

FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB

May 13, 2005 Minutes

At 12:30 p.m., the President asked Terry Newberry to lead the membership and guest in prayer prior to everyone enjoying a potluck luncheon.

The May business meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President JoAnn Quackenbush who also led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the club collect. Jo Ann acknowledged the hostesses Terry Newberry, Carol Delisle and Thelma Noble and greeters Pam Bellman and Christine Harnden. May birthdays, as well as summer month birthdays, were acknowledged.

Second Vice-President, Bobbie Schoss welcomed guests who became new members: Mary VanEepoel and Virginia ["Ginny"] Andrews.

April meeting minutes were distributed by e-mail and a copy made available on the information table. The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's report was given by Kathy Hofmann (see attached). Kathy reported the Plant Sale total income @ \$3649.32, which included fertilizer and Ways & Means sales with a net income of \$2398.04.

Correspondence: Out-going included thank-you notes to the community agencies that participated in the plant sale, thank-you to Lloyd O'Dell for the rose garden hose hanger and sympathy to Glan Phillips, husband of former member Glynis.

Officers Reports

President Quackenbush reported: - Our club was represented at the Spring District V meeting by JoAnn, Bobbie Schoss, Peggy Patillo, Pattie Barber, Marcia Beasley, Nancy Mirgon and Thelma Noble. Club reports which provide new ideas for community service and fund-raiser activities were given by the District V club presidents. The program was given by Susan Dougherty, Parks Service Specialist at Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park.

Standing Committee Reports

- Community Gardens: Memorial - Kathy Hofmann made a second request for volunteers for summer watering and circulated a list.

- Junior Gardeners - Bobbie Schoss and Cathi Ayers reported on the Jr. Gardeners Arbor Day/Earth Day program at the school, which included having four new trees (2 each of Southern Magnolia and Redbud donated by the County and installed by Michael Harnden) as well as a Yesterday-Today-Tomorrow shrub donated in memory of a third grade student, Ryan Sullivan, who died early in the school year. The JG's presented brief skits about recycling and conserving water and led the students in a song.

- Landscape Design and Garden Awards: Cathy Foley reported that only 6 gardens have been nominated so far and that gardens will be visited in late June.

- Legislation and Historic Preservation: Marcia Beasley presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the FC Heritage Council to the Garden Club for the Live Oak trees donated by the club and Michael & Christine Harnden for Arbor Day.

- Scholarship: Cathi Ayers - Six applications were received and a Lecanto High School student who plans to study environmental science was chosen.

- Secret Gardens Tour: Dave Noble - Report of the SGT committee meeting held on 3/29 - Tour date for this year will be 9/24 with 10/1 as a rain date. Committee requests that membership recommend gardens they feel are tour worthy. Any new recommendations will be added to the list from last year's cancelled tour and used to select gardens for this tour. The hope is that a 'pool' of tour worthy gardens will be generated for future years to keep the tours fresh, interesting and secret. Recommended gardens should be submitted no later than May 13th.

- Trees & Arbor Day: Jo Ann reported for Michael Harnden: Sat 3/19/2005 at 10AM we joined Michael Harnden, Certified Arborist & Tree Committee Chairman, and planted two live oaks, one donated by the garden club which was planted on the corner of Orange & Annie and the other donated by Michael & Christine which was planted on the corner of Orange & Fannie.

Special Committees - The School Beautification Mural project will continue this summer under Jo Ann's direction. She asked for volunteers to call or e-mail her so she can contact to advise of dates and times.

UNFINISHED [OLD] BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS : None

AWARDS

- Petal Power Award went from Joan Knippen to Christine Harnden for her assistance to Joan with homegrown plants for the plant sale.

- President's Recognition: Jo Ann expressed her deepest appreciation to all members who participated in club activities and projects throughout the year. Each new member and member volunteers received a gift. Additionally, Dorothy Clark was presented with a Past President's pin for the two separate terms she served prior to the time the club began honoring the president leaving office in this manner. After Jo Ann completed making awards to members, she was presented with a variegated leaf Hydrangea and a Don Juan climbing rose.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Jo Ann announced that a transition meeting for retiring officers to meet with incoming officers is scheduled for Monday, May 23 at 10 a.m.

The business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathi Ayers, Secretary

OOPs again. I gave the statement to Diane with other minutes. I'll send this off to her and ask her to fill in the numbers .

Financial Statement
April 1 - April 30, 2005

Balance Forward: \$ 2152.23

Income

Plant Sale

Tip Jar

Ways and Means

TOTAL

Disbursements

Civic & Community

Jr. Gardeners

Programs

TOTAL

ENDING BALANCE \$

