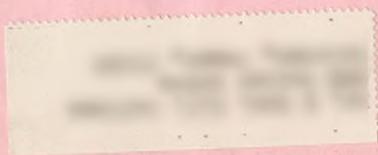
- 3B: Baytown proper in South central part of circle. Bordered on the east by Cedar Bayou (Dr. Fayle's Island is included) on the north by Bob Smith Rd., on the west by Goose Creek, Decker Dr., Lee Dr. and Highway 146 west. The southwest boundary begins at the outlet to Black Duck Bay, extends south-eastward along the west side of Hog Island, then eastward between Hog Island and Atkinson Island to a point about midway between Atkinson Island and the shoreline near Cedar Bayou. The boundary then extends southeastward parallel to and one mile east of Atkinson Island to intersect the circle circumference.
- 4A: Area in eastern portion of circle, bounded on the north by the Cove Road, on the west by Cedar Bayou and on the south by the Smith-Tri-Cities Road.
- 4B: Area in southeast portion of the circle. Bounded on the north by the Smith-Tri-Cities Beach Road and on the west by Cedar Bayou.
- 5: Area in western portion of circle. Bordered on the east by Decker Drive and Lee Drive, on the south by Highway 146, and on the southwest by the Houston Ship Channel. This area covers both sides of Interstate 10 where it crosses the San Jacinto River.
- 6: Area in the southwest portion of circle. Bordered on the northeast the Houston Ship Channel, on the east by Strang Road, and on the south by Highway 225.
- 7: Area in the southern portion of the circle. Bordered on the northeast as described for the southwest of area 3B. Bordered on the northwest by Highway 225, Strang Road, a line 3/4 of a mile northwest of and parallel to Highway 146, to intersect the ship channel, and Highway 146 northeast to the Black Duck Bay outlet.

For those going to the Snyder's:

1. Don't park on the grass.
2. Bring clean, dry clothing.
3. Bring Covered dish (Snyders will furnish meat course).
4. Come into LaPorte on hiway 146. Where 146 turns right, go straight on Old Main St. for .8 mile to Blackwell. Turn right. When Blackwell forks, take left fork. Just around the first bend the Snyder's house is on the right

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