

## Chappell Hill Garden Club

July 14, 2021

The Chappell Hill Garden Club meeting opened in prayer by Jenn Mcloughlin at 10:05. Dale Dugas led the pledge of allegiance. Present were 37 members and three guests, Jenn Mcloughlin, Debra Salcedo and Sandra Johnson. Jenn and Debra joined the club.

Refreshments were provided by Nikki Rooney, Sally Mitchell, Carol Locke, and Jana Lefebvre.

A motion to approve the June 9, 2021 minutes was made by Susan Baumann and seconded by Kim Pope. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report** Financial statements are available on the website. The combined bank balance at June 30, 2021 was \$15,259.32, consisting of \$12,992.47 in the savings account and \$2,266.85 in the operating account. Net income through June 2021 was a loss of \$10,154.04.

Scholarships accounted for most of the loss. Lynda Harrison reported that \$8,500 in scholarships for 2021 have been paid. Lynda thanked Sally English for helping to coordinate the scholarships. Lynda brought some thank you notes from scholarship recipients to share with the club.

Two donations were received in June 2021. George Burkholder made a donation in memory of Faye Thomas. Mary Louise Young of Brazos Star made a donation.

Cheryl Robinson suggested adding maintaining the Sample Cemetery to the budget next year. Cheryl will research the idea and present it to the board.

**Main Street Cleanup** Dale Ramey and Debi Faver thanked the volunteers who helped with cleanup on July 7. Debi gave the volunteers a token of appreciation. The next Main Street Cleanup will be on Wednesday, August 4.

**Memorial for Mary Brandt** Jere Hill had suggested the club create a memorial for Mary Brandt. The board decided to defer to the Historical

Society or Chappell Hill United Methodist Church, where Mary was actively involved.

**Programs** Dale Ramey asked members to present short presentations on their gardening successes and failures. Dale suggested talking about a favorite plant or a plant that didn't do well, or a favorite gardening tool. One or two members will present at each meeting.

A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the August meeting for program ideas for 2022.

Texas Brigade will be at the August meeting to show what they've been doing and learning. The club donated \$1,000 to them to send two students to camp.

**Woman of the Year** Congratulations to Dale Dugas for being the Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 2021. Hooray, Dale!

**Fourth of July Float** The club's entry in the parade was a great success and won the prize for businesses. Debi Faver worked very hard and did a wonderful job. Nikki and Tim Rooney generously allowed the club to work in air conditioned comfort in their beautiful barn. Dale Ramey presented a gift card to Debi and Tommy Faver and to Nikki and Tim Rooney. Debi thanked all the many volunteers who decorated and participated in the parade.

**Home Tour** Dale Ramey and Dale Dugas have acquired three new sponsors in 2021: Scott and Debra Simons, Dan and Rhett Parker and Brad Bevers.

Dale Dugas explained the different levels of sponsorship, ranging from platinum at \$1,000 to bronze at \$100.

Four homes are committed to the 2021 tour. Dale Ramey has asked to use the Masons' building for the Rug Hookers and the 2021 contest entries.

Tickets and flyers will be printed soon.

Bennie Yates reminded members they should have almost \$100 in their garden club jars by now to purchase home tour tickets. If any new members

want jars, they should contact Bennie. Members will purchase tickets at the September meeting.

**Garden Tour** Dale Ramey suggested having a garden tour in 2022 and asked members to think about having their garden on the tour.

**Christmas Party** The Christmas party will be at the Brenham Country Club on Wednesday, Dec. 15. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Tickets may be purchased for \$20.

**Standing Rules** Carol Madeley reported that the board revised Standing Rule # 9 in the Resource Book to say, “Field trips and all outside events including the Christmas party are for members only and are not open to guests, **except with board approval.**” Karen has updated the Resource Book on the website so members can update their copies.

**Program** Dale Ramey gave a short presentation on new and interesting plants, including Little Volcano, Moonflower Shrub and Pride of Barbados.

Connie Wilder from Funky Art Café gave an interesting and delicious program about cooking with herbs. Connie provided samples and a recipe packet for everyone. Shirley Rigamonti presented a gift card to Connie in appreciation.

Being no further business, Angela Rutland moved to adjourn; Twyla Kingsley seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 11:39.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley  
Secretary