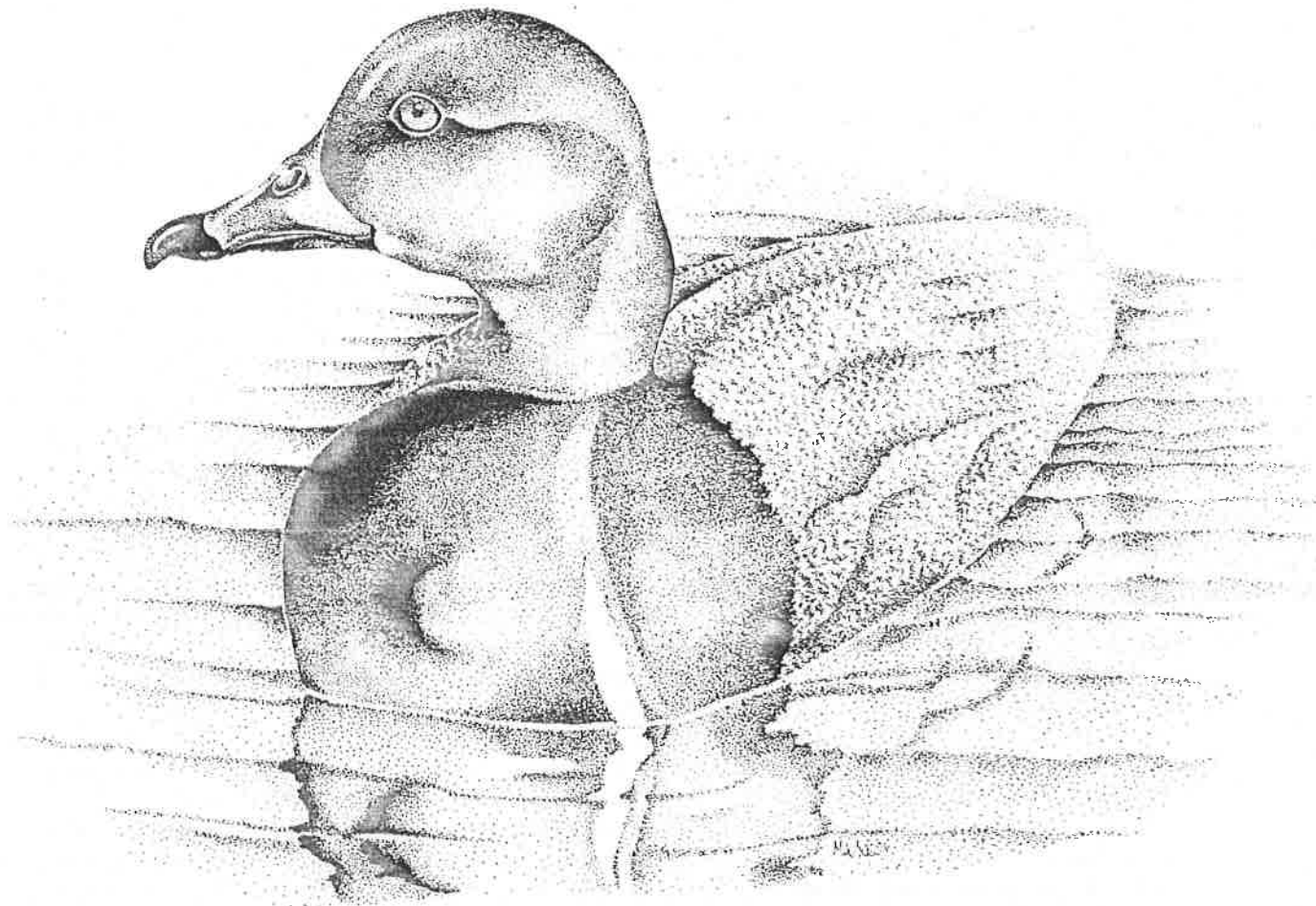
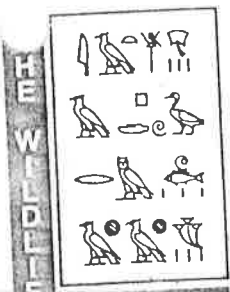


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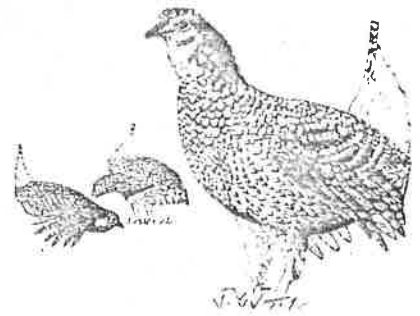


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North Dakota Chapter

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President's Message

As far as the Chapter is concerned, we are now at the mid-point in the year. Needless to say there hasn't been a dull moment. Insofar as possible, I would like to take a few lines here and briefly explain some of the Chapter activities.

The Chapter has responded to quite a list of diverse issues which we have reported in this and previous Newsletters. Many other issues such as the GDU mitigation plan, Apple Creek, coal gasification, Northern Border pipeline, etc., are currently active and we will report on those as they develop further. The wetland issue still remains the single most critical issue consuming the time and resources of the Chapter. The Chapter has made that commitment and the Chapter is involved.

In recent months, thanks to the financial support we have received, the wetland drainage committee has worked hard to review this problem of indiscriminate drainage. This committee along with our wetland consultant, Gary Pearson, have reviewed a number of these cases and have provided the Council with various recommendations. Those cases in which the current status is unclear and those cases suspected of violations of state law have been packaged and sent to the State Water Commission. The SWC has responded by forwarding our concerns and requests to the appropriate county Water Management Boards. At this point, we are hopeful that specific action will result to correct various drainage activities for which permits have not been issued or where impacts have not been fully evaluated. The SWC has asked to meet with us to avoid a drawn out exchange of letters and promote a more responsive dialogue. A late October date has been scheduled to discuss each specific case. I feel strongly that if conducted properly, meetings of this type will advance our concerns for wetland preservation. Gary has established legal contacts to provide counsel and review of specific cases. Gary's efforts and the hard work of the drainage committee chaired by Lloyd Jones has made the difference in our ability to work effectively in this difficult area. Drainage resulting in substantial impacts on those suspected of draining large watersheds in violation of state law should be brought to the attention of either Lloyd or Gary. In addition, the drainage committee is currently working on an educational pamphlet designed to explain drainage laws and point out the value of good water management.

On another matter, if we are even to develop a more responsive communication network, we must build an effective publicity committee. There are numerous issues which arise and our voice is needed. I view this committee as one of

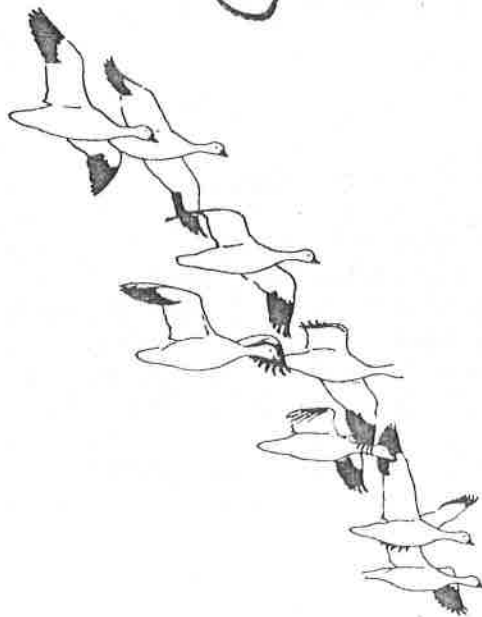
our more important both from an information as well as educational standpoint. It is a critical need of the Chapter and will be the subject of our October council meeting. If you have ideas on how to structure this committee, I would appreciate hearing from you.

As many of you know, Leo Kirsch was recently presented with the CMPS professional award at its summer meeting in Gretna, Nebraska. We are all appreciative of Leo's many contributions over the years and it's nice to see him recognized for these achievements. Congratulations Leo!! While on the subject of awards, Rich Crawford is now receiving nominations for our own "North Dakota Award" and "Habitat Award". Rich should also be contacted regarding individuals deserving of the Wildlife Society's "Special Recognition Service Award" and/or "Honorary Membership" status. We have many qualified and deserving members in our Chapter, so get their names in to Rich soon! Also don't forget the membership award to be presented to the person signing up the most new members.

At this point, the arrangements and program for our annual meeting are coming along nicely. Mike McEnroe and Al Sapa have us booked at the Kirkwood in Bismarck, February 19-21. Tom Gatz and Fred Giese are currently working hard to develop the program. This year our theme will be "Water Resources and Their Management in North Dakota". This topic has generated much controversy of late and should prove to be an excellent program. I hope you all plan to attend.

With the passage of summer, I look forward to a few brief fall days before freeze-up. I may be hard to find, but keep trying, later!

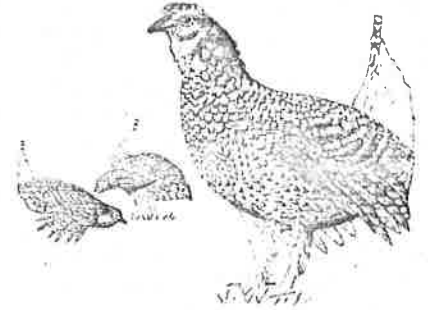
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NDCTWS Council Meeting

September 10, 1980

The Executive Council of the North Dakota Chapter of The Wildlife Society met at the Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center at 1:00 p.m., September 10, 1980. Council members Jerry Serie, John Lokemoen, Richard Crawford, Kevin Brennan, Lowell Tripp, Lloyd Jones and Dave Sharp were present; Dan Schmidt was absent. Other members present included George Eneyart, Leo Kirsch, Darold Walls, John Foster, Gary Pearson, John Sidle and Bill Berg.

The meeting was brought to order by President Serie, Dave Sharp presented the Secretary/Treasurer and Membership reports and read the minutes of the last council meeting.

Treasurers Report

Balance as of June 23, 1980

Checkbook.....	613.70
Wetland Fund.....	1364.62
Savings Certificate.....	1644.62
Total	\$3622.94

Income:

Chapter Memberships.....	55.00
Chapter Publications.....	17.50
Grant (Drainage Fund) Minn. Inv. Rar.....	10,000.00
Interest (Drainage Fund).....	41.20
Interest (Wetland Fund).....	18.18
Total	\$10,131.88

Expense:

Western Union.....	16.00
Haroldson's Office Supply.....	25.75
Postage.....	188.98
Howe Institute (GDU Study).....	5.00
Dayton & Associates (Retainer).....	1000.00
Community Credit Union (Share Drafts).....	5.26
Community Credit Union Serv. Chg.....	1.00
Dr. Pearson Wetland Consultation.....	750.42
Nat. Audubon Soc. (Wetland Photos).....	182.50
Valley City Times Record.....	260.40
Minn. Wildl. Heritage Fund (Print).....	63.50
Total	\$2498.81

Balance as of September 10, 1980	
Checkbook.....	450.47
Drainage Fund.....	8284.52
Wetland Fund.....	876.40
Savings Certificate.....	1644.62
Total	\$11,256.01

Rich Crawford moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Kevin Brennan seconded, motion carried.

Dave Sharp indicated that the membership drive is still progressing, but urged all members to continue working to sign up as many new members as possible. We currently have 225 members in good standing for 1980, but still need 25 additional members to reach our established goal of 250. The following twelve applicants were approved for membership:

Mary E. Schmidt	John Fleckenstein	William Otto
William Moore	Gregory Smested	Dave Swansby
Allan Lund	Jeffrey Jorgenson	David Opperman
Carole Hayes	Dennis Strom	Sam Evanoff

President Serie briefed the Council on correspondence and activities since the last council meeting.

- (1) August 19 - Al Sapa attended the State Water Commission meeting in Bismarck. Many commission members were absent and few new topics were discussed.
- (2) The Chapter sent out a special mailing on the Cross Ranch and Northern Border Pipeline. The Chapter made a news release on behalf of the purchase of the ranch and after subsequent defeat of the referendum; John Lokemoen offered to draft a letter on behalf of the Chapter to Bob Levis (owner of the Cross Ranch), supporting him in his continuing efforts to set aside the ranch as a natural area. On August 29, President Serie provided testimony at the PSC's hearing on the proposed pipeline corridor by Northern Border. Our Western Energy Development Committee will keep informed and recommend future Chapter action.
- (3) A package of drainage violations of state drainage laws were sent to the State Water Commission.
- (4) The Chapter purchased a Jim Killen print of mallards for fund raising activities at this year's annual meeting. The proceeds from the print have been donated by Killen to Bill Bryson, who has expended over \$18,000 in legal fees in fighting drainage of a wetland in Minnesota.
- (5) Announcement of a call for nominations for several TWS awards have been received from our Washington office.
 - (a) The 1981 Leopold Award
 - (b) Special Recognition Service Awards
 - (c) Honorary Memberships
- (6) Received a news release from the United States Water Resources Council indicating that a report has been published in the Federal Register assessing water resource implications of the Great Plains Gasification Associates project in Mercer County, North Dakota. The report has a 90

- day review and comment period ending November 3, 1980. Our Western Energy Development Committee is currently reviewing this report.
- (7) The Chapter has received a response from Secretary Bob Bergland of the U. S. Department of Agriculture concerning the use of (FmHA) loan funds for wetlands. The response indicates that FmHA has made no irrigation or drainage association loans in North Dakota and there are approximately 103 individual soil and water loan borrowers in North Dakota. To the best of their knowledge few if any loans were for drainage. A follow-up letter will be sent to the State Director of the Farmer's Home Administration.
 - (8) The Manitoba Chapter TWS has cancelled a tour of Garrison Diversion Project Features which had been planned for September 20, 1980. This trip will be rescheduled this next spring. In addition, the Manitoba Chapter has issued a public statement against those portions of the Garrison Project that would divert Missouri basin waters into Canada.
 - (9) We have received correspondence from Prime Minister Trudeau's office which thanks us for our interest in establishment of Canada's 29th National Park (Grassland National Park).
 - (10) An announcement from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service has been received indicating that a public meeting was held in Grand Forks on September 25, 1980 at Grand Forks Ramada Inn.
 - (11) Prairie Public Television will televise a new series entitled "Dakota Fields" this fall. This program will feature hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities which will be taped on a local basis; in fact, most will be done in North Dakota. "Dakota Fields" can be seen throughout North Dakota beginning September 25, 1980 at 5:30 p.m. It will then air every Sunday at the same time, with a repeat Wednesday nights at 11:00 p.m. through the end of December.
 - (12) The CMPS passed two resolutions at its 1980 Annual Summer Conference. A resolution supporting the mourning dove season in South Dakota and one supporting a furbearer symposium (1981 Midwest Conference, Wichita, Kansas) were adopted.
 - (13) The Chapter has ordered a study published by the C. D. Howe Institute, The Garrison Diversion Unit: A Case Study in Canadian - U. S. Environmental Relations by John E. Carroll and Roderick M. Logan (\$5.00).
 - (14) The National Audubon Society has written a letter to us expressing appreciation for our involvement in the Cross Ranch referendum. In addition, NAS felt it worthwhile in setting up a meeting for those individuals/groups who were interested in a continuing effort in trying to preserve the ranch.
 - (15) The Manitoba Chapter TWS has announced dedication ceremonies honoring wildlife biologists Allan John Pakulak, Claude Colbert Holmstrom and Larry Allen Francis on October 5, 1980. Ceremonies will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the junction of the Red River and Netley Creek.

NEW BUSINESS

Lloyd Jones indicated that during debate on the Alaska Lands Bill, Senator Burdick had changed his mind and voted positively. Kevin Brennan moved that the Chapter draft a letter to Senator Burdick expressing our gratitude for his vote. Lloyd Jones seconded; motion carried. A letter has since been sent and we received a very nice letter in return stating Burdick's concern for Alaska's reserves.

John Lokemoen - Chapter representative at the CMPS summer meeting, gave a report to the council. Leo Kirsch, longtime Chapter member, was awarded the CMPS professional award.

- CMPS representative to TWS, Harvey Miller, asked all members for greater input during his tenure.
- Dues will be increased to \$5.00/year.
- The Fourth Edition of the TWS Techniques Manual has been reprinted and is now available from TWS for \$18.00.
- Currently the Journal has a rejection rate of 50%.
- The TWS building fund totals \$150,000, but needs \$230,000 in order to get into the planned Natural Resources Center.
- Approximately 2,000 wildlife biologists have now been certified by TWS.

George Enyeart briefed the council on several matters involving the CMPS:

- A two-year term for President has been approved by the membership.
- The bylaws revision is still progressing.
- CMPS will co-sponsor a furbearer workshop with the Wyoming Chapter next year.
- North Dakota's next regular turn to sponsor the CMPS annual summer meeting will be in 1983.
- The CMPS would like to co-sponsor a workshop with the N. D. Chapter concerning wildlife management techniques. Manipulation of habitat types on public lands should be the underlying theme of the meeting. After discussion, John Lokemoen moved that since the council agreed to consider the workshop, George be allowed to develop a committee looking into matters concerning such a workshop and report back to the council at a future council meeting; Rich Crawford seconded; motion carried.

Rich Crawford, Building Fund Chairman, indicated that in addition to the \$2,000 which had been transferred to the TWS, the Chapter has on hand \$1677. The rest of the prints will be distributed and the fund will be closed by the end of the year. Jerry Serie moved that Rich transfer one of the remaining prints to John Lokemoen to replace one which had been donated to the CMPS for auction at their annual summer meeting; Rich Crawford seconded; motion carried.

Leo Kirsch, fund raising Chairman, indicated that the committee will move ahead with advance plans for fund raising activities at this year's annual meeting. Due to the success of last year's fund raising efforts, proceeds will again go to our wetland fund. If any member has suggestions for improved fund raising activities, please direct them to Leo Kirsch, Box 68, Woodworth, North Dakota 58496.

Lloyd Jones indicated that in order to promote our educational goals of increased awareness to indiscriminate wetland drainage in North Dakota, the wetland drainage committee recommends that the Chapter purchase T-shirts and bumper stickers for public distribution. Kevin Brennan moved that the committee select slogans and move ahead with purchase prior to this year's annual meeting; Jerry Serie seconded; motion carried.

Gary Pearson, wetland consultant, briefed the council on the current status of drainage violation cases which have been given attention to date. Violations of state drainage laws have been reported to the State Water Commission in

Stutsman, Barnes, Steele and Nelson counties. In general, Pearson felt the largest problem lies with the local water management boards. Additional drainage violations are now needed by our drainage committee. Chapter members having knowledge of violations should contact Jerry Serie, Lloyd Jones or Gary Pearson immediately. Kevin Brennan briefed the council on the current status of Holstein Slough, Russell Diversion and Hurricane Lake.

Darold Walls, refuge manager (J. Clark Salyer NWR), briefed the council on a proposed land exchange at the Refuge. During acquisition, a small park was purchased with the Refuge. Currently the park has grown and now has a golf course, etc. The local park board wants to trade 84 acres which lie adjacent to the Refuge for the park facility which is currently leased from the Refuge. Darold feels the exchange would be beneficial and asked that the Chapter review the proposed land exchange and provide comments to the FWS.

Jerry Serie indicated that the council will hold a special council meeting at J. Clark Salyer NWR in October to discuss the restructuring of our publicity committee. In the future this committee will have to be more functional if the educational needs of the Chapter are to be met.

Dave Sharp indicated that assistant Secretary/Treasurer Renee Duval has resigned and accepted a position with the FWS in Portland, Oregon. Jim Piehl has accepted the position until the Chapter changes officers in April 1981.

Chairman Mike McKenna has announced that Bob Seabloom and Hal Kantrud have agreed to serve as members in the endangered species committee. A principle task of this committee is to develop an annual evaluation process and better clarify the in-state status of various species of plants and animals. Those species threatened with possible extirpation due to loss of habitat or disturbance should be better defined and more closely monitored.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

David E. Sharp
Sec/Treas NDCTWS



"FROM OUR HISTORIC PAST"

EDITOR: DENNIS JORDE

JWM Vol. 7, No. 1, 1943, pp. 125 and 126, OBITUARY

P. S. LOVEJOY -- ...I believe that P. S. Lovejoy sired more ideas about men and land than any contemporary in the conservation field. I here attempt to sketch some recent and unpublished chips from the Lovejoy block....in my office, and I fancy in many others, the arrival of a letter in Lovejoyese was always heralded by titters from the mail room. My file of Lovejoyiana shows that this vernacular grew in extravagance and in wit as its contents deepened with advancing age....

...Lovejoy's distinction between educator and extensionist is elaborated in a recent letter (3/8/39):

"Educators smear all behaviors which are not dominantly rational. The standard campus illusion is that 'HOMO' can and should be educated so that he will not much, if any, (or anyway not in public) behave like a mammal. All the while everybody knows he will.

Skillful advertisers, politicians, and evangelists know in advance that most of the time people will react to stimuli and inhibitions which have little or nothing to do with the campus formula.

The extensioner splits the difference. He does not expect his customers to be much or often rational. He uses fact-logic only when it seems to work. When it doesn't work, he contrives bait and drift-fences and banana-peel arrangements which do. His job is to bridge the gap between the latest Experiment Station dope and the specific action-program. When the educator has done his stuff, the customer is due to be intelligent, but the extensioner is content if he thereafter acts as if he were."....

...I add from "Ecological Engineering":

"It is an almost universal assumption that there is something pathological in politicians. This, assuredly, is a misconception. The politician has always been associated with civilization, and has a function corresponding to that of leucocytes in the blood. The splitting of differences of interest among the governed is a perennial job. Our ecological engineer may be glad to have someone tending the minor chores while he himself is computing another social modulus, or triangulating to place another banana-peel where it will do the most good. Our engineer will bear in mind that HOMO SAPIENS is still considerably sap. The normal function of the politician is to take the public where he thinks it wants to go; the function of our engineer is to take the public where it will be glad to be when it gets there."...

Aldo Leopold



NOMINATIONS

THE NORTH DAKOTA AWARD

THE NORTH DAKOTA WILDLIFE HABITAT AWARD

Richard Crawford, President-Elect, is now accepting nominations for the North Dakota Award and The North Dakota Wildlife Habitat Award. The North Dakota Award is presented to an individual or group that has made an outstanding contribution towards furthering the aims of professional wildlife endeavors in the State of North Dakota. The North Dakota Wildlife Habitat Award is presented to an individual or group that has made an outstanding contribution towards preserving and/or establishing high quality wildlife habitat upon the lands of North Dakota

Nominations from members in good standing will be accepted until November 30. Send nominations:

Dr. Richard Crawford
Department of Biology, U.N.D.
Grand Forks, N.D. 58201

1981 MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Again this year the Chapter is sponsoring a membership drive. Another award will be presented at our annual meeting. Our goal this year is to have 250 paid up members by our 1981 annual meeting. Dave Nilson and his membership committee urges all members to help and sign up a new member today!! Send membership applications to: Dave Sharp, P.O. Box 1747, Jamestown, ND 58401

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I am () / am not () a member of TWS.

Name: _____

Address (use school, if student): _____

Occupation - Student (X) _____ Other _____

Annual Dues: \$5.00

Send Applications: Dave Sharp, Secretary-Treasurer, North Dakota Chapter of The Wildlife Society, P.O. Box 1747, Jamestown, North Dakota.

**1981 NDCTWS ANNUAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 20 AND 21 1981
KIRKWOOD MOTOR INN, BISMARCK ND**

ARRANGEMENTS CHAIRMEN:

MIKE McENROE

AL SAPA

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

TOM GATZ

FRED GEISE

THEME: "Water Resources and Their Management in North Dakota"

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SALLY MARKOS, LaCROSSE Wisc.

We thank Sally for her redhead on the cover of this newsletter. Sally lived in Wilton, ND last summer, and fell in love with the redhead. Thanks again Sally for sharing your unique style with us.

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