

Little Garden Club of Memphis
Membership Meeting
May 9, 2019
Beth Hussey's home

Mary Call welcomed us to the final meeting of the year. We are so fortunate to be in Beth's house which looks unbelievable. The weather held out and the green trees appear so vibrant against the overcast sky. She thanked the hostesses for our lunch today. This meeting is going to be ordered differently than in years past. She is moving the Awards presentation to the beginning of the meeting. Kate will start them in a minute.

Mary Call asked that we approve the minutes from our April meeting. Weetie moved, Kathe Crane seconded. All were in favor. Mary Call reminded us that dues are due today.

Lucia Crenshaw, Corresponding Secretary, read a note that she received from the President of the Carolina Foothills Garden Club in Greenville, SC. It was a very kind note of thanks for the honorarium we sent to them in appreciation of their hospitality during our trip.

Weetie moved that we approve the 2019-2020 budget that was presented to the membership at both our April meeting and through an email. Lisa Wilder seconded. We voted to approve.

Gina White and Linda Mallory talked about the Flower Show that is October 24 at Hardin Hall. They have sent the schedule off for approval and are excited. Linda has the schedules for both photography and floral design. One of the flower classes is an interpretation of Catherine Erb's painting. The painting is also the cover of the schedule. EJ has a workshop with Julie Spear prior to the show. Lisa Snowden is kindly allowing Julie to combine Floral Design 1 and 2 for us. The workshop is September 25. There is a 3 month ownership requirement for horticulture with the exception of cacti, succulents and Par. If you plant your own seeds and keep track of the progress, you are eligible for a propagation award. GCA has a propagation project. We can plant seeds and take photographs. They are passing around both zinnia seeds and instructions for the GCA project. There is a Horticulture Workshop scheduled for September 26 at Michelle Dunavant's. Catherine Erb will do a photography workshop where she will help us print and edit our photography submissions. Tempe announced that there are 3 photography classes with 4 entries each. The classes are based on the senses. They are touch, sight, and taste in the form of a still life. Photography's registration deadline is September 10. The photographs are due on September 24.

Kate Trammell, Awards, thanked Kathy Adams, Mary Call Ford, Gina White and Katherine Dobbs for the beautiful flowers from their yards. Katherine and Gina did a beautiful job arranging the flowers.

Christian Owen received a GCA Club Communications Award for her tireless work on all things Little Garden Club.

Greg Campbell and Erick New received LGC Certificates of Appreciation for all of their contributions to our club.

Kate called on Florence "Flo" McGowin to explain the next award. Flo commented that she wished more of us had known Frances Donelson. She was the first female certified landscape designer in the city. She preferred green and white to a lot of color and would have loved Beth's yard. Years ago Flo, Natalie Latham, Lynn Fulton and Peggy Jones endowed an award for horticulture in honor of Frances Garrott Donelson. Buzzy Hussey helped them purchase Orrefors crystal bowls. Kate Trammell was last recipient of the original award as we ran out of bowls. Flo, Natalie, Lynn and Peggy wanted the award to continue and to be relevant to

gardening. They commissioned Catherine Erb to photograph a cherry blossom. It is relevant to gardening, our gifts to the Memphis Botanic Gardens and our logo. The photograph is one of a kind. It will not be reprinted. The names of each recipient will be placed on the back of the photograph which will be passed on from year to year. Kate announced that Kim MacQueen is the first member to be awarded the new Frances Garrott Donelson Horticulture Award.

Peggy Jones received the Little Garden Club Perennial Award for all of her years of love and service to our club.

EJ Baird was awarded a GCA Club Appreciation Award. EJ is always willing to lend a hand to LGC projects. She does it with a smile and with grace. She was given this award with thankful appreciation.

Mary Call thanked Kate for presenting the awards and for having a beautiful template created by a local artist. Tempe would like a picture of all of the award recipients after the meeting.

Kirk McClintock sent us an email about walking portions of the Wolf River with the Wolf River Conservancy Executive Director Keith Cole. He is willing to take us on a private walk. Keith is available in the morning or the evening. The group preferred the morning. Kirk is going to email us a few dates.

Vance Lewis announced that the Memphis Garden Club has sent a letter of intent for a Founder's Fund project to the GCA. It is for a garden at Crosstown. We seconded their letter of intent. Their next step is a proposal which is due in September.

Mary Call thanked us for educating each other this year. She laughed that our helping one another has also helped her. It has been a great year! Her exciting announcement today is our next President. She has a wonderful nickname for our next President which she will share in a moment. She is delighted that to announce Kate Trammell is our next president. Her nickname for Kate is "Full Plate Kate". Kate is always willing to take on a project both in and outside the garden club. We are fortunate that she has taken on this next project. Mary Call has ordered Kate a plate with our logo and her nickname on it which unfortunately has not arrived.

Our first meeting next year is on September 12. Whitney McNeill created a video for everyone of our photos from the birthday party. Our names are on the envelope. Please take one before you leave.

The meeting was adjourned.

While we did not present the treasurer's report or the assistant treasurer's report, the balances for the record were as follows:

Administrative Fund: \$101,064.51

Community Fund: \$69,943.43

Marguerite Turner: \$1868.41

Zone Meeting Fund: \$36,849.57

Memorial fund -\$21,653.71

Children's garden-\$58,135.36

Sensory garden- \$49,407.24

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Wiener, Recording Secretary