

NAPLES GARDEN CLUB
Membership Meeting
Monday, March 5, 2012
Mooring Presbyterian Church
1:00 - 3:00 PM - Moss Hall

Sondra Quinn, President, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. She welcomed members, provisionals and guests to the March Membership Meeting. Sondra thanked all the members who registered in advance for the meeting on the website. This allows for the planning and hospitality. Pam Siegert, head hostess, and her committee were thanked for their efforts.

She introduced, Jean Lemmon, Crowd Control Manager. Jean indicated all exits. Dusti Beabien, Club Chaplin, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sondra called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. They were seconded and approved.

Peggy Blackburn gave a financial report followed by Bev Metcalf announcing that the announcement for renewal of dues is on-line. Dues can be paid by check, PayPal or credit card. Members will also be asked to update their profiles.

Sondra Quinn reminded members that the April meeting will be held at the Kapnick Center lecture room. The White Elephant Sale will also be held beginning at 12 p.m. It was asked that donations be priced.

Fifi McMahon summarized the sponsorship program announcing that more than \$40,000.00 in cash and in-kind donations were received for the House and Garden Tour. The list of contributors was available at the meeting and is also available on the website.

Kathleen Hawryluk spoke about the upcoming Naples Flower Show. Volunteers are still needed for set-up days and Kathleen provides lunch! The Flower Show Handbook is the law of the show. Shelly Marcus spoke about the workshops being held for the unjudged invitationals but the rules in the handbook still have to be followed. Mary Pulick spoke about not dying or spraying fresh materials and to be sure to read the schedule. Members participating in the horticulture section were reminded to start researching the names of the plants and to have their cards ready before. Entries as well as placement help are still being accepted. It was mentioned that if an entry does not show in a particular class, then that class is not judged. Help is still needed for hostessing and parasol ladies. Also, there is

a need for clerks for judging day. There is a meeting on March 20, 2012 from 12 to 2 p.m.

Gail Pica spoke regarding the flower room. Entrants were told to visit the Berkeley website and chose their flowers and let Gail or Melinda Earle know the selection and the page and number of the selections. The flowers will be available on Tuesday, March 27, 2012. The flower show school will be held April 6, 7, and 8. Catherine Ware or Mary Pulick will be collecting the checks.

Joyce Aliferi spoke about the preview party to be held Thursday, March 28, 2012 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The deadline for registration is March 20, 2012. The cost is \$25.00 per person and can be done through Eventbrite. Checks are also being accepted for the annual luncheon to be held Friday, April 13, 2012.

Lydia Galton spoke about the governance committee and its role in ensuring we are in keeping with 501c3 requirements. The committee will also insure that all board members receive orientation and that all board positions will remain filled.

Bev Metcalf then introduced the slate of nominees to be voted on at the April meeting. The slate is: Roberta Ross-3rd VP (Flower Show Chair), Roberta "Bobbie" Juster-recording secretary, Candi Child-corresponding secretary, Margaret "Peggy" Blackburn-treasurer, Patricia McNamara-assistant treasurer.

Members were told that there would be changes in the bylaws in the next issue of Trowel Prints for voting at the April meeting.

The raffle was held. Martine Amundson was the winner of a beautiful Brazilian Red Cloak plant donated by Jackie and Mike Malloy.

Arlette Bradley then introduced the 2012 provisional class. Each provisional gave an introduction of themselves. Arlette reminded members that the 2013 class is now open for 20 new applicants. The deadline is April 30, 2012.

The meeting was then turned over to Linda Brown. Linda gave an extensive introduction to the meeting's speaker, Felder Rushing. Felder entertained members with his sense of humor, quirky sayings and his extensive slide show

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Candi Child
Corresponding Secretary
(on behalf of Ann Westerfield, Recording Secretary)

March 7, 2012