

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BLUEBIRD CLUB

October 1, 2016

### Irvine Water District Meeting Room

**Bill Wallace** opened the meeting at 9:00. 36 people were in attendance. New attendees were introduced: **Sue Kirschke** is from Tustin Ranch on the 1<sup>st</sup> fairway. She has had a box for 3 yrs. **Jo-Ann Collier** is the monitor for that area. **Danny and JoAnn Johanson** are from Mission Viejo and have a few boxes.

**Treasury report from Jo-Ann Collier:** SCBC Income \$49.00, Expenses \$150.00, Net \$4254.33. CCI Income \$1525.80, expenses \$120.99. Net \$6954.96.

**Gillian Martin's Slideshow:** On September 19<sup>th</sup> **Gillian** presented the Owl Program to 120 4<sup>th</sup> graders at Ladera Ranch. 7 volunteers from Laguna Hills Audubon Society and SCBC members assisted the presentation. **Gillian** attended a conference about the emerging new pests on trees, The Erythrina stem borer (ESB) (sometimes also known as the Erythrina twig borer), *Terastia meticolosalis*, a potentially devastating moth pest of *Erythrina* spp. (coral trees), has been sighted numerous times in southern California in the latter half of 2015, from San Diego to Ventura. The shot hole beetle is doing a lot of damage to the native sycamore trees. The Britton Fund gave a \$10,000 grant to Tree Care for the Birds.

**Gillian Martin** will be presenting February 26, 2017 in San Diego for the Audubon Society family day. Also Steve Kay, a Fullerton photographer will be doing a presentation on Butterflies.

**Bill Wallace** mentioned Greenscene at Cal State Fullerton in April. It is a two-day event that brings thousands of people. 90 different vendors; lawn art, rare fruit trees, and plants. In November they will have a cactus and succulent sale. In March is their veggiepalooosa.

**Jim Semelroth** had a slide show of "How raptors are helping hummingbirds". Cooper Hawks help to keep predators away from the hummingbirds.

**Bill Wallace** led a discussion on the new objectives to the Mission Statement. The Mission Statement will not change, but the club wanted to add new goals to our purpose. A couple of suggestions were made. Bill was going to give those suggestions to the people who had put the objectives together and present a final draft as soon as possible,

### MISSION STATEMENT:

Respectfully Submitted by

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