

**January Minutes**  
**Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter of TOS**

**Location:** Zoom

**Date** January 2, 2024

**Attendance:** 18 people attended via Zoom

**Call to order:** President Dave Gardner called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

**Minutes:** Kim Stroud read the minutes from the December meeting. Joe McGuiness made a motion to accept the minutes as read with one correction. Jean Potter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Vern Maddux reported that the current balance is \$5,032.16. Vern also reported that he made the donations to the three organization which were approved last month and paid for the printing for the calendars. Sixteen former members have yet to pay dues.

**Old Business:**

1. **Winter Trip:** Joe McGuiness suggested that trip participants have a meeting after the meeting to discuss final arrangements.

**New Business:**

1. **Upcoming Field Trips:** Joe McGuiness discussed field trips for January and February.
  - a. On January 20, Joe will lead a field trip to western Washington County. We will meet at the Ingles in Jonesborough at 8:00 am.
  - b. On February 10 or 17, Joe will lead a trip to Burkes Garden
2. **Banquet:** Dave Gardner led a discussion about our Spring Banquet. He suggested having the banquet at Tipton-Haynes and using Valley Beautiful Catering again. Several suggestions for speakers were made including, the Nightjar Survey folks or someone from the Roan Mountain Working Group. Dave suggested holding the banquet somewhere around April 8, but that is probably dependent upon the availability of the speaker.
3. **Spring Meeting Place:** Kim Stroud reported that Northeast State at Elizabethton may or may not be open on Tuesday nights during the Spring semester. That can be determined after the new semester begins and the class schedule is finalized.

**Recent Sightings:** The Limpkin is still in Hampton. Common Goldeneye and Pintails are at the Weir Dam.

**Presentation:** Dave Gardner presented a program entitled "The Outer Banks Revisited" about the club's pelagic trip.

**Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:** Kim Stroud