

Chilton County Master Gardeners

Monthly Meeting

November 8, 2016

Pat Farmer opened the meeting at 9:37am

Jackie Hickman presented the Treasurer's report: Beginning Balance = \$4838.26. Cleared balance = \$8388.08 and Closing balance = \$6226.08.

Ann Baker made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Harriett Jackson made the second. All approved.

Kimberly Lyn asked for a motion to accept the October meeting minutes. Ann Moore made the motion, Ann Baker made the second. All approved.

November birthday announcements made.

Kimberly Lyn introduced the invited speaker; Lisa Green, Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity.

Lisa Green presented the topic of Habitat for Humanity.

Sondra Henley discussed the Home for the Holiday's fundraiser. At the present time approximately \$1400.00 was netted. However, the results require verification. She asked if anyone held any receipts from the event, to please submit so a final tally can be done.

Trisha Williams named the nominations for 2017 officers. President = Sondra Henley, Vice President = Sue Webb, Secretary = Kimberly Lyn, and Treasurer = Pat Farmer. She asked for other nominations. None brought forward. Harriett Jackson made a motion to approve the nominees. Margaret Goolsby, made the second. All approved.

Trisha Williams advised the next Master Gardener class is 1/25/17-4/12/17. Need help from members to distribute and post flyers. Need more students.

Pat Farmer advised everyone to study the proposed budget and be prepared to vote on it at the December meeting. Any questions or suggestions to the budget need to be forwarded to her.

Door prizes drawn.

Skip Coulter held an Ask a Master Gardener Q&A.

How to make leaf mold? Sprinkle high nitrogen on leave, layer, water, wait. Use in spring. Plants love it.

Mexican sunflowers good growers in clay soil.

Good choices for perennial window boxes: Creeping Jenny, Greek oregano, or creeping fig.

Bob Bates invited anyone to dig up yucca from his land.

Pat Farmer indicated the May 1-3, 2017 conference will include seed saving. She advised all to start collecting. Label and describe the seeds saved.

Committee Reports:

Diane Clapp: Cards: Pat and Jerry Farmer, Michele Thomas, Paula Blevins, and Peggie Harris.

Sondra Henley: Demo Garden: Fall garden beautiful. She has received an offer for some free solid bricks. Advised she will schedule a time to get them. Anyone welcome to have some.

Lanell Baker: Extension office: waiting for frost to cut back old foliage. MG's putting in irrigation system for beds. Gay West is paying for the equipment.

No report on Logo items

Treasia Bennett: Christmas luncheon: 12/13/2016. Menu designed. Signup sheets for items available. Dirty Santa will be played. \$10.00 gift limit.

Alice Broome, Christmas Home Tour. Asked members to solicit ticket sales

Trisha Williams: Hours encouraged all to get their hours in soon. Anyone who needs her to enter hours need to get their logs to her quickly.

Trisha Williams: Web team. Encouraged members to look at the smile box presentation on the website covering the Home for the Holidays event.

Anita McGhee: Hospitality: no reports

Rick Miller: Clanton planting: 11/15/2016: 9:00 am meet at downtown pavilion. City will provide lunch.

Margaret Goolsby: Jemison planting date T.B.A.

Ann Baker: Lunch and Learn 12/7/16. Topic: Bow making, gift wrapping, and decorations with natural elements. Ann needs large pine cones.

Skip Coulter: Awards: please submit nominations for service projects and Master Gardener of the Year.

Pat Farmer adjourned the meeting.