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Then, select "Your AmazonSmile" (toward the bottom - in the Help & Settings section). Next, search for Audubon of Kansas, and hit "Select" when it comes up. That is all there is to it!

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Sign in to your account (or create one if you don't already have one) or [click here](#) to go directly to the AOK page. If signing in, select the "More" button with three dots in it located beneath the Log out button, next select "Donate to a cause". Search "Audubon of Kansas" (you can leave the other fields blank) and click "Favorite Charity" to give \$1 for every purchase or donate directly from PayPal to have them cover all our fees.

Even though these are individually small donations, they add up to regular income throughout the year for AOK. Thank you!

Prairie-Chickens considered for protection



Lesser Prairie-Chickens are being considered for listing under the Endangered Species Act. The population in New Mexico will likely be listed as endangered; whereas, the population in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Colorado will be listed as threatened. AOK's Executive Director, Jackie Augustine, has met with The National Audubon Society to discuss the details of the listing and has drafted a letter in support of the listing. Four Kansas Audubon chapters have already agreed to sign on to the letter.

You can view more about the proposed listing here:

[US Fish & Wildlife Service](#)

AOK's Board of Trustees, Bill Browning, has written several articles about Greater Prairie-Chickens in our Prairie Wings Magazine over the years. To read more about Greater and Lesser Prairie Chickens [Click Here](#).

Our Prairie Wings magazine issues are always available for you [Here](#).



Prairie-Chicken Festival: A chance to see these iconic species. Save the Date!



The first annual **Prairie-Chicken Festival** hosted by Audubon of Kansas will be held April 7-10, 2022 in Hays, KS. The main attraction will be viewing Greater and Lesser Prairie-Chickens. These two species have unique breeding displays where males gather in a small area to attract mates. They are declining throughout most of their range, but populations are stable in western Kansas. Greater and Lesser Prairie-Chicken populations overlap in only a few counties in western Kansas, so this is a unique opportunity to see both species.

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New logo will help us connect with the next generation of conservationists

AOK is proud to introduce our redesigned logo. The prairie-chicken reminds us of the original prairie-chicken logo and represents AOK's history and legacy of conservation and advocacy. The prairie-chicken is located at the center of our logo representing our focus on wildlife. The letters 'AOK' are reminiscent of a cattle brand symbolizing the deep connection

among people, working lands, wildlife, and the Great Plains. Our new logo will help us connect to the next generation of conservationists as its simple color scheme is easy to reproduce in print and digital formats.



Our Board shares their favorite walks, hikes and birding spots!



John Schukman recommends Angel Falls Trail in Lansing

It's an easy short half mile walk on a paved trail. John likes to walk it when he doesn't want to get his feet muddy. During the spring migration, the view of the trees along the path is fairly open to see thrushes, vireos, and warblers. A stop at the bridge crossing and waterfalls is always enjoyable, and Eastern Phoebe and Louisiana Waterthrush are frequent.

[More information about Angel Falls Trail](#)

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