

5-26-2012

UFO of Roswell Club Meeting Minutes:

Present: Steve Smith, Jeff Cohen, Patrick Collins, Susan Clem, Laney Wilkins (Quoth the Raven), Dale Wilkins, Jim Montgomery, Nancy and Bill Siders, Robert Hazel, Melanie Deason and Emmalee Knadle

President Jeff Cohen, discussed Facebook, Birding equipment (Field Guides, binoculars, scopes, smart phone apps, etc.) ideas for future meetings discussions (we may need a meeting organizer committee)

Garden and Home show, we did a preview of items to be sold at the home show, 3 kinds of bird seed, Mixed Wild BS, Black Sunflower BS, and Niger/Thistle BS. Five (\$5.00) and Ten (\$10.00) pound bags. Roswell Seed and Grain is going to donate the seed so it will be a great fundraiser, UFO of Roswell Tee Shirts.

Laney Wilkins brought Quoth the Chihuahuan Raven for show and tell. What a remarkable bird. It's very smart. It talks and has a great personality. Laney told many interesting facts about the Raven. For those of you who missed last month's meeting, Laney brought a Great Horned Owl.

Dale Wilkins has put together a 100 plus bird video presentation for the Home and Garden Show. You'll be impressed when you see it. I think we could use his wonderful work when we are invited to speak for groups.

Mike and Susan Richardson have picked a date for our 2013 Bird Festival-- 3rd week of April, Thursday thru Sunday, April 18 -April 21, 2013. More details to come as destinations field trips are firmed up. Discussion included the Lesser Prairie chicken lecs near Waldrip Park east of Roswell, Rattlesnake Springs, South of Carlsbad, and Bitter Lake NWR.

Emmalee Knadle announced two new members: Bill and Nancy Siders

Steve Smith reviewed Checking account balance thru 5-24-2012 was \$294.44. There was a couple of outstanding checks so this balance will be reduced by about \$94.00. Steve also discussed the volunteer schedule for manning the booth at the Home and Garden Show, Saturday and Sunday June 9th and 10th. All slots are filled except Saturday 4-6PM and Sunday 11-1:30 PM. Only one more member is needed for each slot.

Melanie Deason recommended that we consider a way for a blast email to be sent to our membership whenever changes or additions to the club calendar are

made. We had a lot of discussion on this item. The thought was that the more we communicate our activities, the better turnout we'll have.

I'm sure there was more discussion than what the above represents so you can email me for missed items ssmith3362@aol.com

Next meeting was set for Saturday, July 30, 2012.