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One-Hundred-and Fourth Stated Meeting of the
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For the first time in 104 years, the largest, most prestigious professional ornithological society in North America will hold its annual meeting in Mississippi. An estimated 400-600 ornithologists and birders from all over the world will be attending. Special invitations have been sent to ornithological societies in our neighboring states too, so the event promises to be one to remember. Plan now to attend - and if possible, please volunteer some time to help us host the meeting.

Some of the highlights of the meeting will be the following:

- a special art exhibit: "The birds of Walter Inglis Anderson"
- a special exhibit on loan from the Mississippi State Historical Museum "Audubon in Mississippi"
- a running race [yes, you can join in a foot race with ornithologists from around the world - this has become an annual event at AOU meetings in recent years]
- exhibits of new books about birds [these will include special order forms that will entitle you to discounts on many of the

- books]
- recent movies about birds
 - perhaps a chance to get your field guides autographed
 - presentation of results of studies of bird biology in oral and poster sessions
 - daily field trips to birding sites around Mississippi State
 - an annual banquet with a special program by Walter Anderson's daughter (and a special banquet favor which we won't disclose in advance)
 - all transportation will be provided once you get here
 - all facilities are air-conditioned and dormitories will have just been renovated!

Plan now to attend!

If you can help us host the meeting, please let us know by completing and returning the two attached pages.