

CHAPPELL HILL GARDEN CLUB

September 13, 2017

President Dale Ramey called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The opening prayer was given by Cheryl Robinson.

Attendees: 16

A motion was made by Helon Loep to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published. The motion was seconded by Bennie Yates and was passed by a majority.

Dale gave a report on how Ellen Mills is doing and asked that she be remembered in our thoughts and prayers. Dale and Bobby thank the membership for all their support during his illness.

Treasurer's Report – Angel Rutland

Operating Budget:	Expenses	2002.32
	Revenue	1133.00

Fundraising:	Expenses	129.61
	Revenue	1120.00

Thank you to Linda Weld and Tom Yates for providing the food for this month's meeting.

Dale shared the news that Bob Markos was absent because his wife Sue had major surgery a week ago. She is doing fine and is recovering at home.

Bennie Yates pointed out the raffle items for this meeting, which included a garden cart, Rangoon Creeper and multiple garden books. There is a good supply of gardening books which she will bring to the November meeting. Members will be able to select books if they like and the rest will be donated to the local library. Jere Hill is to follow up with the library to see if they have space to take them.

Notices:

The Chappell Hill Historical Society is hosting a "Business After Hours" get together Thursday, September 14, from 5:00 to 7:00 at the Museum.

The Bluebonnet House is hosting a program on Saturday, September 16, on "The Good, Bad, and Ugly Bugs and Insects, at 10:00 a.m.

The Brenham National Bank is hosting a Business After Hours get together on October 5, from 5:00 to 7:00 at the Rock House.

Due to the hurricane and flooding, the St. Stanislaus Catholic Church Bazaar has been rescheduled for October 1.

New Business:

A new project was proposed to place flag poles on either side of 1155 at 290 for display of a U.S. flag and a Texas flag. The property owners are being contacted for permission to place the flagpoles. Monies previously designated for the flower beds would be diverted to this project. There was discussion of the expense that would be required to change the flags at least twice a year, and of the possibility of having a custom flag for the Garden Club to be flown at special events such as festivals. A motion to adopt this project was made by Paula Barrett and was seconded by Jere Hill. The motion was carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Paula Barrett gave a report on the Christmas party to be held on December 13th. She reminded everyone who plans to attend to give Angela their \$20.00 for the meal and to purchase a gift with a \$20 limit to exchange at the party.

Karen Kubeczka gave a report on the website and passed out a website tip sheet she prepared for the members. Everyone is to set up their own password, which each person must keep track of. The members section of the website is only accessible by members whose email is registered and by using the password 100poppies. Karen also reported that the Paypal button on the website is now active.

Susan Baumann gave a report on the upcoming field trip to Enchanted Gardens for the October 11th meeting. Members are to meet at 9:00 a.m. to caravan to Enchanted Gardens. Please let Susan know a day or so in advance if you are going so that no one will be left behind. Susan and the Board will be meeting soon to set the agenda for next year. Please let Susan know if you are willing to host a meeting at your home.

Next discussed was making two monetary donations of \$250 to flood victims. Paula Barrett made a motion to donate funds to families of members affected by the recent flood. The motion was seconded by Susan Baumann and was carried unanimously.

Old Business

Linda Weld of Classic Labradors has graciously sponsored the printing of tickets for the homes tour again this year. Brianna has given a sponsorship of \$1,000 and Bennie reported that several other donors have made pledges.

Tommie Montgomery is in charge of ticket sales for the home tour. Members are asked to take at least 10 tickets to sell. Money may be turned in at meetings or dropped off for Tommie to collect at the Bluebonnet House. ***Please put all money in an envelope with your name and the amount of money you are turning in.*** Checks are to be made out to CHGC.

Maps will be available at the Bluebonnet House on the day of tour starting at 9:30 a.m. There will be performances by flute players and the First Baptist Church Choir at the Providence Church. The Chamber of Commerce will host the Teddy Bear Parade and Santa Claus at 4:00 p.m.

There will be a private tour and cocktail party for those members serving as docents during the public tour on Saturday. Members who are not acting as docents must have a ticket to tour the homes on Saturday. It is important to punch the tickets at each house before admitting anyone inside. The Board will consider requests from docents about house assignments, but will make decisions based on where the help is most needed. Docents are asked to wear their name tags and club aprons.

The Board is handling getting more garden club signs.

Jere Hill brought up the possibility of giving Joan Gries some form of recognition or honorary membership for her beautiful yard. Dale pointed out that it would not be politic to honor or single out only one person for recognition when there are many beautiful yards.

The Board made a change in the bylaws for the October meeting by changing elections to the November meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Angela Rutland and seconded by Karen Kubeczka. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Virginia Malinowski was the happy winner of the raffle.

Regards, Tommie Montgomery for Ellen Mills