



Weymouth Garden Club

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WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB ("WGC")

MEMBER MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2023

The WGC meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Anne Nicholas, President.

Invocation: Read by Charlotte Nichols

A Morning Prayer

Plant your feet firmly of the earth.

Using your five senses, give thanks to our Creator for the countless ways we blessed through creation – for all the beauty that your eyes see – for all the sounds that your ears hear – for all the scents that you smell – the tastes that you taste – for all that you feel ... the sun, wind, rain, snow, warm, or cold.

Pray this day that you may be open and attuned to the countless ways we are blessed through the senses, and through the gifts of creation.

Let go of all the pain, struggle, regret, failures and garbage of yesterday – step out of it – leave it behind – brush the dust of it from your feet and appreciate the beauty of nature around you.

With thought, gratefulness and determination, step into the gift of a new day – given to you – full of hope, promise, and potential.

Recording Secretary

The March and April meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The club finished this year with 71 members. The goal for next year is 75 active members to support the planned activities and projects. We decided not to increase the \$40 annual dues for the club next year, but instead to try to increase the number of members. With 75 members, approximately half of the dues paid will cover administrative expenses like insurance, supplies, and website hosting. The other half of the dues can then be used to support club activities and events. Dues for next year are now due and should be given to Phyllis McCormack.

We would like to thank Fran Hale for the pussy willows she brought to the last meeting. Their sales generated \$30 for the general fund. Our next big fundraiser is the annual plant sale next Saturday. We hope to raise enough to support next year's programs and scholarship donations.

I expect that the club will finish with a surplus in both the general fund and beautification project fund.

Scholarship Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony is May 30. Anne and Lisa will attend the ceremony.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting has been changed to May 23.

Field Trips

Alice D. and Mayre H. have planned a field trip to Avant Gardens in Dartmouth, MA on May 25. The meeting time is 10:15 am.

Media/Web/Publicity

Corin, Kathy, and Katherine are setting up and maintaining an Instagram account.

Children's Workshop

Yoshie and Phyllis have planned a children's workshop for May 31 at 6:30 pm at Tufts Library.

Plant Sale

Suzanne S., Joanne K., and Charlotte C. chair committee.

Drop off plants June 19. Set up for sale June 19. Plant sale on June 20. See 4/8/23 general meeting minutes for more details.

Installation of Officers

Andrea Ross presided over the installation of new officers.

President – Lisa Kimball

Vice President – Charlotte Nichols

Corresponding Secretary – Terry Harrison

Thanks to Andrea for a wonderful job overseeing the installation and congratulations to our new officers.

Submitted by Donna Schiller, Recording Secretary