

CHAPPELL HILL GARDEN CLUB MINUTES
April 12, 2017

President Dale Ramey called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM, and Angela Rutland read a beautiful poem. Our new member, Carol Madeley, was recognized, and we are happy to have her join us. Our other new member is Tommie Montgomery, and we are thrilled to have these ladies become part of our group! Helon Loep and Cheryl McKeown provided our tasty refreshments. Thank you, ladies!

Correction to last month's minutes: Barbara Segal has offered to assist with our calendar ... not be the PR chairperson. Assisting with this project will be a great help, and we are most appreciative. We need everyone's' cooperation in gathering pictures from gardens/yards for the twelve months. Please send them to Barbara. Our hope is that the calendars will be ready for sale during the Chappell Hill Christmas Home Tour. Actually, we will try to have them ready in November, but all of this depends on the cost, which we have yet to learn. Figuring the cost is in the works. (Dale will call Blinn to see if they will do the printing for us.) Lea Wie doesn't have club membership at this time, so she is not listed as our in-house photographer.

Treasurer's Report: Angela Rutland

Expenses	\$ 591.38
Revenue	\$ 935.00
Fundraising	\$16,866.90
Regular/Membership	2,629.75

Attendees: 14

Old Business:

Dale discussed the blanket insurance coverage that we need for all our activities instead of buying a separate insurance for each activity. The liability policy will cost about \$500 annually, and the directors' policy is, also, about \$500. Tom Yates made the motion to approve the purchases, and Susan Baumann made the second motion to approve. Membership approved as well.

Carol Madeley may put her lovely home on the Christmas Tour, and we are so excited about that.

Dale emphasized to the Board, again, that we need to get busy on the sponsorship letters for our upcoming fundraiser ... the Christmas Tour.

New Business:

Committee Reports:

Main Street ... Debbie Roberts suggested that we not waste our time and money for bluebonnets in the flowerbeds at Main Street/290. The beds are too low, and the bonnets cannot survive in that environment. Aaron will plant the porter-weeds that are needed.

Seed Report ... Moon flowers and morning glory seeds need to be soaked overnight.

Name Tag ... Jere Hill reported that she bought plastic covers for the name tags.

Website ... Karen Kubeczka says it costs \$120 for 2 year to have the Weebly site. When it is paid, the "weebly" goes away.

PLEASE, PLEASE PLANT BUTTERFLY AND MILKWEED!! Our little fluttering buddies need all the help they can get. Zinnias are also loved by butterflies, and the bees go after coral vine.

Bennie Yates reminded us that there will be a really good raffle in June, so save your money!

October 11, 2017 will be our club trip to Enchanted Gardens.

Sally Gaines gave a brief summary of her trip to Waco to the Bluebird Festival, and she was impressed with the speakers and all that was there. March 2018 the event will be in Bryan. Susan Baumann has an extra bluebird box if anyone needs it. (Sally said that painting the rooftop of the bluebird house will draw the birds.)

Bluebonnet House will have a wonderful speaker Saturday at 10:00 on "Native Plants and Wildlife Plants." Let Dale if you can attend.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 for the "Cardboard Gardening" presentation by Bennie Yates. The ladies and Bob Marcos made pretty containers from cardboard boxes ... some were decorated and others spray-painted. Very inexpensive and different. Angela Rutland made the motion to adjourn, and Sally Gaines second it.

Ellen Mills
Secretary