

# **Pulaski County Master Gardeners General Meeting**

**January 21, 2020**

## **St. James United Methodist Church**

Incoming President Sharon Priest opened the meeting at 11:32 am.

### **Presentations:**

Outgoing President Suzanne Potts presented Sharon with the presidents' gavel and a "Sheriff Sharon" badge.

Randy presented Suzanne with a crystal paperweight and ruby bee. Sharon presented Suzanne with an engraved trowel.

Outgoing board members Sharon Gragg, Allen White and Carol Young were presented with an appreciation gift by Randy.

Sharon introduced members of the 2020 Board.

Jodi Mahony introduced Jane Gulley who spoke on Birds, Bees and Butterflies.

Carol Mendel presented the Friend of Master Gardener Award to HAM nominated Marilyn Mason from the City of Little Rock Greenhouse. Project of the Year was awarded to The Old Mill.

### **Announcements:**

Sharon reminded the membership dues are \$20 until the end of April. They increase to \$30 on May 1.

Deanna Montgomery announced Busy Bee Awards will be given out at the February meeting. Replacements can be purchased at that time for \$5.

Sharon Holman announced upcoming events planned by the Travel Committee. Saturday, January 25 a carpool will leave at 9:30 for Jacksonport State Park to attend a workshop on Healing Herbal Teas. Saturday, February 22 is a Bluebird Workshop at Potlatch Conservation Education Center in Casscoe. Attendee's must preregister. Saturday, March 14 is the Dirt Friends Festival in El Dorado. The Bluebird workshop at Witt Stephens February 2 is open to Master Gardeners but is not a planned MG event.

Cori Fetters, Stuff Chair, will be taking orders in February and March for New PCMG T-Shirts. The new color is Sapphire Blue. Cost \$8 paid by cash or check. Delivery will be in April. She also read names of MG members who have not picked up orders from the past year. They need to see her after the meeting.

**Ramblings from Randy:**

The Flower and Garden Show will be February 28, 29 and March 1. SignUpGenius is being used again this year. Please sign up for no more than one assignment unless your other choice is set up. Cashiers are needed. Randy promises this will not be hard and help is available.

Carol Kirkpartick from Laman Library is seeking help to set up and maintain a seed library. Help is needed distributing seeds into envelopes, labeling and dating. Contact her at 501-758-1720.

Door prizes were given out.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35.