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NMOS 58TH Annual Meeting Announcement

We will hold the 58th Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 28, 2020, in Albuquerque, NM, at the Rio Grande Nature Center education building. The meeting will consist of a pre-meeting bird walk at 8:00am, a scientific paper session at 9:30am, and the annual business meeting. Light snacks and coffee will be served; other meal options are being explored and will be announced with registration. Registration information will be available at <u>www.nmbirds.org</u>.

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NMOS 58TH Annual Meeting Call for Papers, NMOS General Science Session

Oral presentations for the NMOS General Science Session will be allotted 15 minutes, with an additional five-minute period for questions. Papers may range from technical reports of original research to more general presentations addressing science-related questions. Poster presentations are also encouraged; size should be no larger than 36" H X 48" W.

Please submit abstracts for the General Science Session containing the following:

- TITLE (in all capital letters) of no more than 20 words.
- Names and addresses of author(s) in the following form:

Bear, V.L., and C.W. Finch Department of Ornithology University of Central New Mexico Birdsville, NM 88666

- Body of abstract as one single-spaced paragraph, not to exceed 250 words.
- Include e-mail address and/or phone number of presenting author.

Please email your abstract, including the entire abstract in the body of the email, **NOT** as an attachment. This will prevent any problems with incompatible word processing formats. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is February 15, 2020. Please email your abstract to Chuck Hayes (chuck.hayes@state.nm.com) and Matt Baumann (mbaumann22@gmail.com).

All abstract submissions will be acknowledged within a week of receipt. If no acknowledgement is received, it is the submitter's responsibility to follow up with the Session Chair to ensure consideration. The abstracts for the NMOS General Science Session will be distributed at the meeting and will be published in the *NMOS Bulletin*.

NMOS RESEARCH GRANTS

NMOS offers up to two research grants each year to help support research on New Mexico birds. The **Ryan Beaulieu Research Grant**, for \$1000, is presented in memory of Ryan Beaulieu. Following the wishes of Ryan's family, this grant will support research projects that do not involve the collection of birds. For more information about Ryan Beaulieu and his bird research interests, see the Audubon magazine article, Band of Brothers, about Ryan and his friends Raymond VanBuskirk and Michael Hilchey and their Rosy-Finch project at <u>www.audubon.org/magazine/may-june-2010/bandbrothers</u>. The **NMOS Research Grant** is also available for \$1000; both grants are open to all projects that meet these criteria:

- The grant money must be spent while conducting research on birds in New Mexico;
- The recipient must either present a paper based on the research at an annual NMOS Meeting or submit an article based on the research to the NMOS Bulletin; and
- Preference will be given to student applicants.

A short research proposal (2 pages maximum) must be submitted describing the nature of the project and how the allocated funds are to be spent (e.g., on gas, tape recording, specific equipment). Each proposal should state clearly whether the project does or does not involve collection of birds. Each proposal should include two letters of reference, one of which should be from a graduate advisor if the applicant is a graduate student. References should comment on the applicant's commitment to New Mexico ornithology and ability to design and carry out creative, independent research. All proposals will be evaluated together and up to two proposals will be awarded grants.

Please submit your electronic proposal, with "NMOS Grants" in the subject line, to: Matt Baumann (mbaumann22@gmail.com).

The deadline for 2020 Research Grant proposals is February 15, 2020. All applications will be acknowledged within a week of proposal receipt. If no acknowledgement is received, it is the applicant's responsibility to follow up with their submission to ensure consideration.

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REVIEWERS FOR NMOS BULLETIN VOLUME 47

The New Mexico Ornithological Society and the Editor of the *Bulletin* thank the following individuals who served as reviewers for manuscripts that appeared in Volume 47 of the *Bulletin*: Erin Greenlee and Will Jaremko-Wright.

New Mexico Ornithological Society Financial Statement for 2019

Combined Balance as of 12/31/18:	
Total	\$24,668.47
Net Transactions from 1/1/19 through 12/31/19:	
Membership Dues*	1,907.32
NM Bird Finding Guide Sales*	657.27
NM Field Checklist Sales	0.00
Zimmerman Print Sales	30.00
Annual Meeting (net)*	215.75
Donations and Deposits*	605.00
Miscellaneous Income*	616.93
Interest	4.22
Postage and Shipping	-63.38
Grants	-1,000.00
Printing	-1,061.00
Database/Bird Finding Guide	0.00
Storage Unit Rental	-592.00
P.O. Box Rental	-268.00
Website Services	-254.17
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Simple 990 Payment	-30.00
Total Transactions (net)	\$767.94
Total 2019 Ending Balance	\$25,436.51
Balance as of 12/31/19:	
Checking Account Balance	\$4,947.09
Savings Account Balance	\$20,489.32
12/31/19 Balance (combined)	\$25,436.41
*indicates total net income for PayPal transactions (service fee has been the total)	deducted from

Date: January 22, 2020

Submitted by: David J. Krueper, Treasurer

NMOS FUNDRAISING TRIPS

NMOS is planning a series of trips to help raise funds for NMOS; additional details and sign-up information will be available approximately eight to ten months before the start of each trip. Trip participation will be limited and will be through a lottery system.

Belize: Introduction to Tropical Birding, November 7–15, 2020

Belize is only a 2- to 3-hour flight from the U.S. It has superb tourism infrastructure and is very diverse in resident and migrant birds—the perfect place for an introduction to tropical birding. This 9-day/8-night trip will visit sites in central and southern Belize including Crooked Tree Lagoon, Pook's Hill Lodge, and The Lodge at Big Falls; we anticipate seeing 250-350 species of birds. Trip logistics will be handled by Arizonabased Naturalist Journeys. The tour starts and ends in Belize City, Belize, and is limited to 12 people. Cost: \$3,495 per person, double occupancy + airfare to/from Belize and personal expenses

How to register: You enter the lottery by sending an e-mail indicating your interest and the number of persons (maximum of two per entry, one entry per person) to Dave Mehlman (dmehlman@centurylink.net) **between March 1 and March 15, 2020, 5:00pm MST**. At the close of the lottery, participants will be picked at random from all of those indicating interest and given further instructions on how to register, including paying a \$500 per person deposit to secure a space on the tour. Deposits may be paid by check, credit card, or by requesting a secure credit card link from Naturalist Journeys, our operator for this tour. All those not selected will be placed on a wait list and selected at random from it if needed to fill the tour.

Future tours:

- Caribbean: Greater Antilles Megatour, February 11–28, 2021
- Colombia, Fall/Winter, 2021/2022
- Trinidad & Tobago, Fall/Winter, 2022/2023

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MEMBERSHIP DUES REMINDER

Please take the opportunity now to pay your 2020 NMOS membership dues. To join or renew your membership, go to our website (<u>www.nmbirds.org/membership</u>) and pay using PayPal (save a stamp, pay online!) or download the membership form, fill out, and mail to the following address, providing a check made out to "NMOS." Thank you!

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The New Mexico Ornithological Society was organized to gather and disseminate accurate information concerning the bird life of New Mexico; to promote interest in and appreciation of the value of birds, both aesthetic and economic; to further effective conservation of the state's avifauna; to facilitate opportunity for acquaintance and fellowship among those interested in birds and nature; and to issue publications as a means of furthering these ends.

Membership and Subscriptions: Membership in the New Mexico Ornithological Society is open to anyone with an interest in birds. Memberships are for a calendar year and annual dues are payable 1 January. Dues are: Regular Membership \$20; Family \$30; Student \$10; Supporting \$50; Life \$500. Address for the New Mexico Ornithological Society: Post Office Box 3068, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3068.

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NMOS members are encouraged to submit articles and news. Articles received are subject to review and editing. Published articles are noted in major abstracting services. Please submit articles in double-spaced electronic format, such as a Microsoft Word document, by e-mail to the Editor (see inside front cover). Refer to recent issues of the *Bulletin* for examples of style. News items may be submitted to the Editor by way of e-mail.

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