

Jan 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, January 18, 2005**

Special recognition: (I do not know of any.)

Reports

- Dues are due \$15.00 - Mary has envelopes circulating
- Social (Lynn Phelps)
- Travel (Bob Bray)
- Greenhouse (Lois Corley)
- "Stuff" (Nancy McCowan or Jan King)
- 3 Ps (David Werling) Pictures after the Meeting.
- Heritage Garden Grant and May 7th activity – Carolyn Newbern
- Other Committee that would like to report.

New Business

- Awards Nominations
 - Project of the Year
 - Friend of Pul. Co. Master Gardeners
- Keep AR Beautiful Award Nominations (application deadline Feb. 11th)
- If schools are closed due to weather no MG meetings

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Hours Report – 10,450.5 projects, 7,930.5 Education and 2,040 Com. Outreach
- Leave of Absence and Sustainer – reminder of policy
- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- Pick up "Stuff"
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27

Program - Marilyn Tilley

Kathy Matthews, Arkansas Department of Heritage

Door Prizes

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**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS'
GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, January 18, 2005**

The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met on Tuesday, January 18, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. at St. James United Methodist Church. Dick Blankenbeker, President, presided.

Dick Blankenbeker, President, opened the meeting and announced that annual dues of \$15 are due and an envelope is being passed around to collect them. He also announced that the snow day policy is, if the schools are closed our meetings are cancelled.

Reports were given by standing committee members:

Lynn Phelps thanked those who helped with the Christmas party.

Lois Corley announced that the azaleas for the flower and garden show would arrive soon and that they will be ready for that event.

Beth Phelps announced that there was "stuff" ready for pickup.

Carolyn Newbern told the members about the Heritage Garden Grant and the May 7th Activities.

Karen Briscoe made information available for those who might wish to enter the horticulture event at the flower and garden show. She urged us to participate.

Mary Evans asked for volunteers for the Q & A Café at the show. She also announced that volunteer workers are needed at the Convention Center Garden. She also announced that garden show t-shirts will go on sale before the show this year so that we may purchase them to wear at the show if we wish.

Baptist Rehabilitation Project was elected to be the PCMG project of the year. Barry Travis, Little Rock Convention and Tourism Bureau was elected to be Friend of PCMG for this year.

It was announced that Keep Arkansas Beautiful Award Nominations application deadline is February 11.

Beth Phelps made the following announcements and reminders:

- PCMG contributed 10,450.5 work hours to our projects; 7,930.5 Education hours and 2,040 Community Outreach hours during 2004. This is the equivalent to \$200,000.00.
- She reminded us of Leave of Absence and Sustainer policies.
- She asked us to check the Announcement board and Calendar in Master Minutes for special events.
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- Pick up "stuff."
- The International Master Gardener Conference will be in Saskatchewan in July.
- Membership rosters are in the mail.

Merilyn Tilley introduced our speaker. Kathy Matthews, from the Arkansas Department of Arkansas Heritage told us about this state agency, its mission and goals.

Door prizes were awarded.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline S. Wright
PCMG Secretary

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Committee reports:

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- Carolyn Newbern told the members about the Heritage Garden Grant and the May 7th Heritage Garden Activities.
- Karen Briscoe made information available for those who might wish to enter the horticulture event at the flower and garden show. She urged us to participate.
- Mary Evans:
 - Asked for volunteers for the Q & A Café at the show.
 - Volunteer workers are needed at the Convention Center Garden.
 - Garden show t-shirts will go on sale before the show.
- Baptist Rehabilitation Project was elected PCMG project of the year.
- Barry Travis, from Little Rock Convention Center was elected to be our 2005 Friend of PCMG.
- Keep Arkansas Beautiful Award Nominations application deadline is February 11.

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Feb 05

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Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, February 15, 2005**

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- Travel (Bob Bray)
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- 3 Ps (David Werling) Pictures after the Meeting.
- Flower and Garden Show – Ray Sarmiento
- Other Committee that would like to report.

New Business

- Report of the Audit Committee

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- Pick up "Stuff"
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27 – please let Beth know if you plan to attend

Program - Marilyn Tilley

David Jones, Audubon Arkansas

Door Prizes

Feb 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS'
GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, February 14, 2005**

- The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met on Tuesday, February 14, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. at St. James United Methodist Church. Sandy Harrison presided in the absence of Dick Blankenbecker.
- The program was given by Kevin Pearson of the Arkansas Audubon Society and Mary Mill Smith about the Fourche Creek Project.
- Committee reports:
 - Dues are \$15.00 and are due. Membership cards are available for pick-up for those who have paid.
 - Lynn Phelps announced: The Spring picnic will be at 6 p.m. on May 5 at Camp Alsergate. Bar-BQ will be served and there will be a speaker.
 - Bob Bray announced that he has arranged for us to go to Daffodil Hill at Sheridan on March 22. We will also visit Bixler's new nursery at White Hall.
 - Tom Stewart announced that there would be a train trip to Texas.
 - It was also announced that there would be a bus trip to Fredricksburg in mid-April. Cost will be \$375 plus meals. A trip is planned for Memphis in the Fall.
 - Jan King asked that we pick up our "stuff."
 - We were each requested to put our names and e-mail addresses on cards.
 - Jan King asked for volunteers for our spring tour of Master Gardeners' Gardens in Jacksonville and North Little Rock the first Tuesday in June.
 - Mary Evans thanked us for cleaning the garden at the Convention Center.
 - David Dodson has yard signs and posters available advertising the Flower and Garden Show.
 - T-shirts will be available at the show printed with the winning poster. There will also be canvass bags and low profile caps.
 - Merilyn asked that we mail our horticulture registrations so cards will be ready for us when we bring our horticulture samples.

Feb 05

- Bob Bumgardner, chair of the Audit Committee gave the audit report and thanked committee members Carlee Adams and George Harper. The audit committee found no errors in the Pulaski Co. Master Gardener books.

Other announcements:

- Check the announcement board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events.
- Put work days on the chart
- Posters are available for the Garden show.
- Please let Beth know if you plan to attend the International Master Gardener conference which will be July 24-27 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.
- State Master Gardener meeting and information was e-mailed. A few hard copies are available at the back table.
- There was a rally on the State Capitol grounds at noon to protest the SB 230 Watershed bill.

March 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, March 15, 2005**

Special recognition: Arkansas Heritage Month Grant Awarded \$5,000. "Arkansas Gardens: The Roots of Our Heritage" - Carolyn Newbern

Reports

- Dues are due \$15.00 - Mary has envelopes circulating
- Social (Lynn Phelps)
- Travel (Bob Bray) - lots planned
- Greenhouse (Lois Corley)
- "Stuff" (Nancy McCowan or Jan King)
- 3 Ps (David Werling) Pictures after the Meeting.
- Flower and Garden Show - Ray Sarmiento
- Continuing Education - Tropical Paradise - Meg Fox or Sandy Harrison
- Other Committee that would like to report.

New Business

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Announcements/Reminders (Dick)

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- Still a few opening for the State Meeting, May 12, 13, 14 in Rogers/Bentonville
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27 - please let Beth know if you plan to attend

Program - Marilyn Tilley
Jane Gulley, Pulaski County Master Gardener

Door Prizes

March 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS'
GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, March 15, 2005**

The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met on Tuesday, March 17, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. at St. James United Methodist Church. Chair Dick Blankenbeker presided.

Special recognition was given to Carolyn Newbern who announced that the Arkansas Heritage Month Grant was awarded in the full amount requested, \$5,000. The May 7 program is called "Arkansas Gardens: The Roots of Our Heritage. She also reported that 21 of the 55 applications were funded. They are now recruiting workers to be docents on the busses, to greet visitors, and a number of other jobs.

Reports were given by standing committee members:

There are Canvass Bags leftover from the Garden Show that are available for purchase at a discount.

Dues are \$15.00 and are due. Membership cards are available for pick-up for those who have paid.

Lynn Phelps announced that the Spring picnic will be at 6:30 p.m. on May 5 at Camp Aldersgate. We are invited to come at 5:30 for a tour of the Camp grounds. The speaker will be Martin Smith, a landscape architect. Cost will be \$10. There will be a coupon mailed to the members to pay the fee. Bar-BQ will be served. There will also be a plant swap. Anyone who brings a plant may also take one home.

Bob Bray announced five travel opportunities.

- He has arranged for us to go to Daffodil Hill at Sheridan on March 22. We will also visit Bixler's new nursery at White Hall. We will carpool from Second Presbyterian at 9 a.m. Lunch on our own, help driver pay for gas.
- We will carpool to Garvin Gardens on April 5, leaving Second Presbyterian at 9:30. Admission is \$6.00. We may bring a lunch and drink, however, there is food for sale at Garvin Gardens and other places to at lunch will be provided.
- A bus trip to Texas will leave at 7 a.m. from Second Presbyterian on April 12, returning Friday, April 15.
- In early June there will be a Steak-Out at DeGray Lake, cost will be \$33.00
- On April 26 at 6 p.m. Chris Olsen will host PCMG at Horticare Nursery for a wine and cheese party and a 15% discount on our purchases. We will furnish the food.

Jan King announced that they will take orders for "stuff" as soon as they have new order blanks. There will be some new ladies shirts and some other new items.

Lois Corley announced that the Greenhouse sale will be on Saturday, April 16 at 8 a.m. She will not have potting soil for sale.

David Werling thanked Sharon Davis and Nan Matthews for updating our e-mail list. Sharon is contacting project chairs for schedules and photographers. We want to put photos on-line for prospective attendees at our 2007 International Master Gardener Meeting in Little Rock

Ray Sarmiento thanked us for working at the Convention Center garden and also for the Flower and Garden Show. 9500 people attended the show, down some from last year, but buying was up, making vendors happy. They will add new and exciting things next year.

Sandy Harrison announced that a continuing education seminar will be held on Thursday, June 23, titled "Tropical Paradise in Arkansas Gardens."

Mary Evans thanked the Q & A Café workers. She asked those with yard signs to either turn them in or keep them for next year. They sold out of t-shirts and caps. The tea was a big success. Booths cost \$400.00

Karen Briscoe announced that the Little Rock Council of Garden Clubs needs Master Gardener volunteers to take tickets and other jobs for their garden tours on April 23-24. She sent a sign-up list around for volunteer workers.

Nancy Kirsch announced that there will be a public hearing about SB 230, the Watershed Bill, on the 23d of March. Also, HB 1705 is under consideration. It will reallocate real estate transfer fees from the Heritage Department, depleting their resources for grants. For more information contact Ann Speed.

Chair, Dick Blankenbecker made the following announcements:

- Check the announcement board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- There are still a few openings for the State Master Gardener Meeting in Rogers/Bentonville on May 12, 13, 14.
- Please let Beth know if you plan to attend the International Master Gardener Conference on July 24-27.
- There are 168 members at today's meeting
- Two workdays on the St. James campus will be scheduled in April, one on a weekday, one on a weekend.
- Carl Hunter is ill and cards will be appropriate. Some of our members have volunteered to work in his yard.

Carolyn Newbern asked members to direct her to a source for Horse Apples.

Merilyn Tilley introduced Jane Gulley, Pulaski County Master Gardener, who gave a program on antique roses, telling us which ones grow well in Arkansas.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline S. Wright, Secretary

April 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, April 19, 2005**

Special recognition:

- Carl Hunter
- Arkansas Gardener article on Curran Hall photos by our own Lynn Winning ham and Cheryl Kennedy. A copy is on the sticky board.
- Ann Ward is retiring, 16 years

Reports

- Dues are due \$15.00 - Mary has envelopes circulating
- Social (Lynn Phelps) Picnic, reservation envelope circulating and on back table
- Travel (Bob Bray) - Steak Out, reservation envelope circulating and on back table
- Greenhouse (Lois Corley) - Sale Saturday 8 till Noon
- "Stuff" (Nancy McCowan or Jan King)
- 3 Ps (David Werling) Pictures after the Meeting.
- Continuing Education – Tropical Paradise – Meg Fox or Sandy Harrison
- Other Committee that would like to report.

New Business

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Announcements/Reminders (Dick)

- **Work Day at St. James, April 21st 9 – Noon, bring your gardening tools**
- County Office Committee is going to tour Wildwood Gardens April 20th at 1:00 p.m. anyone else is welcome. Warren Boop will lead the tour.
- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- State Meeting is full. (May 12, 13, 14 in Rogers/Bentonville)
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27 – please let Beth know if you plan to attend

Program - Marilyn Tilley

Yvonne Becker – Garland County Master Gardener and Orchid Grower.

Door Prizes

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, April 19, 2005

The Pulaski county Master Gardeners had their regular monthly meeting at St. James Methodist Church on Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. President, Dick Blankenkemper, presided.

Special recognition:

- We had a moment of silence in memory of beloved member Carl Hunter who recently died.
- **Arkansas Gardener** has an article on Curran Hall with photos by our own Lynn Winningham and Cheryl Kennedy. A copy is on the sticky board.
- Ann Ward is retiring from the Pulaski County Extension Center after 16 years of service. She was introduced and thanked for her service.

The following reports were given:

- Dues are due \$15.00 - Mary Freeman reported that all but about 20 members have paid their dues; but about 200 have failed to pick up their membership cards.
- Social: Lynn Phelps announced that a reservation envelope for the May 5 picnic is circulating and there is also one on the back table.
- Travel: Bob Bray announced that a reservation envelope for the "Steak Out" is circulating and there is also one on the back table. Beverly gave some details about the afternoon. We will meet at the parking lot at I-630 and Shackelford Road and carpool. We will visit several gardens then go to Lake DeGray. They plan for us to be back in Little Rock by 8:15 p.m.
- Lois Corley announced another Greenhouse sale Saturday, April 30, 8 till Noon. They will no longer be able to sell potting soil but the same grade of soil is available at the Farmers' Association. She also announced that she has 17 pink confederate roses for sale and can pot up some more. She will have white ones next year. They have lots of tomatoes for sale.
- Carolyn Newbern announced that posters for the Heritage Garden celebration are available. The Quapaw Quarter Journal has a press release and what will happen at H.A.M. They are making considerable changes in their grounds and we should read it to know what they are doing and why. The kickoff for the May 7 celebration will be on April 28 at H.A.M. They will give away Drummond red maple saplings and black eyed susan seeds.
Four additional guides are needed at Mt. Holly Cemetery for the May 7 celebration; they also need docents on the trolleys for time periods from 9:30 to 12:30 and 12:30 to 3:30. See Jim, Sandy or Nancy Wade. Sandy has sign up sheets.
- Lynn Winningham announced that pictures would be made after the Meeting.
- Jane Gulley announced that there will be a Continuing Education Program entitled "Tropical Paradise" on June 23, 2005. The program will be open to the public.

April 05

Those attending will learn about tropical plants and tropical look-alikes for Arkansas gardens.

Announcements/Reminders

- Work Day at St. James, April 21st 9 – Noon, bring your gardening tools
- Jennie Jackson, co-chair of the Extension Office garden, announced that their Committee is going to tour Wildwood Gardens April 20th at 1:00 p.m. anyone else is welcome. Warren Boop will lead the tour.
- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- State Meeting is full. (May 12, 13, 14 in Rogers/Bentonville)
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27 – please let Beth know if you plan to attend
- Jeanne Jackson announced that the Little Rock Council of Garden Clubs will have six gardens on their annual garden tour, two in Maumelle, four in Little Rock. She asked for volunteers to help show the gardens.
- Jan King announced that the PCMG garden tour will be June 7 at Jacksonville and Sherwood. Details will be provided at the May meeting.
- Beth Phelps will present a program at the library in Sherwood, at 31 Shelby Drive at 10 a.m. on Sat. April 23. They will prune, etc.
- On Tuesday, April 26 at 6 p.m. Horticare is having an open house for us. They will give members a 15 % discount.
- Dick Blankenbeker announced that the Game and Fish Commission has a free book, Birds and Bird Calls. To obtain one call 800-364-4263.
- Beth Phelps announced that she has Horticulture Highlights for 2004 on CD for sale for \$10. It includes all the articles and brochures for the year and they will make a new one each year.
- Jan King announced that she is taking orders for "stuff."

Marilyn Tilley introduced Yvonne Becker, Garland County Master Gardener and Orchid Grower, who gave an interesting slide show on orchids.

Door Prizes were given

April 15

Master Gardeners and County Agents:

As you know we have been hard at work planning a revamping of our volunteer advisory board. We think we have a great idea, and hope you agree. We will be implementing an organization called County 76. This group will function as an advisory board and more. It will be open to more individuals--both agents and volunteers.

To be a part of this first effort, you **MUST** attend the leadership conference October 11 & 12 at the Arkansas 4-H Center. While attendance at the leadership conference has been limited in the past, this year it will be open to all who want to attend. Attendance will be your intro into County 76. We don't have all the details ironed out, but we do have the basic structure.

I wanted you all to have ample time to mark those dates on your calendar and share with all your members, so those who want to attend can. We will be sharing more information as time gets closer. Please let me know if you have any questions. One other item: we have slightly changed the theme for the international meeting in 2007. We took out gardening on the rocks. Now it is Celebrate Gardening . . . in the Natural State.

If anyone would like to submit a logo idea, we would love it. The rock idea wasn't working well. Share both items with all your Master Gardeners. Janet Janet B. Carson Extension Horticulture Specialist University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service P.O. Box 391 Little Rock, AR 72203 (501) 671-2174 fax (501)671-2303

May 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, May 17, 2005**

Special recognition:

- Thanks to the Social Committee for a wonderful picnic.
- Thanks to everyone who helped make the May 7th Heritage Gardening Event a success. Lots of visability for our beautiful projects and some plants and plant markers as a permant addition to the Curran Hall and Mt. Holly projects.

Reports

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- Continuing Education – Tropical Paradise – Meg Fox or Sandy Harrison
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New Business

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Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27

Program - Marilyn Tilley

Susan Pardee, University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton. Her Program will be on Plant Propagation.

Door Prizes

May 05

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
General Meeting
Tuesday, May 17, 2005

The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at St. James Methodist Church. Dick Blankenkemper presided. He requested that in the interest of saving time for our program, that all committee chairs who have a report to come to the podium at that time.

The chair thanked the Social Committee for a wonderful picnic. He also gave special thanks to everyone who helped make the May 7th Heritage Gardening Event a success. There was lots of visibility for our beautiful projects, and we appreciate having new plants and plant markers as a permanent addition to the Curran Hall and Mt. Holly projects. He read a certificate of appreciation from the Arkansas Department of Heritage.

Attendance at the meeting was 124.

Reports

- Dues are due \$15.00. Those who have not paid will be dropped on June 30.
- Beverly House announced that the departure time for the June Steak Out has been changed from 1:30 to 1 p.m., but please arrive before 1 p.m. We will carpool from the public parking lot on Shackleford Rd., corner of I-430 and I-630. They will distribute maps and directions at that time. We are scheduled to arrive at DeGray Lodge at 4:30 p.m. after touring some gardens.
- Lois Corley announced that on Thursday and Saturday after Labor Day they will have workdays at the Greenhouse to plant pansies and violas. Please bring trays back. They can be thrown over the fence.
- Beth announced that the "Stuff" committee will no longer have green and white shirts available.
- David Werling announced that 3Ps will take pictures after the meeting.
- Continuing Education committee will offer "Tropical Paradise," a one day CE event on June 23, 2005. Deadline to register is June 13.
- Dick Blankenkemper announced that a thank you note from St. James for our work-day is on the announcement board.

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
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- International MG Conference, July 24 -27
- Please count your own hours for the state meeting.
- Baptist Rehabilitation Committee did a great job on their award application but did not win the state award.

Program - Marilyn Tilley announced that next month's program will be a panel of experts. She then introduced Susan Pardee, from the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton. Her Program was on Plant Propagation.

Door Prizes were drawn.

May 05

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Board Highlights, Tuesday, May 17, 2005
10:00 a.m.

- Present were Dick Blankenbeker, Marilyn Tilley, Jackie Wright, Mary Freeman, Sandy Harrison, Nancy Kirsch, Ila Newberry, Don Davis, Beth Phelps, and David Werling. Chair, Dick Blankenbeker, presided.
- The minutes for the March meetings were approved as circulated.
- The Treasurer's Report was accepted. Twelve members have not paid. They will be dropped from the membership roll if not paid by June 30.
- The Greenhouse made about \$950 on its last sale. The Carl Hunter memorial fund has \$480. We received a \$300 donation from Curran Hall as part of the match for the Department of Heritage Grant. The total balance in both accounts is \$17,117.03.

Old Business

- We received a letter and certificate of merit from Cathy Matthews, Executive Director of Curran Hall. There were 500 visitors to Curran Hall at the Heritage Garden event on May 7, and 125 visitors at Mount Holly.

New Business

- David Werling gave a report on the 3Ps Committee web site project. The board approved a supplemental request for the Three Ps committee for \$300.
- Beth announced a new state leadership organization to be called "County 76." It will be a voluntary organization that will require attendance at the Master Gardener Leadership Conference Oct. 11 and 12, at the 4-H Center. Let Beth know if you are interested. Documents that explain the organization in detail are available.
- Counting CE Hours for the State Meeting - counted one hour per class, two points for each garden visit; one point for meals with a program.
- Dick Blankenbeker will be profiled in the Democrat-Gazette highlighting the Master Gardener Program.
- The summer tour of Master Gardener's gardens is cancelled.
- Purchase of several books for the Extension office was approved.
- Nita Cross was reinstated to membership; Rebecca Kamp was approved for a leave for 2005.
- The chair asked for suggestions to speed up the meeting. It was decided to try having anyone who would like to make an announcement come to the front at the beginning of the business meeting.
- The next Statewide Master Gardener Meeting will be on May 21-23, 2006 in Hot Springs.
- The next meeting will be June 23d. There will be no meetings in July or August.

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- Special thanks to everyone who helped make the May 7th Heritage Gardening Event a success
- A certificate of appreciation was read from the Arkansas Department of Heritage.
- Attendance at the meeting was 124.

Reports

- Those who have not paid dues will be dropped from membership on June 30.
- Departure time for the June Steak Out was changed from 1:30 to 1 p.m.
- Greenhouse workdays will be on Thursday and Saturday after Labor Day to plant pansies and violas. Please bring plant trays back. They can be thrown over the fence.
- "Stuff" committee will no longer have green and white hound's-tooth shirts available.
- Deadline to register for "Tropical Paradise," on June 23, 2005, is June 13.
- A thank you note from St. James for our work-day is on the announcement board.

Announcements/Reminders

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- International MG Conference, July 24 -27
- Please count your own hours for the state meeting.
- Baptist Rehabilitation Committee did a great job on their award application but did not win the state award.

Program -. Susan Pardee, from the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton, talked to us about plant propagation.

Next month's program will be a panel of experts

June 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, June 21, 2005**

Special recognition:

Introduction of Julie Fullenwider, new Hort. Program Assistant

Reports

- Social (Lynn Phelps)
- Travel (Bob Bray)
- Greenhouse (Lois Corley) -
- "Stuff" (Nancy McCowan or Jan King)
- 3 Ps Pictures after the Meeting. (David Werling will not be present.)
- Continuing Education – Tropical Paradise – Meg Fox or Sandy Harrison
- Other Committee that would like to report.

New Business

- Wonders of the Watershed with Central AR Water, Sat. July 23, 10 – 2 at the Zoo. Educational booth and activity. Will need help.

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- Half way through the year – telephone time and project time
- Volunteer Profile – Dick Blankenbeker, June 26th to spotlight MG program

**Program - Marilyn Tilley
Master Gardener Panel**

Door Prizes

June 05

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS Monthly Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2005

The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met on Tuesday, June 21, 2005 at 11:30 at St. James Methodist Church. Vice-President Marilyn Tilley presided.

The chair introduced Julie Fullenwider, our new Horticulture Program Assistant. She is taking Ann Ward's place.

Reports

- Lois Corley announced that there will be two work days at the Greenhouse to plant pansies. These will be two of the following: September 8, 9, 10. (Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday)

New Business

- Beth Phelps announced that a program, Wonders of the Watershed with Central AR Water, will be on Sat. July 23, 10 – 2 at the Zoo. Master Gardeners will have an educational booth and activity. We need volunteers to help with this. Our part of the project is to inform people of the appropriate use of water in the landscape, etc.

Announcements/Reminders: Beth Phelps made the following announcements:

- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events.
- Hand in your work days, telephone time and project time. We are half-way through the year. Volunteer hours are on the sticky board. Several time sheets were turned in without names.
- Dick Blankenbeker and the Master Gardener Program will be profiled in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette on June 26th.
- Please let Beth know if you are interested in participating in County 76, which is a new statewide Master Gardener policy-making and leadership group.
- The Extension website is spotlighting Master Gardener projects. You may send information and photos about your project to cmeins@uaex.edu.
- Applications for new members will be mailed July 1. They will be due on July 22d. Training will begin on September 28 with a tour of the projects, and continue on Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 1. Examinations will be on Nov. 9. Call Beth if you want to put anyone on the mailing list for applications.
- Master Minutes will continue to be sent during the summer. The next meeting will be in September.

Program - Marilyn Tilley introduced a Master Gardener Panel which informed and entertained the group with answers to questions about gardening. Jane Gulley, Mary Evans, Suellen Roberts, Beth Phelps, and Breck Campbell were on the panel.

The October program will be about peonies.

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Door Prizes were drawn

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Wright, Secretary

Sept. 05

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, September 20, 2005

Special recognition:

Introduction of Julie Fullenwider, new Hort. Program Assistant

Reports

- Social (Lynn Phelps)
- Travel (Bob Bray)
- Greenhouse (Lois Corley) - Sale Oct. 15th and 29th
- "Stuff" (Nancy McCowan or Jan King)
- 3 Ps Pictures after the Meeting. (David Werling)
- Other Committee that would like to report.
- Mentors – a short meeting after

New Business

- Election of Officers
- Project Recommendations from the Board, New project – Maumelle Community Center, Clinton Library – drop Wildwood

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- Old Mill desperately needs workers
- Check Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events
- Place work days on chart
- Please get your hours reported – Pulaski County report due to Janet in early Dec.
- Volunteer time report on the back table
- Mentors a short meeting to too late to volunteer
- Volunteers for display at State Fair, Oct. 14th Noon – 3 p.m.
- If considering sustainer status for 2006 you must apply by the November MG meeting
- Keep LR Beautiful Rep.
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Program -

Mary Wells and Carolyn Newbern - Post card from the International MG meeting in Canada

Door Prizes

Sept 05

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
General Meeting Highlights
Tuesday, September 20, 2005

The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met at 11:30 a.m. at St. James Methodist Church. Chair, Dick Blankenbeker, presided.

Reports

- Bob Bray reported that the Travel Committee will meet next month.
- Lois Corley announced that there will be a plant sale on Oct. 15 and 29. She thanked the workers who helped transplant 20,000 seedlings.
- Kate Althoff announced that there will be a reception at the Clinton School of Public Service on Thursday, September 22 from 4 to 5 p.m. to honor citizens who worked on the Arkansas Watershed project.
- David Werling announced that prize winners will have photos taken after the meeting, and the PPP committee will meet after the meeting.
- There will be a short meeting with mentors after the meeting.
- There is "Stuff" and name tags to be picked up.

New Business

- Nancy Kirsch gave the nominating committee report and thanked her committee members, Ila Newberry, and Don Davis. The following officers were elected.
 - President, Sandy Harrison
 - Vice President, Marilyn Tilley
 - 2d vice President, Jim Dyer
 - Secretary, Jackie Wright
 - Treasurer, Mary Freeman
 - Member at Large, Jet Cuffman
 - Member at Large, Don Davis will continue the second year of his two year term
- The Master Gardener Board recommended the following new projects to the membership: Maumelle Community Center and the Clinton Library Scholars Garden. A motion was made that we accept the board's recommendations. The motion passed.
- The Master Gardener Board recommended that the Wildwood project be discontinued. A motion was passed that the project be discontinued. The motion passed.

Announcements

- The Old Mill needs workers.
- Check the Announcement Board and calendar in Master Minutes for special events.
- Put project work days on the chart that is on display.
- Report your Community Outreach hours. They are important. Reports are due to Janet in early October.
- Volunteer time report is on the back table
- There will be a short meeting of mentors after the meeting. It is not too late to volunteer.

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- We need volunteers to man a Master Gardener display at the State Fair on Oct. 14th from noon to 3 p.m.
- If considering sustainer status for 2006 you must apply by the November Master Gardener meeting. This requires seven years membership, but must apply before December 2005.
- To obtain a Leave of Absence there must be a medical problem.
- The Iris Society will have a meeting Sunday, October 16 at 2 p.m. at Hillcrest Hall (The Garden Center)
- The International Master Gardener Conference will be in Little Rock in 2007. We need organizers. Workers may sign up later.

Program The program was presented by Mary Wells and Carolyn Newbern. Titled "Post Card from the International Master Gardener Meeting in Canada," they gave an informative talk about the International Master Gardener meeting they attended. Mary Wells is the chair of the 1007 meeting.

Door prizes were drawn.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Wright

Oct 05

**PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Monthly Meeting Agenda Tuesday, October 18, 2005**

- The Pulaski County Master Gardeners met at St. James Methodist Church 11:30 a.m. Chair, Sandy Harrison, presided.
- Special recognition was given to Dick Blankenbeker, Chair of the Board during 2004-2005.
- Members of County 76 Program from PCMG were invited to stand and be recognized. A training session for additional County 76 members will be in January, 2006.

Reports

- **Social** : Lynn Phelps announced the Holiday Party will be on Tuesday, December 6 at 6 p.m. at the Adult Leisure Center in Little Rock on 12th Street. Cost is \$15 per plate. A reception for New Members will follow the regular November meeting. The meeting will be in the church sanctuary, the reception in the meeting room.
- **Travel** : Bob Bray announced a trip to Garvin Gardens and dinner at the Arlington Hotel on Tuesday, November 29. Our bus will leave at 4 p.m. At least 20 participants are needed. Deadline is November 10. Cost is \$27.25 for the bus and entrance to Garvin Gardens. Dinner at the Arlington will be an additional cost.
- **Greenhouse**: The next sale will be Oct. 29th. We sold over \$3,400 of plants at the last sale.
- **"Stuff"**: Jan King announced that orders for stuff will go in next month. Payments must be made in advance. Staple your check to the order form. There is an extra charge for monograms, so please include your telephone number on the form.

Announcements/Reminders (Beth)

- We will have a Workday at St. James-Thursday, Nov. 3rd-Noon to 3:00pm. Please bring tools.
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Monthly Meeting Minutes
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Special recognition was given to Dick Blankenbeker for his work on the PCMG Board and for his leadership as Chair of the Board during 2004-2005. Sandy presented him with a gift in appreciation.

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Special recognition was given to 53 new members in the Class of 2005. Special thanks were given to the Social Committee for the reception they organized for after the meeting to honor the new members. Special recognition was given to the PCMG workers who participated in the workday at St. James, in appreciation for being allowed to use their meeting rooms.

Don Thompson was congratulated on his becoming an Advanced Master Gardener.

Beth Phelps and Sandy Harrison presented 5, 10, and 15 years pins to qualifying members. The 15-year members are entitled to be lifetime members.

Committee Reports:

- Social committee chair Lynn Phelps announced that there will be a reception honoring the new members in Jones Hall, where we normally hold our meetings. She also gave us information about the PCMG Holiday Party. It will on Tues., Dec. 6. She sent a zip-lock bag around for people to sign up for the party and submit \$15 payment. She encouraged us to mail our reservations and payments to Susan Garner. Dress will be casual. She announced a sign-up sheet for dessert donations.
- Travel. Bob Bray announced that 46 people have signed up to go to Garvin Gardens on November 29. The bus will leave at 3:45 from the Commuter lot on Shackelford Road. If a member of Garvin Gardens, please bring membership cards. He stated that the committee is planning a trip to Tulsa in April or May, by bus for two nights.
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- Stuff Committee: Orders will be sent in today.
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Cell phone 412-8008
- The Old Mill Committee will work tomorrow, Nov. 16.
- Mary Evans announced that there will be a workday at the Statehouse Convention Center on Thursday or Friday.

Beth made the following announcements and reminders:

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