

The Little Garden Club of Memphis
Membership Meeting
September 9, 2021
Memphis Botanic Garden

Kate Trammell welcomed everyone and opened the meeting by thanking our hostesses: Connie Adams, EJ Baird, Mimsie Crump and Catherine Sikes.

Kate asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. The minutes stand approved as submitted.

Kate called on Jeannie Tabor for the Treasurer's report. Jeannie reported the following numbers:

Community Fund	\$12,385.00 (+CD of \$41,017.00)
Administrative Fund	\$58,658.00 (+CD of \$30,762.00)
GCA Education Fund	\$15,387.00 (+CD of \$20,508.00)
Sensory Garden	\$6,148.00 (+CD of \$35,890.00)
Children's Garden	\$2,305.00 (+CD of \$46,144.00)
Zone Meeting Fund	\$17,252.00 (+CD of \$30,762.00)
Memorial Fund	\$14,216.00 (+CD of \$11,280.00)

Abbie Williams, Conservation, reported that we have received for the third and last year our \$2,000 Partner for Plants (P4P) Grant to continue working on the Woodlands here at the Botanic Gardens. Be looking out for two dates at the end of October to do some weed wrangling.

Janet Miser, Garden History and Design, reported that she and Leslie Schutt have been working on Point No Point, Barbara and Lewis Williamson's farm in Mason, TN. They need names of anyone that has helped with this project over the years. They plan to have this garden submitted to the Smithsonian by the end of this year.

Gina White, Horticulture, informed everyone of the field trip to Oxford on Thursday, September 16th. Cost is \$35 visit and lunch. Deadline to sign up is this Friday. Drive yourself. They will send directions to those that are signed up. Bring your camera. She also wanted to invite anyone to join their Hort Interest Group. This will keep you stay informed of any Horticulture events. Passing around a sign up sheet to join.

Katherine Dobbs and Paige Proctor, Inspirations, reported that the date has changed by one day from Thursday to Wednesday, November 10th. Katherine discussed some details about the event and said they have many great sponsors. Little Garden Club members are required to buy two tickets to the event. The website is up and you can buy your tickets on the website. The books will be up on the website to order also. They are still adding sponsors up to the \$500 level. They will display posters with the Sponsors name on them. Please buy your tickets before the end of the month. There will be an email sent to members with information about Inspirations that members may pass along to friends, etc. Kate reminded everyone that the money we raise from Inspirations goes to our community projects.

Kate reported for Tempe Thompson, Membership, that here are three spots available for new members. Ask Tempe for a proposal form by 1:00 today. Proposal forms are due September 16th. You will need to turn in 75 copies. There should be three sheets per set and stapled. Any questions, just email or text Tempe.

Catherine Sikes, Photography, is passing around a Photography Interest Sign up Sheet. You will receive informational emails about Photography events. Catherine announced the Memphis

Garden Club Flower Show registration opens on October 1st. She encouraged everyone to sign up and participate. She is having a virtual workshop of Monday at 3:00. She offered to help anyone with their entries. She also encouraged everyone to go to the registration and look at the schedule and opportunities.

Kate made an announcement for Debbie Phillips and Kim MacQueen, Travel, about their plans for a LCG Trip in the Spring. The trip will be to Virginia during Historic Garden Week, April 23rd through April 30th. Once the schedule is posted, they will have more details and firm dates for the trip. If you are interested, a sheet is being passed around for you to sign.

Mary Call presented for Kathy Adams, Awards, the 40 Years of Service Award to Nora Witmer. She presented the Best in Show Award to Jeannie Tabor.

Mary Call, Program Zone Rep, announced GCA National has put together Programs on Demand. Go to the GCA Website and you may watch the programs. There are three new programs coming for 2021-22. Go to the GCA website look under "read shop watch".

Kate had everyone open their new yearbooks and go to page 32 and change the date to November 10th for Inspirations because the yearbook went to print before the date change. She announced that we will allow guests at the December program with Christopher Spitzmiller. If you invite someone there is a \$50 charge. It will be December 2nd and include a fun lunch and a chance to meet the speaker and buy his book.

Elizabeth Williamson introduced our speaker, John Mark Sharpe. John Mark owns a retail store in Germantown and has a floral design business which does wedding and special events. Today, John Mark will show us how to make some creative centerpieces that we can use at dinner parties or wedding parties we have at home.

Kate Trammell, President, adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Johnston, Recording Secretary