



**General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2023**

Attendees: See list of attendees.

Guest: Pete Corbino

Call to Order: Amye Rheault, CCVCA President, called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

Motion was passed to approve the March 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Election of Officers:

Motion was passed to approve the election of the new slate of board members:

- President: Marc Tang
- First VP: Todd Murphy
- Second VPs: Hanan Idilbi and Kellie Quartana
- Treasurer: Barbara Beatty
- Secretary: Theresa Kessler

Scholarship Presentation (Greg Rheault):

Annabelle Peterson is this year's CCVCA scholarship awardee. She plans to attend James Madison University this fall.

Program: **Guest Speaker:** Pete Corbino.

Pete is a Master Naturalist with his own business. He lives on Earlham Street with his wife Renee and their two sons. Pete presented many reasons why native plants are beneficial to incorporate into our home landscaping. Some interesting points:

1. CCV is considered an acidic oak hickory area. We should preserve these trees and plant compatible native species around them.
2. With the decline of pollinators and birds, there is a big push to plant natives. Goldenrod is one of the best plants for pollinators.
3. Lawns are still a big focus but people are moving to convert at least part of their lawn to native plants. Pete recommended districtnativeplants.com for ideas.

Board Updates and Issues:

1. Second Vice President (Diana):

Internal affairs update:

- CCVCA now has 231 members.
- We reached 250 last year.

2. President (Amye):

- Our 2022 Annual Report has been finalized and posted on the CCVCA website.

Committee Updates:

1. Events: Earth Day Stream Cleanup (Aileen, Sherrie):

- There were about 35 volunteers, including Scouts from Troop 1865 and Robinson students.
- The stream was fairly clean this year. There may be other areas of the park that need to be addressed. Perhaps look at non-native plant removal.

2. Events: Free Share Saturdays (Kellie):

- Occurs the last Saturday of each month from 9-noon, the first one is April 29.
- Kellie has about 25 signs available to borrow. You can keep the sign to pass along to a neighbor, or return to Kellie after your event.
- Kellie will post announcements on FB. You can add a comment with pictures if you have something to share.

3. Events: Yard Sale (Sherrie):

- Yard sale is scheduled for May 6.

4. Events: Memorial Day Ceremony (Sherrie):

- Memorial Day Ceremony is scheduled May 29 from 10:00 am – noon in CCV Park (no rain date).
- Any active military members are welcome to attend and there will be a special seating area.

Good of the Order:

1. Matt McCabe shared that a water leak in their house led to the discovery of a bigger problem. The joint compound used when the house was constructed contains asbestos, and drastic remediation steps must be taken.
2. Bob Mizer is in great need of volunteers for Neighborhood Watch. Only 60 are currently on the roster. He also related that there were assaults at Robinson Secondary School and University Mall. A garage was broken into on Briar Street and a couple of cars were broken into in the neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Next Board meeting will be **May 22, 2023, 7:30 pm**, at the Beatty residence.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Beatty
CCVCA Treasurer