Hanover Master Gardener Association

General Membership Meeting Hanover Evangelical Friends Church February 3, 2020

Minutes

President Pattie Bland welcomed the members and guests at 6:35 p.m. She stated that the presentation by our guest speaker, Judy Thomas, and a business meeting would follow the meal. She invited everyone to enjoy their dinner.

Ginny Nicholas, Vice President, introduced our guest speaker, Judy Thomas, who spoke on "Plants of the James River Project."

Angelette Pryor, Volunteer Coordinator, recognized and awarded certificates to Marcie Townsend and Pat Bruker, new MGs who have fulfilled the volunteer hours to complete their internships. Angelette read the list of names of the 2020 MG trainees which include: Taylor Adams, Cindy Barrow, Rebecca Blake, Carol Brown, Veronica Cosby, Rowena Fratarcangelo, Birdie Porter, Kate Sandy, Denise Tillack, Susan Warren, and Haylie Zapantis. She introduced Susan Warren who was in attendance.

Angelette reported that Project Proposals need to be updated for 2020 by March 1. Any new Project Proposals need to meet community requests/needs. A list of inquiry topics from January 2017 to September 2019 has been sent to all MGs this afternoon. Angelette has also emailed a Resource Guide for Cool Season Turf, created by Mike Little, to MGs that have listed lawn care in their MG interests. She recommended that MGs who have not updated their MG profiles do so. There will be a "Home Visits" training class on February 5, 2020. Angelette announced that Richard Wood has volunteered to lead the Youth Programs. A "Working with Youth" training class will be held on February 11. Angelette reminded members of the Winter Symposium at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens on February 12. She encouraged volunteers to sign up for the Richmond Rose Society pruning workshop at Children's Hospital at Brook Road on February 22. Angelette invited all MGs to attend any of the training classes for continuing education hours. She announced that the new 4-H assistant will start on Monday, February 10. Missy Johnson will start collecting e-mail addresses from MGs at all events. Angelette stated that a Project Lead volunteer is needed to take over the HGS program. Angelette is working on a MG trip to an orchid farm in Gordonsville and needs feedback on a date (any Saturday except March 14).

Pattie announced that dues (\$10) for 2020 could be paid tonight and to see Pat Reyes or Betty Jane Hughes. Pattie invited all Hanover MGs to attend the February 8, 2020, VMGA meeting at the HEFC (box lunches are available for \$8.50 - see Christy Brennan). MGs can join the VMGA for \$12 per year. Pattie encouraged MGs to read the weekly HMGA event e-mail and encouraged them to sign up for 2020 committees and volunteer opportunities.

Betty Jane Hughes awarded door prizes and thanked Beckey Watson for the table decorations.

The February 3, 2020, HMGA General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Present: The attendance sheet will be attached to the file copy of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bryant Secretary