

The Little Garden Club of Memphis
Membership Meeting
March 18, 2021
Memphis Botanic Garden

Kate Trammell, President, welcomed everyone to the membership meeting.

Kate re-introduced our new members, Bradley Fogelman, Garnett Hutton, and Stephanie Wilson.

Kate thanked our meeting hostesses: Lucia Crenshaw, Christy Muller, Leslie Schutt, and Jeannie Tabor.

Kate thanked Ruthie Taylor and Vance Lewis for serving as zone reps for the last two years. She also congratulated Mary Call Ford who is the incoming GCA Zone IX Programs Representative.

Kate reported that Memphis Botanic Garden asked us to help with replacing some cherry trees as well as adding some new ones, The Board approved and we are giving Memphis Botanic Garden \$4,480 for 28 new trees.

Kate mentioned that Ruthie Taylor created a beautiful photo album for Mary Call's tenure as President. The photo book is here at the meeting for you to take a look.

Kate asked if there are any changes to the November minutes. Julie Hussey made a motion to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Katie Eleazer seconded the motion. The membership voted to approve the minutes.

Kate called on Linda Mallory for the Treasurer's report and the Assistant Treasurer's report. Linda reported the following numbers as of February 28, 2021:

Administrative Fund	\$48,260.11	(+CD \$30,686.36)
Community Fund	\$25,166.33	(+CD \$40,915.14)
Zone Meeting Fund	\$17,327.79	(+CD \$30,686.36)
Sensory Garden	\$13,582.92	(+CD \$35,800.75)
Memorial Fund	\$13,632.93	(+CD \$11,251.66)
Children's Garden Fund	\$9,668.40	(+CD \$46,029.54)
GCA Education Fund	\$15,027.33	(+CD \$20,457.57)

Julie Hussey, Corresponding Secretary, reported we have some members with delinquent dues for the Memphis Botanic Garden. She reminded everyone that you must be a member of the Memphis Botanic Garden. Julie has a list of those that need to pay their dues. She asked to please come see her if you are not sure about your membership dues for Memphis Botanic Garden.

Katie Eleazer, Membership for Tempe Thompson, reminded everyone if you want to change your membership status; it must be done by May 1st. There are two slots available for Mentor status. You must have been an Active Member for 20 years to be qualified for Mentor. You must let Tempe in writing. Mentor status change is first come first serve. You may go Life at any time.

Katie, as our Founder's Fund Committee Chair reported that there are three finalists this year for the Founder's Fund:

1. Healing a Historic Stream, Engaging All Ages in Urban Water Ecology

- Seattle Garden Club, One XII
2. Houston Hospice Family Terrace and Commemorative Garden
The Garden Club of Houston, Zone IX
 3. The Vadner Park Civic Project
The Garden Club of the Halifax Country, VIII

Katie called for a vote for each finalist. The membership voted for The Garden Club of Houston.

Emily gave a report on In Stitches projects. First project was a monogrammed key chain. The second project, there was a choice of “in the garden” or “life is better by the sea” pillow. The new project is a Christmas ornament with a little watering can with LGC and flowers sprouting. Emily thanked everyone for coming and also thanked EJ Baird, Harvey Kay, Connie Adams and Kate Trammell for helping mentor the group.

Kim Lowrance, Sensory Garden, announced that Sue Clark has helped choose the 2021 summer intern, Zoe Woods. Zoe worked at Dan West and Botanic Garden before covid. She will work 75% with the Sensory Garden and My Big Back Yard and 25% with Botanic Gardens. Excited to have her! Tom Pellet is coming Friday to talk about new plants for the Sensory Garden and they will report next meeting.

Kathy Adams, Awards, announced that Lisa Snowden won the Barbara Spaulding Cramer Award for the Zone IX Flower Show. Kathy spoke about how wonderful the award is and how proud we are of Lisa. Lisa also thanked everyone that helped with the Valentine’s Workshop.

Kate also gave a shout out to the people that participated in the Zone IX Flower Show:

Liz Crosby: Floral Design, Honorable Mention
Mary Call Ford: Photography, 2nd Place
EJ Baird: Botanical Arts-Needlework Section, 1st Place
Margaret Fraser: Horticulture, 3rd Place
Ruthie Taylor: Horticulture, 1st Place
Kate Trammell: Horticulture, 1st Place
Gina White: Horticulture, Two 1st Place
Michelle Dunavant: Horticulture Challenge Class, Great Effort!!

Kim MacQueen reported the Memphis Botanic Plant Sale has been pushed back until April 22-24th. You can do it online or in person. Please support the plant sale.

Elizabeth Williamson introduced our speaker, Jason Reeves. Jason is the curator of the University of Tennessee Gardens, located at the West Tennessee AgResearch and Education Center in Jackson. He has traveled the world speaking at gardening symposiums and serving as a contributing editor to “Fine Gardening” magazine. His plant knowledge, creative designs and engaging speaking style have earned him the title “Rising Star” in the horticulture industry. Jason talked to the membership about Hydrangeas.

Kate Trammell, President, adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Johnston, Recording Secretary