

August 8, 2017

Chilton County Master Gardeners Meeting

Meeting Speaker: Andrew J. Baril RF, CF. Topic: Deer and other nuisance lawn and garden pests

Sondra Henley opened the meeting 9:46 am

Sondra announced Pat Farmer doing well after her recent surgery; Susan Cleckler's husband in Brookwood Hospital, Margaret Goolsby's husband broke his hip and is in Shelby hospital. Ok to call and text your well wishes.

Alan Reed was present at this meeting, gave an update on his situation; radiation treatments doing well.

August Birthdays announced.

Kimberly Lyn asked for a motion to accept the July meeting minutes. Harriett Jackson made the motion, Sue Webb made the second. All approved.

The July treasurer's report will be announced in the September meeting when Pat Farmer is able to present.

Trisha Williams presented Master Gardner badge and certificate to Judy Cobb.

Old business: Surveys turned during July's CCMGA meeting indicated several people wanted to provide a community garden. If you know of some land that could be used for that purpose please let Lee Walters know. Additionally, other suggestions included hosting learning classes at the library and possibly have an herb garden at the library too.

Committee reports:

Harriett Jackson reported that the advisory committee is attempting to assure all Master Gardener organizations have a strong media presence in their communities. CCMGA leaders feel that our organization is represented well.

Those needing volunteer hours can help at three upcoming seminars. Sign in sheets available. See Sondra for details.

Jim Pitts has advised the little house landscaping is in need of

updating. Looking for volunteers to chair and help with that project.

Jemison city baskets are not thriving. Sondra was able to determine the cause is poor soil, CCMGA working with Jemison to correct the situation.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30

#### Committee Reports:

Demo Garden: Rick Miller advised the irrigation system is doing well. He is also taking over the turf around the garden and donating a lawn mower dedicated to that turn to avoid the spread of weeds from “foreign” lawn mowers.