

CHAPPELL HILL GARDEN CLUB MINUTES
February 8, 2017

President Dale Ramey called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM, and Bennie Yates opened with prayer. A correction was made to last month's meeting ... Paula Barrett lead January's prayer. Susan Baumann, then, made a motion to approve the minutes, and Paula Barrett made the second motion. Refreshments are provided today by Dale and Ellen Mills.

Treasurer's Report: Angela Rutland

Expenses: \$243.16
Revenue: \$746.00
Balance Pending:

Visitors: Carol Madeley & Sylvia Kimbrel

Attendees: 18

Speaker: Stephanie Damron, Texas Parks & Wildlife

New Business:

Dale and Bennie met with Joel Romo with the Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce regarding publicity, town decorations and other matters and how the Chamber might be able to contribute to our Chappell Hill Christmas Home Tour. He stated the the Chamber has an upcoming April fundraiser; hopefully, enough funds will be raised to assist with publicity and having a company decorate the town each year. Bennie and Dale will follow up with him after the fundraiser.

Our fundraiser Christmas Home Tour will be the second Saturday in December.

Our new website lady is Karen Kubeczka who is replacing Carol Doerson. Carol was a wonderful lady with whom to work, and she carried us in so many areas of the club needs. We will miss her presence, and we wish her well. Thank you so much for all the hours you invested in this group, Carol. Karen has retired, and we are most grateful that she has chosen to come along side and hold our collective hands concerning the club's website. She is a wonder, too! (Password to the membership list and info is "100poppies.")

Committee Chairs should report any additions/updates to Karen. Copy Dale Ramey, so our Board can keep abreast of the additions/updates. Please don't forget to email or text her, as we want the website to stay current.

In March, Bennie will be holding our first raffle. Bring money!!

Bob Marcus is graciously hosting our May 10th plant swap and luncheon in his beautiful back yard. We'll have a pot-luck luncheon, short meeting and then plant swap. Last year, a great time was had by all. Thank you in advance, Man, we appreciate you.

Old Business:

Dale is getting bids for blanket insurance on our events.

Rental of storage unit dropped from \$50 to \$40 per month .

15 flats of bluebonnets were planted at 290 entrance and FM 2447/Old Chappell Hill Road.

Main Street is in need of more soil (compost).

Monday, February 20, at 9:00 AM will be work day. Will plant bluebonnets and flocks.

Susan Baumann attended and reported that the *Lunch & Learn* program was most informative.

Monthly programs:

April	Cardboard Gardening (Bennie Yates)
May	Plant Swap & Luncheon (Bob Marcus)
June	Dale's program
July	Discount Trees
August	Field trip/bluebirds
September	Stag Horn ferns (Bob Knox)
October	Enchanted Gardens ?
November	No program

A great big "thank you" to Susan Baumann, Program Chairman, for beating the bushes and finding wonderful and relevant speakers. Takes time and effort to find, follow through and get commitments from these busy people. If anyone has an idea for a speaker or topic, please share with her. She would

appreciate your help in finding topics that interest our club.

Dale has planned great monthly programs at her shop! March 18, third Saturday of March, the program will be "Vines Galore" and "Fertilizing." Please, RSVP if you plan to attend.

Jayne Hollywood's husband had a heart attack but is doing well.

Sally Gaines told us of the Waco Bluebird Convention on March 25th.

After a ten-minute break, our speaker, Stephanie Damron, began her presentation on "critters." She had a question-and-answer time that was most helpful and informative. Snakes were a big subject, and sulfur powder and "Snake Away" were suggested as deterrents.

Don't forget to collect seeds for Debbie Roberts's Seed Library; she has a wonderful and organized method of making seeds available to our group ... with our help. Save your empty medicine bottles to transport them to her. She will then store them properly for safe keeping and until needed.

At 12:00, Paula Barrett made the motion to adjourn, and Debbie Roberts made the second.

Ellen Mills
Secretary