



Northeast TN Master Gardener Membership Meeting
Zoom Meeting
April 12, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Karen Rowell called the meeting to order and welcomed 36 Master Gardeners who were online.

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

The Publicity Committee suggested that we provide an Ask a Master Gardener booth at the Kingsport and Jonesborough Farmer's Markets. John Hitchcock volunteered to lead the Jonesborough Market and Emily Lemieux volunteered to lead the Kingsport Market. Barb Radice will create a Sign-up Genius for volunteers as Emily and John provide details on dates, times and how many volunteers are needed.

SCAVENGER HUNT

Brenda McKinnis explained the Scavenger Hunt to the membership and the prizes that will be awarded. It is scheduled to go through the end of May with a goal of helping Master Gardeners become aware of the various projects and getting more volunteers.

PRESENTATION BY JOY MOORE ON THE DIVERSE ROSE FAMILY

Joy Moore explained that there are diverse plants that are in the rose family with the identifying sign of blossoms with 5 petals and 5 sepals, spirally arranged. Joy had many photos and talked about the varieties of plants that we may not normally consider as a members of the rose family such as fruit and nut trees, brambles, berries, chokeberry, hawthorns, and spireas. Native varieties include: Carolina Rose and Serviceberry. Invasive species include: Bradford Pears, Multiflora rose, Wineberry, and Spirea Japonica.

Joy recommended some books:

"Wildflowers of Tennessee: the Ohio Valley and Southern Appalachians", by Horn and Cathcart

"Bringing Nature Home" by Douglas Tallamy

"Peterson Field Guide to Medicinal Plants and Herbs" by Steven Foster and James Duke

Website to find plants: www.plants.ces.ncsu.edu

There was much more information to Joy's presentation than is documented here.

NEXT MEETING

June 7th will be a presentation by Ben Casteel on Greenhouses. It will be a Zoom meeting at 6:30 pm that Ben will lead from his greenhouse at Virginia Highlands Community College in Abingdon.

June 28th will be a slide show presentation of MG home gardens. Please send pictures to Teresa Gaffner