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REPORTS

Summary of the 1983 spring meeting.—The annual meeting of the Florida Ornithological Society, 15-17 April 1983, coincided with a front bringing birds in abundance to Gulf Breeze, Florida. Lucy and Bob Duncan and the Francis M. Weston Audubon Society were hosts. Jim Kushlan, Editor of the FFN, gave a status report on the journal, including a preview of the next year's issues. He requests that members publish their data, especially that on distribution and rarities, in the FFN. Associate editors Bill Robertson and Oron Bass are available to help authors with the technical details of writing a note or paper. Bill Courser will represent the FOS on the organizational committee of the Breeding Bird Atlas. The following slate, submitted by Herb Kale in the absence of Bob Loftin, Chairman of the nominating committee, was unanimously elected: Barbara C. Kittleson, President; Fred E. Lohrer, Vice President; Caroline H. Coleman, Treasurer; Marsha S. Winegarner, Secretary; and board members Helen Dowling, Annette Stedman, and Sheila Mahoney.

Todd Engstrom, FSU, spoke on "Seasonal patterns of habitat use by bird populations in northern Florida", and Dr. Frances James, FSU, spoke on "The environmental component of geographic variation in size and shape: experiments with Red-winged Blackbirds." Theodore Parker of LSU Museum of Zoology, our dinner speaker, spoke on "Ornithological expeditions in the Andes of Peru." The skin quiz, provided by Mary Clench and Bill Hardy, was won by Wes Biggs. Ted Below, outgoing president, thanked the board and membership saying that an interested and cooperative membership makes the organization a success and encouraging the members to stay in communication with board members.

The fall 1983 meeting will be held in Jacksonville, 14-16 October, with Duval Audubon Society as hosts, Bob Loftin, Local Chairman. St. Petersburg Audubon Society has invited FOS for 20-22 April 1984, with Dave Goodwin as Local Chairman.—Barbara C. Kittleson, 5334 Woodhaven Lane, Lakeland, Florida 33803.