

**Texas Master Naturalist
El Camino Real Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2014**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Barb Cromwell at 6:45pm and was held at the Milano United Methodist Church. Members present included: Clyde Adcock, Nancy Adcock, Katherine Bedrich, Cindy Bolch, Sherry Colley, Ann Collins, Linda Jo Conn, Barbara Cromwell, Rich Cromwell, Sandra Dworaczyk, Debbi Harris, Pat Holly, Janice Johnson, Dorothy Mayer, John Pruet, Phyllis Shuffield, Cindy Travis, and Don Travis,

--December 11 Christmas party/meeting will be held at Sandra Dworaczyk's home at 6pm. Bring a side dish and a white elephant gift. Spouse/significant other invited.

--Board meeting held Tuesday

Voted no to continuing Nature Fest; will participate in other festivals in our area.

New standing committee: Education/Outreach.

Wildlife Seminar end of February/first of March to include speakers, demonstrations.

--Committees--Individuals were asked to respond to an interest survey. Interest groups will be determined from these interests.

Chair reports:

Membership--Dorothy Mayer

Phyllis Shuffield recertified.

AT/VE--Kathy Lester

Historian--Debbi Harris

Please send pictures/articles for scrapbook.

Communications--Don Travis

New issue of annual newsletter available at Christmas party. 50-70 to be ordered. Motion to keep cost at \$5 made by Sandra Dworaczyk and seconded by Pat Holley. The chapter will cover the cost of gift copies.

Projects/Announcements

Nature of Milam County--Katherine Bedrich

Observations in progress.

January 27--meeting for **Sand County Almanac** group. Remember to journal your thoughts as you read

Floridus Milamexa--John Pruet

"On the Trail" presentation by John

Bird Tales--Cindy Bolch

Meets on first and third Thursdays at Winnie L Nursing Facility. About ten residents participate.

Presentations on birds and an activity each meeting. Katherine will fold passenger pigeons with residents next.

Residents are working on lap blankets and recording in their journals.

Milano Junction Memorial Garden--Debbi Harris

In process of becoming a certified demonstration garden

Grass area has been put in

2015--tagging monarchs; volunteer event to do seed ball bombs

The motion to adjourn was made by Pat Holley and was seconded by Cindy Bolch. Meeting adjourned at 7:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Adcock

Following the meeting, members watched the DVD, *Butterflies*.