AMES AUDUBON SOCIETY

May Newsletter - 1978

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1.Cattle Erret 3. Red-tailed Hawk*

7. Mourning Dove

11. Sawhitt Owl 13.Bolted King

29. Hernit Thrush*

33. Cedar Warwing

31. Gray-Cheeked Thrush

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9. Great Horned Dwl*

May Annual Meeting

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Dick Trump, and old fisiend to most of us, presents program on ball A preview? I can't comply; Dick chooses to stand on his tille all of bees. alone 19. Eastern Phoebe

This meeting is also our Annual Meeting for election of officiers and any further business needing action by the membership. A nomination committee consisting of Mary Cowans and Jean Hempstead assisted by did as Lois Carr recommends the following Slate: 27. Brown Thrasher

President SvenGafvert Vice-president Richard Trump Treas. Lois Carr Secretary Nancy Brown

Directors

Gene Burns Joan Jeffeson

Marlys Ladd, John Love and Janice Coy will remain on the board. Nominations from the floor are welcome. 1.00

May Outing: We will met Saturday May 13 at 9:00am at Ledge's State Park in the parking lot in the Lower Ledges. The lot is at the refreshment stand and just before the bridge across Pease Creek which forms the main canyon. Saturday will be at the height of the spring migration. Expect excellent birding.

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April Outing: Fifteen persons walked the Green Belt trail at Soper's Mill. Sixteen species of birds were seen ... They are endicated by an asterisk in this month's list of birds.

Birding Story County(by BCCook) No major warbler migration has been noted to date. Since birds frequently come through rapidly try to get out often to see many birds. Brookside Park is one of the best areas but any woodland may have birds in every tree on the correct day. I missed the waterfowl migration confining my walks primarily to Brookside. I am sure a few of you could supply a more complete list of species. Jim Dinsmore and his class found a Sawwhit Owl at the Ledges in early

April. John Hill tried to find it the next day but no luck-too bad John I. Chimney Swifts and Pupple Martin are flying over in good numbers already. The Common Flicker is again the most common woodpecker-only one Redheaded Woodpecker was seen. Several years ago the latter species was more abundant but present ratios are more usual. All three species of migrating thrushes, Hermit, Swainson and Gray-cheeked, were seen in Brookside on April 30. Brown Thrahers are calling-see them now for soon they fall silent and become quite secretive. <u>Ruby-crowned Kinglets</u> and <u>Yellow-</u> rumped Warblers are present but only in small numbers. This is also true of the White-Throated Sparrow. I have heard its call only once, found one flock and seen an occasional bird. At our last meeting Joan Jefferson reported a Cattle Egret in her pasture.

A total of 43 species were seen.

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