



NAPLES GARDEN CLUB

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Naples Garden Club Regular Membership Meeting

Moorings Presbyterian Church – Moss Hall

February 4, 2013

Welcome

Sondra Quinn, President, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Sondra thanked the NGC members for their leadership, teamwork and creativity in producing a fabulous House and Garden Tour event. She also thanked the members who registered in advance, helping us to organize our meeting and hospitality.

Kathleen Hawryluk, Crowd Control Manager, explained the emergency escape exits at Moss Hall.

Invocation and Pledge

Carol Conant

Hospitality Committee

Hospitality and Events Chair: Dusti Beaubien

Head Hostess: Diane Friscaro

Floral Design: Shirley Wigginton

Thank you for providing the lovely floral design and refreshments today.

Cyber Drawing-Early Registration

Linda Brown presented Barbara Sampson with a beautiful Brazilian Red Cloak Standard, generously donated by Jackie and Mike Malloy.

Business Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2013 meeting was approved

Announcements

Linda Brown, 1st V.P. Program Chair, reminded the membership to sign up with our Environmental Committee, Sharon Fieldler and Sudie Minamyer, for the February 13 Echo Global Farms Tour. (\$18 including lunch) This is a one and a half hour, 1 mile walking tour, learning about innovative options for growing sustainable foods in Third World Countries. Members provide their own transportation and carpooling schedules.

Bev Metcalf, Membership chair, reminded our active members to start thinking about proposing new members for our 2013-2014 year. Interested candidates must attend a general membership meeting before applying. Registration on line is from 9:00A.M. March 1, 2013 through 5:00P.M., April 15, 2013. Our club is limited to 20 new provisionals. For more provisional information, please contact Bev Metcalf. We currently have 192 active members, 12 provisionals and 7 sustainers.

Marv Diamond announced that his beautiful 2013 House &Garden Tour Design Arrangement photographs would be available on our Face Book page and Drop Box link on our website.

Committee Reports

House &Garden Tour

Arlene Cluff, 2nd V.P., thanked everyone for all their hard work in making our 2013 House &Garden Tour a huge success. Arlene then introduced her committee chairs and all their sub- committees. Sondra Quinn, on behalf of the Naples Garden Club, presented Arlene with a beautiful bouquet of hydrangeas, while the membership provided a well-deserved standing ovation.

Bev Metcalf announced that all 28 raffle items had been notified. Five of our Garden Club members were lucky winners as well as 23 attendees. Three years ago, our raffle profit was \$3700; two years ago - \$4600; and this year we incurred a profit of \$7,490. After Bev's report, Gail Duke handed Bev a \$20 bill found in an apron pocket that one of the HGT "rafflers" was wearing and missed when handing in their money. The raffle profit is now \$7,510.

60th Anniversary

Lydia Galton, Governance Chair, introduced Melinda Earle as the chair of our Naples Garden Club 60th Anniversary celebration. (Lydia will be chairing our" History Project".) Please save Monday, November 4, 2013 (the official date was November 4, 1953) for a celebratory luncheon at Windstar Country Club. The committee is working on a booklet and oral history. Please share your memories, recipes, funny moments, as

well as floral and horticultural tips to be included with our memorabilia. If anyone is interested in helping the committee, please contact Melinda Earle.

Flower Show

Roberta Ross, 3rd V.P., shared with us the progress of the March 22-23, 2013 Flower Show. For photography please contact Susan Haley; Audrey Hennessey still needs many hostesses; there are still 8 available entries for design—Janet Donald is the entries chair and Mary Pulick is the design chair; Bobbye Raye Womack, a consultant for one of the classes in the Tri-Color section, is in search of entries; Marilyn Gross is co-chair of the Horticultural Division in charge of container specimen entries. Liz Chehayl is in charge of cut specimens.

There will be a Monday, February 11 workshop from 10:00 –Noon in our GC office, presented by Roberta Ross and three Master Gardeners (Kris Morton, Arlette Bradley and Liz Pedersoli). This will be an informative meeting helping you to identify your plants or cuttings and also to help in filling out your entry cards, etc. Please bring photos, plants or cuttings for ID. Also, please bring your laptops to Google Latin names. This workshop will provide invaluable information while being a time saving device for Flower Show drop off day.

A beautiful Lladro statue donated by Aragon Jewelers will be raffled at the March meeting. One ticket for \$5 and three tickets for \$10- all proceeds will go to the Flower Show fund.

Program

Linda Brown introduced our speaker, Jane Godshalk, AIFD. Jane is a certified floral designer in the United States and Europe. On the faculty of Longwood Gardens, Jane is also an Artistic Judge for the Garden Club of America where she received the GCA National Medal for “consistently innovative floral design”. In 2011, she was a featured presenter at the World Association of Flower Arrangers convention in Boston.

Jane’s presentation Bouquets in Motion, Floral Designing Trends for the Future included 7 beautiful and unique creations.

1. Hand tied bouquet in vase
2. Phoenix Design: color layering-60%/30%/10% (AIFD)
3. Glamorous Contemporary Design
4. Abstract Design and Mechanics
5. Cutting Edge; garden mix with tropical flowers

6. Straw Garland in jug vase

7. ZOE- tall party design

The designs, part of our raffle, were won by 6 lucky Garden Club members and guests.

Sondra Quinn adjourned the meeting at 2:45 P.M.

Attendance: 130 active members, 9 provisionals, 38 guests—total 178 attendees

Respectfully submitted,

Arlette Bradley

Recording Secretary