

NTOS MINUTES  
June 18, 2026

President Cyndi Routledge called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting and had our two visitors introduce themselves. She also thanked those who helped run the meeting last month in her absence.

Secretary Kathy Ware was out of town this evening, Steve Routledge volunteered to keep the Minutes. There was no vote of the previous month's Minutes due to them not being posted on the webpage due to a death in our webmaster's family.

Treasurer Pam Lasley reported the following:

Checking Balance from last report

April 16, 2026 - \$7,884.91

Income:

Membership Dues - \$1,000.00

Memorials & Honoraria - \$26.01

Expense:

State Dues - (851.00)

Paypal Fees - (35.71)

Checking Balance at 6/18/2026 - \$8,024.21

Conservation fund:

Savings account from last report \$5,333.58

CD Interest \$13.40

Interest Earned \$0.45

Savings Account at 6/18/2026 \$5,347.43

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Total \$10,347.43

Pam reported the following new members:

Marshall Bright

Matthew Palmeri

Shelia Weinberger

Henry Knowles

Jenny Yan  
Michell Baiman  
Kyle Whigham  
Leigh Anne Chandler  
Jean Bowden  
Sean Yeaworth  
Didi Jackson  
Caleb Ford  
Robert Hardin  
Susan Gregory, welcome back

Cyndi reported that there was a good turnout of both people and birds for the June 6<sup>th</sup> evening trip to Cedars of Lebanon State Park and thanked Shelley Smith for organizing and Melissa Turrentine for the garden tour.

Cyndi also reported that normally we don't have any 'official' field trips in July or August however this year Shelley Smith has scheduled a field trip on August 5<sup>th</sup> to see the Purple Martin's downtown. Information will be posted on webpage, Facebook page and InstaGram as time draws nearer.

Cyndi also announced that the September field trip is the Fall Bird Count on the 26<sup>th</sup> and to contact Barbara Harris to participate.

President Routledge continued her announcements with Fall Wednesday and Thursday walk dates. They will begin the 4<sup>th</sup> week of September. Wednesday walks begin on September 23 and end on October 14<sup>th</sup>. Thursday evening walks at Shelby Bottoms begin on September 24<sup>th</sup> and conclude on October 15<sup>th</sup>. I need lack one leader for the Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> walk. If interested let me know.

President Routledge circled back to remind the membership of unfinished old business:

- We are still seeking applications or ideas for the NTOS yearly Conservation Grant – we award at least one each year. Contact Pam Lasley with any questions or for the application.
- Annual TOS fall JOINT meeting September 18-20<sup>th</sup>! Kentucky Ornithological and TOS will come together for this meeting. Host hotel is KenLake State Park Resort. – information and reservation number were in the April Warbler which can be found on the TOS site. Keynote speaker for the event is Cin-Ty Lee and illustrator Andy Birch. They are authors of and experts on North American Flycatchers. They'll speak on Saturday night at Lake Barkley Convention Center. No dinner – just a reception will take place during this event. Deadline for discount on cottages and lodge are mid-July and don't forget you need code 'group 3076' to get the discount.
- We do NOT meet in July and August...we will 'flock' back together on September 18<sup>th</sup> for our Annual Fall Flock Pot-Luck meeting. It will begin at an earlier time...6 pm for eating and socializing followed by a brief meeting and then the evening's program. Bring your favorite pot-luck food to share with the group. Drinks, paper products and utensils always provided by NTOS.
- The Christmas Bird Count will take place on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. Please add them to your calendars as well.
- Cyndi is looking for someone to take on the responsibility of coordinating the 'land' Christmas Bird Count. If remotely intrigued, please contact her and she'll supply the details.

## **New Business:**

- Membership Directory is complete and will soon be available on our webpage. A new password will be sent to each member with the announcement.
- Cyndi is still searching for someone to take on the job of Historian for our Chapter. Susan Hollyday has done it for countless years, and she retired in February - so currently we have no Historian.
- The 3Q NewsHawk will come out around July 1<sup>st</sup>. The next deadline for the 4Q NewHawk will be September 15<sup>th</sup>...send submission to Angie Elmore, editor.

Tim Ryan to introduced tonight's speaker – Ron Hoff who took us to the Canary Islands and Morocco.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Routledge (stand in for Kathy Ware)