

**Texas Master Naturalist
El Camino Real Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2015**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Sandra Dworaczyk at 6:55pm and was held at Buckholts SPJST Hall on Hwy. 36.. Those in attendance included: Clyde Adcock, Nancy Adcock, Darlene Anglen, Katherine Bedrich, Cindy Bolch, Ann Collins, Linda Jo Conn, Joyce Conner, Lucy Coward, Sandra Dworaczyk, Debbi Harris, Pat Holley, Janice Johnson, Kathy Lester, Lolly Lewis, Dorothy Mayer, Brenda Pruett, John Pruett, Phyllis Shuffield, Kim Summers, and guests Ashlyn Talafuse, Dawn Talafuse, Kambrie Talafuse, Tracy Talafuse, and Virginia Williams.

Order of the Meeting

Historian Debbi Harris brought Chapter scrapbooks to the meeting, which were enjoyed by the members present.

Floridus Milamexa—John Pruett reported the group had an excellent meeting at the home of Ann Collins recently. The food and comraderie lasted over four hours!

Nature of Milam County—Katherine Bedrich gave an update on the Central Texas Chapter Nature Fest. Friday, October 9, is a night hike and Saturday, October 10, is the actual nature fest. Katherine reported the soil tunnel is ready for display.

New Class—Dorothy Mayer reported the schedule for the new class will be out soon. She will give the information to Katherine for preparation of an agenda. She noted the training days have been moved to Wednesdays. Discussion ensued about the change of days from Fridays to Wednesdays, as this day conflicts with the Master Gardeners' regularly scheduled meetings and workdays. It was suggested we stay with Thursdays since this is our regular meeting day. More information on the day for training will be forthcoming.

Upcoming meetings—The next meeting is November 12 at the Buckholts SPJST Hall on Hwy. 36. Members will vote on the new slate of officers. Joshua Huckabee will present the program. The December meeting will be the annual Christmas party at Sandra Dworaczyk's. She and Edward will provide the meats, and members are asked to bring a side or dessert. Members will have a "White Elephant" exchange.

Joyce Conner spoke about the Nature Day at Cedar Hill Ranch and Sugarloaf Mountain on Saturday, October 17, from 8:00am to 2:00 pm. Members are asked to RSVP to the event. She and Mike will do the proteins for lunch and guests are encouraged to bring sides and desserts.

Treasurer's Report—Cindy Bolch. The treasurer's report is online and will be filed for audit.

Pat Holley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Janice Johnson. The meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Adcock

Registration Reminder--Everybody must register on site with the 4H. Go online to Texas.4Honline.com to reenroll. Or see Marcia at the Extension Office.

Following the meeting, Cindy Bolch presented a program on Backyard Birds.