

President JoAnn Quackenbush called the March business meeting to order at 1:00 PM and Terry Newberry gave the Invocation. The President then led the membership in the Club Collect. 2nd Vice President Carole DeLisle welcomed all guests and new members.

Carole also thanked the Hostesses Dottie Sherman, Joan Knippen & Bea Rabideau and the Greeters; Terry Newberry, Carol & Kathy Baker & Bernice Colbath. The March Birthdays were also acknowledged. The FC Garden club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was also celebrated with a special home baked and decorated Birthday cake, made by Bea Rabideau.

**February Meeting minutes** were published via email and were subsequently amended to include donations to our February raffle from 2 new FC businesses. The corrected minutes were made available on the information table. The minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurer's report** was given by **JoAnn in the absence of Kathy Hofmann**. (See attached for report).

**Correspondence:**

- o A Thank You Card from the O'Dell family.
- o A Thank You email from Debbie Barney for all the cards, food and get well wishes sent to her after her surgery. She reports that she is walking now with much less pain and hopes to attend the next FCGC meeting.
- o An email from Bobbie Schoss with her new address and contact info.
- o An Invitation to the Black Tie & Blue Jean Dinner, a fundraising event for **E-Nini-Hassee** on 3/31. Cost \$50
- o An Invitation to the McIntosh Garden Show & Plant Sale on 4/7 at the Van Ness Park.

**Officers Reports:** none

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**-Legislation & Historic Preservation:** Marcia Beasley reported on the upcoming BOCC meeting on 3/13 (Historic Overlay District) and the need for a good showing from FC residents.

**-Ways & Means:**

- **Plant Sale:** Cathy Baker urged everyone to start plants in pots for the sale. Home grown plants are sought after by the public and are very profitable for the club.

**-Roadside Beautification:** Pam Bellman noted a mistake in the Yearbook calendar and that no clean up dates are scheduled until May.

**Special Committees:**

**-FFCG Water Celebration Extravaganza:** Lynn Bassett brought along some Gift Bags that were given to attendees on Legislation Day. Lynn discussed the Springs Watershed Ordinance and some of the water issues that will have an impact on our county in the future, such as waterfront building setback limits and septic tank upgrades for sensitive sites. JoAnn displayed the Sharing Board of pictures from local Garden Clubs she made for the event. Lynn's report will be kept with the minutes.

**UNFINISHED [OLD] BUSINESS** - JoAnn reported on the need for touch up work to the school mural after new a/c units were installed. She will let members know via email, the scheduled date of the painting project.

**NEW BUSINESS** –none

**AWARDS** –JoAnn Quackenbush presented the award to Joan Knippen and all the installation banquet flower arrangement committee members: Ginny Andrews, Cathy Foley & Bette Ayers.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Dues for the club year 2007-2008 are payable between now and May. An envelope is provided for this purpose.

Our weekly Raffle was held.

The business meeting was adjourned.

Carole DeLisle introduced, **Susie Q**, the new head of the County Extension Office who gave a talk and visual presentation on growing issues for our area.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Dowthitt, Recording Secretary

