

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the
Williamsburg Bird Club
Wednesday, April 15, 2009
Room 117 Millington Hall, 7:30PM

1. The meeting was opened by Vice President Joe Piotrowski. Shirley Devan was absent due to a family emergency. There were 66 members and guests present.
2. New Business: Guests or members who were attending the club meeting for the first time were asked to identify themselves. Visitors included Tom and Felice Bond, and Sarah and Forrest Ameling.
3. Joe asked for unusual bird sightings. Since it was spring, there were many reports of bird and nesting activities. These included nesting Bald Eagles on the parkway by the closed picnic area, Humming Birds, Turkeys, Spotted Sandpiper, Cedar Waxwings, and 3000 Gannets at Kiptopeke State Park. Birds reported on out of town trips included Wood Storks in Georgia and a St. Lucian Parrot and Wood Storks in St. Lucia. Dr. Mitchell Byrd gave a brief summary concerning the hard time Bald Eagles are having nesting after the late snow and wind storm we had this winter.
4. Announcements:
 - a. Jean Rand passed around a signup sheet for the annual picnic to be held June 7th at the Beck's home.
 - b. The annual Spring Bird Count will be held April 26. Call Bill Williams [229-1124] for information.
5. Program: Joe introduced the speaker, Bill Williams, who gave a presentation on the trip to Ecuador taken by several club members in 2009. The talk was illustrated with wonderful bird photos taken by participants.
6. Other: A free raffle was conducted for a book.

The meeting was adjourned by the vice president and refreshments, provided by Barb Streb, and Kathy Klausner, were served.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Fennell
Secretary, Williamsburg Bird Club
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