

The Little Garden Club of Memphis
Membership Meeting
January 10, 2019
Memphis Botanic Garden

Mary Call welcomed us and called the meeting to order. The auction in December was great fun and a big success. She thanked Katherine Dobbs for opening her beautiful home and the Hostesses, Entertainment chairs (Julie Hussey and Abbie Williams) and Ways and Means chairs (Sue and Jean) for their hard work. There was a round of applause.

Mary Call asked Weetie for the Treasurer's report. Weetie reported the following balances:

Administrative Fund-\$93,782.03
Community Fund-\$72,923.01
Marguerite Turner-\$1,867.73
Zone Meeting Fund-\$36,776.97

Mimsie followed with the Assistant Treasurer's report. Her balances were:

Memorial Fund-\$19,332.30
Sensory Garden-\$47,532.07
Children's Garden-\$57,101.90

Mimsie let us know that Aggie Turley gave \$1500 to the Sensory Garden.

Kate Trammell asked that we please update our profiles on GCA site. If you see that an award that you have won is not on there, please let Kate know. Some of it we can modify. Some will need to be done by Tempe.

Linda Mallory, horticulture, reminded us about the hyacinth workshop next week. The bulbs will bloom in 6-8 weeks.

Kate Connell, Travel co-chair, announced that the Nashville Garden Club has invited us to join them for a tour of the gardens inside the Antiques and Garden Show. NGC is also reserving seats for those of us who are attending the lecture (Faith Hill and Bobby McAlpine). Michelle Dunavant has one more room being held in Nashville. It will be released in the next 24 hours. For the ladies going to Greenville, your full payment of \$550 is due at the February meeting.

Sue and Jean, Ways and Means, shared that the auction raised \$15,500.

Ruthie Taylor hosted a mini-photography show of nearly 20 beautiful photographs that were taken by our members. This show was to help encourage members who may not have participated in a photography show to see just how easy and fun it is to enter a photograph. The theme was "Bug or Creature" and Ruthie asked us to look at our member's photography that was neatly displayed on the black-clothed tables in the back of the room. Each member was asked to vote for one photo and the winner will be the LGC entry in this year's Zone IX Meeting in Beaumont. Vance told us what to look for in the photographs so that we are able to make an educated choice. At the lunch following the meeting, Ruthie announced that Vance's photo of a Praying Mantis was the winner!

New business:

Kathy Adams proposed a bylaw change that was discussed among several former presidents. They have to do with the new member process and changes of membership status. Lisa Wilder, Parliamentarian, explained the process to us. Kathy read the proposed changes to us.

Proposed bylaw changes attached

This serves as notice to our membership. The proposed changes will also be in the Ivy Vine in March (prior to the membership meeting). Both the board and the membership will vote on this in March - due to the Joint Meeting in February.

Mary Call shared that Christian Owen is pruning her LGC responsibilities (Flower Show co-chair and Ivy Vine editor). With daughter, Catherine, being queen of Carnival and her book, *Florist to the Field*, she has a full plate. Linda Mallory will be the new Flower Show co-chair with Gina White. Corinne Adrian will be Horticulture co-chair with Leslie Schutt. Kirk McClintock has graciously agreed to be the Ivy Vine editor. Kirk explained that she is a "deadline-oriented woman" and we need to be on time with our submissions! (the 15th of every month)

Mary Call announced the Joint Meeting with the Memphis Garden Club. The speaker, Thomas Woltz, is the rock star of the landscape design world. He was the keynote speaker at the Annual Meeting in San Francisco this year. The meeting and lunch following will be at the Memphis Country Club.

Mary Call wished our January ladies a Happy Birthday.

Anne Keesee, Sue Clark, Jean Johnston, and Mary Call Ford were back as the Poinsettia sisters with our last auction item. Mary Call thanked Anne for creating the auction years ago. Sue is missing two sheets from the December auction. One was for one of Mary Call's pound cakes. The other was for Jean's monogrammed linen hand towels. Bocce, beer and BBQ sold for \$525 to Ragan Magness.

Mary Call spoke for Lisa Snowden about her job in the GCA. Lisa is the Chairman of the Flower Design Committee. It is a new committee is quite the undertaking. She and her committee have redesigned By Design. It is available at no charge via email. They currently have four yearly workshops for design instructors and are working on two more. Hitomi Gilliam is coming to Memphis to do a workshop for the instructors February 26-28.

Ragan introduced our speaker Ryn Clarke. Ryn is hosting a mini session for \$15 after lunch if you want to stay. Ryn is from Cleveland, OH. She leads workshops across the country. Please welcome her.

Thank you to our lunch hostesses: Corinne Adrian, Katie Eleazer, Elise Lake and Barbara Williamson.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Wiener, recording secretary

