# Severe winter weather struggle for birds

Severe winter weather is not only hard on people but can be a life and death struggle for birds. Though birds require water and shelter, food is often the resource most lacking during cold weather.

Many different bird food mixes are available as various species often prefer different grains.

However, there is one seed that has more "universal" appeal than any other: black oil sunflower.

Therefore, if you are new to the bird-feeding game, make sure there is a high percentage of this seed in

White proso millet is second in popularity and is the favorite of



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dark-eyed juncos and other sparrows as well as the red-winged blackbird.

As you become more interested in bird feeding, you may want to use more than one feeder to attract specific species of birds.

Following is a list of bird species with the grains they prefer. The letter (P) means the bird can be found in Kansas year round and (W)

in Kansas. This also means not all will be in the area all the time. Feeds are listed in order of prefer-

American Gold $finch \, (P) \, \hbox{-black} \, oil \, sunflower, Niger \,$ thistle, hulled sunflower.

American Tree Sparrow & Harris Sparrow (W) – white proso millet and golden (German) millet, Niger thistle, hulled sunflower, fine cracked corn.

Black-capped Chickadee (P) black oil sunflower, black striped sunflower of any kind, peanut kersunflower, peanut kernels, saf- nels and peanut hearts, white proso

means they winter flower, suet.

Blue Jay (P) - peanut kernels, black striped sunflower, suet.

Common Grackle (P) - sunflower of any kind, peanut kernels, peanut hearts, fine cracked corn. Dark-eyed Junco (W) - white proso

millet, golden millet, hulled sunflower, Niger thistle, cracked corn. Downy, Hairy and Red-bellied Woodpecker, Northern Flicker (P)

- suet, sunflower. sunflower, black striped sunflower, hulled sunflower.

House Finch (P) - Niger thistle,

House Sparrow (P) - white proso make water unavailable. millet and golden millet, sunflower of any kind, peanut hearts, red proso millet, fine cracked corn.

Mourning Dove (P) - Ground feeder - black oil sunflower, white proso millet, red proso millet, golden millet, Niger thistle, other sunflower, peanut hearts, fine cracked corn, safflower.

Purple Finch (W) - black oil Evening Grosbeak (W) - black oil sunflower, black striped sunflower, Niger thistle, hulled sunflower.

Red-winged Blackbird (P) hulled sunflower, white proso millet, golden millet, fine cracked Extended cold periods can also

A heated birdbath can be a tremendous draw for birds during times when all other water is frozen. Energy use is usually less than what most people expect if the heater has a built-in thermostat.

If you would like more detailed information, Chuck Otte, K-State Research and Extension Agent in Geary County, has an excellent set of publications called Back Yard Birding Guides http://gearycountyextension.com/NRMW.htm. Chuck is my go to person on birds.

## country clovers 4-h

The regular monthly meeting 12 parents present. of the Country Clover's 4-H Club was held on Monday, Nov. 22, at the Sherman County 4-H Building. The parents of the elected officers ran the meeting.

President Teresa Sieck called the meeting to order. Diane Zelfer led the club in the flag salute and club pledge. Zelfer also led the club in a song of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat." Roll call was answered by the members' year of graduation. There report. Cochran stated that Country

Secretary Rhea Daise read the minutes and they were read and approved. Treasurer Penny Nemechek gave the treasurer's report and ti was received as read. Rhea Daise, reporter, stated that an article was submitted to the newspaper. Council Member Penny Nemechek reported on the current council meeting. Leaders Glenda Cochran and Diane Zelfer gave the leaders were 21 members, two leaders and Clover's is in charge of the Spring the Good Samaritan Center.

Show concessions and we are helpers on the Appreciation Barbecue. Cochran also wanted to make sure that the members sign up for talks and demonstrations and the radio talks for February and September. She mentioned about the new record books; everyone will fill out KAP. Cochran is hoping to have a workshop to help all club members work through the KAP's. Diane Zelfer discussed our clubs community service for the year would be with

There was no old business. For new business a committee was formed for the community service. The parents include Diane Zelfer and Kris Cowan. Members include Parker Sieck, Garrett Nemechek, Jarod Lake, Lacie Cowan, Mikail Freeman and Mitch Unger. They were meeting after the meeting to make the arrangements of the community service. It was decided that the Christmas party would be on Sunday, Dec. 12; Nemechecks

will send out 4-H reminder cards the Farm." Penny Nemecheck led to notify the members about the arrangements. Country Clovers received a donation from the Glendale Livewires of \$900.

For the program, Amity Ihrig gave a demonstration on "Writing a Thank You Note." Mike Sieck gave a talk on the "Difference between project talk and demonstration." Glenda Cochran gave a health and safety talk on "Food Safety for the Holdiays." Jerry Nemechek led and Cowans are in charge and they the club in a song of "Turkey on

the group in a fun game of "Duck, Duck, Goose."

The meeting was adjourned by saying the club motto and putting up their chairs. A soup supper was enjoyed by all

before the meeting. The next meeting will be the Christmas party on Sunday, Dec. 12, at a location to be determined.

By: Trevor Daise, Reporter

### matters of record

actions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds:

David Brian Wicks and Peggy Anne Wicks, quitclaim to Wicks Farms, LLC, the SE/4 of Sec.36, T6S, R37W and NE/4 of Sec.13, T7S, R37W.

Rusty Fritz and Wendy Fritz to Donald D. Williams, Jr. and Toni I. T9S, R37W Williams, Lots 7 and 8 in Block 54, Original Town of Goodland.

Lynn D. Nelson and Cynthia J. Nelson convey and warrant to Frontier Ag, Inc. a tract of land in SW/4 of Sec.22, T8S, R41W.

NW Ventures, LLC to Pillango Investments, LLC, the SW/4 of Sec. 36, T6S, R37W; SW/4 of Sec.15, T6S, R37W; N/2 of Sec.25, T6S, R38W; E/2 of Sec.26, T6S, R38W; N/2 of Sec.36,T6S,R38W; SE/4 of Sec.8, T6S, R38W; SW/4 of Sec.9, T6S, R38W; W/2 of Sec.14, T6S, R39W; SE/4 of Sec.15, T6S, R39W; N/2 and SW/4 of Sec.10, T8S, R38W: W/2 of Sec.13, T9S, R39W; NE/4 of Sec.26, T9S, R39W; N/2 and SE/4 of Sec.28, T9S, R38W; W/2 of Sec.36, T10S, R38W; all of Sec.7, T10S, R38W less a tract; SE/4 of Sec.12,T10S,R39W; all of Sec.18, T10S,R38W; N/2 of Sec.20,T10S, R38W; W/2 of Sec.9, T10S, R38W; N/2 of NE/4 of Sec.8, T10S, R38W; SW/4 of Sec.16, T10S, R37W; S/2 of Sec.35, T9S, R38W; all of Sec.1, T10S, R38W; W/2 and NE/4 of Sec.6, T10S, R37W; all of Sec.18, T9S, R38W; S/2 and NW/4 of Sec.7, T9S, R38W; W/2 of Sec.34, T8S, R38W; SW/4 of Sec.28, T8S, R38W; E/2 of NW/4 and NE/4 of Sec.25, T8S, R38W: SW/4 of Sec.22, T8S, R37W; NE/4 of Sec.36, T8S, R42W; NW/4 of Sec.15, T8S, R42W; SW/4 of Sec.33, T7S, R41W.

Jerome Pribil, trustee of the Jerome Pribil Second Amended and Restated Living Revocable Trust dated July 18, 2001, as amended on March 23, 2005 and September 8, 2010, to Gable S Corporation, a Delaware corporation, the SW/4 of Sec.10, T9S, R37W and SE/4 of Sec.10,T9S,R37W; W/2 of Sec.15, T9S, R37W and E/2 of Sec.15, T9S, R37W; S/2 of Sec.16, T9S, R37W; N/2 of Sec.20, T9S, R37W and S/2 of Sec.20, T9S, R37W; N/2 of Sec.21, T9S, R37W and S/2 of Sec.21,T9S,R37W;SE/4ofSec.23, T9S, R37W; SW/4 of Sec.25, T9S,

The following real estate trans- R37W; N/2 of Sec.26, T9S, R37W and SE/4 of Sec.26, T9S, R37W; S/2 of Sec.27, T9S, R37W, less the SW/4 of SW/4 of Sec.27, T9S, R37W and NW/4 of Sec.27, T9S, R37W; W/2 and NE/4 of Sec.28, T9S, R37W; N/2 of Sec.29, T9S, R37W; N/2 aka Lots 1 and 2 and E/2of NW/4, and all of NE/4 of Sec.30,

> Charles A. Ihrig to Charles A. Ihrig, Trustee of the Charles A. Ihrig Trust dated April 5, 1977, the NE/4 of Sec.32, T7S, R39W; SW/4 of Sec.11, T8S, R41W; E/2 of NE/4 of Sec.35, T9S, R40W; NE/4 and S/2 of Sec.25, T9S, R40W; NE/4 of Sec.31, T9S, R39W; NW/4 of Sec.34, T7S, R40W; SW/\$ of Sec.4, T8S, R39W; W/2 of Sec.18, T9S, R40W; E/2 of E/2 of Sec.20, T7S, R39W; S/2 of Sec.18, T6S, R39W; SW/4 of Sec.9, T9S, R39W; NW/4 of Sec.21, T7S, R39W; N/2 of Sec.29, T9S, R39W.

#### **Goodland Police**

The following incidents have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:

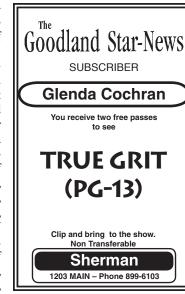
Nov.29-10:24 a.m., 204 W. 11th,

**Dec. 9** – 4:13 p.m., 1100 Main Ave., arrested Omar Salazar on a warrant.

#### District Traffic

The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District

**November 19:** Adonis Reyes-Hernandez, motor carrier safety rules and regulations, \$208.50.





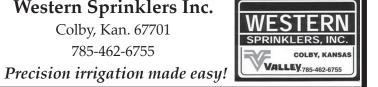
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The Wichita Children's Theatre its earliest history, through the eyes of the Kansas people and events that storybook sets, costumes, and props Professional Touring Company and words of some of its more fawill present an original musical mous (and infamous) participants. about Kansas history entitled KAN- Throughout history, the fine state of Kansas has been blessed with movers and shakers who have often been unmovable in their determination and unshakable in their courage.

have gone on to make an impact on our country and our world.

Professional Touring Company performs from September through February in Kansas, Nebraska, Middle School on Thursday. At 8:30 Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, a.m. (Mountain Time) at Brewster and Texas. The company is profes-

appropriate for each production.

The show will also be at 8:30 a.m. The Wichita Children's Theatre (Mountain Time) at Atwood Elementary School and 1 p.m. (Mountain Time) at Colby Elementary and Schools they will perform at the

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Dr. Ashworth has held positions in cardiothoracic and vascular surgery at hospitals in Indiana and Kansas. She is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the Society of Thoracic Surgery and Women in Thoracic Surgery. She is widely published in medical journals and healthrelated publications.

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