



Weymouth Garden Club

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WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB ("WGC")

MEMBER MEETING

DATE: November 3, 2018

The WGC meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. EDT, by Ms. Yoshie Picciotto, President, at The Church of the Holy Nativity located at 8 Nevin Road, South Weymouth, Massachusetts. The President welcomed all members to the meeting.

There were 32 members present at this meeting.

Invocation: was given by Ms. Picciotto.

Secretary's Report: Ms. Anne Nichols stated that the approved minutes to the October Member meeting are posted on the WGC website.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Karen DeTellis was unable to attend. Ms. Picciotto reported the current balances in our Checking and Savings Accounts.

Corresponding Secretary: Ms. Mary Trentin reminded members to provide any updates to their email addresses, etc. to ensure everyone receives WGC announcements and notices.

Pennies for Pines: Collection bag for Pennies for Pines was circulated to collect funds for planting an acre of trees. Any spare change welcome.

Museum of Fine Arts (MFA): Art in Bloom will be held from April 26th to 30th, 2019. Application deadline is late November.

Pumpkin Give-a-Wey: The Pumpkin Give-a-Wey was held on soggy 10/13. Our booth was staffed by volunteers Mses. Carmela Rihn, Lisa McCrosson and Mr. Jordan Bagarolo. Further discussion next year to plan alternate activities.

Books-in-Bloom: Discussion after the New Year regarding location for this year's event.

Library Arrangements and Children's Workshop: Both activities are on hold until further notice.

Holiday Door Decorating: Ms. Michelle Cappellini gave information about the Door Decorating contest. The doors will be filmed for the Mayor's Holiday Show. WGC members can participate but won't be judged. Decorating must be complete by 11/26. Ms. Cappellini circulated a sign up sheet requesting 6 volunteers to aid in judging.

Food Pantry Donations: Donations to the Food Panty will be collected after the New Year.

Field Trips: Club members and guests enjoyed the trip to the A. D. Makepeace cranberry bogs in Wareham. Possible field trip to the Isabella Steward Gardner Museum during the winter months. Further details to follow.

Garden Therapy: Ms. Joanne Kelley reminded members about the next Garden Therapy session is on 11/13. All members are encouraged to attend.

Mayor's Office: WGC will again decorate the Mayor's Office on Tuesday, 11/20. Suggestions welcome for possible themes.

Membership: Current membership stands at 69. Also, 2 guests/visitors are in attendance today.

Holiday Luncheon: Ms. Anne Nicholas provided information on the luncheon scheduled for December 8, 11-2 p.m. at Raffael's at the South Shore Country Club. Ms. Nicholas explained that although the luncheon costs \$35 per person the WGC will charge only \$30 per member and will cover the balance of the costs. However, guests will be charged \$35.

The hot buffet will be served at noon. Members were reminded to choose a gift request or two from the giving tree. Gifts to be collected at the Luncheon for distribution by Weymouth Youth and Family Services. Also, members reminded to bring any Christmas pin or ornament for swapping.

Town Beautification: Ms. Suzanne Sullivan has requested input from members for fresh ideas for Town beautification. Some of the beautiful daffodils that have been planted around town

Meeting adjourned for a short break and continued at 10:43 EDT.5

Programs: Holiday Workshop commenced for initial preparation of bows, baubles and shimmering bangles that will adorn the wreaths and greens. Christmas in the Square is planned for December 1 from 4-7 p.m. Ms. Sullivan will purchase 30 wreaths (2 sizes 26" and 22") as well as additional greens. Signup sheets were circulated for 2 workshops to be held at Ms. Sullivan's house on 11/29 and 11/30 from 4-7 p.m for finishing the wreaths. The day of the sale, members are requested to be present for set up at 2:30 in the parking lot between the Post Office and Bailey's Package store.

Members are encouraged to collect greens, acorns, and pinecones which will be used for baskets, swags or sold as loose greens..

The meeting was adjourned at: 11:35 a.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Nichols

Anne Nichols, Secretary