

Floral City Garden Club  
Minutes of the December 8, 2006 Meeting

Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon was held at noon. After the invocation, a bountiful and delicious buffet was enjoyed by all ... 55 were present.

The Lytle Family entertained us with music and singing of Christmas Carols. Mildred Lyons read the "Legend of the Poinsettia".

Pam Bellman presented an award to Jim and Marty Fish who started the park bench project. She also presented them with a print of an original post card dated 1908 entitled "Where they do business in Floral City". Pam also honored 4 special ladies of the Friends of the Garden Club: Merrell Edwards, Barbara Harvey, Doris Schultz and Marty Fish for the many gardens they made and maintained. Each was presented a certificate and a gift.

Call to Order: President Jo Ann Quackenbush called the meeting to order at 1:45P called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the Club Collect.

Greeting: Bobbie Schoss introduced the guests and thanked greeters [Terry Newberry, Ginny Andrews & Bea Rabideau] and hostesses [Shirley McAllen & Bobbie Schoss]. Jo thanked Joan Knippen for making all the lovely table arrangements which later were won by a member at each table who had the lowest ticket number.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Hofmann gave the Treasurer's Report [see below] and announced that \$20 was donated to Shop with a Cop program and \$156 was donated to the Academy of Environmental Science.

Correspondence:

- From Summer Wylie: Bobbie Schoss read a letter of thanks from Summer Wylie for the scholarship.
- From Lloyd O'Dell: Kathy Hofmann gave an update on Sheila O'Dell's health problems.
- From Debbie Barney: her husband, Joe, had been admitted to the hospital for kidney stones ... they found only 1.
- From Deb Owens: Give my best to all. I need you to take me off the E-mail list as it will be shut down soon. Tiffany & I will be residing out of town soon. I will write a letter to all later in the future.
- From Nancy Mirgon: Re her husband, Bill, his Knee Surgery had to be cancelled for now since he had to have a heart cath; they replaced the valve and did the Maze procedure on him. Bill is home now and they have a home health nurse coming in to check his vitals and draw blood for the coumadin too, he is doing much better, just takes time and I will be squiring him around for a while

Officer's Report: the FFGC Convention Opportunity Drawing tickets are going on sale: \$1 each and you don't have to be present to win. Ginny Andrews volunteered to handle ticket sales so see her to buy yours. Prizes include:

- a garden tour in Costa Rica and the Festival de la Luz 3 days / 2 nights
- Longboat Key Sun 'n Sea Cottages 3 days / 2 nights
- Fly anywhere in the continental US w/a friend on Air Tran Airways
- Patio Umbrella or
- Unique Hammock to enjoy on your own patio

Standing Committee Reports:

- Decorating Committee:
  - we decorated the town for Christmas and then had breakfast at the Shamrock. A big thank you to: Pam & Dave Bellman, Bernice Colbath, Kathy Davis, Oweda Harris, Sharon Thompson, Kathy Hoffman, Debbie Barney and, Carole Baker and Carol DeLisle, and me.
  - Volunteers are needed to make table arrangements for the installation banquet in February. A sign-up sheet was routed.
- Roadside Clean-up: Pam Bellman thanked JoAnn Quackenbush, Kathy Davis, Carole DeLisle, Diane Freund, Lynn & HD Bassett, Bobbie Schoss, Carol Baker, Thelma Noble, Kathy Hofmann and helpers for the next day were: Bobby S., Thelma N., Lynn and HD.
- Legislation and Historic Preservation: Marcia Beasley spoke on Heritage Days ... it was one of the most successful. She thanked everyone that participated.
- Horticulture: Lynn Bassett spoke on forcing bulbs.

Special Committee Reports:

- School Beautification: Jo announced that our painted mural at the school has been compromised ... the school installed new A/C units replacing the ones we painted. Volunteers will be needed in the spring to cover the new silver A/C units with paint to fill in the mural.
- Nominating Committee: Terry Newberry announced the following nominations for the 2007-2009 slate of officers:
  - Kathy Davis            President
  - Christine Harnden    1st Vice President
  - Debbie Barney        2nd Vice President
  - Kathy Hofmann        Treasurer
  - Diane Dowthitt        Recording Secretary
  - Peggy Pattillo        Corresponding Secretary
  - Jeanne Henson        Chaplain

Awards:

- Life Membership: President, Jo Q. presented the FFGC Life Membership to Lynn Bassett for all her good work in the Garden Club and Community.
- Petal Power Award: This award will be held over another month because the presenter is out of town. Last month the presented was out of town.

Gift Exchange: The exchanging of gifts was conducted by Marcia Beasley

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janis Lehowicz by Jo Quackenbush for Diane Dowthitt

FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB  
Financial Statement  
November 1 to November 30, 2006

Balance Forward \$ 2156.88

INCOME

Dues	56.00
Donation for gardens	200.00
Ways & Means	89.00
Shop with a Cop	20.00
No Ball at All	156.00

Total	521.00
Balance	2677.88

DISBURSEMENTS

Ackn. & Programs	10.00
Postage	7.80
Spots & Pots & Rose garden	67.77
No Ball at All	156.00
Shop with a Cop	20.00

Total	261.57
Ending Balance	2416.31

Mary K. Hofmann Treasurer