



SMOKY HILLS AUDUBON SOCIETY

P.O. Box 2936 Selins, Kansas 67402-2936

November 2014

*Christmas Bird Count is scheduled
for **Saturday, 20-Dec-2014!!!***

Mark your Calendars

November 2014 Meeting

November Smoky Hills Audubon Program - Free and open to the public

Date: Thursday, 20-Nov-2014, Location: Rm 229, Peters Science Hall, KWU, 4th and Cloud St,

Time: Social at 7 pm, followed by announcements at 7:30 pm and speaker at 7:40 pm. Program ends approximately 8:45 pm with drawing for prizes

Join us for dinner with the speaker at Gutierrez Restaurant at 5:30 PM. Please RSVP Dan Baffa, 620-271-8891, or danbaffa1@yahoo.com); if you wish to join us for the pre-meeting dinner.

Program Title: Kansas - It's All in How You See it!

Jim Griggs comment on Program - "I put it together to talk about the bum rap Kansas gets among the travel and photography people".

Jim agreed to also show some images of 'Birds of Tanzania'



Jim's Biography - Jim has been active in photography since 1970. He studied portrait photography and worked as an assistant and eventually a part time photographer for Crenshaw's Studio in Denison, Texas. Since that time he has photographed weddings, commercial projects, aerial and industrial assignments. Additionally, his involvement in backpacking and the wilderness areas of Texas in Big Bend and Guadalupe National Parks led to his keen interest in and photography of the scenic and wild splendors of the world and has seen his photography assist in conservation efforts.

From the mid 1980's until the mid 1990's Jim was a teaching assistant at Wilderness Photography Workshops in both Colorado and Wyoming where he assisted widely known and published writer/photographer, [Boyd Norton](#), catering to clients such as Smithsonian Tours of Washington, D.C.

His work has been published by numerous magazines, books, calendars, newspapers, post cards, web sites and brochures including the Sierra Club, The Nature Conservancy, Wyoming Wildlife, National

Geographic, Shutterbug, Footprints, Plastics Engineering, Kiplinger's Retirement Magazine, National Kart News, Backroads of Colorado and Extreme Golf among others.

Jim does lectures for groups all over the region on topics such as the Prairies, Serengeti and Tanzania, The Tambopata Rain Forest of Peru, The Galapagos Islands, Alaska, Hawaii, Jasper National Park and instructional programs for photographers, both beginner and advanced including Lightroom 4.

In April 2015, Jim will be leading a Photo Safari to Tanzania. For information, contact him at griggsjimL@me.com or call 620-241-6282.

2014-15 Smoky Hills Audubon Calendar

We have great activities planned for 2014 & 2015. Save the dates!

- Thursday, November 20** SHAS Meeting: Jim Griggs, Wildlife Photographer
- Thursday, December 18** SHAS Meeting: Chuck Otte, Topic: Christmas Bird Count & Bird IDing
- Saturday, December 20** Christmas Bird Count – Find details in Dec Newsletter and chapter website
- Thursday, January 15, 2015** ... SHAS Meeting: Ron Klataske, Director of Audubon of Kansas
- Thursday, February 19** SHAS Meeting: Scott Newland, Curator of Birds at Sedgwick County Zoo
Topic: The MAC Project – Protecting Pacific Species
- Thursday, March 19** ----- SHAS Meeting: Bob Gillespie, Natural Resources Coordinator, Illinois Natural History Survey, Topic: Prairie Chickens

All SHAS Meetings are open to the public and held at Kansas Wesleyan University, Student Activity Center (SAC), Room 229, unless otherwise noted. Social and refreshments begin at 7:00 PM, program starts at 7:30 PM. Dinner with speaker is at 5:30 PM. **Join us for dinner** with the speaker at 5:30 PM. Dining location selected by speaker. Please RSVP Dan Baffa, 620-271-8891, or danbaffa1@yahoo.com; if you wish to join us for the pre-meeting dinner.

SHAS Board Meetings

SHAS Board meetings are generally held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in Room 213, Peters Science Hall, Kansas Wesleyan University. ALL members are welcome to attend.

A message from SHAS Treasurer

The Fall Bird Seed Sale was a successful fund-raiser for our chapter. One thousand dollars (\$1,000) were raised through the sale of some 6,000 lbs of bird seed and 70 lbs of suet cakes. Thanks to all the Abilene and Salina buyers for their purchases and donations. The hungry birds and some mischievous squirrels also thank you.

*Best regards,
Jeffrey Kasoff*

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Please send your email address to danbaffa1@yahoo.com. We will be reducing
the number of printed newsletters we mail to members.
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Smoky Hills Audubon would like to thank a) our 2014 Contributors for their generous gifts and b) our new local only chapter members. All local only chapter members joining in 2014 are paid up through 31-Dec-2105.

The Harold V. Lear Memorial Fund has just surpassed \$1,300. Thanks to all contributors. We will describe in future newsletters how the fund will be used to help with our chapter's educational activities and sanctuary.

Thank you!

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