October 13, 2011

The Meeting of the El Camino Real Chapter was called to order by the President, Katherine Bedrich at 7:20 pm at the American Legion Hut after a program on bugs presented by Charles Mayer.

In the absence of the secretary, the approval of the minutes was postponed until the November meeting.

Treasurer's report by Dorothy Mayer: The Nature Fest balance is \$1652.24. The Bird Sanctuary Fund balance is \$150.00. The general balance is \$3725.52, making the total balance \$5377.76

The president announced the chapter will provide a basket of goodies for the State Conference silent auction.

Nature Experiences reported:

Dorothy Mayer – has sighted 2 harvest ant beds on her property, and a road runner Cindy Bolch – Two stags in her yard.

Ann Collins – Birds sighted in her yard, Merlin, Brown thrasher, Nashville Warblers, House wrens.

Donna Lewis- Blue Birds going to the nest boxes. Wildfires in the King orchard, fences were cut so wildlife could escape the fire.

Sandra Dworaczyk- Red Bellied Woodpecker continues to visit the bathroom window daily. Great Blue Heron is seen daily on the creek.

Cindy Bolch presented recertifications to Cindy McDaniels, Gary McDaniels and Phyllis Schuffield. She reported to date the chapter has 22,048 volunteer hours, and 3,031 advanced training hours.

Phyllis Schuffield advised the November meeting will be November 10, 2011 at Wayne Fisher's beginning at 4:00 pm. The December Meeting will be December 8, 2011 at Michelle Fletcher's beginning at 6:00 pm.

Dorothy Mayer advised there will be a new class committee meeting on October 17, 2011, at 11:00 a. m at the Methodist Church in Milano. The new class will begin on February 10, 2012, and will meet at the Methodist church in Milano. The times are to be decided between 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, and 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The Nominating Committee report by Cindy McDaniels presented the following slate for 2012-2013:

President – Katherine Bedrich Vice President – Donna Lewis Secretary – Lucy Coward Treasurer – Cindy Bolch

The vote will be taken at the November meeting.

The President reported that a scholarship was given to a member to attend the state conference.

Announcements:

Cindy McDaniels has strawberry plants for sell.

Motion to adjourn by Ann Collins, second by Cindy Bolch. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned,

Respectfully submitted, Sandra L. Dworaczyk