



Weymouth Garden Club

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WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB ("WGC")

MEMBER MEETING

DATE: October 12, 2019

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.

Invocation: Given by Ms. Anne Nicholas:

Winter is an etching

Spring a watercolor

Summer an oil painting

And Autumn a mosaic of them all. – Stanley Horowitz

Secretary's Report: Ms. Anne Nichols stated the approved minutes to the May 2019 and September 2019 Member meeting will be posted on the WGC website.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Karen DeTellis gave an accounting of the funds on hand.

Corresponding Secretary: Ms. Lisa Kimball reminded members to forward any email contact changes to her so she can update her records.

Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts ("GCFM"): The Fall Conference is scheduled for October 30th at the Hilton in Dedham. Members are encouraged to visit website <gcfm.org> for a full listing of events.

The Brockton Garden Club and Fuller Craft Museum are teaming up for Craft in Bloom, an entire weekend 11/1-3 of creative design with art and flowers. Life imitates art as members of the Brockton Garden Club (and friends from neighboring clubs) design floral arrangements based on Fuller Craft's exhibition "Striking Gold: Fuller at Fifty". Ms. Michelle Cappellini is participating in this event. Visit <fullercraft.org> for further information.

Beautification - Fall clean-up held on September 21st at Abigail Adams Green – Thank you to Members for participation. The Green is looking great and the weather cooperated.

Pumpkin Give-a-Wey – on Sunday, October 6th - Successful endeavor with Ms. Joanne Kelley's hard work. The raffle and the sale of plants proceeds will go towards our general fund.

Pennies for Pines – Members encouraged to contribute loose change during meetings for participation in the National Garden Club Federation program to aid in replanting forests. This is our third year and for \$68 an acre, trees will be planted as a tribute to a current or past member.

Helping Hands – Ms. Adele Barcelo has stepped up to Chair this Committee with Ms. Brenda Reed moving out of state.

Committee updates

Children's Workshop – December workshop is scheduled for 12/16 at 6:30 at the Fogg Library. Greens from the Wreath Sale will be used.

Donations – Ms. Charlotte Delaney presented the “Giving Tree” for Members to choose a tag or two for a Christmas gift request needed for a youngster through the Weymouth Youth and Family Services. Gifts should be unwrapped and brought to the Holiday Luncheon.

Raffle volunteers for the Holiday Luncheon are still needed.

Field Trip – Ms. Mayre Hammond updated on the trip to Tower Hill Botanical Garden which was attended by 8 members. The dahlias and Autumn crocus were quite beautiful.

Garden Therapy – Ms. Joanne Kelley had an amazing session utilizing pumpkins and seasonal flowers. Volunteers are needed to help-out. Next session is on 11/12.

Holiday Door Decorating – sponsored through the Mayor's office. Judging will take place on Monday, 11/25. Five judges are needed. Volunteers should contact Ms. Michelle Cappellini.

Holiday Luncheon –12/14 at South Shore Country Club. Details are being finalized on the per person cost. Scarf swap will also be available to interested members.

Library Arrangements – Ms. Michelle Cappellini is unable to attend meeting today – members interested to participate should contact Ms. Cappellini.

Media/Web/Publicity – Ms. Charlotte Champagne is updating the calendar on the WGC website. Ms. June Fulton provides an announcement to the Weymouth News about meeting for the general public. Ms. Martha Slocum continues with the in-house transitioning of the website updates.

Membership – Ms. Donna Schiller confirmed there are 70 members currently – 5 people joined at September meeting.

Beautification – Ms. Suzanne Sullivan – Volunteers are needed for planting of the Daffodil bulbs at 8 approved locations. Meet on Saturday, 10/26 at 9 a.m. at Abigail Adams Green. Sign-up sheets are provided.

Wreath sale to be held on Saturday, 12/7 at the DPW from 9 a.m. to noon. Set up at 7:30 a.m. Workshops will be held on 12/5 and 12/6 from 4-7 p.m. at Ms. Sullivan's house. We will begin the preparations for the Wreath Sale at the November meeting. We'll make gorgeous bows and ornamental arrangements to kick off this fund-raising event. Members reminded to collect any greens you may have in your area close to the workshop date. Sign-up sheets will be available at the November meeting.

Brief adjournment at 10:25 for refreshments and raffle tickets.

Meeting resumed at 10:45 for Songbirds of the Northeast presented by John Root. The presentation included photographs and recordings of our region's songbirds. The recordings of the birds' songs were enchanting with as many variations as species. Also, great suggestions were made for attractive habitats to captivate the songbirds.

Meeting concluded with raffle drawing at 11:30 a.m.

Anne Nichols, Secretary

