

JANUARY 9, 2015

Floral City Garden Club Meeting at the Community Center

Noon Social Time

At 12:50 PM the meeting was called to order. Not many in attendance.
Door prize numbers called.

At 12:55 PM the business meeting called to order.

Diane Freund presented the Invocation about Spring.

Thank you to Hostesses and Birthday Greetings.

Attendance taken for business meeting with 19 members and one former member present.

Treasurer's report:

The balance brought forward was \$4,615.47 and ending balance \$4,365.68 with \$229.83 in the

Memorial Garden. At the moment we are \$607.33 under budget.

Convention information was given with March 20 as the deadline for registration.

Correspondence: A card will be sent to Dottie Sherman who is in a rehab in The Villages after a back operation.

Since there are no new members present they will be recognized next month.

One visitor/guest, Terri Beck, gave us some new information regarding Lyme disease.

Diane Little, gave us information about the Plant Sale to be held in 90 days. She passed out a sheet of information that she needs concerning our homegrown plants and/or how each one of us can help with the sale whether it is with growing plants, helping care for plants, digging and/or potting plants, donating money, or other ways of helping so that we can have 100% participation. She requested that members return the sheet at next month's meeting.

The un-decoration of the town was completed and members organized the bows that are OK to be used for next year's decoration and eliminated others that are not usable.

Fund raiser for bows will be organized by Lola Wasson with the date to be determined.

Mary Lou gave us information regarding Jr. Gardeners. Members are checking for friends to help with this project—B.J. Jarvis has a lot of ideas for this but cannot chair. Young gardeners particularly enjoy growing vegetables which they can then consume.....Three of our members are interested but are not here consistently which is an extremely important element to have for this project. Perhaps the

meetings would only be for six or seven months eliminating the first and the last month of school. Meetings to be held at the school with possible “take home” projects.

Nomination committee presented a slate of officers :

President: Lona Bassett

First Vice President: Anne Propp

Second Vice President: Sandy Van Tassel

Treasurer: Donna Thomas

Recording Secretary: Lynn Bassett

Corresponding Secretary: Amber Persyn

Voting will be done at the February meeting.

Under Environmental Concerns Lona reported regarding the article about Amendment 1 in the “Chronicle” today requesting comments as to how spend the \$\$ that will be coming in to the state because the amendment passed. It passed in the state by 70% and Citrus County passed it by 75 % . Lona will email to members how we can respond to the survey.

Lynn Bassett, Horticulture chair, re-iterated the gardening guide information regarding Amazon lilies.

Landscape Design Chair, Mary Lou Eaton, gave information regarding choosing yards for the awards of the year.

She has a list of the different categories that will be given awards.

Williston Gardens camellias are blooming.

Help with Landscape design may be had from the Landscape Design Committee. The committee is formulating an approach for that.

Roadside Cleanup—March 2 rather than Feb. 2

President Lona mentioned a suggestion from the Suggestion Box to get out of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. She gave information regarding the saving or not saving money in or out of the federation. Educational opportunities that the federation offer are enjoyed by many members. Floral City is the oldest federated garden club in Citrus County. If someone feels strongly about this they need to present a motion to withdraw and then the president can open the motion for a discussion. The president cannot present such a motion.

Petal Power award presented by Anne Propp for Carole Baker to Joan Knippen whose art work for the club in general and specifically for the Attic Treasure Sale was wonderful.

The next board meeting will be Thursday Jan 29, 9:30AM at President Lona’s house.

Craft Demonstration by Joan Knippen and Diane Little using stained glass and a terra cotta saucer. Instructions were given while the saucer was being decorated.

Other comments were about the need for jewelry for the Friends of the Library fund raiser and information regarding publicity for the club.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM

File

January 2015

FIRST	LAST	Jan.
DOTTIE	ANDREWS	
CATHI	AYERS	
CAROLE	BAKER	
PATTIE	BARBER	✓
LONA	BASSETT	✓
LYNN	BASSETT	✓
MARCIA	BEASLEY	✓
PAMELA	BELLMAN	
VIRGINIA	BRUCE	✓
JAN & LAURIE	CALDWELL & VITT	✓
JODY	CRADLEBAUGH	
CAROLE	DELISLE	
MARY LOU	EATON	✓
BILL	FERGUSON	
DUANE & SHIELA	FINCH	✓
CATHY	FOLEY	✓
DIANE	FREUND	✓
MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	HARNDEN	
JEANNE	HENSON	
KATHY	HOFMANN	✓
JOAN	KNIPPEN	
MARLANA	LEE	
MAUREEN	LEMONS	
DIANE	LITTLE	✓
MILLIE	LYONS	
KARLA KAY & LOWELL	MCCURLEY	
SUSAN	METCALFE	✓
TORY	MONTAG	
PATSY & BUD	NEEL	
CHARLENE	NELSON	✓
AMBER	PERSYN	✓
PHYLLIS & FRANK	PETERS	✓
ANNE	PROPP	✓
JO ANN	QUACKENBUSH	
DOROTHY	SHERMAN	
LEEANN	THAYER	
DONNA	THOMAS	✓
BEVERLY ANN	THOMPSON	
SHARON	THOMPSON	
SANDRA & BILL	VAN TASSEL	✓
LOLA	WASSON	
GARY & ALICE	WEBB	
BETTY	WELTE	✓

Jody Cradlebaugh
Laura Lee Putzbaugh
See Rahidew ✓
✓ Terry Beck — part member & today's guest.

19 for business meeting

FEBRUARY MINUTES

The Floral City Garden Club held the February meeting at the Community Center on February 13, 2015. The meeting began at 12:30 after a Valentine's Social Time.

Alice Webb gave the Invocation and the Club Collect was said. President Lona Bassett welcomed the several guests and Anne Propp, First Vice President, introduced Bill Ferguson who spoke about Olives and Olive trees. He distributed several items of information about olives and where members can purchase olive trees in this area. The older the tree is the more likely that it would not be damaged by frost. There are also some varieties that do better where the weather can get cold. There were several questions and after thanking the speaker President Bassett adjourned for a short break before the business meeting.

At 1:30PM the meeting was recalled and Birthday Wishes were given to five members this month. A thank you to the hostesses for the lovely Valentine refreshments and to the Greeters. Clean Up members were reminded of their duties.

The Secretary had taken silent attendance and told the club of the one correction that was made in the minutes that had been sent out electronically.

The Treasurer gave the financial report with \$4,595.51 being brought forward and the current balance of \$4,561.19. She also mentioned that our budget is in the black by \$175.93.

The Introduction of New Members will be at the May meeting.

Lynn Bassett gave the recommendations for the slate of Officers for the next term. They are Lona Bassett, President, Anne Propp, First Vice President, Sandy Van Tassell, Second Vice President, Laura Lee Pdtzback, Recording Secretary, Donna Thomas, Treasurer, and Mary Lou Eaton, Corresponding Secretary. It was moved that the slate be accepted and it was voted in.

President Bassett mentioned using the Birthday money for the Butterfly and Rose Garden needs.

The Plant Sale Chairs mentioned several actions that are being taken to prepare for the sale; some trips to dig up native plants, meetings to plan the decorations and staging for the sale and some trips to purchase plants for the sale.

Discussion about having seeds available for the sale and/or for club members went on with final plans to be given later. Members are encouraged to let Jan know what kind of seeds that we have available and she'll post the names on the

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web site. The Plant Sale Committee also would like to know what homegrown plants will be available for the sale.

See Donna Thomas, Treasurer, if you are interested in purchasing a tee shirt to wear on the day of the Plant Sale.

The Spring/Summer Luncheon will be held on April 24, at the Inverness Country Club and the cost will be \$17.36 each. Please get this payment to Donna as soon as possible along with the choice of chicken or London broil.

Strawberry Festival participation was discussed. Diane Little and Mary Lou Easton will be some of the people who will be at the Hospitality Tent showing a wreath and/or plants that visitors might buy at our upcoming Plant Sale.

Volunteers are needed for this event. The club needs a representative to attend the FCMA meetings on the 3rd Monday from 6-7PM.

Mary Lou Eaton says that the Junior Gardener project is on hold for the time being.

A discussion about having or not having the pots of plants beside the vet's office on Orange Avenue was held. Susie Metcalfe and Amber Persyn have worked on the tubing for the pots and until a firm decision is made the pots will remain. The Historic Transportation Corridor committee and Keep Citrus Beautiful are looking into the overall "look" of the roads and roadsides so we will get and give input to them.

In lieu of several committee reports Susie Metcalfe gave a report about Simplicity and Variety in Landscape Design. She showed photos of yards from simple to high variety.

Landscape Design Chair, Mary Lou Eaton, spoke about what the committee is working on right now. One item is the Garden Awards. A second is the Butterfly Garden Project which has begun with meetings with the State Maintenance Coordinator and a survey of the existing garden. The committee was given \$100 from the Trail to purchase plants.

Field trips to see well designed gardens are other projects that the committee would like to continue. Suggestions are appreciated. Days preferred seem to be Thursdays or Saturdays.

Garden assessment is another ongoing project that the committee is working on. More information will be determined later.

The Petal Power award was given by Joan Knippen to Susie Metcalfe for her many good works for the club such as her presentation, filling in whenever needed for many jobs and for chairing the Roadside Cleanup Committee.

April 18-20, 2015—the dates for the FFGC State Convention and members were encouraged to go. The District V meeting will be April 30, in Brockville at the Southern Hills Country Club.

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The next board meeting will be Thursday, February 26, 2015, at 9:30AM at the home of the President.

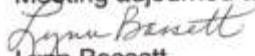
In Other Business there will be a short Safety Talk before the March 2 Roadside Cleanup beginning at the Duval Island Boat Ramp Parking Lot.

Diane Little showed club members the finished product from the demonstration of crafts that she and Joan Knippen did at last month's meeting. Some will be available for sale.

Several Citrus County garden clubs' various fund raisers were mentioned for members to consider attending.

Marcia Beasley presented President Lona with the beautiful floral design that she had created as decoration for the Social Time in recognition of her 50th wedding anniversary that day.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM


Lynn Bassett
Secretary

File

	January	Actual	
INCOME			
Plant sales			
Misc. Donations			
Door Prize		\$30.00	
Ways & Means		\$18.00	
Memorial Garden			
Attic Sale			
Membership dues			
Total	\$0.00	\$48.00	
DISBURSEMENTS	January		
Rent	\$26.50	\$26.50	
Insurance			
P.O. Box 833			
Garden Maint.	\$25.00		
Memorial Garden			
Dist 5			
Speakers	\$20.00		
Merchants	\$50.00		
Equip./Replace	\$24.00		
Supplies	\$26.00		
Start up exp			
Plant cert			
Raffle supplies	\$20.00		
Postage	\$15.00	\$12.32	
Sales Tax			
Misc.	\$8.00		
Corp. fees	\$61.25	\$70.00	
Plant sale exp.			
Gifts/Flowers	\$9.00		
FFGC			
Yearbook			
Bows			
Total	\$284.75	\$108.82	\$175.93
Under Budget YTD	\$573.01		

File

Floral City Garden Club
Financial Statement
Date January 1-31, 2015

Balance Forward		\$4,595.51
Income		
Ways and Means	\$18.00	
Door Prize	\$30.00	
	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	
Total	\$48.00	
Disbursements		
Postage	\$12.32	
Div. of Corp.	\$70.00	
Total	\$82.32	
Balance		\$4,331.36
Plus Mem. Garden Fund		\$229.83
Total ending balance		\$4,561.19

File

2015
Feb

FIRST	LAST		
DOTTIE	ANDREWS		
CATHI	AYERS		
CAROLE	BAKER	✓	
PATTIE	BARBER	✓	
LONA	BASSETT	✓	
LYNN	BASSETT	✓	
MARCIA	BEASLEY	✓	
PAMELA	BELLMAN		
VIRGINIA	BRUCE	✓	
JAN & LAURIE	CALDWELL & VITT	✓	
JODY	CRADLEBAUGH		
CAROLE	DELISLE	✓	
MARY LOU	EATON	✓	
BILL	FERGUSON	✓	
DUANE & SHIELA	FINCH	✓	
CATHY	FOLEY	✓	
DIANE	FREUND	✓	
MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	HARNDEN		
JEANNE	HENSON		
KATHY	HOFMANN	✓	✓
JOAN	KNIPPEN		✓
MARLANA	LEE		
MAUREEN	LEMONS		
DIANE	LITTLE	✓	
MILLIE	LYONS		
KARLA KAY & LOWELL	MCCURLEY		
SUSAN	METCALFE	✓	
TORY	MONTAG	✓	
PATSY & BUD	NEEL		
CHARLENE	NELSON		
AMBER	PERSYN	✓	
PHYLLIS & FRANK	PETERS		
ANNE	PROPP	✓	late
JO ANN	QUACKENBUSH		
DOROTHY	SHERMAN		
LEEANN	THAYER		
DONNA	THOMAS	✓	
BEVERLY ANN	THOMPSON	✓	
SHARON	THOMPSON	✓	
SANDRA & BILL	VAN TASSEL	✓	
LOLA	WASSON	✓	
GARY & ALICE	WEBB	✓	
BETTY	WELTE	✓	

~~Judy E. Crystal Falls Juris~~

~~Martana Lee~~

~~Laura Lee Pitzback~~

~~BEA Rabindeau~~

~~Marilyn Whisman~~

~~Terri Beck~~

~~Mark Russell~~

(guest?)

- ✓ NOT
- ✓ - new member
- ✓ left early
- ✓ - newly moved in from Kansas
- ✓ former member
- ✓ 32.

MARCH, 2015, MINUTES FOR THE FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB

The monthly meeting of the Floral City Garden Club was held on March 13, at the Community Center in Floral City. After the half hour social time the President opened the meeting and First Vice President, Anne Propp, introduced the speaker from Vertigo about Hydroponic Gardening. Dara Reppe and her daughter showed members and guests how the system of vertical gardening with drip feeding and watering can produce easy to pick vegetables without the numerous pests that attack plants that are grown in the ground. We were shown the one stack option for a patio as well as many stacks which could yield enough food or flowers for a large family. Several members evinced interest in growing plants in this manner and asked questions to further their knowledge.

After the speaker and a short break when the numbers were drawn for the Door Prizes President Lona called the business meeting to order at 1:25PM. The Invocation was given by Marcia Beasley and the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect were led by the President. District V Director, Sandra Messer, and her sister were introduced as well as other guests. The Secretary checked member attendance and there were 26 present for the business meeting.

President Lona gave Birthday Good Wishes and Thank Yous to the Hostesses and Greeters as well as reminding the Clean Up crew for the end of the meeting.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as sent out electronically. Donna Thomas, Treasurer, gave the report with the beginning balance being \$4,561.19 and the ending balance being \$4,823.48. At this time the club is under budget by \$55.92.

Donna also reminded members about paying for the May luncheon as well as next year's dues. She sent out forms via e-mail and asked members to return the forms with their payments. Members may bring the form to the April meeting.

Anne Propp mentioned the four new members that joined last month but who happened to be absent at this meeting.

The Plant Sale organization was discussed by Diane Little and Shiela Finch. Sheila read a poem about plants and participation. Butterfly weed is requested by the Sale Chairs since that is a good seller but the caterpillars have been eating many people's plantings so they don't look very good for the sale. The time line for the sale was discussed and people were requested to sign up for their participation times for Friday preparation and the Saturday sale. Early morning delivery of the plants to the pavilion on Friday was requested and pricing and labeling of unlabeled plants would be done after the club meeting. Members were requested to label their plants if at all possible.

Mention was made of the vandalism at the Memorial Garden and how Jan Caldwell and Laurie Vitt repaired the damaged bench and have returned it to the garden.

Mary Lou Eaton and Laura Lee Putzbach will share the position of Liaison for the Merchants Association.

There are 4 tee shirts left that members can wear while working at the Plant Sale available that the club has purchased. There are iron on stickers to add our name on the shirt.

For the Horticulture report Lynn Bassett had a flip chart to write members' tips for easy gardening and mentioned coleus as the plant of the month and showed members the root of the Florida betony that can be eaten.

Mary Lou Eaton, Landscape Design Chair, talked about the Butterfly and Rose garden possible merger, the Yard of the Year Awards and the Field Trip to the Spring Hill Gardens to be taken on April 25.


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Shiela Finch created a Bonsai from just a potted plant to a finished product giving members a running commentary while she was working. The completed Bonsai was given to our District Director who spoke to us about her activities while being director and encouraging members to attend the FFGC state convention as well as the District V Spring Meeting which will be held in Brooksville.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 26, at 9:30 AM at the home of the President.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40PM.


Lynn Bassett
Secretary

File

Floral City Garden Club
Financial Statement
Date March 1-31, 2015

Balance Forward		\$4,823.48
Income		
Shirts	\$100.00	
Luncheon	\$208.32	
Membership dues	\$276.00	
Tips	\$12.00	
Door prize	\$54.00	
Memorial garden	\$10.00	
Total	\$660.32	
Disbursements		
Auto-Owners Ins.	\$301.00	
Diane Little - plant sale	\$200.00	
Lona Bassett - supplies	\$35.23	
March speaker	\$20.00	
Total	\$556.23	
Balance		\$4,360.70
Plus Mem. Garden Fund		\$329.83
Butterfly Garden		\$237.04
Total ending balance		\$4,927.57

Money for scholarship \$1267.78

Guests File.

Mary Beth Jensen
 Katly Lingusky
 Barbara Cole -
 Terry Beck
 Mary + Don Watson

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FIRST	LAST	2015 MAR
DOTTIE	ANDREWS	✓
CATHI	AYERS	✓
CAROLE	BAKER	
PATTIE	BARBER	✓
LONA	BASSETT	✓
LYNN	BASSETT	✓
MARCIA	BEASLEY	✓
PAMELA	BELLMAN	
VIRGINIA	BRUCE	✓
JAN & LAURIE	CALDWELL & VITT	✓
JODY	CRADLEBAUGH	✓
CAROLE	DELISLE	✓
MARY LOU	EATON	✓
BILL	FERGUSON	✓
DUANE & SHIELA	FINCH	✓
CATHY	FOLEY	✓
DIANE	FREUND	✓
MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	HARDEN	✓ - left.
JEANNE	HENSON	
KATHY	HOFMANN	
JOAN	KNIPPEN	
MARLANA	LEE	
MAUREEN	LEMONS	
DIANE	LITTLE	✓
MILLIE	LYONS	
KARLA KAY & LOWELL	MCCURLEY	
SUSAN	METCALFE	✓
TORY	MONTAG	✓
PATSY & BUD	NEEL	
CHARLENE	NELSON	
AMBER	PERSYN	✓
PHYLLIS & FRANK	PETERS	✓
ANNE	PROPP	✓
JO ANN	QUACKENBUSH	
DOROTHY	SHERMAN	
LEEANN	THAYER	
DONNA	THOMAS	✓
BEVERLY ANN	THOMPSON	✓
SHARON	THOMPSON	✓
SANDRA & BILL	VAN TASSEL	✓
LOLA	WASSON	missed name (tick)
GARY & ALICE	WEBB	
BETTY	WELTE	

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Joy
 Marlene
 Laura Lee
 Crystal
 Peggy
 Greg
 Marilyn

Lee
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 Witzel
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26 for program
 for business

File

	Budget	Actual
	February	
INCOME		
Plant sales		
Misc. Donations		\$270.79
Door Prize		\$37.65
Luncheon		
Ways & Means		\$4.00
Memorial Garden		\$70.00
Attic Sale		
Membership dues		
Total	\$0.00	\$382.44
DISBURSEMENTS	February	
Rent	\$26.50	\$53.00
Insurance		
P.O. Box 833		
Donations		
Garden Maint.	\$25.00	
Memorial Garden		
Dist 5		
Speakers	\$20.00	
Merchants		
Equip./Replace	\$24.00	
Supplies	\$26.00	
Start up exp	\$60.00	
Plant cert		
Raffle supplies	\$20.00	
Postage	\$15.00	\$21.74
Sales Tax		
Misc.	\$8.00	
Corp. fees		
Plant sale exp.		\$210.35
Gifts/Flowers	\$9.00	
Total	\$233.50	\$285.09
Under Budget	\$550.92	

File

Floral City Garden Club
Financial Statement
Date February 1-28, 2015

Balance Forward		\$4,561.19
Income		
Museum - Hertiage	\$3.75	
Door prize*	\$37.65	
Memorial Garden	\$90.00	
Membership dues	\$49.00	
Luncheon	\$69.44	
Plant sale donation	\$30.00	
Ways & Means	\$4.00	
Landscape/gardens donation	\$196.00	
B/D donation forLandscape/gardens	\$41.04	
Total	\$520.88	
Disbursements		
Diane Little - Plant sale	\$100.00	
Diane Little - Plant sale	\$30.00	
Lynn Basset - plants	\$80.35	
D. Thomas - stamps	\$21.74	
Rent - May	\$26.50	
Total	\$258.59	
Balance		\$4,266.61
Plus Mem. Garden Fund		\$319.83
Butterfly Garden		\$237.04
Total ending balance		\$4,823.48

* Put \$12.35 in petty cash to bring to \$50 to avoid writing check.
Money for scholarship \$1267.78

APRIL 10, 2015, FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB

MINUTES

The April meeting of the Floral City Garden Club was held at the Community Center and began with refreshments at noon. After socializing for half an hour the President called the meeting to order and the Second Vice President, Sandy Van Tassel, introduced the speaker, Debe Johns, who spoke about Herbs, specifically the Mint family. She gave members a pre-test concerning mint and then gave us the answers many of which surprised us.

After the talk we had a short break and began the business meeting with the Invocation by Marcia Beasley, the Pledge of Allegiance and the Club Collect. The Secretary gave the number of attendees and the President thanked the Hostesses and Greeters and reminded the Clean Up Crew of their assignment.

The March minutes as sent via e-mail were approved and the Treasurer gave the monthly report. The balance brought forward was \$4,823.48 and the ending balance was \$4,927.57. Then Donna Thomas, Treasurer, reminded members that Monday, April 13, is to be the last day to pay for the luncheon that is to be held on April 24, at the Inverness Country Club.

A new member's name was given to the club, Kathy Linguskey, but although she had worked all morning at the pavilion for the plant sale was unable to attend this meeting.

Laura Lee Putzback is working on a display of gardening books in the Floral City Library to celebrate National Gardening Week which is the first week of June. Members are encouraged to visit the library and check out some of these wonderful books.

The Plant Sale Committee members were at the Pavilion working on the display and members are asked to go there after the meeting to help. A big thank you was given to Jan Caldwell for doing so much work for the Memorial Garden and the vandalized bench.

Marcia Beasley talked about the Pilot Project concerning the Linear Park on Orange Avenue which began April 6, when the Grounds Maintenance of the County Parks cleared invasive brush from around the oaks on the east end of Orange Avenue. They will add mulch to protect the roots and to strengthen the trees so that eventually the sidewalks can be added along

Orange Avenue. Adding sidewalks was the first priority listed from the UTOPIA Visioning Workshop that was held in October of 2014.

It was reported from the FCMA meeting that a promotional video project has begun but will have expansion later.

The only Horticulture report was to encourage members to use mulch to protect plants from our intense summer heat and to use environmental friendly mulches rather than cypress mulch.

Mary Lou Eaton, Landscape Design Chair, left a written report mentioning that the committee is in the process of evaluating yards for the Awards to be given in May. The April 25 trip to the Spring Hill Garden had to be cancelled for lack of interest.

Donna Thomas did the Floral Design for the month in a very short time. She filled a martini glass with water, added a beautiful floating dahlia blossom with two hanging pieces of mint for a lovely fast arrangement. The Petal Power Award was postponed.

The President reminded members of the State Convention and the District V meeting. The State Convention will be April 18-20 and the District Meeting will be on April 30.

The next Board meeting will be held on April 24, at 10:30 AM at the Inverness Country Club before the luncheon.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40PM.

Lynn Bassett, Secretary



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File April 2015

April

Guest

DOTTI	ANDREWS	
CATHI	AYERS	✓
CAROLE	BAKER	✓
PATTIE	BARBER	✓
LONA	BASSETT	✓
LYNN	BASSETT	✓
MARCIA	BEASLEY	✓
PAMELA	BELLMAN	
PEGGY	BLEVINS	
VIRGINIA	BRUCE	✓
JODY	CRADLEBAUGH	
CAROLE	DELISLE	✓
MARY LOU	EATON	
BILL	FERGUSON	
DUANE & SHIELA	FINCH	
CATHY	FOLEY	✓
DIANE	FREUND	
MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	HARNDEN	✓ left before lunch
JEANNE	HENSON	
KATHY	HOFMANN	
CRYSTAL	JURLS	
JOAN	KNIPPEN	
MARLANA	LEE	
MAUREEN	LEMONS	
KATHY	LINGUSKY	✓ left before lunch
DIANE	LITTLE	
KARLA KAY & LOWELL	MCCURLEY	
SUSAN	METCALFE	
TORY	MONTAG	✓
PATSY & BUD	NEEL	
CHARLENE	NELSON	
TERRY	NEWBERRY	
AMBER	PERSYN	
PHYLLIS & FRANK	PETERS	
ANNE	PROPP	
LAURA LEE	PUTZBACH	
JO ANN	QUACKENBUSH	
DOROTHY	SHERMAN	
LEEANN	THAYER	
DONNA	THOMAS	✓
BEVERLY ANN	THOMPSON	✓
SHARON	THOMPSON	
SANDRA & BILL	VAN TASSEL	✓
JAN CALDWELL & LAURIE	VITT	✓
LOLA	WASSON	
GARY & ALICE	WEBB	
GREG	WEITZEL	
BETTY	WELTE	✓
MARILYN	WHISMAN	
Bea	Robideau	✓

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- 16 business meeting

General Meeting Minutes May 2015

The May meeting of the Floral City Garden Club was held at the Community Building and the social time began at noon.

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM and the Club Collect was used as the Invocation and then the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

President Lona Bassett introduced Cathi Ayers, Scholarship Committee Chair, who presented this year's recipients of Scholarships to Phil Thomas and Haleigh Rowland. This is the tenth year that FCGC has been giving scholarships for higher education but some scholarships for attending Camp Wekiva had been given for many years also.

Mary Lou Eaton, Chair of the Landscape Design Committee announced the recipients of Yard of the Year awards and President Lona Bassett presented the winners with the sign that will be put in the winners' yards and Lynn Bassett, Landscape Design committee member, presented the winners with an outside star ornament for their yard. The signs will be kept for a year but the stars will stay with this year's winners.

The winners of the 2015 Yards of the Year were:

Frank and Phyllis Peters who received the award.

Amanda Mullen who received the award.

Jody and Chuck Cradlebaugh who were unable to attend.

Bob Serroni and Bob Bakis with Bob Serroni receiving the award.

Chilson's Garage with Deborah Chilson receiving the award.

Community Vegetable Garden of the United Methodist Church with Linda and Skip LaBelle and O. C. Cook receiving the award.

Photographs of both the Scholarship and Yard of the Year winners were taken by Jan Caldwell.

A short break was taken after the awards and the business meeting was resumed with the attendance being taken by the secretary. There were 17 present for the awards with eleven guests. One member needed to leave so there were 16 members for the business meeting.

The President gave Birthday Wishes from the club to this month's birthday members and also noted the birthdays of our members during the

summertime. Thank yous were given to all of our members who served as hostesses, greeters or on the clean up crews for this past year.

The e-mailed minutes were accepted with the correction of the spelling of a member's name.

The Treasurer's report was given by Donna Thomas with the incoming balance of \$4,927.57 and the ending balance being \$8,016.08. FFGC dues and scholarship money have yet to be subtracted from the ending balance.

The planned Plant Sale for May 29-30 has been cancelled.

Recognition Time was opened with First Vice-President Anne Propp reading the list of members who joined our club during this past year. There were sixteen individuals who indicated their interest in joining our group. Unfortunately none of these was in attendance at this meeting. The new members are as following:

Lola Wasson
Clyde Wasson
Lee Ann Thayer
David Thayer
Jodi Cradlebaugh
Lowell McCurley
Karla Kay McCurley
Laura Lee Putzback
Gary Weitzel
Donna Weitzel
Peggy Blevins
Marilyn Whisman
Crystal Juris
Kathy Lingusky
Priscilla McCollum
Roger Clark
Linda Clark

Susie Metcalfe, Roadside Cleanup Chair, thanked a list of members and non-members who regularly participated in each Roadside Cleanup. This task was made easier when many people came to walk the roadsides and picked up the trash.

Diane Little, Plant Sale Chair, gave individual thank yous to her committee and hard workers before the meeting, but verbally described the help that each person that she named had given towards the successful sale.

Mary Lou Eaton, Landscape Design Committee Chair, gave verbal commendations and gifts to the members of that committee for pulling together and completing eight projects this year:

- Tours of Gardens for Members and Friends
- Developed Landscape Design Principles for the club
- Provided Learning sessions on Design Principles
- Offered Field Trips to Local Public Gardens
- Prepared Material for and conducted design-focused site visits for club members
- Cleaned up club gardens on the Bike Trail
- Identified and awarded Yard of the Year prizes
- Ongoing assistance in developing design and plan for UTOPIA's Orange Avenue project

President Lona was pleased to announce that every club member had participated and contributed in some manner to the club this year and a round of applause was given for the club. She then presented awards to three outstanding workers: Joan Knippen, Diane Little and Jan Caldwell.

Susie Metcalfe, previous Petal Power Winner, presented the award to Diane Little with appreciation of her hard work for the club.

President Lona reminded the club of vacant offices within the club: Horticulture Chair, Publicity Chair, Plant Sale Chair, Secret Garden Tour Chair, but was pleased to announce that Frank Peters will be the Tree Committee Chair for this next year.

Marcia Beasley reported on the program that Ruth Loiseau, former White House flower designer, gave on May 4, at the SugarMill County Club for the Homosassa River Garden Club.

Ms Loiseau did several arrangements and each attendee received a piece of ivy from the White House that they could root.

A Paperback book sale will be held on June 27, in the library and members are encouraged to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.

File

**Landscape Design Committee
Year End Report - 2014-2015
May 14, 2015**

Chair: Mary Lou Eaton

Members;

Cathi Ayers
Lynn Basset
Jan Caldwell
Susie Metalf
Laura Lee Putzbach

Projects Completed

Organize Tours of Our Gardens for Club Members and Friends
Develop Landscape Design Principles for Club
Provide Learning Session on Design Principles
Offer Field Trip to Local Public Garden
Prepare Material for and Conduct Design-focused Site Visits for Club Members
Clean Up Garden Club Gardens on Bike Trail
Identify and Award Yards of the Year
Assist in Developing Design and Plan for Orange Avenue for UTOPIA

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DOTTI	ANDREWS	
CATHI	AYERS	✓
CAROLE	BAKER	
PATTIE	BARBER	✓
LONA	BASSETT	✓
LYNN	BASSETT	✓
MARCIA	BEASLEY	✓
PAMELA	BELLMAN	
PEGGY	BLEVINS	
VIRGINIA	BRUCE	
JODY	CRADLEBAUGH	
CAROLE	DELISLE	✓
MARY LOU	EATON	✓
BILL	FERGUSON	
DUANE & SHIELA	FINCH	✓
CATHY	FOLEY	
DIANE	FREUND	
MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	HARNDEN	
JEANNE	HENSON	
KATHY	HOFMANN	
CRYSTAL	JURLS	✓
JOAN	KNIPPEN	✓
MARLANA	LEE	
MAUREEN	LEMONS	
KATHY	LINGUSKY	
DIANE	LITTLE	✓
KARLA KAY & LOWELL	MCCURLEY	
SUSAN	METCALFE	✓
TORY	MONTAG	
PATSY & BUD	NEEL	
CHARLENE	NELSON	
TERRY	NEWBERRY	
AMBER	PERSYN	✓
PHYLLIS & FRANK	PETERS	✓
ANNE	PROPP	
LAURA LEE	PUTZBACH	
JO ANN	QUACKENBUSH	
DOROTHY	SHERMAN	
LEEANN	THAYER	
DONNA	THOMAS	✓
BEVERLY ANN	THOMPSON	✓
SHARON	THOMPSON	
SANDRA & BILL	VAN TASSEL	
JAN CALDWELL & LAURIE	VITT	✓
LOLA	WASSON	
GARY & ALICE	WEBB	
GREG	WEITZEL	
BETTY	WELTE	
MARILYN	WHISMAN	

left before business

Guests @
 (mother)
 Kelly R
 Phil Thomas
 Rowlands
 Scholarship
 recipients
 Jollette Thomas
 2 parents
 not here

VOY Awards (b)
 O.C. Cook
 Kip + Linda
 LeBalle
 Amanda & Melissa
 Fran & Phyllis
 (Mrs) J.P.
 Deborah
 Mrs Chilson
 come
 here one Bob late
 Bob - Sarro
 (Baki's)
 (not)

17
 here
 one left (Ayers)
 16 business
 mtg



**2015 Yard of the Year Awards
Presented by**

**Floral City Garden Club
Floral City, Florida**

Annual Awards

Garden Designs—Frank and Phyllis Peters

Creative Gardens—Amanda Mullen

Florida-Friendly Gardens—Jo and Chuck Cradlebaugh

New/Rejuvenated Gardens—Robert Serroni and Robert Bakis

Business Gardens—Chilson's Garage *Deborah*

Special Category

Community Vegetable Garden—United Methodist Church

Floral City Garden Club Monthly Meeting Minutes September 11, 2015

Members Present: Pattie Barber, Marcia Beasley, Lona Bassett, Jan Caldwell, Jo Cradlebaugh, Carole DeLisle, Mary Lou Eaton, Shelia Finch, Cathy Foley, Beth Jensen, Laura Lee, Kathy Lingusky, Diane Little, Tory Montag, Anne Propp, Beau Rabideau, Liz Ragsdale, Donna Thomas, Lynn Bassett

Guests Present: Terry, and Janet Donovan.

Call to Order: Lona Bassett, president, called the meeting to order at 12:15. She asked for a moment of silence in honor of those who lost their lives in the 9/11 tragedy. Club members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect.

Program: Mary Lou Eaton and Jan Caldwell prepared a presentation on Garden Design. The emphasis was on creative, low maintenance, aesthetically pleasing spaces. Members participated in the interactive discussion which focused on adapting these principals into Floral City gardens. (Handout)

Introduction:

- Birthday wishes extended to Frank Peters (5) and Lynn Bassett (20).
- Recognition for the service of Shelia Finch, hostess, greeter Diane Little and clean up – Anne Propp and Lona Bassett.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved with modification to reflect Marcia Beasley is the gateway Sign not Memorial Garden.

Treasurer's Report: Report approved as presented by Donna Thomas.
(Document)

Correspondence: Mary Lou Eaton reported none received.

New Members: Anne Propp reported Beth Jensen and Liz Ragsdale joined.

President:

- **Attic Treasure Sale Nov. 14** Items for sale can be brought to the **Community House on Nov. 12** as there is no long-term storage option at this time. **Lona Bassett** requested members bring donated jewelry for the sale to the next club meeting. **Need volunteers to work the attic, clothing and linen rooms.**
- **Inverness and Citrus Garden Clubs** will present a **Floral Design Study series**
- **The District V meeting** hosted by the **Crystal River Garden Club** will be **October 22** at the **Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club.**
- **The next club board meeting** will be **Monday, Sept. 28** at **9:30 am** at **Lona Bassett's home.**

Roadside Clean Up: The next scheduled date is **9 am on Sept. 30** with a rain date of **Oct. 1.**

Recycling: **Susie Metcalfe** prepared a presentation encouraging club members to help meet the goal of **75% recycling by the year 2020.** Members were encouraged to take a pledge of ways to implement their personal efforts and place on the refrigerator. Several members asked about the possibility of curb side recycling. **Jan Caldwell** asked about cloth recycling.

Petal Power Award: **Diane Little** recognized **Kathy Lingusky** for her efforts as a new member during the annual plant sale.

Other Business:

- **Lona Bassett** announced the following club needs: **Publicity Chair, Plant Sale Co-Chair, Horticulture Chair, and Head Greeter.**
- **Donna Thomas** encouraged members to go the **FFGC website, wildorchid.com** and setup a password and review personal information for accuracy.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Floral City Garden Club Monthly Meeting Minutes October 9, 2015

Members Present: Pattie Barber, Marcia Beasley, Lona Bassett, Ginny Bruce, Jan Cladwell, Ruth & Don Campagna, Mary Lou Eaton, Bill Ferguson, Shelia Finch, Cathy Foley, Beth Jensen, Laura Lee, Kathy Lingusky, Susie Metcalfe, Amber Persyn, Anne Propp, Liz Ragsdale, Donna Thomas, Sandra Van Tassel, Alice & Greg Webb, Lynn Bassett

Guests Present: Christine Harnden, Tierra Reid, Mary & Paul Aquin

Call to Order: Lona Bassett, president, called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm. Club members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect.

Program: Lee Alexander, Citrus County Sheriff's Office – Seniors vs. Crime spoke on strategies of self-protection to avoid scams. (Handouts)

Introduction:

- **Federated Garden Club District V Director, Louis Allen spoke of the benefits of FFGC membership, club expectations and available resources. She implored club members to reconsider its decision to not host the next district meeting.**
- **Birthday wishes extended to Roger Clark (1), Betty Welte (2), Pam Bellman (10), Patti Barber (13), Ron Reichederfer (14) and Jo Quackenbush (22).**
- **Recognition for the service of Donna Thomas, hostess, greeters Carole Delisle & Ginny Bruce, and clean up Jan Caldwell and Lona Bassett.**

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Report approved as presented by Donna Thomas.
(Document)

Correspondence: Mary Lou Eaton reported none received. Card to be sent to for Deb Barney who is under hospice care.

New Members: Handout at sign in desk with contact info of new members.

President:

- **Volunteers needed for the Attic Treasure Sale Nov. 14. Sign-up sheets available.**
- **Registration deadline for the 10/22 District V meeting by the Crystal River Garden Club at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club has been extended to 10/15.**

Roadside Clean Up: September turnout (2 members/ 4 friends) resulted in finishing only half of the route. The next scheduled date is 9 am on Dec. 1 with a rain date of Dec. 3. This is a critical time due to increased showcase of town during Heritage days.

Landscape Design Committee: Mary Lou Eaton, Chair, reported the focus on self-education and development of a butterfly garden. Club members were invited after the meeting to Lynn Bassett's garden for a tour and discussion about design.

Plant of the Month: Amber Persyn and Lynn Bassett featured the Swallow Tail, a butterfly attractor.

Help Grow A Tree: Marcia Beasley informed the club of the need to raise funds to replace three historic oak trees that required removal. She debuted a tree sculpture that would be used to collect money at monthly meetings and other community events. The garden club last helped with tree replacement in 1991. Grade A1 trees will be used for future replacement.

Event Free Pass: Lona Bassett presented an overview of a way members who are not able to participate in events could contribute financially to its success. Item will be brought up for a vote at the next meeting. (Handout)

Petal Power: Postponed until Novemeber meeting.

Other Business:

- **Alice Webb reported that the plants from last year's sale are doing well.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 pm.

Pinecone Workshop: Club members can participate in making flowers from pinecones. The workshop will be held at 9:30 am on Friday, January 8, 2016.

Other Business:

- **President Bassett reminded club members that the December meeting will be held in her home and is a pot luck.**
- **Anne Propp and Kathy Lingusky volunteered for January's Floral City Plant Chat.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 pm.

Floral City Garden Club Monthly Meeting Minutes November 13, 2015

Members Present: Pattie Barber, Marcia Beasley, Lona Bassett, Jan Caldwell, Mary Jo Cradlebaugh, Carole DeLisle, Mary Lou Eaton, Laura Lee, Kathy Lingusky, Susie Metcalfe, Frank Peters, Anne Propp, Donna Thomas, Sandra Van Tassel, Alice Webb.

Guests Present: Claude Clavette, Tierra Reid, Kate Seabury

Call to Order: Lona Bassett, president, called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm. Club members were led in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect by the president. Chaplin Alice Webb performed the invocation.

Program: Amy Brown and Fran Thomas from Good Earth spoke about worm castings. They shared how to set up a home biodegradable worm bin and the benefits and use of this organic garden nutrient.

Introduction:

- **Birthday wishes extended to Susie Metcalfe (4), Ruth Campagna (8), and Donna Thomas (28).**
- **Recognition for the service of Mary Lou Eaton, hostess, greeter Sandy Van Tassel, and clean up Jo Cradlebaugh and Lona Bassett. Lona Bassett thanked Donna Thomas for her work with Ways and Means, Kathy Lingusky as Plant Chair, and Jan Caldwell for the care of the Memorial Garden. Jan Caldwell expressed gratitude to Anne Propp, Carole Baker, Susie Metcalfe, Mary Lou Eaton, Kathy Lingusky, and Janet Donovan for maintaining the Memorial Garden.**

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Report approved as presented by Donna Thomas.
(Document)

Correspondence: Mary Lou Eaton reported none received. Updates on the status of Betty Welte's broken hip recovery sought.

President:

- **Items left from the Attic Treasure Sale Nov. 14 will be donated to the Floral City VFW. Cindy Shaw, VFW Auxiliary, gave an overview of the group's mission and how funds raised are used.**

- **Frank Peters discussed the history of the Avenue of Oaks and the current needs of the trees. Motion by Laura Lee for the Garden Club to partner with the Floral City Heritage Council to develop and implement a plan to maintain, replace and preserve Floral City's historic trees. Second by Mary Lou Eaton. Motion passed.**
- **Marcia Beasley announced donations were being accepted by the club for tree replacement and that the Heritage Council was giving donors a piece of a recently removed oak tree.**
- **President Bassett reported interest in purchase of the Event Free Pass, designed to allow members unable to participate in club activities to contribute to the event's success. Laura Lee made a motion to adopt the Event Free Pass program. Marcia Beasley seconded it. Motion passed.**

Landscape Design: Chair Mary Lou Eaton outlined the committees focus and current activities for the coming year – review and make necessary changes to the Yard of the Year program, currently working on a draft plan for the butterfly garden to include maintenance by the property owner. Committee report handout.

Junior Gardeners: Chair Mary Lou Eaton reported positive discussions with Floral City Elementary School and the county extension services. Goal is to start by January 1 with four classes of ESE students.

Floral Design: Marcia Beasley discussed her dry arrangement display and offered tips using items members have on hand.

Floral City Plant Chat: This is a new addition to the monthly program designed to focus on what grows well in club members' yards. The club will begin compiling a list of these. Sandy Van Tassel shared her experience with several types of crotons and Laura Lee spoke about the Princess Flower (tibouchina).

Decorate the Town: Volunteers will meet 9 am on Monday, November 30 at the Community House. Rain date is December 2.

Roadside Clean Up: The next scheduled date is 9 am on Dec. 1 with a rain date of Dec. 3. This is a critical time due to increased showcase of town during Heritage days. Volunteers will meet at the Duvall Island parking lot.

Board Meeting: On Monday, December 7 the board will meet at 9:30 am at the president's home.



Gardens of Frank and Phyllis
Duval Island



Amanda's Gardens
Orange Avenue





Jo and Chuck's Gardens
Ferris Ct., Duval Island



Bob and Bob's Gardens
Duval Island





Chilson's Garage
Highway 41



Community Garden
United Methodist Church
of Floral City
Baker Street

