

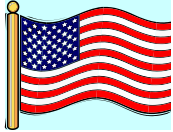


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President's Message

“PREP YOU YARD”

-Monkey flower, Mimulus hybrid - Park seed.

CIRCLEHOE PROJECT: You can still purchase one for yourself or for a Christmas gift. I have the 15 and 10 inch on hand. If 4 to 6 persons want a 59" circlehoe, I can place an order. Let me know.

A QUOTE FOR THE MONTH - "I take nothing for granted. I now have only good days or great days". Author-Unknown

David Baker
MCMGA
President



MERRY
CHRISTMAS



MONTGOMERY COUNTY MASTER GARDERS ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes - November 6, 2007

AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Following the 6:30 p.m. food and fellowship period, the November MCMGA meeting, held at the Extension Office, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President David Baker.

- The November 2007 MCMGA minutes were read and approved.
- There is a need for MCMGA volunteers at the December 1 'Lighting of the Courthouse Christmas Tree' event. Workers are needed at the cookie decorating booth from 5:30-8:30 and a donation of 200 sugar cookies has been requested.
- Fresh pecans, \$6.50 per pound, are available from Diann Nance. The sale is sponsored by Alpha Chi and supports their educational scholarship fund.
- A profit of \$250 was made from the MG bulb sale.
- The last class meeting for the 2007 MG class will be November 13.
- MCMGA members are asked to bring a canned item to the December 13 MCMGA Christmas Dinner Gala.
- Delona Shockley, member of the 2007 nominating committee, presented a slate of officers for 2008. Nominations were requested, but none were received from the floor. The following MG members were elected by membership vote as 2008 MCMGA officers:

President, David Baker
1st Vice President, Linda Earp
2nd Vice President, Katie Smith
Secretary, Margaret Pace
Treasurer, Ann Langmack
Newsletter, Diann Nance

- The 2008 Master Gardeners & Friends Tour is scheduled for June 21, 9:00-3:00. The gardens of the following individuals will be included in the tour: Betty Abernathy, David Baker, Helga Browder, Jim Davidson, Charlsie and John Haliburton, Shan Smith and Mary Weakley.
- **November Program:** Linda Earp demonstrated holiday items, easily and inexpensively constructed from nature's materials. MG members created holiday decorations to adorn the MG Christmas Gala Tree.
- Following the drawing for door prizes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectively submitted by Margaret Pace

Executive Board Meeting Minutes Wed., October 31, 2007 Extension Office, 3:30 – 4:10 pm

Present: President David Baker, Barbara Plechaty, Margaret Pace, Shirley Calvert, Delona Shockley, Extension Agent Karla Keane

AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Two needed amendments to the MCMGA Bylaws were discussed and will be presented for membership consideration.
- The MG nominating committee presented a slate of officers to be considered for election at the MG November meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.
- Eight possible garden sites were identified for the June 21, 2008 MCMGA Garden tour. Hours of the tour will be from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. A motion was passed to include a plant sale at one of these sites.
- Graduating members of the 2007 MCMGA class will be honored at the December MG Holiday Dinner meeting. All MG members will be asked to donate a canned item to aid with community projects.
- Names of MCMGA members completing required hours for TN MG certification will be listed in the December newsletter.
- Members are asked to contribute nature items to be used in creating holiday decorations at the November MG meeting.

Respectively submitted by Margaret Pace

A BIG THANK YOU to :

Linda Earp – Delona Shockley – Margaret Pace
the HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE members for tonight

Hello all! The sizzling temperatures of summer have finally begun to wane this month--and thank goodness! There is much to do before the chilling winds of winter arrive and area gardens slip into their annual slumber. As garden centers

2007 MC MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM CALENDAR 2007			
December		December	December
MCMGA Executive Committee Meeting	5 th	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Public Library
Monthly MCMGA Meeting	13 th	6:30 pm	MC Ext. Off -.Christmas Gala – Party
Christmas (Tuesday)	25th		

MASTER GARDENERS PROJECTS FOR 2007

Chair: Barbara Plechaty, (931) 358-9340, dogwood931@charter.net

As a Master Gardener, community projects are the number one public advertisement for our organization. Our organization has accepted the below named projects in and around the City of Clarksville to assist our community and beautifying our city. Take a moment to review the following projects for one that my interest you and contribute to the necessary community hours in the ACE program. Thank you for your participation.

Project # 1: The *Extension Garden (Sat. 9- till)* located behind the UT Agricultural Extension Office. Three separate plots are combined to create the Youth Garden. These plots include the Butterfly Garden, the Herb Garden, and the Handicap Garden. Co-Chair for this project is Jay Fangman (931) 645-3632.

Project # 2: *Smith-Trahern Mansion* overlooks the Cumberland River in Downtown Clarksville. This beautiful, historic site is used for public functions to include weddings, meetings, and guided tours. Co-Chair for this project is Katie Smith 647-5893.

Project # 3: *Adopt-A-Plot (Wednesday starting at 6:30 pm)* for the Montgomery County Master Gardeners is located at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Dogwood Avenue. Our organization has been a long-time contributor to this Street Department Program. Co-Chair for this project is Shirley Provence, 645-9601, sprovence@mindspring.com and Barbara Plechaty, (931) 358-9340, dogwood931@charter.net

Project # 4: *Clarksville Police Department Headquarters* is located on Commerce Street in Downtown Clarksville. This is a well-visited public site that supports our local city government. Co-Chair is Allen Gilbert, 798-9763, allen.l.gilbert@us.army.mil

Project # 5: Most residents of our community utilize The *Montgomery County Library*. Donated indoor plants provide a lush background for this quiet haven. Co-Chairs are Janice Ledbetter or Fran Irvine, 552-4590, jledbetter123@yahoo.com.

Project # 6: Our own *Agricultural Extension Center* has been landscaped to provide show for visiting speakers and organizations. Three areas that are maintained are the Shade Garden, the Roadside Garden, and the Main Entrance Garden. Co-Chair for this project is Jim & Holly Conatser 553-8725 jim_conatser@yahoo.com

Project # 7: The *Master Gardener Hotline* was instituted to give community members a wealth of knowledge to draw upon for everyday gardening questions. This program is key to understanding and sharing of knowledge. Co-Chair for this project is Talitha Deluco 553-0638

Project # 8: As part of our monthly meetings, the *Master Gardener Website and Newsletter* were created to inform our membership of upcoming events and gardening knowledge. All members are encouraged to publish informative creations to this publication. Co-Chairs are Shirley Calvert and Jackie Peak, 906-1691, skcalvert@bellsouth.net

Project # 9: Every Spring (April 21 weekend), APSU invites the master gardeners to lead the campus residents in the *Plant-The-Campus-Red* Day. Master gardeners use their skills to direct the students in proper garden design and placement under the direction of the University landscapers. Co-Chair Philenese Slaughter, 358-4187, slaughterp@apsu.edu

Project # 10: *Habitat for Humanity (426 Glen Street Clarksville, TN)* – MG to design and plan gardens & yard. Co-Chair: Debbie Johnson (931) 368-0239

Project # 11: The *L&N Railroad Station (1st & 3rd Wednesday each month from 5pm-6pm)* is another of our city's historic sites. Located on 10th Street and Commerce, this landmark is used for weddings and picnics. Co-Chair for this project is Shirley Calvert, 906-1691. skcalvert@bellsouth.net