

Saint Charles Master Gardeners

Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2024

If you have any questions, comments or corrections before these minutes are approved, please contact your MG secretary, Catherine Ebone at catherine.ebone@gmail.com.

Ron Darling was the speaker for the evening. He gave a presentation on Bluebirds. After the meeting he presented the group with a bluebird house for the property.

Call to Order: Laura Steimel called the meeting to order at 7:45 with 44 people in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Catherine Ebone—A motion was made and approved to accept the secretary's report for April 25, 2024 as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Rebecca Poon—A motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report as submitted in the Monday Morning News.

Membership: Wanetta Parmenter, Kevin Lynch, Bonnie Winkler—MGs were reminded that if they have any questions about entering hours, they should contact the membership committee. Trainees should contact Wanetta or Kevin to request an account after they have earned some volunteer hours.

Badges and/or certificates were awarded to Jeanne Debold, Holly Snyder, E.J. Sucliff, Sandra Newsom, Naiomi McDonald and Pam Rose.

Al Winkler was awarded his emeritus badge.

Education: Patti Kolek—Patti announced that the Farmers Markets are going well. Patti also announced that volunteers are needed for Monarch Madness in Weldon Springs Sept. 14. Contact Patti if you're interested.

Hortline: Patti Kolek—Questions to Hortline have been all over the place.

Guest Speakers: Val Mertz

July 25—Chuck Bauer will talk about PH.

Plant Sale: A Plant Sale committee is being organized.

Greenhouse, Hoophouse: Laura Steimel, Nancy Torke, Donna Lindsey—MGs were asked to return pots to Greenhouse cleaned and bleached. Also, there are some trays and flats in the greenhouse that need to be washed.

Demo Gardens: Cindy Platzer—The pantry garden needs help on Wednesdays harvesting vegetables. Help is also needed in the Arboretum to distribute 2 cubic feet of dirt.

Maureen Walmsley spoke on Monarch Watch. She said there are guidelines for registering your garden as a Monarch Waystation.

Old Business: The Boys and Girls Club is looking for volunteers.

The next steering committee meeting is July 12.

The next general meeting is July 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17

Respectively submitted,

Catherine Ebone