

Master Gardener Monthly Meeting

July 3, 2018

Attendance: Members - 87

The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm

Monthly Meeting Reports

The May minutes were presented for approval as published on website. Kitty Sanders moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, motion was seconded. The membership approved the minutes as presented.

The treasurer's report for May was presented for approval. Jan Lefler moved for approval, Jane Scroggs seconded. The membership approved the May treasurer's report.

Judy Smith reported on the June picnic at Headquarter's House. Eighty-four members attended and the total attendance was 107. A letter was received from Maylon Rice, President of the Washington County Historical Society, thanking Master Gardeners for our support of the Historical Society.

The Executive Committee has voted to return the monthly general membership meetings back to the extension office, except for the December holiday dinner and the January 2018 officer installation meeting, to be held on 1/8/19. This decision was made because a charge will be incurred for use of the Tyson Center for Agricultural Sciences, beginning immediately. This expense was not budgeted in the 2018 Master Gardener budget. This decision can be reconsidered in the future. A question from the floor asked the cost for using the facility. Judy Smith reported that it was \$75 per night and \$25 kitchen usage fee. Additional comments from the floor were positive to the return to the extension office for the monthly meeting, citing the intimacy of the space, the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the extension grounds, and the speaker-friendly environment.

Announcements

Moss Mountain – The bus forms have been sent to everyone that reserved their seat. If you made a reservation, please fill out the form and return to Joyce Mendenhall. A separate registration form will be sent from Janet Carson for the \$30 ticket for admission to the event at Moss Mountain.

Volunteer Hour Log – Be sure to use the correct website to access the online reporting to enter your hours. Go to www.uaex.edu, click on Yard and Garden, then Master Gardener link, and the "Enter Volunteer Hours Here". Use your id and password to log in. If you have any problems, please contact Annette Pinalto.

Soil Detectives at BGO- Volunteers are needed for July 10th from 5:00-8:30pm for presentations at the BGO's Terrific Tuesday program. Three people are needed per shift. If you are interested, please contact Chris Bell.

Advanced Training Class on Heirlooms - The Advanced Training class is full. The class will be held on Aug. 18 at the Tyson Center for Agricultural Sciences with an ice cream social on the evening of the 17th at the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History.

PNG Training - Registration has opened for the PNG training on 9/18-19 at Ferndale 4-H Center. Training is open to all Master Gardeners.

By-Laws Revisions – August and September Garden Thyme newsletters will include the suggested revisions to our bylaws and the nominations for the 2019 Executive Committee. The general membership vote will be held at the September meeting. Please read and be prepared to vote.

Photo Contest – We Need You! There were no entries for the current month. Kitty Sanders showed previous winning entries from April and May. The July theme is Vegetable Garden Bounty. Entries are due the 15th of each month.

Annuals to Perennials (A to P) – The A to P event is planned for July 27th from 9:30am – 12:30pm at the Tyson Center for Agricultural Sciences. Registration deadline is July 13th. Kitty Sander reminded volunteers, except for those providing food, to register for the event. Kitty thanked 2017 volunteers for making the Fayetteville meeting one of the largest in the state. A sign-up sheet was passed for needed refreshments.

Trainee Recognition – Carol Butler recognized trainees that have completed their graduation requirements – Doris Cassidy, Brendan Danley, Bonnie Joslin, Joyce Lackey, Robert McMichael, Lisa Owen, Glendann Robillard. Trainees were reminded to register for the Annuals to Perennials meeting. They were also reminded to register for Constant Contact. If any problems with registration, contact Carol Butler or Neta Winston. The next quarterly social is being planned, so please watch for information.

Years of Service – Joyce Mendenhall recognized members for 20, 15, 10, and 5 years of service.

Lifetime Plus (20 Years) – Betty Swope

Lifetime (15 Years) – Colleen Brown, Brenda Embry, Ann Engskov, Jaylon Haley, Lois Slusarek, and Martha Ward

Ten Years – Debra Douglas, Jan Lefler, Gail Pianalto, Johnny Southerland, Phyllis Wilkins, and Elizabeth Woods

Five Years – Elaine Blowers, Tamara Burnett, Cathi Cody, Beverly Didier, Susan Gardner, Carole Jackson, Karen Jech, Linda McMath, Pat Mills, Lynn Phillips, Judy Sartwell, Sonny Sartwell, Jim Sposato, and Joyce Veasey.

Project Presentation

The WCMG Extension Office Grounds was the highlighted sanctioned project for July. Wednesday morning is the scheduled work day, but volunteers are welcome to work any hours that fit their schedule. A new diagram/cataloging of plants throughout the garden has been developed to promote education.

The next general meeting will be August 7th at the extension office.

The July program was Azaleas Revisited, presented by Dr. Gerald Klingaman, Director of Operations at the Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks.