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M.O.S. Fall Meeting

The annual fall meeting of the Mississippi Ornithological Society will be held in Jackson, on Friday and Saturday, November 9 and 10, 1979. On Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. Michael Bierly of Nashville, Tennessee, will present a program on winter birds. Mike is a very knowledgeable birder who has led several trips to the southwestern United States. The program will be held at Belhaven College Library. Steve Peterson has provided maps to help you find your way. These are reproduced on the following pages. On Saturday, November 10, we will have a field trip to Ross Barnett Reservoir and surrounding areas. The trip will begin at 7:30 a.m. and we will meet in the parking lot at the Main Harbor Marina. See the attached map for directions.

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The following two poems were written by Beulah M. D'Olive Price of Corinth, Mississippi. I hope you will enjoy them.

The Cardinals

A masked bandit in a scarlet hood and cloak Sat on a limb with his quiet mate And never a word he spoke. He looked so fierce and mad that day 'Tis no wonder she turned the other way.

Morning Song

A meadow lark perched on a goldenrod stem And lifted his voice in song Brown and white did cover him Except his breast so yellow Which had on it a chevron dark Which did become the fellow.

Isn't it good to see That unlike you and me A bird can without fear Be quite close to goldenrod At this time of the year.

HERON REPORT AVAILABLE

An excellent publication describing the ecology of some of our common herons can be obtained free of charge from the Illinois Natural History Survey.

Single copies of <u>Illinois Birds: Ciconiiformes</u>, Biological Notes No. 109, are available on request. Write to the Chief, Illinois Natural History Survey, 172 Natural Resources Building, Urbana, Illinois 61801.



