



**NE MGA**  
*Northeast Tennessee Master Gardener Association*

Northeast TN Master Gardener Membership Meeting  
Online Zoom Meeting  
June 29, 2020

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Alyce Kohlman, Andrea Belcher, Barbara Radice, Betts Leach, Cathy Horn, Clarke Shugart, Chris Ramsey, Don Davis, Donna Fowler, Geoff Hoare, Heather Duby, Janet Hill, Jen Grant, Karen Rowell, Margaret O'Neal, Margaret Woolery, Mary Ann Lovelace, Mary Cain, Mary Carr, Mary Forbes, Nancy Shilling, Nancy Walker, Patty Neas, Sally Richards, Sue Stanley, Teresa Gaffner, Vern Maddux

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Chris Ramsey set up an online Zoom Meeting for a Slide Presentation of MG's home gardens. There were 27 attendees online participating. The meeting was called to order by the President, Karen Rowell.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Zoom Meetings: Karen Rowell requested that MGs email or text her as to whether or not they are interested in continuing Zoom meetings. Chris Ramsey reported that we can now meet at the RRAC if we have less than 50 people. MGs at the meeting requested that we have both options. Some would like to meet at the RRAC and others would prefer to continue meeting virtually. Since Governor Bill Lee has extended the State of Emergency until August 29<sup>th</sup>, Chris is unsure if UT will change their position on face to face meetings. We should know more next week.
2. August Meeting: Teresa Gaffner reported that we are planning the August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to be at the RRAC with a well known presenter: Marjorie Hunter, author of "Gardening with the Native Plants of Tennessee", she will discuss methods for using native plants in our gardens.

**SLIDE PRESENTATION**

Many of the Master Gardeners provided pictures of their home gardens for the slide presentation. Teresa Gaffner narrated the presentation and members chimed in to provide more details and answer questions about their gardens. Gardens pictured were from MGs: Karen Rowell, Mary Cain, Sally Richards, Teresa Gaffner, Mary Carr, Vern Maddux, Dave Gostomski, Barbara Radice, Cheryl Heisey, Mary Forbes, Donna Fowler, Heather Duby, Nancy Haas, Jane Mullins, Barbara Voigt and the Johnson City Medical Center Volunteers. The gardens were beautiful and enjoyed by all who participated.

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

August 3, 2020 at 6:30pm at the RRAC

Program: Gardening with Native Tennessee Plants by Marjorie Hunter