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PLAN TO ATTEND THE 1969 ANNUAL MEETING

The 1969 meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Society will be held at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia from Thursday, 1 May to Sunday, 4 May 1969. The meeting will be a joint session with the Virginia Society of Ornithology and will be sponsored by that organization and the College of William and Mary. All regular sessions will be held in the John Millington Hall of Life Sciences on the campus.

A special program on Thursday evening will consist of an exhibit of some of the work of Mark Catesby, the Colonial Naturalist, and a film on his life which also shows much on the natural history of Tidewater Virginia will be presented.

Approximately 100 species of resident and migratory birds should be available at this season in the area immediately around Williamsburg. Among the more common species are Brown-headed Nuthatch, Yellow-throated Vireo, Blackpoll Warbler, Pine Warbler, Louisiana Waterthrush, Hooded Warbler, and Summer Tanager.

Early morning field trips on Friday and Saturday will be conducted to local areas, including the Yorktown Battlefield and Jamestown Island. These areas, in addition to the birding, are of considerable historical significance and interest.

On Sunday there will be two major field trips, one to Seashore State Park and one to Craney Island, an artificial impoundment in Hampton Roads. Emphasis at the first site will be on its botanical features as well as resident and migratory birds. Spanish moss and a number of other plant species reach their northern distributional limits in Seashore Park and typical birds would include Prothonotary Warbler, Yellow-crowned Night Heron, Yellow-throated Warbler, Seaside Sparrow, and Sharp-tailed Sparrow. Emphasis at Craney Island will be on shorebirds which reach their peak of migration about the first week in May.

If demand is sufficient, a third trip on Sunday will be arranged to Cedar Island, one of the barrier islands off the Eastern Shore of Virginia. This trip would feature thousands of migrating shorebirds, colonies of Black Skimmers, Common, Royal, and Gull-billed Terns, and one of Virginia's largest heronies in which Glossy Ibis and Cattle Egrets are becoming common nesting species.

Colonial Williamsburg is particularly known for the elaborate restoration of a portion of the city to its eighteenth century appearance. This extensive undertaking consists of an area nearly one mile in length in which approximately 140 buildings have been restored or reconstructed on their original sites. There are nearly 100 formal and informal gardens which are open to the public. Members and friends of the W.O.S. who expect to attend the meeting should plan to avail themselves of the opportunity to visit as much of this historical heritage as possible. Special trips will be arranged for those not attending the papers sessions.