March 14, 2017

Chilton County Master Gardeners

Program Presenter: Mary MacRoan; Topic Drip Irrigation

President Sondra Henley called the meeting to order at 9:30.

Sondra Henley: February meeting minutes approved/accepted by all membership

Pat Farmer: Treasurer's report. Beginning balance = 5874.27, Deposits 19.00, Cleared transactions – 924.14, outstanding checks = 100.54, ending balance = 4849.59. February treasurer's report approved/accepted by all membership.

Pat Farmer discussed the upcoming water festival 3/17/17. 29 Master Gardeners have volunteered. Meet at Jeff State at 3:00 pm 3/16/17 for orientation.

Harriett Jackson encouraged membership to donate an item for the Conference auction basket. Get items to Harriett or can leave at the MG office at extension office.

Harriett Jackson discussed the small fruit workshop was a success.

Harriett asked for volunteers to clean the lab 4/26/17 9:00 am.

4/27/17 volunteers needed to pick and prepare strawberries that will be used for area representatives to determine if strawberries are suitable for their markets. Volunteers needed to help prepare and serve to visitors. Contact Harriett Jackson

Sue Webb discussed the progress on the Minooka Walking trail. Thursday the trail is getting marked for the hand digging that needs completion. Volunteers needed to complete the trail

Sue also advised that the Propagation workshop will be held at Petals from the Past 3/21/16 8:30 A.M.

April programs: June Mays Garden tour 4/4/17, Meet at Jemison Municipal Center at 9:00 to carpool. \$5.00 donation to the Botanical Garden

Botanical Garden Tour by John Manion. April 20, 2017 Meet at Jemison Municipal Center at 11:00 am to car pool. \$5.00 charge.

Jason Powell will speak to the MG at Petals from the Past during the April meeting to be held at Petals from the Past. Normal meeting start time 9:30.

Sondra Henley: The extension office will hold an Alabama cottage law certification course if 10 or more people will register. As we look for ideas for fundraising, more people with the certification can contribute items. If less than 10, a course and test can be taken via the internet.

Trisha Williams: A publication is available that outlines how many hours are required to remain in good standing as a Master Gardener. See Trisha for a copy

Sondra Henley: Two openings remain for the quick books training 3/28/18 9:00 am

Ann Moore: 2 volunteers are needed for the Ask a Master Gardener opportunity at Garrisons on Good Friday 4/14/2017.

Committee Reports:

Jane Mason: Card sent to Jim Pitts, Birthdays to Bill Hairriell, Margaret Ennis, and Trisha Williams.

Lee Walters: Fundraising: many ideas being considered. No final decisions to announce

Sondra Henley: Demo Garden, starting to clean quadrants. Extension office, irrigation being installed, also looking to put in a vegetable garden at the extension office

Help line has a full roster of volunteers to handle the phone lines.

CCMGA received a thank you card from Butterfly Bridge for our generous donation.

Meeting adjourned 11:20 am

Meeting counts for 1 hour CEU, plus travel time and 1 hour meeting time