

Floral City Garden Club
Monthly Meeting
11/9/2018

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Meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm by President Donna Thomas. Sixteen members and one guest were in attendance.

- The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all members.
- “Happy Birthday” was sung for members with birthdays in November: Susie Metcalfe, and Donna and Gary Thomas.
- The President thanked Carol DeLisle for greeting and Carol Wood and Ingrid Velez for hosting.
- Kathy Lingusky, Recording Secretary, presented the October minutes. One correction was noted, and after correction, will be filed.
- Sandy Doughman presented the Treasurer’s report.
- Correspondence Secretary, Sandy Van Tassel, read a thank you note from Wekiva Camp. Sandy also reminded everyone about Decorate the Town.
- Donna thanked Susie Metcalfe for contacting Frank Peters regarding the rings on the oaks to which our bows are attached. This is being taken care of due to Susie’s efforts.
- Ginny Bruce had surgery yesterday. She’s doing great and may be able to go home today. She will be convalescing at her sister’s home. If you want to send a card, send to Ginny’s address, since they will be picking up her mail regularly.
- Susie reminded everyone about Roadside Cleanup.
- Don’t forget the grow and share table outside.
- Donna brought gloves in case anyone needs any.
- Donna explained the mega FFGC 50/50 drawing opportunity. We will have until March or so to buy the tickets.
- SEEK will next be held June 17-20, 2019, at Chinesgut, just down the road from Floral City. Mary Whisler is looking for volunteers to help relieve the counselors for periods of time. This year the focus will be on birding, forestry, geology, and wildlife surveying/tracking. There will be field trips to the Vulcan mines, preservation areas (places you don’t get to go if you’re Joe Public), May’s Prairie, which is an isolated wetland, and possibly a landfill. There will also be archery, an entertainer for singing and storytelling, campfires each evening and lots more. It’s still in the planning stages. Donna will contact the 2 boys who went last year so they can register early, if they choose to go.
- Susie Metcalfe introduced our speaker, Marcie Clutter, who talked about invasive plants and how to get rid of them.
- After a short break, the business meeting resumed. Kathy Lingusky gave a short talk on the plant being raffled off this month, a dwarf firebush, which Ingrid Velez won.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Our next meeting will be December 14, which will be our Christmas Luncheon. There will be no program for this meeting. However, we will be playing a Christmas Trivia game.
- The next Board meeting is Monday, December 10 at 10:30. Please advise Donna if you will be attending.
- Greeters for December are Carol Wood and Ingrid Velez.
- Hostesses for December are Carol DeLisle and Alice Webb.
- In "Other Matters" Jan Stewart talked about the Native Plant Society, whose meetings are the first Tuesday of each month. Also, Ingrid Velez said that the Wekiva volunteer weekend ("Granny Camp") will be February 8-10, 2019.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm

Submitted by Kathy Lingusky, Recording Secretary