

Chattanooga Hosta Society  
Minutes of the December 1, 2012 Meeting

Our December 1, 2012 meeting was held at the home of Johnny and Shirley Mc Masters at 4879 Lone Hill Road Chattanooga, TN. We met at 12:00 noon for our annual Christmas Luncheon and enjoyed a delicious fare of food brought by our members.

At 1:15 our president, Carol Bullard called our meeting to order. Carol started the meeting by stating it was time to nominate members to serve as officers and committee chairpersons for the next 2 years. She went on to say that her sister Shirley McMasters and she have already outlined much of the meeting events for next year (2013).

February They have contacted Cornilia from the Nashville Hosta Society to come down and show her pictures of the National Hosta Convention held in Nashville this past Summer.

March TBD

April Presentation by the Barn Nursery. The annual plant sale at the Signal Mountain Bachman Community Center.

May A picnic at Jimmy Wooten,s home the first Saturday. His wonderful Rhododendrons will still be in bloom.

June A field trip to Nashville to tour Cornilia,s hosta garden and possibly another man's garden (He was at the convention and has a lot of plants). Most of our members are retired and the few that work said they can get off to take a trip during the week. Monday and Tuesday were suggested as the best days. It was also suggested we try to get one of the Hybridizers of hostas to come and give us a presentation.

The following individuals agreed to serve:

President - Carol Bullard agreed to serve two more years.

Vice President - Shirley McMasters agreed to serve in this position and to produce the Newsletter.

Recording Secretary - Chuck Dobson Agreed to serve.

Treasurer - Johnny McMasters agreed to serve.

Historian - Shirley McMasters agreed to serve.

Hospitality Chairperson - Betty Fassnacht agreed to serve.

Publicity Chairperson - ?? (Roseanne Kaylor)

Yearbook - Betty Fassnacht agreed to serve.

Webmaster - Dennis Schafluetzel agreed to serve.

Johnny McMasters our treasurer gave his report that we received \$217.00 from dues and the plant sale in October bringing our balance to \$3,862.44. Members were encouraged to pay their dues ASAP. Dues are \$10.00 for an individual and \$15.00 for couples.

The Bachman Community Center plant sale in April is scheduled for the same weekend as a Master Gardeners Garden Expo scheduled to be at Camp Jordan on Saturday and Sunday. The Bachman plant sale this year will be on Friday afternoon and Saturday. After discussion, the members voted to continue attending the Bachman plant sale and not to attend the sale at Camp Jordan.

One of our Charter Members Virginia Elrod died in the recent past.

Johnny McMasters suggested we have a Hosta Leaf Show at one of our meetings where members bring in a single beautiful leaf from their best hostas. The hosta Neptune is green on the top of the leaf and shiny silver on the bottom and many are quite beautiful. We need to decide if we want to judge the entries or what??? Roseanne Kaylor is a trained hosta judge.

Ruby Sunday reported that Mini-hostas planted in shallow troughs are quite popular and that we might want do something with them. She also reported that last year mini Heucheras have become available and would look great in these displays.

Having displays in malls was discussed and it was stated the biggest problem with doing so is that malls charge fees of over a thousand dollars for insurance for these displays.

Our president made an executive decision to publish our approved minutes on our web page.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05.

Respectfully submitted, Chuck Dobson Reporting Secretary.