

Autauga County Master Gardeners Association

Membership Meeting

November 8 10:00 am



Minutes

- 1. Call to order: 10:04 am by Sondra Henley
- 2. Devotion Shannon Mayes
- 3. Introduction of Guests No Guests were in attendance.
- 4. Keynote Speaker Betty Hall The Bluebird Trail
- 5. Refreshments
- 6. **President's Report** -Sondra Henley Door Prizes

Election of Officers - Amy Richardson was elected to be the Secretary for 2024-25.

Elijah Pugh was elected to be the Treasurer for 2024-25.

2024 Handbook/Directory - Sondra Henley displayed the binders which will be used for the new directory.

New committee chairs and the plans for 2024 will be announced in January.

Christmas tree sponsor and sign up - The tree will be decorated with information on poisonous plants. A sign-up sheet is available for volunteers to sign up for duties related to this activity.

Help with Eye Clinic - A sign-up sheet is available for volunteers to sign up. The date is November 18th.

2024 Budget Meeting - The meeting will be held on December 1st. Anyone who might spend ACMGA funds should provide input. This includes officers, committee chairs and project chairs.

- 7. Vice-President's Report Nancy Waggoner is collecting ideas for 2024 ACMGA trips.
- 8. **Secretary's Report** Dian Owens moved to accept the report. Glenn Huovinen seconded. The motion passed.
- 9. **Treasurer's Report** Bionca Lindsey moved to accept the report. Cindy Deane seconded. The motion passed.
- **10. Project and Committee Chair Reports**

Advisory Council - Ange Trimble reported that the 2024 Conference will be in Daphne. The 2025 Conference will be in Autauga County, and the 2026 conference will be in Baldwin County. ACMGA won a gift card to the next conference because we had the highest attendance at the 2023 Conference.

New forms for entering volunteer hours will be available in January. There will be a new category for MG status.

Demonstration Garden - Glenn Huovinen reported that we have donated 1,504 pounds of produce to AICC this year. They have planted crimson clover between the rows of vegetables. A photo of the garden will be taken for the Chamber of Commerce.

Hospitality - Cheri Cook announced that we need 3 more volunteers to decorate a table for the Christmas luncheon. Tables may be decorated on Tuesday before the meeting between 2:30 and 4:30 pm.

Cheri also announced that the next Master Gardener class will be held January-April in 2024.

Membership - Jane Boysen has sent one get-well card, and information about the Master Gardeners to a person interested in the program.

Plant Sale - Bionca Lindsey and Soyna Moore will co-chair the 2024 plant sale.

Prattvillage - Dian Owens announced that the volunteers have cleaned up the garden. The concrete table and benches will be moved to a shadier area in the garden.

A meandering stone path will go through the newly claimed garden area.

Compost will be spread in the garden before new pine straw is laid.

Volunteer Hours and Awards- Adrienne Yarbrough announced that we will vote on Master Gardener of the Year at next month's meeting. Ballots are available.

The Hummingbird Award was presented to Lew Lewis for his dedicated work in the demonstration garden.

Lunch and Learn - Vicki Williamson announced that there will be a meeting after next week's program to suggest speakers and topics for next year. Diane Fortner will present "Moonlight Gardens" at this month's session.

Old Business - None was reported.

New Business - Mallory Kelley announced that there will be a Rainwater Harvesting presentation at the Crump Senior Center in Montgomery on November 28th. Free rain barrels will be given away.

The Helpline has a new computer.

Adjournment - 12:07 pm.