

HEART OF MISSOURI MASTER GARDENERS
Minutes of February 2007 meeting

New President, Rich Frieden called the meeting to order at 7:00 with 40 master gardeners present. Vice President Julie Fisher introduced Mr. Gary Busteed, arborist for the city of Columbia, who presented an extraordinarily informational program on the problems and peculiarities of uninformed tree planting on the part of many private and commercial developers.

After much discussion and interest on the part of attendees, break was called and members enjoyed refreshments, provided by Hsaio-Mei Wiedmeyer and Betty Gayle Smith.

Business meeting:

President Frieden called the business meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. The minutes of the January 2007 meeting were read, and a motion by Jim Wilson to approve was seconded by several members.

Treasurer's report by Sandy Perley:

State Master Gardener Conference Fund	\$2189.13
<u>Heart of Missouri Master Gardeners account</u>	<u>\$1701.08</u>
Total Heart of Missouri Account balance	\$3890.21
Certificate of Deposits equal to	\$3058.36
Total Heart of Missouri Assets	\$7039.57

Old Business:

Several of the standing committees provided up-dates to on-going activities. Of special note: As you begin sprouting seeds for a long-awaited spring, please remember to plant some for selling during the Earth Day celebration, April 22, 12 -6 p.m. Other plantings and cuttings are also welcome. Call Peggy Eichen, if you can donate plants and/or help staff our display. Also, as you're scheduling your springtime activities, remember to join Betty Gayle

Smith and help plant a row for the hungry. Other committee activities can be found in the March newsletter

The Article X - Board of Trustees addition to the chapter by-laws was passed and discussed. Next time we'll try to have the discussion beforehand.

The second draft of the Heart of Missouri Student Scholarship/Internship/Travel Fund for (qualifying) Undergraduates in the MU College of Agriculture was approved in principle. Finalization of the second draft will be available soon.

New Business: Vera and Art Gelder presented this year's Golden Trowel award to Alice Havers. Read more about the presentation in the March newsletter.

(Ex-officio: Many thanks to Julie Fisher for the professional, accurate, and prompt (that's a hard one) job on the monthly newsletter. -Kaye King)

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Kaye King
Secretary