



September Meeting Program Information: The program at September's MTOS meeting will, as usual, be chapter members showing photographs of birding trips that they did over the summer. **Anyone who has any such photographs please contact Georges McNeil (mcneilg20@yahoo.com or phone at (240) 246-3891) well in advance so that he knows what he has to deal with.** Photographs need to be on a flash drive and no more than 25 photographs per person. (Van Harris)

Summer Picnic at the Raptor Center Successful:

We had a good crowd, probably 50-60 folks. Weather was fine, warm but a nice breeze. Lots of good food and really good selection of desserts. (Knox Martin) (Picnic pictures by Margaret Jefferson)



FYI:

Delta Wind Birds Shorebird Event: On Saturday, September 30, 2017, Delta Wind Birds will host a shorebirding event at one of our best habitat sites on private land in the MS Delta, near Sky Lake in Humphries County. This is an opportunity for participants to see first-hand how donations to DWB are put to work creating habitat for migratory shorebirds on private lands. The event will also include a shorebird ID workshop and BBQ lunch. For more details and to register, please see here:

<https://deltawindbirds.org/product/fall-shorebird-event/>

(Jason Hoeksema)

“The Loggerhead Shrike” film:

The National Audubon Society has put on their website a nice article about “The Loggerhead Shrike” by Larry McPherson that has a link to the complete film. The film is now available free to the public. The Audubon article also has a link to a secure site where people can make donations to support this project and his work. The link appears below.

Audubon.org/news/watch-new-shrike-film-shows-previously-undocumented-butcherbird-behaviors

TOS Membership Information

Benefits include monthly programs, field trips, quarterly journals, and state and chapter newsletters.

Categories and dues are:

Individual	\$36
Family	\$40
Sustaining	\$55
College Student	\$23
Other Student	\$ 5
Lifetime	\$450 one time +\$18 yearly

Please send dues to:

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Newsletter Delivery Options

To reduce printing and mailing costs, a digital version, which is usually expanded with photos and occasional articles, is provided. Notify Margaret Jefferson at mjefferson100@hotmail.com. If you have no internet access, a printed version can be mailed.

Chapter Newsletter Submissions

E-mail or call Chad Brown
cwb496@bellsouth.net or (901) 754-3385
Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter is the 22nd of the month.

Field Cards

Please mail or e-mail your field cards and notable sightings to Dick Preston.

E-mail: dickpreston@rittermail.com

Tennessee Warbler Deadlines

- *February 28 for the April Newsletter
- *June 30 for the August Newsletter
- *October 31 for the December Newsletter

Forward contributions to:

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Chapter Meeting

September 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM

**St. George's Episcopal Church, 2425 South Germantown Rd.
Germantown, TN Phone 901-754-7282**

Program at 7:00 PM

Photographs by various MTOS members of their birding adventures of the summer. **Contact Georges McNeil for more information: mcneilg20@yahoo.com.**

Hospitality

Refreshments will be provided by **Margaret Jefferson and Ed Thomas.**

Field Trip Information

September 2, 2017 - The "Pits" Earth Complex: Leader is Dick Preston. Contact - dickpreston@rittermail.com, or phone (901) 837-3360. Meet at TVA ash pond by Allen Steam Plant at 8:00AM.

September 16, 2017 - Shelby County Fall Count. Dick Preston will lead. Contact - dickpreston@rittermail.com, or phone (901) 837-3360. Meet at the Shelby Forest Visitors Center at 7:30AM.

September 30, 2017 - Wolf River Restoration Trail. The leader will be Rob Harbin. Contact - pastor.flc@comcast.net, or (901) 853-4673. Meet at 7:30AM at the main parking lot. Take the first gravel road on the west side 1/4-1/2 mile north of the Wolf River Bridge. There is a small sign.

New Members

Kelly Clelland - KJClelland@hotmail.com

Special Events

September 9, 2017 - Strawberry Plains - Hummingbird Festival. For information go to

<http://strawberryplains.audubon.org/hummingbird>

Volunteers are appreciated. Contact Mitch Robinson - e-mail mrrobinson@audubon.org or phone (662) 252-1155.



Andrea Cowart submitted pictures of the **Northern Bobwhite** Quail taken August 12th at the dry pond in front of the Case Tractor place at the Agricenter.



Roseate Spoonbill photographed by **Allen Sparks**. The Spoonbill inhabits the south, mostly in Florida and coastal Texas. They feed by swinging their bill side to side as they wade in shallow waters. They typically live in small groups with other wading birds. Rarely they are found to the north and west. (Kaufman Field Guide)

The **Sora** (below right) and the **Palm Warbler** (below left) were photographed by **Tom & Deb Kienzle**.



Fellow members of MTOS,

Volunteers are needed to provide refreshments for MTOS Chapter meetings during the 2017-2018 season. Hospitality coordinator Barbara Edward will bring beverages and paper products. All the volunteers need to bring is some type of snack food for members to enjoy after the meeting. We usually have two individuals or families provide refreshments for each meeting. Please refer to the schedule below for the dates that volunteers are needed.

If you can help, please e-mail or call Margaret Jefferson at mjefferson100@hotmail.com or (901) 274-1045.

Thanks to those who have already responded.

Margaret Jefferson

MTOS Hospitality 2017-2018 schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Volunteers</u>
Sep. 20	Ed Thomas and Margaret Jefferson
Oct. 18	Kate Friedman and _____
Nov. 15	David Hill and Dick Preston
Dec. 20	Knox Martin and Martha and Jim Waldron
Jan. 17	Sue Ferguson and Betty and David Blaylock
Feb. 21	David Young and _____
Mar. 21	Potluck Committee Co-Chairman Dick Preston and Martha Waldron
Apr. 18	_____ and _____
May 16	_____ and _____