

Tuckahoe Garden Club

Membership Meeting

March 20, 2024

In attendance: Kelly Armstrong, Lizzie Cox, Nan McVey, Ruth Hill, Carol Fox, Lisa Burlee, Libby Robertson, April Greenwood, Abbie Wharton, Charlotte Clarkson, Lisa Elliott, Mary Mason Foukal, Martha Moore, Margaret Ivey, Molly Revere, Betty Jenkins, Megan Matthews, Lynn Jacob, Cynthia Ferrell, Kate Christner, Betsy Carney, Karen Berson, Frances Coleman, Renee Montague, Sue Thompson, Caroline Williams, Fran McDermott, Ellen Buoyer, Susan Blackwell, Leila Jones, Barrie Edlich, Katherine Salt, Susie Benson, Melinda Smith, Karen Gilmore, Christina McCoy, Caroline Marvel, Helen Pinckney, Dabney McCoy, Terrell Harrigan, Lauren Neal, Dee Ferguson, Valerie Coleman, Stephanie Lansing, Lisa Brennan, Caroline Packard, RoseMarie Bundy, Pattie Williams, Maria Reed, Audra Boardman, Suzanne Duncan, Lena Scott, Chris Shands, Alice Tilghman, Anastasia Seevers, Preston Lee, Bonnie Cricchi, Kay Pangraze, Linda Hanson, Renee Gardner, Kathy Watson, Anne Poarch, Ruth Cunningham, Jenny Evans, Julia Borden Rose, Betty McLean, Cabell West, Carey Viego, Cara Rogers, Catherine Driscoll, Jeanne Ancarrow, Jennifer Rector, Peyton Wells, Rita Ryan, Sue Thompson, Meredith Lauter, Penny Peebles

The March Membership Meeting was held in the Parish Hall at St. Stephens Episcopal Church at 10:00 AM.

Welcome- Kelly

Reflection- Ellen

- An excerpt from the book [Twelve Gifts from the Garden](#)

The minutes from the February 2024 Membership Meeting were approved

Announcements and Thanks- Kelly

- Thanks to the Program Committee for all of the wonderful programs and speakers this year, including today's guest speakers, Sara Ledbetter and Liz Wozencraft

- The arrangements from today's program will be raffled off at the conclusion of the meeting
- Thanks to Meredith Lauter and Peyton Wells for their help with flowers for today's program
- Thanks to Maria Reed for hosting yesterday's workshop on hort and artistic exhibits for new members- and a reminder that all active members are required to enter at least one hort and one artistic exhibit each year

Membership-ByLaw Changes- Katherine (see handout)

- Proposed language changes to the By-Laws pertaining to Membership (approved by the Board and to be voted on by membership at the May meeting) were presented:
 - Executive Committee members (excluding the President) may propose and endorse a candidate for membership
 - Sustaining Membership- remove the age requirement (65 years or older)

Finance- Kathy (see handout)

- Proposed 2024-2025 Budget highlights:
 - Member dues to remain the same
 - No funds allotted for field trip (previously a \$1500 line item)- costs will be covered by those members who attend
 - Proposing a \$25 assessment per member to put in reserve for upcoming meetings in 2028 and 2030; assessment will be part of budget vote at May membership meeting; club has done this in the past
 - GCV now reimbursing clubs (within reason) for HGW flowers and giving clubs \$100 for the monthly floral arrangements clubs provide at Kent Valentine House

Community Gifts- Preston (see handout)

- Gifts proposal will be voted on at May meeting
- TGC is giving \$2500 to Virginia War Memorial for trees

Historic Garden Week- Melinda and Catherine

- Thanks to all head house hostesses and floral arrangers
- Still need to fill 4 slots, sustainers are welcome to volunteer
- Flower material needed from members

Spring Sale- Cynthia

- Pre-sale forms due by 3/28 with payment at pickup on day of sale
- Will be raffling off planted containers on evening of sale
- Vendors will be at the evening event with Kent Russell

Conservation- Linda and Fran

- April is Native Plant Month
- Send photos of natives to Fran and Linda for Insta/website

Memorials- Betty

- Memorials tab is up now on TGC website-looks great

TGC Cocktail Party- Karen

- Please RSVP soon so hostesses will have headcount for caterer

Other Business- Kelly

- Congratulations to Anne Poarch on her new role as Development Director at Capital Trees
- Zone VII Meeting this fall in Charleston, WV
 - Need 3-5 volunteers to grow “Cheese Pumpkins” from seed for Zone Meeting- see Kelly for seeds
- Daffodil Day at Virginia Wesleyan University in Virginia Beach 3/26 and 3/27
 - Any members entering please let TGC Awards Chairman RoseMarie Bundy know so she can track points

Introduction of Guest Speakers and Today’s Program- Martha

“Putting the FUN in Flower Arranging” with Sara Ledbetter and Liz Wozencraft, GCA Floral Design Judges and members of the Garden Club of Houston

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Peebles

Recording Secretary

Exhibit Results

Horticulture

Class I Blooming Branches

Blue- Sue Thompson

Red- RoseMarie Bundy

Yellow- Mary Mason Foukal
Ruth Hill
No name- Spirea
White- Ellen Buoyer

Class II Hellebores

Blue- Sue Thompson
Red- Molly Revere
Red- Katherine Salt
Yellow- April Greenwood
Yellow- RoseMarie Bundy
Yellow- Libby Robertson
Yellow- Karen Berson
White- Rita Ryan
White- Cabell West
White- Valerie Coleman
White- Frances Coleman
White- Beverly Campbell
White- Linda Hanson

Class III- Bulbs

Specimen: Other

Blue- Renee Montague
Red-Libby Robertson
Red- RoseMarie Bundy

Collection

Blue- Kelly Armstrong, Tulips

Specimen- Narcissus

Blue- April Greenwood
Red- Ellen Buoyer
White- Catherine Driscoll
White- Lynn Jacob

Collection- Narcissus

Blue- Renee Gardner
Red- Sue Thompson
White- April Greenwood
White- Anastasia Seevers

Class IV

Blue- Karen Gilmore

Red- Sue Thompson

Red- Peyton Wells

Red- Renee Gardner

White- Helen Pinckney

White- Valerie Coleman

Artistic

Class I

Blue- Libby Robertson

Red- Karen Berson

Red-Cabell West

White- Lisa Brennan

White- Anastasia Seevers

Class II

Blue- Penny Peebles

Red- Charlotte Clarkson

White-Beverly Campbell

White- Catherine Driscoll

Class III

Blue- RoseMarie Bundy

Photography

Class I

Blue- Dabney McCoy

Yellow- April Greenwood

Class II

Blue- April Greenwood

Class III

Blue- Betty Jenkins

Red- April Greenwood

