

**Pulaski County Master Gardener General Meeting
October 16, 2018
St. James United Methodist Church**

President Joellen Beard opened the meeting at 11:29 am.

Paul Nolte introduced Carol Mendel who presented a program entitled, "Don't be a Garden Snob".

Announcements:

Paul Nolte will have 100 printed copies of the 2019 photo directory printed. They will be available at the January meeting for \$5.00.

Joellen announced that Sharon Gragg was accepting dues of \$30, and reminded everyone that the awards nominations were due into Carol Young by Friday, October 26.

Joellen thanked the 40 gardeners who participated in the St. James workday.

Lorene Wright reported that the Arts Center Project will be temporarily disbanded at the end of 2017, due to renovations to the property. Suzanne Potts will send out emails to the project chairs telling them who will be joining their projects.

Joellen thanked the Social Committee, especially Karen Mauermann and Katherine Friday, for the wonderful Birthday Celebration at the 4-H Center.

Kathleen Reynolds and her precision Dremel Drilling Team will be in Jones Hall, to give out and install Busy Bees.

Cherith Beck reminded the group of the November 15th trip to the Dickson Gardens in Memphis, the cost is \$7. And on December 9th, there will be a trip to Garvan Gardens to hear a musical presentation in the Anthony Chapel. The cost is \$35. All trips will be carpool caravans, departing from the Second Presbyterian Church parking lot. Check your emails for deadlines and times.

Susie Green announced that November 13th will be the New Member Reception. Member with last names A-O bring savory items and P-Z bring sweets. Please bring your items on a disposable tray before 11:30 am.

Jody Jackson explained the Greenhouse Fall Sale. Friday, October 19, will be for MG's only with a 10% discount. The public sale will be Saturday, October 20. Both sales will be from 8-10 am.

Joellen reminded everyone to record your hours online, and that donation forms for the Janet Carson Endowment Fund are available.

Kathy Ratcliffe presented the slate of officers for 2019. (attached). There were no nominations from the floor. The slate will be voted on at the November meeting.

Ramblings from Randy

Someone left a blue shirt at the St. James workday.

There are 33 people in the Fall Zoom Training Class that starts tomorrow. He recognized the Training Committee that worked hard on this.

Shirts and notebooks that were not picked up at the Birthday celebration are available.

The Extension Service has printed copies of the pro/con statements on all the proposed ballot issues.

Many apologies to the people who paid to ride the bus to Moss Mountain. Refunds are being given.

Door prizes were given out.

After the adjournment, Walter Jennings showed the group how to install the link to record your hours on your cellphone.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Young, Secretary