

## CHAPPELL HILL GARDEN CLUB

October 16, 2019

The Chappell Hill Garden Club opened in prayer led by Jayne Hollywood at 10:05 am.

Present were 33 members and one guest, Dana Bradshaw.

Karen Kubeczka, Charlene Yezak and Carol Madeley provided refreshments.

A motion to approve the September 11, 2019 minutes was made by Susan Baumann and seconded by Helen Loep. The motion carried.

**Treasurer** Angela Rutland gave the financial report.

As of 10/16/19, total revenue was \$3,109.00 and total expenses were \$6,808.54, resulting in a \$3,699.54 loss. Total fundraiser revenue was \$3,805.00, which included \$2,980 ticket sales and \$825 sponsorships, and fundraiser expenses were \$995.97.

As of 8/30/19, the general fund bank balance was \$5,038.17 and the fundraiser bank balance was \$13,628.18.

**Outreach** Dale Ramey and Bennie Yates went to the Sugarland Garden Club on Oct. 15, where Dale presented a program. The club has 200 members and is interested in coming to the home tour.

**Home Tour** The home tour will be Saturday, December 14 from 10 am until 5 pm. All members are expected to docent for half the day. A docent schedule will be available at the November meeting. Mary Ann Urban and Robin Hill have conflicts and will not be able to docent. All docents are invited to the pre-tour on Friday night, Dec. 13, ending with a cocktail party at the Parkers' home. The board will help with the party.

Dale Dugas reported \$5,425 in sponsorships has been committed or paid. Dale thanked Mary Ann Urban for obtaining a \$500 sponsorship from Discount Trees.

Each member is responsible for selling, or buying and giving away five tickets at \$20 each. Members who missed the meeting can pick up their tickets at The Bluebonnet House. When members sell or give away their five tickets, they can get more tickets at The Bluebonnet House.

The garden club will spend up to \$1,800 to put up and take down Christmas lights on Main Street so the town will look festive during the home tour. The club owns the lights and garland.

**Main Street Beautification** Debra Faver agreed to be the assistant chair for Main Street Cleanup. The next cleanup and planting will occur after it cools off and we get some rain. More details will be sent in an email.

Dale Dugas, Debbie Faver, Susan Baumann and Bennie Yates have been watering on Main Street. Dale Dugas reported that a stand and reel was built for the 200-foot hose. City Electric Supply donated the wooden reel. A thank you note will be sent to City Electric Supply, 2707 S Chappell Hill St., Brenham.

**Website** Karen Kubeczka reported that home tour tickets can be bought on the website.

**Refreshments** Paula Barrett passed around a 2020 refreshment schedule.

**Programs** Loyce Jardell agreed to be program chair again next year.

Dale asked for program ideas for 2020. Ideas included a bus tour to the Dallas Arboretum in October, a cooking class with Henry Flowers, a flower decorating program, Peckerwood Garden in the spring, Black Woodlands Farm, the Greek Orthodox Church, and Hope Farm.

**Christmas Party** The party on December 18 will be held at Lillian Farms. The deadline for purchasing tickets was today, Oct. 16. Members should bring a wrapped gift for the gift exchange.

Los Cabos will be catering the party, and the club will provide drinks, desserts and appetizers. Paula Barrett asked members for serving pieces. Paula and Barbara Segal will get together soon to see what Barbara has available. Paula will contact members for anything else that's needed.

After the home tour and before the Christmas party, table captains will be responsible for removing all the decorations, other than centerpieces and plates.

**Flag Maintenance** Dale Dugas announced that the Simons family has donated \$650 for 2020 flag maintenance.

Because the DAR decided not to put flags on the graves at the Masonic Cemetery, the club will not be spending the \$350 budgeted for the flags.

**Presentation** In appreciation for hosting the plant exchange in May, Lea Wie presented Bob Markos with a photo of the club at his house.

**Possible Fundraiser in May 2020** Dale Ramey reported that the club may join with the Historical Society for a fundraiser on Mothers' Day weekend 2020. Docents will present an historical tour of Providence Baptist Church and the shops on Main Street.

**Elections** Dale asked for nominations from the floor. Being none, the current board, with the exception of Angela Rutland being replaced by Lynda Harrison as treasurer, was presented to the membership. Helen Loep made a motion that the slate of Dale Ramey, president; Bennie Yates, vice president; Lynda Harrison, treasurer; Carol Madeley, secretary; and Karen Kubeczka and Paula Barrett, directors, be accepted. Dale Dugas seconded the motion, which passed.

**Program** Dale gave a short program on fall planting. After the meeting, everyone was invited to Libby Kenjura's house to see her Halloween Wonderland.

Paula Barrett made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Susan Baumann. The meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley