

# **Tuckahoe Garden Club**

## **Membership Meeting**

### **February 15, 2023**

In attendance: Kelly Armstrong, Linda Hanson, Meredith Arendale, Chandler Klevana, Penny Peebles, Abbie Wharton, Anastasia Seevers, Anne Poarch, April Greenwood, Audra Boardman, Betsy Mitchell, Bonnie Cricchi, Cabell West, Cara Rogers, Carey Viego, Catherine Driscoll, Charlotte Clarkson, Chris Shands, Dabney McCoy, Liza Cabell, Ellen Buoyer, Fran McDermott, Frannie Phillips, Jenny Evans, Karen Gilmore, Kate Christner, Kathy Watson, Lizzie Cox, Lynn Jacob, Margaret Ivey, Maria Reed, Martha Moore, Mary Kathryn Woodward, Megan Matthews, Melinda Smith, Missy Ryan, Preston Lee, Renee Gardner, RoseMarie Bundy, Stephanie Lansing, Sue Taylor, Sue Thompson, Susan Jones, Susie Benson, Suzanne Duncan, Tricia Sauer, Valerie Coleman, Ruth Cunningham, Lynn Brooke, Tibby Gardner, Susan Landin, Betsy Carney, Lisa Elliott, Peyton Wells

The February Membership Meeting was held at Linda Hanson's home, with cocktails at 5:30 PM followed by the meeting at 6:00 PM

**Welcome- Kelly**

**Reflection- Ellen** (written by ChatGPT)

**The January Membership Meeting minutes were approved**

**GCA Founders Fund Vote- Ellen**

- 3 Finalists for Founders Fund Award:
  - Butterfly and Bee Pollinator Meadow at Chickasaw Park in Honor of Muhammed Ali, Louisville KY- proposed by Glenview GC, Zone VII
  - Urban Gardens and Community, Evanston, Illinois, proposed by GC of Evanston, Zone XI
  - Cylburn Arboretum Nature Education Center, Baltimore, proposed by St George's GC, Zone VI

*Membership voted in favor of Glenview GC's proposal, Pollinator Meadow at Chickasaw Park for Founders Fund*

## **President's Announcements**

- Thank you to Linda Hanson and tonight's hostesses Chandler Klevana, Maria Reed, Renee Montague and Caroline Williams. Also thanks to January joint meeting hostesses Lisa Elliott and Liza Cabell
- GCV Common Wealth Award proposal-Virginia War Memorial
  - Rich history between GCV and war effort during WWII
  - Total budget for project \$600K; focus would be plantings and greenspace, approximately \$210K

*Membership voted in favor of proposing the Virginia War Memorial for GCV's Common Wealth Award*

- TGC Endowment Gifts
  - Our endowment funds support TGC community projects; members can contribute if they wish-send checks made payable to Tuckahoe Garden Club to Kathy Watson
- Budget
  - Kelly and Kathy working on budget, please advise them of any needs
- Daffodil Day
  - March 29, Norfolk Botanical Garden- some classes still open, see GCV website for details
  - nb: *Daffodil Day location was changed to the Jane P Batten Student Center at Virginia Wesleyan University, Virginia Beach, after these minutes were recorded.*
- TGC Board Meeting
  - Note date change from 3/1 to 2/28
- Update on Joanie Robins
  - Chemo working well, will not be going to MD Anderson

## **Introduction of Tonight's Speaker- Martha**

- Leslie Harris, Horticulturalist, from Charlottesville- "Thoughtful Gardening: Balancing Beauty, Fun, and Awareness"
  - Podcast: *Into the Garden with Leslie*
  - New Perennial Movement- Kelly Norris
  - Less lawn, more garden
  - Use natives-work with nature
  - Favorite gardener- Doug Tallamy
  - Heather Holm's book- "Pollinators of Native Plants"
  - Leaves make great mulch
  - No chemicals or pesticides

- Gardeners are always learning!

### ***Exhibit Results Announced***

Artistic: April Greenwood, Ruth Cunningham

- Class I- no entries
- Class II
  - Blue: Chris Shands
  - Red: No name
  - White: Dabney McCoy
- Class III
  - Blue: Lynn Jacob
  - Red: Anastasia Seevers
  - White: Margaret Ivey

Horticulture: Abbie Wharton, Karen Gilmore

- Class I- Hellebores- (White)
  - Blue: Abbie Wharton
  - Red: Linda Hanson
- Class I-Hellebores- (Pink)
  - Blue- Karen Gilmore
  - Red: Anastasia Seevers
  - Yellow: Tricia Sauer
  - Yellow: Abbie Wharton
- Class I- Helleborus foetidus
  - Blue: Abbie Wharton
- Class II- Early Bulbs
  - Blue- Tricia Sauer
- Class III- Forced Branch
  - Blue: Missy Ryan
  - Red: Abbie Wharton
  - Yellow: Tricia Sauer

Photography: Mary Kathryn Woodward, Anne Poarch

- Class I
  - Blue: Ellen Buoyer
  - Red: Tricia Sauer
  - Yellow: Linda Hanson
- Class II

- Blue: Ellen Buoyer
- Class III
  - Blue: Linda Hanson

Respectfully submitted,  
Penny Peebles  
Recording Secretary

