

## Chappell Hill Garden Club Board

October 5, 2020

The Chappell Hill Garden Club Board meeting began at 2:48, led in prayer by Carol Madeley. Present were Bennie Yates, Karen Kubeczka, Lynda Harrison, Carol Madeley, Dale Ramey, Paula Barrett, Debi Faver, Loyce Jardell, and Shirley Rigamonti.

**Main Street Beautification** Debi Faver discussed the major cleanup planned for the Post Office October 7. Annuals and perennials will be taken out, timbers replaced, roses transplanted, the bench moved, hedges trimmed, and soil added. New plants will be planted. Another workday will probably be needed to complete all the work. Debi provided a complete description of the work and a diagram of the finished beds, which are attached to the original minutes.

After this major cleanup, routine maintenance is planned until another major cleanup in April. Bluebonnets will be planted in November. Debi provided a schedule for 2021, which is attached to the minutes.

The board thanked Debi for the cute thank you gifts she has given workers and encouraged her to continue.

**Programs** Loyce Jardell, outgoing chair, recommended increasing the budget in 2021 from the current \$1,000. Speakers cost roughly \$200 and supplies are often needed also. If the club takes one or more field trips, a bus will be needed.

The October program will be Ikebana, Japanese flower arranging, by Nanako Tingleaf. Nanako will create four arrangements, which will be given as door prizes.

In January, Donita Brannan from Moody Gardens will speak. In February, the club will take a bus to Moody Gardens.

Shirley Rigamonti will be Program Chair in 2021. Many program ideas were discussed, including Mike at Texas Gardener, a cooking class, Robert Nash on vegetable gardening, Blackwood Educational Land Institute, and Gold Heart Ranch. The Lazy Gardener has a list of speakers. Nikki

Thornton has an idea for a spring program. Jana Lefebvre might be willing to do a program. Other suggestions included picking blueberries, water gardening, the Dallas Arboretum in the fall, a tulip farm near San Antonio, and sunflowers in Millikan. The possibility of arranging a lecture for a fee for the public at a venue like Blinn was discussed.

**Elections** Elections will be held at the October meeting. All board members have agreed to serve, if elected. Nominations from the floor are welcome. Carol will send an email to the membership about nominations.

**Home Tour** Paula reported on the tree decorating contest. All the teams have met. Loyce suggested the trees be sold by silent auction. Visitors will be able to bid on the trees and the winners will be notified after the home tour. Everyone agreed a silent auction was a good idea. Paula's committee will make the final decision.

A docent schedule will be available at the November meeting.

Paula will organize a posse to distribute fliers.

The rug hookers will set up at the Providence Baptist Church Saturday morning, Dec. 12.

The Funky Art Café will provide food for the Friday night pre-tour cocktail party and for the Christmas party. Kay Little is in charge of wine for the cocktail party, which will be held at Trey and Laurie Holloway's house.

Kay Little and Karen will create the home tour books for the homeowners.

Bennie is in charge of contacting Citizens of Parole for the home tour.

**Treasurer** Lynda Harrison provided financial reports, which are attached to the original minutes. The balance in the operating account as of 9/30/20 was \$8,109.26 and the balance in the savings account was \$14,989.75.

Lynda reported that \$4,800 has been collected from members for home tour tickets, and \$2,550 has been collected from sponsors, for a total of \$7,350. Budgeted income for the home tour is \$15,830, or roughly twice what has been collected so far.

Ten members have not purchased tickets. All members except one have been personally contacted by a board member about the requirement to purchase tickets. Paula will contact our newest member, Jana Lefebvre, about her tickets.

Of the nine members contacted, six will not buy tickets and will not be a member in 2021. Three members said they would buy tickets. They were told to pick up their tickets by Oct. 14.

Lynda asked if there were any special projects planned for the beautification of Chappell Hill. Almost two thousand dollars is remaining in the account, which was budgeted at \$2,500. Other than the plaque for the flags at Valero, no project is planned.

Being no further business, Paula moved to adjourn; Lynda seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley  
Secretary