

**FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB**  
**February 10, 2006 Minutes**

1st Vice President Bobbie Schoss called the February business meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in President JoAnn Quackenbush's absence. Terry Newberry gave the Invocation. The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President then led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the Club Collect. The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President then acknowledged the hostesses Cathy Foley, Shirley McAllen and Carol Hart and the greeters Terry Newberry, Debra Owens and Bette Welte. February birthdays were also acknowledged.

**January meeting minutes** were distributed by e-mail and a copy made available on the information table. One correction to the minutes is that Carol DeLisle's report on the orchid trip was in December, not January

**Treasurer's report** was given by Kathy Hofmann (see attached).

**Correspondence:** An invitation was received from the Dunnellon Garden Club announcing their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fashion Show to be held at the Rainbow Springs Community Center on March 3. Cost \$16.00. Contact Shirley at 465-9037

**Officers Reports** - **Jo Quackenbush, President:** Dist V President's Luncheon  
I attended a President's Luncheon in McIntosh on Fri 2/3/06. We have been asked to participate in several programs.

- Provide two volunteers to be part of the Planning Team for the Water Festival to be held on 2/24/07. This is immediately following Legislative Day on 2/23/07. The goal is to get every club in Dist V involved. This would require attending meetings in McIntosh.
- Provide two volunteers to help set out table arrangements for the Sat 5/27/06 Convention Luncheon in Orlando.
- Provide one volunteer to be a NGC Convention Hostess interested in 1. Dining Room, 2. Meal Facts/Tables, 3. Tours, 4. Meal Seating/Tickets, 5. Greet/Hallways, 6. Vendors/Educational, 7. Workshops/Seminars.
- Holding a Habitat for Humanity Walk-a-Thon Gardening Project. This is something they want us to set up and get sponsors to pay for 1,3,5 mile walk/run, then we would give the money to FFGC at the convention and they would divvy it up between all the districts in the state for Habitat for Humanity

- **Bobbie Schoss, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** **Did you mention the health hotline?**

**Standing Committee Reports**

- **Birds & Butterflies:** Cathy Foley reported that the Bird Feeder was replaced due to poor condition and that a weeding day for the garden is to be planned soon.

- **Civic & Community Development:** Lynn Bassett reported for Marcia Beasley that the Steering Committee of the Heritage Council needs a chairperson. Currently, decisions are being made about important issues of great interest to our club members. Issues present before the committee; Historic markers for local sites in Floral City and developing a master overlay for the district. The Heritage Council has a new email address at: [the-fchc@hotmail.com](mailto:the-fchc@hotmail.com).

- **Horticulture:** Lynn Bassett stressed the importance of our club supporting the eradication of non-native invasive plants. She also reminded the members that only 8 weeks remain until the Spring Plant Sale. Info sheets were passed around for individual work assignments and a list for plant material purchase suggestions. Kathy Davis and Anne Propp have agreed to act as Co-Chairs on the Plant Sale committee. A Plant Sale committee meeting is planned for 3/3 at 10am.

- **Ways & Means:** Bobbie Schoss asked for a volunteer for the position of Chairperson of the 2007 Secret Garden Tour committee.

- **Yearbook & Programs:** Carole DeLisle reported on upcoming activities of interest to members: \* A trip to the Butterfly Museum in Gainesville on 3/9, \* An Orchid Sale in Tampa \* a Chinsegut program on edible plants \* a Pressed Flower workshop offered free at Whispering Pines Park on 3/23 to be lead by FCGC member Pam Bellman's mother \* Azalea Festival trip planned by Inverness GC for 3/11, cost \$29.

**Special Committees** - none

**UNFINISHED [OLD] BUSINESS** - Cathi Ayers discussed options for monies collected for Carol Dyer before her death. Suggestions were fielded as to refunding the money to members or the possibility of purchasing a rose bush for the Rose Garden. **I don't remember if we decided this by vote?**

**NEW BUSINESS** none

**AWARDS** - The Petal Power Award was presented by the last recipient, Terry Newberry to Kathy Davis for her work with the Jr. Gardeners and her program on proper pruning.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** - An alternate Hostess is needed for March.  
Membership Dues of \$14 single and \$16 couple can be paid to Kathy Hofmann now for next year.

The business meeting was adjourned.

**There was no Grow & Share or Question & Answer period held this meeting.**

After the business meeting, Christine Small presented a program on Butterflies. The original program on beekeeping was cancelled by the presenter.

No home tours were held.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Dowthitt, Recording Secretary