

FCGC MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 13, 2017

Meeting called to order at 12:00 noon by First Vice President Susie Metcalfe. Sixteen members and 1 guest were in attendance. Guest subsequently became a member.

The Club recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge, Susie thanked our greeters, Jody Cradlebaugh and Gert Cronin, our Host/Hostesses Bill Ferguson and Carole DeLisle. The Board members will be asked to stay to help clean up.

No changes or corrections were needed to the Meeting Minutes from the month of September, and were accepted as is by Susie. The Treasurer's Report was read by Beth Jensen and accepted without changes or corrections.

The program by Susie Metcalfe and Kathy Lingusky followed. Discussed were ways in which the Annual Plant Sale could be improved. It was announced that Mary Graff will become the new Annual Plant Sale Chairman, and members were asked to contact Mary directly if they are interested in helping her. Members were encouraged to get 'home-grown' started now so they could be in good shape in time for the sale. Methods of propagation were discussed, and examples show. Also shown were craft items that may possibly be made and sold at the Sale.

Kathy read information concerning the two 'Plants of the Month': yellow buttercup and society garlic. A drawing was held for each of the two plants.

Announcements:

- Roadside Cleanup will be held Tuesday, October 17. Participants are to meet at 9:00 am at the Duval Island Boat Ramp parking lot.
- District V meeting will be Thursday, October 19. Members who wish to go are to meet at the parking lot behind the library at 7:45 am. At this point, Donna Thomas and Susie will be going. Susie will be taking a note with her from the Heart of the Florida Keys Garden Club in Marathon, FL. They lost everything in Hurricane Irma, and are

- looking for possible help in replenishing their supplies of plants.
- Environmental School will be held Wednesday, November 1, in Gainesville. The subject will be Part III - Air.
- The next Board Meeting will be Monday, November 6, at 10:30 am at President Donna's home. All officers, committee chairs and any member who wishes to participate are encouraged to attend.
- The next Garden Club meeting will be Friday, November 10, with Social Time at 11:00 am, Lunch at 11:30, with the meeting starting at 12:00 noon. The program will be Steve Davis, Citrus County Extension Agent, who will talk about 'Controlling Landscape Pests, Least Harmful Methods'. Members are asked to bring 20 copies of a favorite recipe to share, and be ready to share your family Thanksgiving tradition. Flex Time will be making a Thanksgiving arrangement, and members are asked to bring items to use or share with the group.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm. Flex Time activity followed: making ladybugs out of golf balls as plant pot decorations.