

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the
Williamsburg Bird Club**
Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Room 150, Millington Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: 40

President's Remarks:

- President Shirley Devan opened the meeting. She welcomed club members and asked new members and guests to identify themselves.
- Shirley reminded everyone that they needed a Parking Permit for their car.
- Shirley asked members to report recent bird observations to the group. Members reported sightings of the following birds: Bluebirds, Carolina Wren, Prothonotary Warbler, Chickadees, Yellow Rump Warblers, White Throated Sparrows, and White Pelicans at Hog Island.
- Shirley mentioned that refreshments after the meeting would be provided by Lois Ullman and Barb Streb.

Upcoming Field Trips & Bird Walks:

Shirley told the group about the following upcoming field trips and bird walks:

- April 22: Field Trip to the Great Dismal Swamp. Leave @ 6 a.m. from Colony Square Shopping Center, Jamestown Road. Leader will be Big Year Birder Bob Ake.
- April 28: Bird Walk at New Quarter Park @ 7:00 am. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- April 29: SPRING BIRD COUNT – all day! Contact Bill Williams if you can help out – 229-1124.
- May 6: Warbler Watch Field Trip to James River Falls Park, Richmond. Carpool from IHOP (near Wal-Mart) at 6 a.m. Leader will be Lewis Barnett of the Richmond Audubon Society.

Other Business:

Lucille Kossodo announced that there will be a native plant sale on Saturday, April 28 from 9:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Freedom Park.

Shirley offered packets of native plants to club members.

Program:

Shirley Devan introduced Randy and Sue Thrasher of Lynchburg. Randy presented a video on *Calypso Birding in Trinidad & Tobago* which featured the birds and sights that the Thrashers enjoyed while traveling in that country of two islands in the summer of 2009. Randy is a VSO Life Member and has become passionate about videotaping birds and other animals.

At the end of the program, a free raffle was conducted.

Shirley adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m. and refreshments were served in the lobby outside Millington 150.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer A. Boag, Secretary
Williamsburg Bird Club
April 21, 2012