

## Chappell Hill Garden Club

November 10, 2021

The Chappell Hill Garden Club meeting opened in prayer by Darlene Wyatt at 10:06. Debi Faver led the pledge of allegiance. Present were 40 members.

Refreshments were provided by Libby Beckenbaugh, Sally English, Paula Barrett and Dena Bradshaw.

A motion to approve the Oct. 13, 2021 minutes was made by Susan Baumann and seconded by Darlene Wyatt. The minutes were approved.

Dale Ramey introduced our newest member, Mandy Forbes.

**Committee Budgets** Dale Ramey reminded each committee chair to submit their budget to Lynda Harrison at lgharrison44@yahoo.com

**Scrapbook** Mandy Forbes has agreed to chair the home tour scrapbook committee. The home tour scrapbook has been a popular gift for homeowners. Members should send pictures of the home tour to Mandy.

There will no longer be a club scrapbook. Instead, members are encouraged to send Karen Kubeczka photos and she will post them to the electronic frame. Dale Dugas agreed to post pictures that members send her or Karen on social media.

**Home Tour** More than \$10,000 in sponsorships has been collected. Dale Ramey thanked Dale Dugas, Loyce Jardell and Karen Kubeczka for their work in obtaining sponsorships.

Bennie Yates handed out docent assignments. She will text those who were not at the meeting. Bennie emphasized that everyone needs to docent because there are just enough people to cover all the homes. If an emergency comes up at the last minute, text Bennie at 979-337-1200.

Docents should wear comfortable holiday attire and their nametags. Nametags will be distributed at the cocktail party.

Members will meet at Chappell Hill United Methodist Church at 4 pm on Friday, Dec. 10. Docents, homeowners and spouses, and donors of \$500 or more will tour the homes. Members are encouraged to thank the sponsors and homeowners.

Carpools will leave the church and go to Three Gables in Bluebonnet Hills, then Seybert's Place and 3-B Farm in Woodland Hills. The pre-tour will end up at La Bahia for the cocktail party. Loyce Jardell is catering the party.

Docents should be at their homes by 9:30 or 1:30 Saturday, Dec. 11. Docents were reminded not to let anyone into a home without a ticket. Ticket holders will go to The Bluebonnet House to pick up the map. Dale Dugas will distribute maps on Main Street, Chappell Hill. Extra maps will be available at each home.

Citizens On Patrol will be directing traffic on Main Street during the tour.

A team of members will distribute home tour fliers to businesses. All members are encouraged to ask businesses they frequent to post fliers. Fliers are available at The Bluebonnet House.

**Christmas Party** The party will be held at the Brenham Country Club on Wednesday, Dec. 15 from 10 am to 3 pm. The chef at the club will cater the party. The committee is busy making decorations and favors. Members should bring a \$20 wrapped gift they would like to receive for the gift exchange. Debi Faver will be the elf leading the exchange.

**Stackable Flower Pot Contest** Members were divided into six teams to create different assigned Christmas characters out of flower pots. The creations must be completed by Dec. 10. They will be displayed at the Masonic Lodge, along with The Round Top Ruggers rug show. The public and members may make silent auction bids on the characters. The winners will pick up and pay for their character at the end of the home tour.

Further details about delivering the pots to the Masonic Lodge will be provided later by email.

Twyla Kingsley will announce the winner of the Stackable Flower Pot Contest at the Christmas party. The winner will be the character that receives the highest bid.

**Publicity** An article about the pumpkin decorating at the October meeting was in The Brenham-Banner Press. Karen Kubeckza will post the article on the website.

The Brenham-Banner Press will publish an article about the home tour before the event. Dixie Ford's home will be featured in the article.

**Refreshments** Loyce Jardell passed around a sign-up sheet for 2022 refreshments. Members are required to provide refreshments once a year.

**Main Street Cleanup** Debi Faver thanked the volunteers who helped with cleanup on Nov. 3 and gave them a token of appreciation.

**Committee Registration** Members are required to serve on a committee. Bennie Yates passed around a list of committees and their chairs. Members should think about which committee they would like to join. In January, members will pick their committee, and if they do not choose, Bennie will assign them to committees. The list is attached to the original minutes.

Kim Pope reminded members that serving on a committee is a good way to get to know members.

**Seed Library** The seed library is available at The Bluebonnet House. Members wanting seeds may pick them up at the shop.

**Community Events** A Meet & Greet will be held at Halo House at Gold Heart Ranch, 10345 Hwy 290 E. Gate #2, on Saturday, November 13 from 4-6 pm.

Dale Ramey encouraged members to contact the U.S. Postmaster General if they would like to recommend Steve, the temporary postmaster in Chappell Hill. The phone number is 703-248-2100 and the email address is [hotline@uspsoig.gov](mailto:hotline@uspsoig.gov)

Kim Pope moved to adjourn; Jodi Rodriguez seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 11:11.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley