



Weymouth Garden Club

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WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB (“WGC”)

MEMBER MEETING

DATE: October 14, 2023

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

In Memory of Judy Suket

Circle of Life, read by Charlotte Champagne

Ivy, ancient symbol of eternity,
speaks to us
of times that used to be.
Recalling lives of members,
now gone,
Whose gardens of joy will ever live on.
Wreath, entwined 'neath a candle of light
In a never-ending path,
through the seasons of life.
Summer's abundance,
radiant with bloom,
Bows to autumn's glory,
defying winter's gloom.
The candle flickers, hesitates, and is still,
And sleeps through winter's
lonely chill.
Until the earth,
stirring anew,
Answers spring's happy call
that resounds through the heavens,
Awakening all.
The ivy sprouts
beneath earth's warming sun,
And the candle's glow reminds everyone,
The circle is eternal,
Life never ends.

Recording Secretary

The September meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Carole J. reported on club finances.

Corresponding Secretary

Terry H. reported that there have been no issues.

WGC Online Store

Corin A. and Kathy M. have arranged for an online store selling various t-shirts and sweatshirts with the "Rooting for Weymouth since 1931" logo. They showed members a slide with the options. All orders placed will be available for pick up at the November general meeting.

Library Flowers

The sign up is now broken down into one-week intervals instead of two. Members can sign up for one week or as many as they want (in succession or separated).

Bylaws Update

The membership voted in favor of a bylaw change that would eliminate the requirement that club membership be limited to Weymouth residents. to become members. This change is consistent with policy changes at other garden clubs.

Beautification

Anne N. shared plans for the DPW site. Ann suggested to Bob Felman of the DPW that the club plant a birch tree mirroring the birch already at the DPW. Bob volunteered to purchase and plant the tree. She will update the club as more plans are developed for the DPW site.

Daffodil planting is scheduled for October 21st. Members should meet at King Oak Hill Park at 9 a.m.

Wreath Sale

Suzanne gave an update on plans for the wreath sale which will be held on December 2nd. Members are invited to Suzanne's home on November 30 and December 1 from 4:30 to 7:30 to make wreaths and swags. There will also be wreath and swag-making demonstrations at the November 18th general meeting.

Holiday Luncheon

Charlotte N. spoke about the holiday luncheon, to be held at South Shore Country Club in Hingham on December 9th from 11- 3. The cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for guests. The club is subsidizing \$29 per ticket for members and \$19 per ticket for guests. Sign up and payment will be at the November 18 general meeting.

Members are encouraged to bring in an item to be raffled off. Also needed are centerpieces. A pin swap will be part of the luncheon.

Holiday Gift Tree

Charlotte D. has started the holiday gift tree. She brought in the first round of tags with gift wishes of children provided by the Weymouth Youth and Family Services Department. More tags with gift wishes will be available at the November meeting. All gifts should be unwrapped

(gift bags are OK) and should be brought to the holiday luncheon. Otherwise, arrangements can be made to deliver gifts directly to Charlotte.

Holiday Decorating at Town Hall

Michelle C. discussed plans for decorating the town hall. In addition to the Mayor's Office, this year we will also decorate the council chambers. Michelle invited members to participate in the decorating. She has booked the morning of Tuesday, November 21 for the decorating. Lunch will be provided.

WGC Award

WGC was presented with a first-place award in the video category by the National Garden Club, Inc. WGC videos are produced by Michelle C. and June F. The videos can be seen on WETC8@weymouth.tv.

Speaker

Kathryn Leva presented "Fun with Flowers". She demonstrated ways to make easy floral arrangements for homes or to give as gifts. At the end of her presentation, Kathryn offered several floral arrangements and flower bunches that were raffled off to members.

Submitted by Donna Schiller, Recording Secretary