

Minutes - Central Chapter Monthly Meeting

MONDAY, October 7th at 6:00 pm
UVM Extension Office in Berlin on rte 302.

Agenda: **Minutes**

1. Basket for MG Year End training in November : **Fantastic donations! Our basket will be epic! And many suggestions for a container beyond "basket". More research must be done...ok, more shopping...but it will be awesome. Thank you to all who donated! And if you still would like to, contact me and we will connect.**
2. Trade garden secrets of what worked and what didn't this year? What did you try that you loved or that didn't work out? **Fantastic stories! Barre Town school garden had a surprise vegetable grow! I am hoping for an article soon in the UVM MG newsletter so I don't want to spoil the surprise. Also, succulents are harder to grow that first thought (for me!) and can grow in water (opposite of my research). And creative ideas of how to keep deer out of the garden (possibly would also make a great article). Also, did you know you can grow peanuts in VT?!!!!**
3. What would you like to learn about next year? I want to know more about succulents, especially since i killed some nice ones! **Many ideas forming for new topics: hops, saffron, succulents, what to grow to use for herbal tea, just to name a few. Also pros and cons of growing cannabis for hemp and CBD; Federal and VT laws; laboratory testing and certification being done; how will it compare to the VT Dairy industry?**
4. What would the public like to learn about next year? Seen any good seminars in other locations and clubs? We can review the UVM list of speakers. **The UVM list of speakers will be circulated and planning will start at the December meeting/party.**
5. What can we do now to increase the plant sale in 2020? We had customers for an hour after we left last spring. Can we start sprouting plants inside this fall or separating outside? **Good news! People are already getting ready for the 2020 plant sale! So let's plan for the 1st Saturday in June, and schedule a warm sunny morning too. So split perennials, start your seeds, and try to figure out those succulents!**
6. Projects? Cutler Library? Hubbard Library? Historic homes? Kellogg **Hubbard Library projects will continue with new leadership. Thank you to Jane Lendway and Georgia Valentine for organizing seminars for many years, since 2004 in fact. And thank you for continuing this important project, Mary Ann Johnson and Debbie Clark.**
7. Financial balance. **\$3056.55.**
8. **Next meeting: December, exact date to be announced, possibly 6th (or 4th). Winter party, pot luck, wreath decorating, centerpiece making. More details will be out in the future. And discussing for 2020 seminars.**

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Thanks!
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