

The Little Garden Club of Memphis
Membership Meeting
November 8, 2018
Memphis Botanic Garden

President, Mary Call Ford, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. She welcomed Elizabeth Williamson and Bowie Campbell our new members. She expressed thanks that Duncan is doing well. Mary Call welcomed Lysbeth Francis from the Memphis Garden Club who spoke about the Phoebe Cook lecture. It is November 15 at 11 am at the Dixon.

Mary Call asked Weetie Whittemore to give the Treasurer's report. Weetie's balances were as follows:

Administrative Fund-\$74,304.72
Community Fund-\$72,783.96
Marguerite Turner-\$1,867.02
Zone Meeting Fund-\$36,740.12

Weetie also announce that the Board has unanimously decided to raise Active, Mentor and Affiliate dues from \$250 to \$300. Life Member dues will go from \$135 to \$150. This money will help cover our flower show. Weetie asked for a motion to approve. Katie Wiener moved and Dot Fisher seconded. There was no discussion and the vote was aye. Mary Call reminded us that dues are due at the end of May. They are considered delinquent August 1.

Mary Call asked Weetie if she had the Assistant Treasurer's report. Weetie did not have the balances. They are the following:

Memorial Fund-\$19,205.06
Sensory Garden-\$45,786.05
Children's Garden - \$57,044.69

Corresponding Secretary, Lucia Crenshaw, announced that she has a new granddaughter Lucia Lawrence Bolding. They are going to call her Lucy. She also reminded us to pay our membership dues at the MBG today.

Julie Hussey thanked everyone for their prompt payment for the party. She also thanked us for responding. The new member party was great.

Gina White announced that our 2019 Flower show is October 24, 2019 at the MBG. She and Christian have titled it the **Power of Perception**. It is to celebrate sensory garden and all the members who made it possible. We will celebrate the 5 senses with our interpretations of the theme.

Mary Call reminded us on behalf of Linda Mallory and Leslie Schutt that at 1 pm on Tuesday, November 13 there is a pop up for plant division. It will be held in the horticulture building at the MBG.

Ruthie Taylor, Photography, talked about how wonderful the workshop with Catherine Erb was. The second half is coming up. We will be reviewing photographs that we took. You are welcome to come to the second even if you did not come to the first.

Kate Connell and Michelle Dunavant, Travel, mentioned the Antiques and Garden Show in Nashville that is February 1-3, 2019. Groups of 10 or more gets a group rate for the show. The Westin has availability. There is a preview party Thursday night that could be fun to attend.

Please sign the interest list that is going around the room. They announced a Spring trip to Greenville April 2-5, 2019. Mignon Canale is hosting us for a cocktail party. We will have dinner at the Greenville Country Club. We will tour three gardens and Falls Park which won a Founders Fund Award. The cost is \$550. Reservations are available at the Westin.

Sue Clark and Jean Johnston, Ways and Means, are ordering LL Bean bags one more time. They are only ordering the smaller size with no zipper. Please see Sue if you are interested. Tervis tumblers are still available. The drop date for ordering greenery is tomorrow. Please place your orders today before you leave. Jean talked about the Christmas auction at Katherine Dobbs' house. All members must participate. Please bring your items early. They will coordinate with Katherine and give us times.

Elise Lake invited us all to the Garden District open house November 16 from 6 -9 pm.

Mary Call asked Ragan to introduce Elizabeth Heiskell. Ragan acknowledged that many of us know Elizabeth. She is a Today show contributor and has revamped the 1972 Southern Living entertaining cookbook. It is new this year. We are excited to have her with us today.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Wiener, Recording Secretary