

**CCMGA MEETING AGENDA
AUGUST 10TH, 2021
CLANTON RECREATION CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER – Pat Farmer at 9:30 a.m.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS: Pat Farmer recognized August birthdays: Joyce Lawson, Phyllis Cofer, Linda Hays and Skip Coulter.

MINUTES – Review of July Minutes presented by Treasia Bennett. She asked for any corrections or additions as shown on July minutes posted on Chilton Master Gardeners website. No changes, minutes stand as posted.

FINANCES – Judy Cobb and Pat Farmer reconciled July month end financials. July Financials given by Judy Cobb. Beginning Balance for July \$9,876.67 + cleared checks and deposits transactions - uncleared checks = \$9,786.63 Ending Balance.

PROGRAM – Charla Doucet introduced speaker, Charlene LeBleu from Auburn University. Charlene gave a presentation on What is Landscape Architecture based on principles of Frederic Law Olmsted better known as “FLO” design. Olmsted was an American landscape architect, journalist, social critic, and public administrator. He was the father of American landscape architecture. Olmsted was famous for co-designing many well-known urban parks with his senior partner Calvert Vaux. One of Olmsted's early works included designing the Walnut Hill Park in New Britain, Connecticut. His later efforts included National works such as Central Park and Prospect Park in New York City, the Biltmore House in Ashville North Carolina, and Yosemite and Arcadia National Parks. He headed the pre-eminent landscape architecture and planning consultancy of late nineteenth-century America, which was carried on and expanded by his sons, Frederick Jr and John C, under the name Olmsted Brothers. Olmsted uses theory and design in his works. 1) Aesthetic theory - order, symmetry, formal design, grandiose, elaborate ornamentation. 2) Art – view landscape as art, influence, sanitary influence, service human needs, service of utility such as water and sewer. “Service must proceed art, if not it will be neglected”. 3) Design – beautiful and picturesque and create perspective. 4) Beautiful – “pastoral Style” – peaceful and soothing. 5) Picturesque style – light and shadows, use of mystery, tints and textures. 6) Genius of Peace – true to character, hybrid and native plants. Some of “FLO” designs can be seen in Alabama. Olmstead has over 120 plans in the Birmingham area such as: Avondale Park, Lynn Park, Ensley Park, Woodrow Wilson Park, Greenspring’s, and more recently Railroad Park, Magic City Rotary Trail, Village Creek Trail. The are also design work in Montgomery at the Capitol Grounds, Oak Park and Montgomery Botanical Gardens at Oak Park. Several colleges and university campus and layout have Olmsted designs such as Auburn University, Alabama State University, Jacksonville State University, University of Montevallo and Huntington College. Olmstead architect can also be seen in Atlanta, Savannah, Rome and Columbus Georgia. One prominent area is in Dekalb County in Atlanta at Druid Hills and Emory University. April 2022 will be an Olmsted Celebrate Parks. For more information see website [https/olmsted200.org](https://olmsted200.org).

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING – HARRIETT JACKSON. AMGA is looking for state board members: assistant editor for Pathways, nominating committee chairman. Requirements can be reviewed on the AMGA website. Upcoming AMGA conferences: 2022 Capitol City, 2023 Tuscaloosa, and September 30, 2021, fall conference in Autauga County which is limited to 100 registered guests.

40TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY – PAT FARMER – CCMG will hold a party celebration for this event on August 30, 2021, at 11:00 am at the “Little House” at the CREC. Lunch will be provided by the board with COVID compliance. Bring chairs and wear T-shirt. We will zoom in on the Auburn meeting at 1:30.

HELP LINE – PAT FARMER – A sign-up sheet is on the volunteer table for September. We will provide helpline support through November.

PLANT DIG – HARRIETT JACKSON – No one was interested in digging in August, so DIG has been cancelled. Hundreds of plants have been planted from the DIG for the spring plant sale. A fall plant sale will not occur because plants are not ready for selling.

DEMO GARDEN – SHARON HOSCH – Recognized section leaders and will have a short meeting after the membership meeting. Soliciting ideas for making the DG a teaching garden. Would like more people to see and enjoy the garden.

EXT OFFICE LANDSCAPE – GAIL BROOKS – On track and going well and looks great.

CHILTON HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT – SUSAN CLECKLER – A sketch of the agriculture area has been done. The team is researching plants for recommendation. The sketch and plant material will be presented to Mr. Harton, agriculture teacher.

BEEKEEPERS SYMPOSIUM, KID'S FIELD DAY – PAT FARMER – Will be held on Friday, September 17 from 9-12 at the Clanton Conference Center. Volunteer signup sheet is on volunteer table. Pat needs at least three more volunteers but more may attend. Volunteers will get assignments the day before the event, Thursday, September 16 at 4:00 p.m. Activities include drawing and coloring, bee crown, live bee demos, face painting, bee dance, what a bee sees and more.

OPEN DISCUSSION – Nelson Wynn complemented the Chilton Master Gardeners on first to do anything. The committee will begin interviewing on August 12 for the coordinator position at the extension office. The upcoming intern class have 100+ registered for the zoom classes. Pat Farmer and Trisha Williams have been designated as teachers to help interns in our area.

ADJOURNMENT – Pat Farmer dismissed the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Members Present:

28 members

1 guest

1 speaker

30 Total