**Wachiska Audubon Society**

**Basic Facts and Figures**

**July 2019**

**History:**
- Local chapter of National Audubon Society
- Founded in 1973
- Management and conservation responsibilities for 32 pieces of land, totaling approximately 920 acres throughout 16 counties.

**Current Organizational Structure:**
- Five officers (President*, Vice President*, Treasurer*, Recording Secretary*, Immediate Past President*), three Directors at Large*, and Audubon Nebraska representative*
- Program Committees:
  - Conservation*
  - Education*
  - Field Trip*
  - Legislation*
  - Membership*
  - Population/Environment*
  - Program
- Service Committees
  - Finance
  - Fundraising*
  - Hospitality
  - Publications
  - Publicity/Public Relations
- *Voting Board member

**Members:**
- Localized National Audubon members automatically become members of Wachiska Audubon Society
  - Wachiska receives approximately $2/member/annually from membership dues
    - $2,500/year received is used for annual operating budget
    - Current estimate is 1,200 members
  - Friends of Wachiska
    - Separate membership level
    - Annual dues vary and are determined by the individual
    - 100% of dues are used for annual operating budget
    - Current estimate is 330 Friends

**Finances:**
- Fiscal year is January-December
- Annual Operating Budget over past several years has averaged $90,000/year.
- Major annual revenue categories:
  - Birdathon and Give to Lincoln Day - $20,000
  - Prairie income (haying, CRP payment, rent, seed collection, etc.) - $35,000
  - Membership (Friends) - $14,000
  - Birdseed sales and Backyard Garden Tour - $7,000
- Major annual expense categories:
  - Prairie restoration/maintenance (prescribed burns, invasive removal, etc.) - $35,000
  - Administration - $38,000
  - Publications - $4,000
  - Birdseed sales and Backyard Garden Tour - $3,500
  - Birdathon - $1,575
- Assets:
  - Five accounts with Lincoln Community Foundation (Land Purchase, Prairie Defense, Special Projects, Prairie Management and Prairie Management Designated) - $580,000
  - One Account with Nebraska Community Foundation - $132,000
  - Checking account - $68,000
  - Fixed Assets (equipment and land) - $606,000