

# Silver Jackets Meeting

October 11, 2011

## Minutes

**Members Attending (30)** Walter Allen, Rose Jacobsen, Ian Gatland, Rena Brakebill, Sandra Thornton, Candy Carson, Sally Hammock, Mary Anne Salter, Jo McIver, Annette Satterfield, Maureen K. Glass, Jim Osborn, Allen Garrison, Pat Davis, C.A. Johnston Folds, Harry T. Sullivan, Chris Mitchell, Earle Cagle, Steve Dickerson, Tom Akins, Susan Keenan, Len Parsons, Roger Rupnow, Larry Webster, Betty Dowling, Bill Green, Mike Boyett, Edgar Jones, Joseph D. Brooks, Sara Dryden

### Program

The program was presented by **Debbie Ivie, an urban wildlife rehabilitator**. Debbie's designation is licensed and regulated by the Department of Natural Resources. She gave an overview of how the program operates, explaining that rehabilitators may deal with all animals or specialize in certain animals.

Debbie gave several tips on how to deal with wildlife that you find in your yard:

- If you find a baby animal, try to reunite it with its family. A baby bird can be put back in the nest, and the mother will continue to care for it.
- If you can't reunite, call a rehabilitator for help. Rehabilitators are trained to take care of animals that are too small to make it on their own or are injured. The goal is to be able to eventually release the animal back into the wild.
- Take down birdfeeders in August, so that the birds will migrate.
- Don't feed raccoons on your deck. That will encourage them to go on your neighbor's deck, where they may not be welcomed.
- Contact numbers for wildlife rehabilitators are:  
AWARE (maintains a list of rehabilitators) - 678-418-1111 Debbie Ivie — 404-636-3734 or raccoonpugs@aol.com

### Business Meeting

1. **Sandra Thorton** presented the slate of officers for 2012.

President — **Ian Gatland**  
Vice President — **Annette Satterfield**  
Secretary - **Susan Keenan**  
Treasurer — **Roger Rupnow**

There were no nominations from the floor. Voting will be held at the November meeting.

2. The Christmas Party will be December 2nd at Mary Mac's. The price will be around \$18.00 including dessert and drink. **Sally Hammock** will be sending out additional information closer to the date.

3. **Annette Satterfield** announced a complete slate of volunteers for the Fall Blood Drive. Volunteering at the Student Blood Drive twice a year is the signature activity of the Silver Jackets. It continues to be a wonderful way for our organization to give back to the campus.

4. **Roger Book**, from ME, has recently retired and joined Silver Jackets. Before retirement, Roger served on the Faculty Benefits Committee. He has been asked to serve as a defacto retired faculty member on that committee. This is an excellent opportunity for the retirees' voices to be heard. Many thanks to Roger for continuing to serve on this committee on behalf of the retirees.

5. The next meeting will be November 8th at 11: 00 in the Student Center Theatre. This is the annual meeting with Human Resources representatives and affords the opportunity to ask questions concerning benefits and any changes.

**Jo McIver**

President

Acting Secretary