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Summary of the 1985 spring meeting.—The annual meeting of the Florida Ornithological Society was held in conjunction with the Florida Chapter of The Wildlife Society in Gainesville, Florida from 19-21 April 1985. Stephen Nesbitt and the local committee from the Wildlife Research Laboratory of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission hosted the meeting. On Friday evening a quiz on the identification of bird remains, prepared by Dave Maehr, challenged members. Wayne Hoffman won first prize by identifying 80% of the specimens and Herb Kale took second place. There were morning field trips to San Felasco Hammock, Devil's Millhopper, and Paynes Prairie State Preserve. The technical paper session included papers on "Recent development in Anseriform fauna in Florida" by Frank Montalbano, "Reproductive recycling in Florida bald eagles" by John Roser, "Frog distribution and identification in Florida" by Paul Moler, "Waterfowl on the wing and in the hand: identification pointers" by Jim Thul, and progress on Florida's breeding bird atlas by Herb Kale.

At the meeting of the board of directors, Henry Stevenson was appointed to direct the search for a new editor for the FFN, to begin with the 1987 issue; board members voted to support the efforts of Bill and Helen Dowling to provide pelagic trips for birders; and Glen Woolfenden was appointed as representative on the Breeding Bird Atlas committee. Reed Noss was selected as the first Research Award Recipient. Noss will study the between-habitat interactions and avifauna in a north-central Florida forest patches. Oron Bass, chairman of the nominating committee, recommended: Bob Brown, President; Dave Goodwin, Vice President; Bruce Neville, Secretary; Caroline Coleman, Treasurer; and Jane Brooks, Rich Paul, and William B. Robertson as board members. The nominees were unanimously elected at the annual meeting of the membership. Lohrer extended our thanks to President Kittleson for her excellent leadership. Members gathered at the Wildlife Research Laboratory on Saturday evening for a barbecue buffet.

The 1985 fall meeting will be held in Orlando, 13-15 September, with Dorothy Freeman, Orange Audubon Society, as the chairman. Tom Bancroft has invited FOS to Plantation Key on 2-4 May 1986.—**Marsha S. Winegarner**, 2360 Old State Road Eight, Venus, Florida 33960.

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