

# Lek Treks & More

## The Woodward Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival



Photograph by John Kennington

### Woodward, Oklahoma April 15-21, 2011

Join the Oklahoma Audubon Council for an amazing prairie experience! See and hear the quickly vanishing Lesser Prairie-Chicken displaying on its gobbling grounds. Come share and experience the natural heritage of the high plains of northwestern Oklahoma.

#### Festival Highlights

- Lesser Prairie-Chicken viewing from blinds or vans
- An opportunity to actively participate in protecting the species by helping to mark fences
- Field trips led by local experts around northwest Oklahoma plus a two night extension to the Black Mesa
  - A variety of informative workshops and speakers

#### Featured Artist Merlin Little Thunder

Merlin Little Thunder grew up along the North Canadian River in western Oklahoma, spending his formative years in or on the river exploring the varied rural areas across his beloved state. His images are inspired by his Cheyenne heritage and explore the mystical, enveloped by the grandeur of



western Oklahoma's rich landscapes. Merlin's work is found in museums across the country, including the Smithsonian Institute's Museum of the American Indian.

#### Keynote Speaker Bill Thompson III

Bill Thompson III is the editor of Bird Watcher's Digest, the popular bimonthly magazine that has been published by his family since 1978. An avid bird watcher since the age of eight, Bill knew that birds would someday become the focus of his life.



He's the author of many books and his lighthearted and thought-provoking blog, Bill of the Birds, on the Bird Watcher's Digest website, attracts nearly 1,000 daily readers from all over the world.

#### Possible Species

Lesser Prairie-Chicken  
Snowy Plover  
Least Tern  
Burrowing Owl

Prairie Falcon  
Swainson's Hawk  
Roadrunner  
Common Poorwill

Black-capped Vireo  
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
Bobwhite  
Canyon Wren

Rock Wren  
Bewick's Wren  
Say's Phoebe  
Painted Bunting

Indigo Bunting  
Cassin's Sparrow  
Harris' Sparrow  
Rufous-crowned Sparrow

# Schedule of Events

Check [www.okaudubon.org](http://www.okaudubon.org) for updates and more information.

- Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Opening Remarks & Orientation (at 6:00)  
 Flock & Mingle Reception, complimentary  
 snacks & hors d'oeuvres, Northwest Inn
- Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 am – 1:30 pm Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing, Ranch Brunch &  
 Fence Marking  
 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Harper/Woodward County Birding Trek  
 7:30 am – 12:00 pm Prairie Dog Town Birding Trek  
 7:00 am – 12:00 pm Selman Living Lab Prairie & Bat Workshop  
 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm Workshops, Northwest Inn  
 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm Dinner and Keynote, Cultural Center, Woodward
- Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 am – 1:30 pm Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing, Ranch Brunch &  
 Fence Marking  
 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Harper/Woodward County Birding Trek  
 7:30 am – 12:00 pm Prairie Dog Town Birding Trek  
 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm Workshops, Northwest Inn  
 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Dinner and Stargazing at Selman Living Lab  
 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm Stargazing at Selman Living Lab  
 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm Bat & Owl Prowl, Moth Black Lighting, Alabaster  
 Caverns (a few miles east of the Selman Lab)
- Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 am – 1:30 pm Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing, Ranch Brunch &  
 Fence Marking  
 6:00 am – 10:00 am Turkey Viewing Trek & Local Birding  
 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Salt Pains National Wildlife Refuge  
 8:00 am – 2:00 pm Alabaster Caverns & Freedom Trek  
 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Shattuck Windmill Museum & Dinner
- Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**  
 6:00 am – 6:00 pm Wichita Mountains Nat'l Wildlife Refuge Trek  
 7:00 am Depart for Black Mesa Birding Trek (3 Days)
- Wednesday, April 20<sup>st</sup>**  
 7:00 am – 3:00 pm Hackberry Flat Trek (extension of Wichita Mtns Trek)

## Stay For Oklahoma's Other Bird Festivals!

**Cherokee Birding and Heritage Festival— April 16-17, 2011 (tentative)**

At the Salt Pains National Wildlife Refuge.

See [www.fws.gov/southwest/refuges/saltplains/festival.html](http://www.fws.gov/southwest/refuges/saltplains/festival.html)

**Arbuckle-Simpson Nature Festival - April 29-30, 2011**

At the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge. See [asnfw.webs.com](http://asnfw.webs.com)

**Red Slough Birding Convention - May 7-10, 2011**

In Southeast Oklahoma's McCurtain County.

## Sponsors





# Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing, Chuckwagon Brunch & Fence Marking

Join us for an amazing prairie experience, to see and hear Lesser Prairie-Chickens displaying on their gobbling grounds, or leks. After very early morning coffee and pastries you will be transported via van to a lek, about 30 minutes away.

## Viewing from Blinds

For this option, you will settle into the blinds at about 5:45 am while it is still dark outside but will soon hear the unmistakable gobbling of the Lesser Prairie-Chicken in the morning twilight. You will stay in the blinds until the birds begin to disperse at about 9:00 am

A few things to keep in mind if using a blind: Dress warmly, the temperatures can be around 40°F. Many of the leks are on private working ranches, so we may climb through or use ladders to climb over a barbed-wire fence. You will be in the blinds for about 3 hours and cannot leave without disturbing the birds. Be prepared to sit quietly on a camp-type chair **without** access to a restroom. Young children will have trouble sitting quietly for that length of time, so the minimum age is about 12 years.



## Viewing from Vans

For this option, you will stay in the van which will park near a lek before first light. This will be a much more comfortable option. Though you will not be as close to the chickens as in a blind, you will still get excellent views and be able to watch and hear their displays on the lek. The van will also be able to leave the lek sooner than those observing from blinds.

## Ranch Brunch at Selman Ranch

After the birds disperse from the lek, we will depart and travel to the Selman Guest Ranch for a ranch brunch at approximately 10:00.

## Conservation Action—Fence Marking

After brunch, participants can optionally spend about an hour or two working to save Lesser Prairie-Chickens by helping to mark fences at the Selman Ranch IBA (Important Bird Area.)

**Please note: The total number of people we can accommodate to view the chickens each morning is limited, especially viewing from blinds. We fully expect to have sufficient capacity to accommodate everyone, but reservations will be on a first-come, first-served basis. If necessary we may need to adjust your selected day to view the chickens and will notify you ahead of time if that is necessary.**

## Fence Marking

You can contribute significantly to the protection of Lesser Prairie-Chickens by helping to mark fences, a very simple procedure anyone of any age can perform. Collisions with barbed wire fencing is a significant cause of chicken mortality. The Sutton Avian Research Center has worked out a technique of using vinyl siding starter strips cut into 2 inch pieces. These easily snap onto the barbed wire, making the fence visible to the chickens. Fences marked in this manner dramatically reduce chicken mortality.



## Workshops

Saturday and Sunday afternoons at the Northwest Inn. The final schedule will be posted.

### Ecology of the Lesser Prairie-Chicken

**Dr. Dwayne Elmore**, from Okla. State Univ. will share his expertise on the natural history of the Lesser Prairie-Chicken in Oklahoma, and discuss the challenges facing this declining species.

### Wind Energy and the Lesser Prairie-Chicken

**Jay Prueff**, Director of Conservation for the Okla. Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, will discuss the impact wind energy development can have on wildlife if done wrong.

### Nature Journaling

Naturalist **Susie Ruby** will show how to keep a written record in the form of a journal in this fun, introductory class. You will create and decorate your own journal.

### Painting with Merlin Little Thunder

Merlin Little Thunder will demonstrate his technique and paint the four seasons of Northwestern Oklahoma, as well as discuss how he integrates his Cheyenne heritage in his work. Participants can bring their favorite scenic photograph and Merlin will paint it, showing how to work effectively from photographs. "When you learn to set your palette by nature's seasonal attire you cannot go wrong. Everything is based on learning from Nature."

### Ten Tips for Better Bird ID

**Bill Thompson, III**, editor of Bird Watcher's Digest, will cover ten basic techniques for identifying a bird correctly, including the potential areas of confusion. I also debunk a few myths, tell people when to get excited and when to give up all hope of ever identifying certain massively con-

# Trek Descriptions

**Difficulty Levels** 1: Easy walking, no hills 2: A little more vigorous 3: More demanding physically, steeper grades  
Call 918-809-6325 for any specific questions about trek difficulties

## Harper/Woodward County Birding Trek

A full-day devoted to the hot spots of Harper and Woodward Counties in northwestern Oklahoma. Stops will include Boiling Springs State Park, a wonderful hotspot for neo-



Salt Flats area of the Selman Ranch

tropical migrants and many other species. This is a scenic location with clear running springs and ancient cottonwood trees. Other stops include a privately owned spring-fed pond that, during even the driest years, holds water, a sure location for many species of shorebirds

and waterfowl. Nearby playa lakes, - a critically imperiled form of wetland in the short/mixed grass prairie - provides a resting place for many birds which may include the White-faced Ibis, Back-necked Stilts and other waterbirds. These playas provide us a place of wonderment that any observer will appreciate. Another stop is the Selman Ranch Important Bird Area. One of Oklahoma's most important privately owned locations for wildlife, the ranch contains a vast array of habitats and always provides a multitude of species, including Lesser Prairie-Chickens, Snowy Plovers, Rock Wrens, various prairie songbirds, and a whole gamut of other species. The Selman Ranch IBA will impress any visitor, if not for the scenery alone! See <http://bit.ly/tas-selman>. Difficulty: 2.

**This trek includes bus transportation and a box lunch.**

## Prairie Dog Town Birding Trek

This will be a more leisurely morning of birding than the County Bird Treks. We will stop at a Prairie Dog town to observe their interesting behavior and the variety of associated wildlife, including Burrowing Owls. We will visit other area habitats, including some playa lakes and Fort Supply Lake. Difficulty: 1

## Bat & Owl Prowl, Moth Black Lighting

Possible sightings of Great Horned, Eastern Screech, Barred & Barn Owls. Weather permitting, a moth black lighting station will attract any moth or other insect in the area for up-close viewing. The moths can then be examined and identified. We will also watch bats exiting Alabaster Caverns at dusk. Alabaster Caverns is just a few miles east of the Selman Living Lab, our location for Sunday dinner. Difficulty: 2.

## Turkey Viewing, Local Birding Trek

We will make an early morning visit to the Southern Plains Range Research Station just west of Woodward. An experienced turkey caller will accompany us and from blinds we will call in turkeys and observe their behavior. We will then bird for another couple of hours visiting the habitats at the Research Station. Difficulty: 1

## Selman Living Lab Prairie & Bat Workshop

The SLL is unique mixed grass plains ecosystem located in the Cimarron Gypsum Hills. With numerous caverns — including a 3-mile long cave system — SLL caves are home to five bat species, including about 70,000 Myotis. We will explore the above-ground mixed grass prairie ecosystem with botanist Dr. Gloria Caddell and mammologist Dr. Bill Caire. Unfortunately this year we cannot actually enter the SLL cave system because it is now closed due to the spread of white-nose syndrome. The day will begin at the SLL building with a presentation by Dr. Caire on the bats of Oklahoma, and an introduction to Gypsum Hills vegetation Dr. Caddell, followed by a visit to the SLL natural area. Difficulty: 2

## Stargazing at Selman Living Lab

After dinner at the Selman Living Lab, Join an Astronomer for stargazing using the telescope at the Lab, taking advantage of the truly dark skies in this isolated area of Oklahoma. If the weather is not clear, participants can alternately join that evening's Owl Prowl. Difficulty: 1

## Freedom & Alabaster Caverns Trek

Naturalist Tandy Kennan will first lead us on a natural history walk above ground at Alabaster Caverns State Park. We will then take a tour of the 3/4-mile cavern. The cavern is formed of alabaster, a rare form of gypsum, making it the largest natural gypsum cave in the world open to the public. The trail through the cave is paved and accessible to anyone. We will then visit the town of Freedom, an "old west" town where nearly every building is fronted with native cedar wood in designs typical of an early day cowtown. We will conclude the trip with lunch at a restaurant in Freedom. Admission to the cave is included, lunch is not included. See [www.oklahomaparks.com](http://www.oklahomaparks.com) & [www.freedomokla.com](http://www.freedomokla.com). Difficulty: 1

## Salt Plains NWR Trek

The Salt Plains National Wildlife Refuge is located in north-central Oklahoma, about 1 3/4 hours east of Woodward. . At 10,000 acres the refuge includes the largest saline flat in the central lowlands of North America, with another 32,000 acres of open water, wetlands, prairies, woodlands and farm fields. This diversity of habitat, accounts for an abundance and variety of birds including American White Pelican, White-faced Ibis, American Avocet, Tricolored Heron, Franklin's Gulls, Forster's Tern, numerous plovers, sandpipers and waterbirds. See <http://bit.ly/tas-saltplains>. Trek will return in time for Monday evening dinner in Shattuck. Difficulty: 1.  
**This trek includes bus transportation as well as a box lunch.**



# Trek Descriptions

## Wichita Mountains/Hackberry Flat Trek

*Please note this area is about 4.5 hours south of Woodward*

This 59,000 acre refuge was established in 1901 and hosts a remnant mixed grass prairie, an island where the natural grasslands escaped destruction because the rocks underfoot defeated the plow. The refuge provides habitat for large native grazing animals such as American Bison, Rocky Mountain Elk, and White-tailed Deer. Texas Longhorn Cattle also share the refuge rangelands as a cultural and historical legacy species. The largest breeding population in Oklahoma of the endangered Black-capped Vireo occurs on the refuge. Some other birds found here include the Rufous Crowned Sparrow, Rock Wren & Canyon Wren. We will also visit a local landmark, the Meers Store, [www.meersstore.com](http://www.meersstore.com), for a famous Meersburger, "the best burger in Oklahoma." See [www.tulsaadubon.org/guides/wichita-mountains-nwr.htm](http://www.tulsaadubon.org/guides/wichita-mountains-nwr.htm). Difficulty: 2

We will drive individually and optionally stay overnight in Lawton (make reservations on your own) or camp at Wichita Mtns. On Wednesday those staying can travel to **Hackberry Flat**, one of Oklahoma's premier birding destinations, known for its high concentrations of shorebirds and waterbirds. Rare and uncommon species such as the Black-necked Stilt, Stilt Sandpiper, and Snowy Plover can be seen. The sheer numbers of birds make this area stand out as one of the best anywhere. See [www.tulsaadubon.org/guides/hackberry-flat.htm](http://www.tulsaadubon.org/guides/hackberry-flat.htm). Difficulty: 1

## Festival Headquarters

**Woodward** is a town of around 15,000 people who all know one another. They love to have company and will be friendly and curious about why you're there. Established in 1887, it had its humble beginnings as a railroad supply point for the Indian Territories and Camp Supply. Today it is a progressive energy producing community. It is small town Oklahoma at its best! Whether you sit on one of the stools at PollyAnna's down on Main Street and admire the black and white tile floor or have a great steak at the local's favorite, JB's, you will be treated as company. Woodward is the step off from the Plains to some rolling hills and a few trees. It's a great base for seeing the many wonderful sites in Northwest Oklahoma.

**Festival Headquarters is the Northwest Inn** located in Woodward. Registration, workshops, vendors and displays will be in the Terrace Room, and all treks will leave from there. Special rates are available for festival participants: Pool side leisure rooms are \$95, downstairs rooms are \$85 and upstairs rooms are \$79. Rates include a free, cooked breakfast and free wireless Internet. See [www.northwestinnok.com](http://www.northwestinnok.com) for details of the room amenities. Call the Inn at 800-727-7606 to make your reservation, mentioning the Lek Treks & More Birding Festival.



### Other Lodging Options

Additional hotels and motels are located in Woodward (though you won't find a better value than the Northwest Inn!). Visit [www.okadubon.org](http://www.okadubon.org) for a list of Bed & Breakfasts, Lodges, Inns and Guest Ranches in the area. Camping is available at Boiling Spring State Park, located just a few miles east of town (1-800-654-8240 [www.oklahomaparks.com](http://www.oklahomaparks.com))

## Evening Events & Dinners

### Banquet and Keynote Speaker, Josie Adams Cultural Center

The Saturday evening banquet will be at the Josie Adams Cultural Center in downtown Woodward, an elegant facility located next to the historic Woodward Theater. Dinner will be catered by JB's Steakhouse, widely regarded as the best restaurant in Woodward. A cash bar will be available. There are three menu options, a rib eye steak, grilled chicken breast, or a vegetarian entree. These are priced individually on the registration form. Bill Thompson III will be the keynote speaker.

### Dinner & Stargazing at the Selman Living Lab

The Selman Living Laboratory is a field research facility located in the rolling hills & plains about 30 miles northeast of Woodward. On the Selman Lab's wide array of habitats are several small buildings including an astronomical observatory. Dinner will be a cookout of hamburgers, hot dogs and salads at the Lab's large barbeque pit. After dark you can either go to nearby Alabaster Caverns for an owl prowl and batch watch, or stay at the SLL to take advantage of northwest Oklahoma's dark skies for stargazing (weather permitting, of course!) See [www.biology.uco.edu/SelmanLL](http://www.biology.uco.edu/SelmanLL)

### Shattuck Windmill Museum, Music, and Dinner

The Shattuck Windmill Museum, located 30 miles west of Woodward, is a delightful site featuring 45 vintage windmills in working condition, and other period structures, located on a 4-acre park. We will have a guided tour of the windmills, and then have dinner at the Whistle Stop Café located on Shattuck's Main Street. See [www.shattuckwindmillmuseum.org](http://www.shattuckwindmillmuseum.org)

# Black Mesa Birding Trek

The Black Mesa area is a special place that lies in the very shadow of the Rocky Mountains. There is a decidedly western influence in its biota, with many bird species seen nowhere else in Oklahoma. We will explore the dry, rocky canyons lined by scrubby oaks; the rugged, flat-topped mesas studded with junipers and pinyon pines; the great cottonwoods along the Cimarron River.

The mesa country represents a microcosm of vast open spaces, rough topography, and arid land vegetation typical of the Old West. A spirit of natural wildness permeates this land, where the passage of time is noticed hardly at all.

The Black Mesa area is Oklahoma on Mountain Standard Time. Whether you're walking in the mesalands, in the canyons or in downtown Kenton (population somewhere around 20), you get the feeling that you're in America in the 30s. The land is majestic, the people are humble, the land still rules and cattle outnumber humans. Kenton is located in the northwest corner of Cimarron County, Oklahoma's furthest west county - 2,000 square miles without a single spotlight.



Softer sedimentary rock composing the mesas has eroded more rapidly than the overlying igneous layers. As a result, flat-topped buttes, wandering ridges, and isolated peaks have been formed that jut skyward from their buttresses of accumulated soil. Some of the many unique species are Scaled Quail, Long-billed Curlew, Mountain Plover, Say's Phoebe, Sage and Curve-billed Thrashers, Lark Bunting, Ash-throated Flycatcher, Cassin's Kingbird, Townsend's Solitaire, Mountain Bluebird, Black-billed Magpie, Scrub, Pinyon and Stellar's Jay, Green-tailed and Canyon Towhees, Common Poorwill, Western Screech-Owl, Lewis's Woodpecker, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Western Wood-Pewee, Lesser Goldfinch, Golden Eagle, Roadrunner, Ferruginous Hawk, Prairie Falcon, Common and Chihuahuan Ravens, Burrowing Owl, Black-chinned Hummingbird, Juniper Titmouse, Vermilion Flycatcher, Rock and Canyon Wrens, Western Meadowlark, Black-throated, Lark, Cassin's, Rufous-crowned and Brewer's Sparrows, and Bullock's Oriole.

This 3-day/2-night tour will depart Woodward via car pool Tuesday morning. The fee includes leadership, admission fees and Thur. lunch. Lodging must be arranged on your own. There are a limited number of lodging options in this area, so be sure you reserve your lodging before registering for this trek. Camping is available at Black Mesa State Park.

Registration is limited to a maximum of 20 participants.



## Black Mesa Schedule

*Subject to change based on birds and conditions*

### Black Mesa, Day 1 - Tues., April 19

7:00 am Depart Woodward (breakfast at NW Inn)  
9:00 am – 10:30 am Birding at Optima Lake  
11:30 am – 12:30 pm Lunch in Guymon (on own)  
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Birding at Boise City Sewage Ponds & Keyes  
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Check in to lodging  
5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Birding at Hoot Owl Ranch  
6:30 pm Supper (on own) at Hoot Owl Ranch

### Black Mesa, Day 2 - Wed. April 20

7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast at B&Bs  
8:00 am – 12:00 pm Birding Black Mesa area, including visit to Three State Marker, Dinosaur Tracks, Coronado's Signature  
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch (on own) at the Kenton Mercantile  
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm Birding at Black Mesa State Park, Easter Pageant Area, etc.  
7:00 pm Supper (on own) at Hitching Post

### Black Mesa, Day 3 - Thur. April 21

7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast at B&Bs  
8:00 am – 11:30 am Birding Black Mesa area  
11:30 am – 12:30 pm Lunch at Kenton Community Center (included), Visit Museum  
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Depart Kenton to Boise City  
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm Tour Autograph Rock, Sewage Ponds  
3:30 pm – 7:30 pm Depart Boise City to Guymon

## Lodging Options

Hoot Owl Ranch  
2 Cabins, \$100/couple plus breakfast  
877-226-5791  
[Hootowl@ptsi.net](mailto:Hootowl@ptsi.net)  
[www.hootowlquestranch.com](http://www.hootowlquestranch.com)

Hitching Post Bed and Breakfast  
\$65 a couple plus breakfast  
580-261-7413  
[cowboy@ptsi.net](mailto:cowboy@ptsi.net)  
[www.blackmesacountry.com](http://www.blackmesacountry.com)

Black Mesa Bed and Breakfast  
\$45 a single, \$70 a couple  
800-821-7204  
[BMBB1@juno.com](mailto:BMBB1@juno.com)  
[www.bmbb1.com](http://www.bmbb1.com)

Black Mesa State Park  
Camping, \$10/night + utilities  
580-426-2222,  
[www.oklahomaparks.com](http://www.oklahomaparks.com)

# Registration Questions? Call 918-809-6325

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5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Flock & Mingle Reception, Registration, Welcome - Northwest Inn	Free		
<b>Saturday, April 16, 2011</b>				
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Blinds</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Vans</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
7:00 am - 4:00 pm	Harper & Woodward County Birding Trek, Box Lunch (van transport)	\$60		
7:30 am - 12:00 pm	Prairie Dog Town Birding Trek (car pool)	\$20		
7:30 am - 4:00 pm	Selman Living Lab Prairie & Bat Workshop (car pool)	\$25		
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Workshops	Free		
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Banquet and Keynote Speaker - <i>Please choose meal options for each person:</i>			
	Steak <i>name(s):</i>	\$36		
	Chicken <i>name(s):</i>	\$28		
	Vegetarian <i>name(s):</i>	\$24		
<b>Sunday, April 17, 2011</b>				
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Blinds</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Vans</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
7:00 am - 4:00 pm	Harper & Woodward County Birding Trek, Box Lunch (van transport)	\$60		
7:30 am - 12:00 pm	Prairie Dog Town Birding Trek (car pool)	\$20		
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Workshops	Free		
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Dinner at Selman Living Lab	\$20		
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Stargazing at Selman Living Lab	\$5		
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Bat & Owl Prowl, Moth Black Lighting, Alabaster Caverns State Park (car pool)	\$10		
<b>Monday, April 18, 2011</b>				
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Blinds</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
5:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lesser Prairie-Chicken Viewing from <b>Vans</b> and Chuckwagon Brunch	\$85		
6:00 am - 10:00 am	Turkey Viewing Trek (car pool)	\$10		
7:00 am - 4:00 pm	Salt Plains Trek, Box Lunch (van transport)	\$60		
8:00 am - 2:00 pm	Alabaster Caverns Tour, includes admission (car pool)	\$30		
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Shattuck Windmill Museum & Dinner	\$20		
<b>Tuesday, April 19, 2011</b>				
7:00 am	Black Mesa Birding Trek (car pool) I will be staying at: _____	\$150		
6:00 am - 6:00 pm	Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge Trek (car pool)	\$20		
<b>Wednesday, April 20, 2011</b>				
7:00 am - 3:00 pm	Hackberry Flat Trek (extension of Wichita Mtns Trek)	\$20		
<b>Festival Registration</b>				
	<b>Each person over 12 years old (after March 1st registration is \$30)</b>	<b>\$20 or \$30</b>		\$20 or \$30
Festival T-Shirt Adult: S M L XL XXL XXXL (circle one)		\$15		
Donation to support the Oklahoma Audubon Council's Important Bird Areas Program - Thank You!				
<b>Totals</b>	Payment by credit card or checks payable to <i>Oklahoma Audubon Council</i>	---	---	

**Liability Waiver and Emergency Contact Information - Please read and sign.**

I agree and expressly acknowledge, as a registrant for the 2011 Lek Treks & More Woodward Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival, conducted by the Oklahoma Audubon Council and the Tulsa Audubon Society, that I am fully aware that such events involve certain risks and dangers that include, but are not limited to, the hazards of traveling, the risk of injuries and the possibility that an accident or illness could occur as a result of the participation in these events. In consideration of, and as partial payment for, the right to participate in the 2011 Lek Treks & More Woodward Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival, I do hereby waive, release and hold harmless the Oklahoma Audubon Council and the Tulsa Audubon Society, its agents, employees, trustees, instructors, directors, volunteers, and any contractors or sub-contractors hired in connection with the 2011 Lek Treks & More Woodward Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival. I also agree not to allow any other individual to participate in my place.

Print Name (Registrant #1): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name (Registrant #2): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (Parent if a minor): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name (Registrant #3): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (Parent if a minor): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name (Registrant #4): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (Parent if a minor): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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April 15-21, 2011

Registrant #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant #3: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant #4: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/PC: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Day  Evening Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be driving a four wheel drive vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how many seats would be available for car pooling? \_\_\_\_\_

Mail with payment to: Oklahoma Audubon Council, 11224 S. 83 E. Ave., Bixby, OK 74008

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