

## February 6 general meeting activities:

5:00 Project Chairpersons meeting

5:30 County 76 Sale

WCMG Shirt orders taken

Project signup sheets out

Attendance: 35. Attendance was down due to icy streets.

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.**

The January minutes and the December treasurer's report will be approved next month, as there was no quorum.

Judy Smith announced the vote to de-sanction Fayetteville Parks and Prairie Grove Park will occur next month.

New business:

Judy announced that the chairperson for the VA garden has resigned. Contact Nancy Sloan, [ncsloan@uark.edu](mailto:ncsloan@uark.edu) if interested.

The Evergreen Cemetery on Arkansas Ave. has requested a one-time project of designing and planting beds at the entrance gate. Hours will count as community outreach. Chris Bell will oversee this project. Contact Chris at [dane4@Arkansas.net](mailto:dane4@Arkansas.net) if you are interested in the design and/or installation of these beds.

A chartered bus for the Moss Mountain trip for the 30<sup>th</sup> birthday of Master Gardeners on October 13 is being considered. Contact Judy Smith, [jbs5200@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jbs5200@sbcglobal.net) if you think you would like to go by bus. Cost will be around \$50 per person.

Online reporting is still not working. Master Gardeners are encouraged to keep a paper record until online reporting is up and running.

Mary Loftus announced an opportunity for MG participation. Mary has taught 4-H canning classes for many years. She is looking for MGs who will participate in half hour segments on food preparation, soups, drying foods, pizzas and pesto, etc. Students in the class would get instruction with lunch included for \$25. Mary will coordinate if MGs will teach a class for 30-45 min. segments. Two tentative dates are July 25 or July 26. Contact Mary Loftus if interested.

Elaine Blowers announced the need for two more gardens for the FGNS annual garden tour in June.

Registration for state conference began Feb 1. The conference is in Fort Smith, May 30-June 2.

Shirt Sales are being offered in the foyer

Project sign-up sheets are available this week and next month.

Flower Garden and Nature Society announced their March speaker, Paul James on March 17, at 10:00 and again at 2:00. Free for members; \$15 for nonmembers.

FGNS is offering a Tulsa Tour of Gardens by bus on Saturday, April, 21<sup>st</sup> 2018. Cost is \$50. Contact Elaine Blowers.

Next month's program on March 6 is WCMG Joanne Olzewski on Vermicomposting.

The business meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Program: Due to inclement weather, the speaker canceled. Susan Young filled in with a brief power point program on charms and superstitions in Ozark folklore.

Brandon Weston would like to reschedule his presentation, "Bones and Angelica Roots: Love Charms in Ozark Folklore," Susan will do so if another speaker has to cancel.

Program was adjourned at 7:30.