

**Texas Master Naturalist
El Camino Real Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2018**

Program: "Edible Plants of Texas" presented by Sean Wall

Call to Order

Phyllis Shuffield called the meeting to order at 8:40pm. The meeting was held at the Milano Methodist Church. Those in attendance included: Clyde Adcock, Nancy Adcock, Darlene Anglen, Scott Berger, Sherry Colley, Ann Collins, Joyce Conner, Mike Conner, Jenecia Durr, Edward Dworaczyk, Sandra Dworaczyk, Tina Foster, Pat Holley, Catherine Johnson, Sue Ann Kendall, Larry Kocian, Donna Lewis, Liz Lewis, Lisa Milewski, Dorothy Mayer, Burt Moore, Pamela Neeley, Barbara Paschall, Darlene Reynolds, Phyllis Shuffield, Patrick Still, Kim Summers, Sheri Sweet, Wesley Sweet, Jackie Thornton, Cindy Travis, Don Travis, Nancy Webber, and guests Karen Holmes, Rebecca Holmes, Rosie Johnson, Sam Jolly, and Danielle Ramos,

Order of the Meeting

-Thanks to Sean Wall for the excellent presentation.

-Welcome to the new class members!

Nancy Webber—Plant collection Saturday, April 14, 9:00am, to broaden the Milam County collection at the Tracy Herbarium. It will be at the Hermit's Rest Ranch. Directions on line. Second trip April 22, 8am at Ann Collins's property.

Secretary's Report: Nancy Adcock

The minutes from last month's meeting are online. Sandra Dworaczyk made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Kim Summers. Minutes were approved as written.

Vice President: Donna Lewis

Meetings are planned for the next 4 -5 months.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Conner

The Treasurer's report is filed for audit online. A motion to approve the report was made by Clyde Adcock and seconded by Dorothy Mayer. The motion passed.

Board Chairs:

Communications: Don Travis

Nothing at this time

Host: Sherry Colley

Nothing at this time

Membership: Lisa Milweski

Initial certification and 2017 recertification—Barbara Paschall

2018 Initial certification—Tina Foster

2018 Recertifications—Clyde Adcock, Nancy Adcock, Joyce Conner, Mike Conner, Sandra Dworaczyk, Dorothy Mayer, Pamela Neeley, Sharon Sweet, Nancy Webber

Chapter Stats:

<u>March 2018</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Cumulative (Jan. 2008 - March 2018)</u>
VT - 506	VT - 1, 535	VT - 52, 692
AT - 99	AT - 404	AT - 7, 821.75
33 volunteers	34 volunteers	98 volunteers

Advanced Training and Volunteer: Kathy Lester

--Available to members (while supply lasts) booklet from Texas and Parks and Wildlife on Texas Waters

--Texas Water Specialist training through Texas Parks and Wildlife (8 hours AT)

--Kathy also reminded members webinars are available for AT.

--Mother Earth News in Belton February 17-18. Some workshops will be considered for AT. Please contact Kathy for specifics

Activities/Announcements

Old Business

New Class--Dorothy Mayer

Done!

Conference--Pamela Neeley

Pamela attended a conference planning meeting in Georgetown for field trips. No new news

Earth Day--Donna Lewis

The event will be held in Rockdale at the Community Center on Saturday, April 21, from 10 -2. Come join the fun! 109 North Main Rockdale

Newspaper articles Donna is trying to send an article and pictures once a week to the *Rockdale Reporter* for publication. If interested in helping, see Donna. Volunteer hours opportunity

New Business

Possible trip with Sam Jolly to Interspace Caverns in Georgetown. Sandra Dworaczyk will coordinate the outing.

Nature Stories

Sean Wall Yegua alligator gar

Sue Ann Kendall 2 flocks of snowgeese migrating

Donna—Monarchs out

Phyllis—monarchs being chased

Pamela--skunks moving

If interested in applying for a wildlife exemption for your property, see Ann Collins for help.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Conner and seconded by Sheri Sweet. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Adcock

Meeting time: 30 minutes (VT)

Hospitality, if participating: 1 hour (VT)

Program: 2 hour (AT)