

Memphis Area Master Gardener Member Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 12, 2023

Call to Order 6:04 p.m.

President Jan Dickey called the Thursday, October 12, 2023, Memphis Area Master Gardener's meeting to order. The meeting was conducted in-person at the Agricenter.

Speaker

Vice President Steve Scheer introduced Luke Hall, Senior Geologist, Tioga Environmental Consultants, who spoke about environmental geology in the Memphis area.

Business Meeting

Approval of the July 20, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Membership approved the minutes to the August member meeting as published.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Ginny Fletcher presented the September financial report.

New Business

Jan Dickey complemented Dawn Bain and Steve Scheer on their work to make the newsletter easier to read and more concise.

Kim Lane reminded members that we do not have access to the greenhouse at Overton Park anymore. She will be relying on members to provide plants for Spring Fling. Now is the time to divide and pot plants for Spring.

Dr. Eugene McKenzie will present a second Fern Propagation class, Wednesday, Oct. 25 at the Extension Office Conference Room upstairs. Materials are provided free of charge and participants will receive 2 CEU's. Class is limited to 20 participants.

The Audio-Visual Committee is searching for more members. A new Social Committee is being formed to help with our quarterly social time during meetings.

Unfinished Business

We will elect 2024 officers at our November meeting. Please attend to ensure we have a quorum. While our Nomination Committee is counting votes, Jan Orick will have a short Share and Learn on the 'Ask a Master Gardener' Program. Then, members will have refreshments and vote, if run-offs are necessary.

Membership renewals for 2024 are open on the website. Input your service hours prior to renewing.

The Book Club will have a discussion of The Hidden Life of Trees by Peter Wohlleben 2 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 31 at the Ext. Office upstairs conference room.

No suggestions in the Suggestion Box.

Volunteer Opportunities/Announcements

Contact Jan Orick at the Extension Office if you can volunteer at the Agricenter Harvest Festival at the Red Barn, Saturday, Oct. 14; or at the UofM Campus School's Fall Beautification Day Saturday, Oct. 23; or 4H events.

Check the Memphis Native Tree Works website of Facebook for volunteer opportunities. Contact Cheryl Lockhart, if you can volunteer to work the MBG's Hosta Trail, Oct. 24-25.

Go to the website, www.memphisareamastergardeners.org, and newsletter for more volunteer opportunities. Everyone should record their volunteer and CEU hours often.

Extension Social Media Sites: The sites are Facebook - @UT and TSU Extension Shelby County, Instagram - @shelbycoextension, Twitter - @shelbyextension, and YouTube: @UT-TSU Shelby County Extension.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.
Debbie Hill, Recording Secretary

Next Meeting is Thursday, November 9, 2023, at the Agricenter.