

Cherokee County Master Gardeners Meeting
Bridge Mill Fire Station
Bell's Ferry Rd.
March 20, 2007

The regular monthly meeting of the Cherokee County Master Gardeners was held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007. The meeting was called to order by President Glenda Thompson at 10: a.m. Members present were President Glenda Thompson, Immediate Past President Betty Adams, President-elect Russell Brannon, Co-Historian Mary Ellen Roos, Lois Andresen, Viviane Decker, Mignon Fleishel, Susan Franklin, Nell Gillespie, Maurya Jones, Lynn Knotts, Debbie McCollum, Joan McFather, Billie McIver, Carol Mumaw, Pam Raines, Linda Robbins, Gerry Slaughter, Mary Ann Szostak, Suzie Thomas, Marcia Winchester, County Extension Agent Paul Pugliese and Interns Dot Martin and Pat Whiting.

Officer Reports

President Glenda welcomed members and guests. She reported that the Ball Ground Community Center Landscaping project is on hold. Anyone wanting to make more than one container at Red Bud Nursery on March 21st, needs to let her know. Also, compost (manure) is available from Karen Harper (404-936-0012). She is located on Hwy 92 behind Wood Tech in Acworth. Glenda noted two E-mail changes: Mariana Jackson marianasgarden@gmail.com and Janis Marshall-Kroen janisgardens@yahoo.com. Lastly, the combination for lock on the Senior Center garden shed is 3 right turns to 39; 1 whole left turn to 20 (past 39) and 1 right turn to 9.

President-elect Russell stated that all the interns passed the mid-term exam and that he needed volunteers to take attendance at several classes in April. Let him know if you can help out. Gerry Slaughter sent around a sign up sheet for members to bring side dishes for the last day of class.

Secretary Maurya asked if there were any changes to the February meeting. Mary Ann Szostak moved for approval of the minutes as presented, Carol Mumaw seconded, and the motion was approved. Maurya also read a note from Alan Armitage thanking us for a donation to the Trust Fund to hold his chair.

Treasurer Pam reported a checking balance of \$6603.14 and a Pike's receipt of \$55.29.

County Extension Agent Paul Pugliese reminded us of the Lunch and Learn program at Court House at noon on March 22 and 29th. Also, everyone needs to turn in volunteer hours to Monte at the first of each month--only committee chair has to fill out second sheet replacing the old green sheet for the Georgia Counts program.

Committee Reports

Senior Center/Newsletter/Plant Sale--Marcia happily reported a total of \$904.00 made at Plant Sale at Autumn Hill. She has Merrily's notes on Pruning if anyone would like a copy. Marcia, also, stated that Judy at Senior Center would like to have a MG present a

“Terrarium Talk” to seniors.

Carol Mumaw reported that a total of 51 Garden books have been sold from the second printing.

Field Trips: Betty Adams reported the dates for four upcoming field trips: More information regarding these at the next meeting!

April 14th Plant sale at Demo Gardens in Griffin

April 20, 21st Hall County Garden Expo and Plant Sale

April 22nd Griffin Spring Tour of Gardens

June 9th, Gainesville Garden Tour of Homes

Spring Forward at Funk Heritage Center--Mary Ellen reported many activities planned for that day, March 31, during hours of 10:00-5:00. She needs more volunteers!

T-Shirts, visors, and aprons with MG logo are available at \$10.00 each. You can place your order with Linda Robbins, Debbie McCollum or Mary Ann Szostak.

Other Business

Glenda still needs volunteers to assist at Morgan Ace Hardware afternoons of March 23 and 24th.

Susan Franklin reminded everyone that Cagle’s Farmer’s Market will open Memorial Day weekend and run through Labor Day weekend.

Highlight of the March meeting was program presented by Scott McMahan from McMahan’s Nursery located in Clermont, GA. His presentation, “Plants for Collectors and Enthusiasts” included information and pictures of 39 exotic and unusual plants. Tiffany Jones assisted him.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 and members had a chance to purchase plants Scott and Tiffany brought with them.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

March 21-Red Bud Baskets 4:30

March 22-MG Training 9:30

March 22, 29- Lunch and Learn at the Courthouse 12:00

March 26 - MG Training 9:30

March 29 - Potting at Senior Center

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March 31 - Spring Forward at Funk 10:00 - 5:00

April 1 - MG Training 9:30

April 5 - Work Day at Sr. Center 10:00

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April 7 - Seminar - Shade Plants HF Library 10:30

April 12 - MG Training Study

April 16 - MG Final Exam

April 17 - MG Monthly Meeting at Funk 2:00

April 21 - Seminar - Xeriscaping Sr. Ctr 10:30

BIRTHDAYS:

Suzie Thomas March 24

Susan Cox March 28

Myriam Zagarola April 9