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**Next Meeting – December 9, 2008**  
**ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER**  
**AND AUCTION**

**DECEMBER PROGRAM**

**When:** Tuesday, December 9, 2008, 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** LSU in Shreveport Museum of Life Sciences

**UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS AND EVENTS**

**WINTER/CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS:**

**CADDO LAKE WINTER WARM-UP BIRD COUNT**

**Saturday, December 6, 2008**  
 Compiler – Dorothy Metzler of Northeast Texas Field Ornithologists (NETFO)  
 Louisiana Coordinator – Jim Ingold, 797-5236 (W), 742-5067 (H), james.ingold@lsus.edu

**CLAIBORNE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT**

**Tuesday, December 16, 2008**  
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**SHREVEPORT CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT**

**Saturday, December 20, 2008**  
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**NATCHITOCHE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT**

**Saturday, December 27, 2008**  
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**BOSSIER – CADDO - BIENVILLE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT (BCBCBC)**

**Saturday, January 4, 2009**  
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**WILD BIRD CENTER EVENTS**

**Beginner Bird Walks**  
 There will be no Saturday bird walks during December.

More details on page 2

**BIRD STUDY GROUP PHONE NUMBERS AND MORE**

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### UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS AND EVENTS

By John Dillon

All field trips will **DEPART** from the listed meeting place at the time posted. Be early at the meeting place for orientation information and carpooling. BSG Membership is not a requirement for participation in any field trip, but it is encouraged.

What to bring: binoculars, field guide, scope (if possible), snacks/drinks for yourself and pen/paper if you'd like to keep your own records of sightings.

#### DECEMBER

A note on Christmas Bird Counts. While participation in CBC's is high for the BSG, we have many members who do not participate, often because they are still learning how to identify species, how to find good habitats, or other aspects of birding that more experienced birders take for granted. So, if you are new to birding or to the BSG, we encourage you to ask questions about the CBC's. There's no better way to become a birder than by being in field finding and identifying birds.

If you are interested in going on a CBC for the first time, ask one of the board members or any other active member about what to do. You'll also need to contact the CBC compiler as soon as possible to let him or her know that you're interested. The compiler should probably be able to pair you with an experienced local birder who can teach you a lot. Or, if you live within the count area, you can simply phone in species and numbers you had in your yard that day. But be sure to contact the compiler well in advance so that you know what you are supposed to do.

**WINTER WARM-UP COUNT, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.**

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Louisiana compiler, Jim Ingold. 797-5236 (W), 742-5067 (H), [james.ingold@lsus.edu](mailto:james.ingold@lsus.edu)

The BSG will once again count birds in the Louisiana portion of the circle. Participants will meet at the Metzler's Caddo Lake house in Uncertain, Texas, for supper and to call the list. If you unable to attend, you may meet Jim at Horace Downs Park near the Caddo Lake Dam around 4:00 PM to turn in your list.

### CLAIBORNE CBC, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Compiler, Nancy Menasco, [nmcpa@aol.com](mailto:nmcpa@aol.com) 868-3255 (H) and Mary Ellen "M.E." Lewis, 318-927-9180, [melewis180@aol.com](mailto:melewis180@aol.com)

Participants will meet at the home of M.E. and Fred Lewis on Lake Claiborne for supper and to call the list.

Contact Nancy or M.E. for information in regard to lodging for Monday and/or Tuesday night. Most of the free lodging is already reserved, but there *may* be something available. Lake Claiborne State Park (1-877-226-7652) has very nice cabins available at \$65 per night.

### SHREVEPORT CBC

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20.

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### NATCHITOCHEs CBC

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27.

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### JANUARY

#### BOSSIER-CADDO-BIENVILLE CBC

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2009.

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Participants will meet at Paul Dickson's home at 10455 Ellerbe Road (across from Holy Angels) for supper and to call the list.

**WILD BIRD CENTER EVENTS****Beginner Bird Walks**

There will be no Saturday bird walks during December.

For more information on any Wild Bird Center event, call Dennis or Janice Forshee at the Wild Bird Center, 318-797-BIRD (2473).

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**BODCAU FIELD TRIP:  
A TRUE AND ACCURATE ACCOUNT**

**By John Dillon**

On Saturday, November 22, John Dillon led a field trip to Bodcau Wildlife Management Area. As a matter of fact, John, intrepid as usual, was not only leader of the field trip, but he alone comprised the active membership of the BSG for the trip. For, as he is sure to remind you at subsequent meetings, field trips, CBC's, and other BSG functions, he was the only person to show up.

But that's okay. He, like all the other members, had been watching the weather predictions all week and was not looking forward to birding in the cold weather. Yet in spite of inclement weather, John got up early on his day off and drove 35 miles to Bodcau to lead, I dare say, the most interesting field trip in recent BSG history. Since, and I can say this with complete accuracy, you, the reader, did not go to Bodcau that day, John has graciously provided you with the following narrative of the field trip, not the least of which is fabricated, prevaricated or otherwise made up to guilt you into going to the next trip he schedules.

When I awoke that fateful day and looked outside, I knew it would be difficult for me to make it to Bodcau. But I also knew that the kind, always-involved membership of the BSG would be counting on me to lead them through the cold, dangerous woods to find our feathered friends. So, I arose and packed all my birding gear into my SUV, eager to meet my compatriots. Oh, did I forget to mention that I packed breakfast for my true and faithful friends? I had spent the night before slaving away making homemade cinnamon rolls, linking my own sausage, stirring pancake batter made from scratch, and boiling apple cider spiked with enough rum to make a moose stagger. An inconsequential fact I know, but you see I'm nothing if not completely factual and honest – especially to friends as dependable as you.

I arrived at Bodcau at 7:40 a.m., an amazing feat in and of itself because of the blinding snowstorm I drove

through. But, alas, I thought, my friends need their brave field trip leader. I can't let them down. Still, the difficult trip was a blessing. In a moment of fortuitous forethought, I'd brought my chainsaw in case travel became impenetrable. As luck would have it, I had to use the chainsaw to clear the road for a young husband and his pregnant wife who were on their way to the hospital to deliver their first child. As they thanked me with tears of joy in their eyes, the soon-to-be mother cried, "We'll name him 'John' – after our hero." I sure hope they made it.

While I waited in the parking lot for the other brave BSG members, I decided to do a little birding to pass the time. Most of the birds were expected – woodpeckers, sparrows, a **Bachman's Warbler** – or two. I began walking around the Durden house and started pishing. Then, I heard a massive flock of birds overheard. It was hard to see – you know, because of the snowstorm – but just over the trees, where the flamingos were, a flock of **Passenger Pigeons** darkened the morning light. It was a beautiful sight. My only regret was that nobody from the BSG had arrived yet to share this vision.

In another few minutes, prior to the **Ivory-billed Woodpecker** but after the penguins, I heard a call I don't believe I'd ever heard before. I wondered if the cider was too strong, that maybe I was just hearing grunts of hunters in the woods. But my eyes could not be mistaken. It was the great native **American Thunderbird**. The beast was forty feet from wingtip to wingtip. Because I wanted to be as accurate as possible in my measurements, I used the flock of **Wandering Albatrosses** for scale. He landed right in the parking lot, and we began to talk. He told me he was beside himself with much depression. I said, "Great native **American Thunderbird**, is it because of man's dominion over nature; or because of our continued lack of concern for the environment? Because Fox News continues to insist they're fair and balanced?" "No," he said, "It is because some friends of mine were supposed to meet me somewhere, and they didn't show up." I consoled the great spirit-bird, and I told him of my worthy, dependable companions in the BSG and how **I could always count on them, no matter what**. The story warmed the Thunderbird's heart, or maybe it was the cider, but he was happy, nevertheless.

Suddenly, watching the thunderbird soar over the cypress trees, I realized I was still the only one there. But there was no way I could let worry or frustration set in. I knew that everyone must have really, really, extraordinarily good reasons for not showing up. After

all, my friends would never let a little cold weather stand in the way of good birding. So, it must have been something worthwhile. How could I possibly get upset? So, I climbed into my SUV and began to drive back, another 35 miles, home, eagerly wondering what the next BSG field trip would hold for me.

[A note from John Dillon’s psychiatrist: As you can clearly see, John is delusional. I believe the shock of no one showing up for the field trip was too much for his mind to take. In my professional opinion, the only way I see to snap him out of this persistent state of denial is for you to attend the next field trip he schedules. And bring him homemade cookies. If you would like the list of birds John had while waiting 25 minutes in the parking lot at Bodcau, you can email him at [jdillon@websterpsb.org](mailto:jdillon@websterpsb.org).]

**HOLIDAY DINNER AND AUCTION**

**Remember:**

To bring auction items to the museum, hopefully before the day of the auction.

That: the BSG supplies the meat and drinks.

To: bring a covered dish. As of this writing this is what members have signed-up to bring; numbers in parentheses indicate the number of people: bread (3); hot side dish (5), cold side dish (6), and dessert (5). If you haven’t signed up to bring anything use the above numbers to make your decision.

Help Mac and Jim set the room on Tuesday during the day. Call Mac to volunteer.

**MONTHLY MEETING REFRESHMENTS**

We need someone to supply the refreshments for the April and June meeting. If you are interested email or call Jim Ingold

Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
November 11, 2008, 6:30 p.m.  
Museum of Life Sciences at LSU

**Program**— John Dillon presented the program called “A Naturalist’s Field Trip to Colorado.”

**Field Trips**—John Dillon reported on upcoming field trips: a field trip to Bodcau WMA is planned for November 22; the Caddo Lake Winter Warm-up Count is December 6; the Shreveport CBC is December 20; the Natchitoches CBC is December 27, the BCBCBC is January 4, and the Claiborne CBC is Tuesday, December 16.

**Hospitality**—Both Nancy Menasco and Silviera Hunt brought refreshments to the meeting.

**Christmas Party**—The next meeting will be the Christmas Party and auction. Jim Ingold reminded everyone to bring items for the auction and to deliver them before the night of the Christmas Party.

**RRNWR**—Nancy Menasco said that the Headquarters Unit of the RRNWR in Bossier Parish will be open this Saturday, November 15, until 3:00 p.m. She reminded everyone that the photo contest is still going on.

**Bird Talk**—Larry Raymond was on Caddo Lake and saw **Herring Gulls, American Coots, and Double-crested Cormorants**. Jim Ingold reported a buteo that was 90% white at Ashley Ridge. However, he did not know what kind of buteo was. Rosemary Seidler reported that she recently had many **Dark-eyed Juncos** and **White-throated Sparrows** in her yard in Shreveport. Amanda Lewis said that she found a **Merlin** in Bickham Dickson Park.

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## BIRD REPORT – compiled November 30, 2008

Use the bird report to see what other birders have been seeing and where to go find the bird you want to see. Observers are abbreviated by the first and last initials. Dates and localities of observations are summarized under the observer's initials. Sightings are arranged by species. Following each species is a line of data in the following format: date, initials of the observer, number of birds observed, initials of another observer, number of birds they observed, etc. For the number of birds observed, a 1 is used for both 1 bird and for numbers not reported by the observer. For example: 01/12/99 BB 2 means that on January 12, 1999, BB saw two birds. Then by looking on the observer list, located after the sightings, you can determine that BB is Bob Birder and on 1/12/99 he was birding C. Bickham Dickson Park.

Report bird records for the newsletter to Mac Hardy by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. All bird records reported here are observations of the observers and are therefore the responsibility of the observer.

**Black Skimmer** -- 09/03/2008 J&AJT 2

**Le Conte's Sparrow** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 17; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 9

**Wood Duck** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 8; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/02/2008 JD 9; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 15; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 17

**Gadwall** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 125; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 7; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 5

**Mallard** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 6; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 8

**Northern Shoveler** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 15

**Canvasback** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 9

**Ring-necked Duck** -- 11/02/2008 JD 5; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 100; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 7

**Ruddy Duck** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 97; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 60

**Pied-billed Grebe** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 8; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 19; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**American White Pelican** -- 10/12/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 8; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 22; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 25

**Double-crested Cormorant** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 2; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 9; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 45; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 6; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 300; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 130

**Anhinga** -- 09/03/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/03/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1

**Great Blue Heron** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/02/2008 JD 2; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 8; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Great Egret** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 6; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 12; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 6; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 5; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 8; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/02/2008 JD 4; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 11; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 25; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 8

**Snowy Egret** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/19/2008 JT 3; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1

**Little Blue Heron** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**White Ibis** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1

**Roseate Spoonbill** -- 09/14/2008 J&AJT, TD 2

**Black Vulture** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Turkey Vulture** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 19; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 13; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 19

**Osprey** -- 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**Mississippi Kite** -- 09/14/2008 J&AJT, TD 1

**Bald Eagle** -- 09/03/2008 J&AJT 1

**Northern Harrier** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 4

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Cooper's Hawk** -- 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 18

**American Kestrel** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Merlin** -- 09/14/2008 J&AJT, TD 1

**Virginia Rail** -- 11/19/2008 JT,TD 7

**Sora** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 10

**Common Moorhen** -- 11/19/2008 JT,TD 11

**American Coot** -- 10/05/2008 J&AJT 18; 11/02/2008 JD 30; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 149; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 150

**Killdeer** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 8; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 9; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 32; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 67

**American Avocet** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**Greater Yellowlegs** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**Least Sandpiper** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 5

**Wilson's Snipe** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**Laughing Gull** -- 09/14/2008 J&AJT, TD 3; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 9

**Ring-billed Gull** -- 09/03/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 5

**Caspian Tern** -- 09/03/2008 J&AJT 10

**Rock Pigeon** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 6; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 28

**Eurasian Collared-Dove** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 18; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 10

**Mourning Dove** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 30; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 15; 09/19/2008 JT 12; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 30; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 30; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 55; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 94; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 12; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 12; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 47; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 18; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 3

**Inca Dove** -- 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1

**Barn Owl** -- 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/19/2008 JT 2; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 5; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 4; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2

**Chimney Swift** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 5; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1

**Belted Kingfisher** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2

**Red-headed Woodpecker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 6; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 10; 09/19/2008 JT 2; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 5

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 10; 09/19/2008 JT 8; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 8; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 12; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 5; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 17; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 26; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 10; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 23

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 14

**Downy Woodpecker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 5; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 4; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 8

**Hairy Woodpecker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 3

**Northern Flicker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 12; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 9; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 8

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1

**Eastern Wood-Pewee** -- 09/19/2008 JT 4; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2

**Eastern Phoebe** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 10; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 8; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 30

**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/19/2008 JT 4; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 2

**Eastern Kingbird** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 2

**Scissor-tailed Flycatcher** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/19/2008 JT 2

**Loggerhead Shrike** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**White-eyed Vireo** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 5; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 3

**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Warbling Vireo** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1

**Red-eyed Vireo** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1

**Blue Jay** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 10; 09/19/2008 JT 10; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 12; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 12; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 8; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 25

**American Crow** -- 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/02/2008 JD 10; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 55; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 10; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 28

**Fish Crow** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 10; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 3

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 12; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 12; 09/19/2008 JT 10; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 15; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 130; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 150; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 150

**Barn Swallow** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/14/2008 J&AJT, TD 30; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 6

**Carolina Chickadee** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/19/2008 JT 6; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 6; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 9; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 7; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 26

**Tufted Titmouse** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/19/2008 JT 4; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 12; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 5; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**Carolina Wren** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 5; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 4; 09/19/2008 JT 4; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 6; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 12; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 35

**Bewick's Wren** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 3

**House Wren** -- 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 6; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 8; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 26

**Winter Wren** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 10; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1

**Sedge Wren** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**Marsh Wren** -- 11/19/2008 JT,TD 6

**Golden-crowned Kinglet** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 5; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** -- 09/19/2008 JT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 34; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 25; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 77

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**Eastern Bluebird** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 2; 11/02/2008 JD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 9; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 6; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 13

**Swainson's Thrush** -- 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1

**Hermit Thrush** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 5

**American Robin** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 60; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 30; 09/19/2008 JT 40; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 30; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 12; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 4; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 45; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 5

**Gray Catbird** -- 10/05/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 1

**Northern Mockingbird** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 17; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 16; 09/19/2008 JT 9; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 10; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 10; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 17; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 17; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 10; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 17

**Brown Thrasher** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 6; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2

**European Starling** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 150; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 15; 09/19/2008 JT 200; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 3; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 25; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 44; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 2

**American Pipit** -- 11/12/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 14; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 57

**Blue-winged Warbler** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1

**Orange-crowned Warbler** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 4

**Nashville Warbler** -- 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3

**Northern Parula** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 1; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1  
**Yellow Warbler** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 09/19/2008 JT 2  
**Yellow-rumped Warbler** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 118; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 7; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 130; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 59  
**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 09/19/2008 JT 1  
**Pine Warbler** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 2  
**Palm Warbler** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 3  
**Black-and-white Warbler** -- 09/19/2008 JT 1; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 1  
**American Redstart** -- 09/19/2008 JT 6; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2  
**Northern Waterthrush** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 2  
**Common Yellowthroat** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 4  
**Hooded Warbler** -- 09/19/2008 JT 1  
**Wilson's Warbler** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1  
**Yellow-breasted Chat** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 2; 09/19/2008 JT 2; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1  
**Summer Tanager** -- 09/19/2008 JT 2; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 1  
**Eastern Towhee** -- 11/25/2008 JT&TD 6  
**Chipping Sparrow** -- 11/17/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 4; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 17  
**Field Sparrow** -- 11/12/2008 JT,LA.; 11/17/2008 TD 1; JT,TD 3; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 7; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 36  
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**Swamp Sparrow** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 27; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 14; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 14; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 26; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 55  
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**Blue Grosbeak** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1  
**Indigo Bunting** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 34  
**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1  
**Painted Bunting** -- 09/19/2008 JT 1  
**Red-winged Blackbird** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 1; 10/19/2008 JT,TD 1; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 270; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 4; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 360; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 5; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1600  
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**Rusty Blackbird** -- 11/25/2008 JT&TD 16  
**Brewer's Blackbird** -- 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1  
**Common Grackle** -- 08/31/2008 J&AJT 7; 09/07/2008 J&AJT 5; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 3; 09/28/2008 J&AJT 2; 10/05/2008 J&AJT 40; 10/12/2008 J&AJT 30; 11/02/2008 JD 27; 11/12/2008 JT,TD 350; 11/19/2008 JT,TD 3; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1340  
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**Baltimore Oriole** -- 09/07/2008 J&AJT 7; 09/23/2008 J&AJT 1  
**Purple Finch** -- 11/23/2008 J&AJT 1  
**House Finch** -- 10/19/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/17/2008 JT,TD 2; 11/23/2008 J&AJT 25; 11/25/2008 JT&TD 1  
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## OBSERVERS

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**J&AJT,TD -- Jeff & Jean Trahan, Terry Davis:** 09/14/2008 Lock & Dam #5, Bossier; 09/14/2008 Lock & Dam #5, Bossier  
**JD -- John Dillon:** 11/02/2008 Lake Claiborne West  
**JT -- Jeff Trahan:** 09/19/2008 Bickham Dickson  
**JT&TD -- Jeff Trahan, Terry Davis:** 11/25/2008 Yearwood Road, Red River Parish; 10/19/2008 Cane's Landing; 11/12/2008 Deen Point Road; 11/17/2008 Bickham Dickson; 11/19/2008 Lock & Dam #4, Red River Parish  
**PD -- Paul Dickson:** 11/29/2008 Shreveport residence

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