

KOS SPRING MEETING

Pittsburg & Galena, Kansas

May 5 - 7, 2017

Online registration at <http://ksbirds.org/>

Make plans now to attend the KOS Spring Meeting in southeastern Kansas, May 5-7, 2017. The southeast corner of Kansas is an amazing area encompassing three physiographic regions of Kansas: the Ozark Plateau, the Cherokee Lowlands, and the Osage Cuestas. These areas have fascinating plant life, topography and of course, bird life!

Headquarters - While there are many places to stay in the area, the headquarters hotel will be the Regency Inn and Suites in Pittsburg. Other lodging venues are listed below.

Friday evening: We will have a casual meet and greet with snacks and refreshments at the Southeast Kansas Nature Center, 3511 S Main Street in Galena, which will be open from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Night birding in the area is an option! Please note that parking is limited right at the Nature Center. Please consider parking down the hill and walking up to the Nature Center.

Saturday Field Trips: All day field trips will focus on Crawford, Cherokee, Labette and Neosho counties. Meet in the Regency parking lot at 6:30 a.m. Note: Saturday lunch is on your own. Trip leaders will provide snack/lunch stops along the way; though options may be limited.

Saturday Evening: The evening meal will be Dutch treat at Pichler's Chicken Annie's, 1271 S 220th St. in Pittsburg, gathering at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday: Meet in the Regency Inn parking lot at 6:30 a.m. for field trips. After a ½ day of birding, we'll have a box lunch compilation (sandwiches, veggie option available – please indicate your desire for this option on the registration form) of the birds seen on all the field trips. We will meet at Riverside Park in Oswego, N Oregon St and Riverside Park Drive, northeast corner of town, at noon.

Accommodations: A block of rooms has been reserved at the **Regency Inn and Suites**, 4023 Parkview Dr., Pittsburg, KS 66762, 620-232-2800. Be sure to mention the KOS block for the \$69.99/night room rate. The room block expires April 21st. There are a lot of activities going on in the area this time of year so make your reservations early.

Other housing options include:

Comfort Inn and Suites, 4009 Parkview Dr., Pittsburg, KS, 620-231-8800

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 4011 Parkview Dr., Pittsburg, KS, 620-231-1177

Baxter Inn, 2451 Military Ave, Baxter Springs, KS 66713, 620-856-2106

Mined Land Wildlife Area Cabins, \$70/night, <http://ksoutdoors.com/KDWPT-Info/Locations/Wildlife-Areas/Southeast/Mined-Land/Cabins>. The two cabins listed below can be reserved at the KDWPT website listed above.

Coal Ridge Cabin, 10366 NW Lawton Rd, Columbus, KS 66725

Mine 19 Cabin, 10338 NW Lawton Rd, Columbus, KS 66725

Big Brutus has tent camping and RV parking. http://www.bigbrutus.org/visitor_center.html

There are many hotel options in Joplin which is about 10 miles from the Southeast Kansas Nature Center.

Registration Form, KOS Spring Meeting, May 5 – 7, 2017 Pittsburg & Galena, Kansas

I (we) plan to attend the 2017 KOS spring meeting

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

		<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
Registration Fee	\$15/person	_____	\$ _____
Sunday lunch (sandwiches)	\$11/person	_____	\$ _____
Surcharge for payment received after April 20 th	\$10/person	_____	\$ _____
Total Amount Due (Checks payable to KOS)			\$ _____

Number of persons in party: _____

Special needs or requests: _____

Registrations received after April 20th will have a surcharge of \$10.00 per person.

Please mail completed registration with full payment to:

Max Thompson
1729 E. 11th Ave.
Winfield, KS 67156

e-mail: maxt@cox.net

In submitting this registration form I (we) understand that KOS is not responsible or liable for any accidents or injury that might be associated with the 2017 KOS spring meeting. *(Registering on line, or submission of this form electronically indicates your acceptance of these conditions.)*

Signatures

Date