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[the-village-birders] Walk at Pine Meadows Conservation Area

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We had a beautiful morning at Pine Meadows yesterday. 7 of us walked a new loop trail from back parking area and then went out into open area by front parking lot. Mark and Katherine continued at Pine Meadows, while 3 of us stopped at Fish Camp Road on our way home to see Western Kingbirds that did show for us. Our list of 51 species is a combination of all sightings, although everyone did not see all species. Wendy, Bob and I observed a Swallow-tailed Kite soaring with a Red-tailed Hawk above the restrooms while leaving the area.

Pine Meadows has a number of trails and habitats and is not far from The Villages. Well worth the short drive to visit it.

A couple of pictures:

Chipping Sparrow:



There were 2 adult Sandhill Cranes and 2 colts (youngsters)





Western Kingbird - not ONE of my pictures shows yellow belly of this bird.  
We saw 4 WEKIs - none of which would turn around for me!



Every day is a GREAT day to go birding!

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<b>WATERFOWL</b>	<b>CORM, ANH, PELS</b>		<b>RAILS, CRANES</b>		<b>GULLS, TERNS</b>	
Bl-bel Whistling-Duck	D-crested Cormorant	X	Yellow Rail		Pomarine Jaeger	
Fulv. Whistling-Duck	Anhinga	X	Black Rail		Parasitic Jaeger	
Snow Goose	Amer. White Pelican		Clapper Rail		Bonaparte's Gull	
Ross's Goose	Brown Pelican		King Rail		Laughing Gull	
Canada Goose			Virginia Rail		Ring-billed Gull	
Egyptian Goose	<b>WADERS</b>		Sora		Herring Gull	
Muscovy Duck	American Bittern	X	Purple Swamphen		Lr. Black-backed Gull	
Wood Duck	Least Bittern		Purple Gallinule		Gr. Black-backed Gull	
Gadwall	Great Blue Heron	X	Common Gallinule	X	Least Tern	
Eurasian Wigeon	Great Egret	X	American Coot		Gull-billed Tern	
American Wigeon	Snowy Egret	X	Limpkin		Caspian Tern	
Mallard	Little Blue Heron	X	Sandhill Crane	X	Common Tern	
Mottled Duck	Tricolored Heron		Whooping Crane		Forster's Tern	
Blue-winged Teal	Reddish Egret				Royal Tern	
Northern Shoveler	Cattle Egret		<b>SHOREBIRDS</b>		Sandwich Tern	
Northern Pintail	Green Heron	X	Black-necked Stilt		Black Skimmer	
Green-winged Teal	B-crown. Night-Heron		American Avocet			
Canvasback	Y-crown. Night-Heron		Amer. Oystercatcher		<b>DOVES, CUCKOOS</b>	
Redhead	White Ibis	X	Black-bellied Plover		Rock Pigeon	
Ring-necked Duck	Glossy Ibis		Am. Golden-Plover		Eur. Collared-Dove	
Lesser Scaup	Roseate Spoonbill		Snowy Plover		White-winged Dove	
White-winged Scoter			Wilson's Plover		Com. Ground-Dove	X
Black Scoter	<b>RAPTORS</b>		Semipalmated Plover		Mourning Dove	X
Long-tailed Duck	Black Vulture	X	Piping Plover		Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Bufflehead	Turkey Vulture	X	Killdeer			
Common Goldeneye	Osprey	X	Spotted Sandpiper		<b>OWLS</b>	
Hooded Merganser	Swallow-tailed Kite	x	Solitary Sandpiper		Barn Owl	
Common Merganser	Snail Kite		Greater Yellowlegs		Eastern Screech-Owl	
R-breast. Merganser	Mississippi Kite		Willet		Great Horned Owl	
Ruddy Duck	Bald Eagle	X	Lesser Yellowlegs		Burrowing Owl	
	Northern Harrier	X	Whimbrel		Barred Owl	
<b>QUAIL, TURKEY</b>	Sharp-shinned Hawk		Marbled Godwit		Short-eared Owl	
Northern Bobwhite	Cooper's Hawk	X	Ruddy Turnstone			
Wild Turkey	Red-shouldered Hawk	X	Red Knot		<b>NIGHT, APOD, KING</b>	
	Broad-winged Hawk		Stilt Sandpiper		Common Nighthawk	
<b>LOONS, GREBES</b>	Short-tailed Hawk		Sanderling		Chimney Swift	
Common Loon	Swainson's Hawk		Dunlin		R-throated Hummer	
Pied-billed Grebe	Red-tailed Hawk	X	Purple Sandpiper		B-chinned Hummer	
Horned Grebe			Least Sandpiper		Belted Kingfisher	
			Semipalm. Sandpiper			
<b>STORK, FRIG, GANN</b>			Western Sandpiper			
Wood Stork			Shrt-billed Dowitcher			
Magnif. Frigatebird			Long-billed Dowitcher			
Brown Booby			Wilson's Snipe			
Northern Gannet			American Woodcock			

