

Wollaston Garden Club Minutes

February 16, 2017

President Jan Clifford called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

She welcomed members and two guests and gave an update on Vice President Emily Lebo's recovery from surgery.

Jan thanked the hospitality Chair, Mary Brady and her crew of Linda Browne, Jo Costello, Virginia Duffy, Anita Fasano, Donna Marston, Janet Lynch, and Marylynn Sullivan. She also thanked Lisa Tavakoli for the beautiful floral arrangement for the buffet table.

Announcements:

Brockton Garden Club's Art in Bloom will take place on Sunday, April 9th. The Brockton Garden Club partners with Brockton High students who do a sketch or artwork and participants create an art-inspired floral arrangement. The craft fair of garden related crafts and wares is also a good take-in.

Marnie Dunn passed out the mid-year addendum to the WGC Membership. Copies will be available at the next club meetings or can be obtained by contacting either Marnie or Jan.

The [Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts website](#) has a listing of the schools and programs offered. and has provided clubs with a printed chart to give to members. Copies were available on the membership table. Scholarships for certain courses such as Gardening Study, which is starting up in April, are available for members who have been WGC members for at least 2 or more years.

There will be a Civic Development program featuring Kerry Ann Mendes on

Thursday, March 30, 2017 10 am- 1.30 pm Espousal Center, 554 Lexington Street, Waltham

<http://www.gcfm.org/Portals/0/Workshops/Final%20Civic%20Dev.flyer%202017.pdf>

If members are interested in attending, WGC will pay your fee. Please contact Jan so we can sign everyone up at the same time.

The Adams Shore branch library needs a volunteer(s) to maintain the two front windows which were previously maintained by two club members who have moved. It would take about one hour once per quarter of your time. The back windows house succulents and are maintained by Marilyn Sullivan. The front windows decorations are changed for each season. Cynthia Lewis and Pat Artis volunteered to take over.

This year's tri-club meeting will be hosted by Houghs Neck Garden Club and will take place on April 5, at 6:45 at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. The featured speaker will be Art Scarpa, who is an honorary member of our club and an expert on succulents.

The Boston Flower Show, March 22-26 has the theme 'Superheroes of the Garden'. They are still looking for volunteers to assist with setting up and maintenance of the displays. Jan will send around the email from Mass Hort for anyone who might have missed it the first time. Club members who have worked the show in the past have found it a good opportunity to work with professional designers and see how the show operates on a behind-the scenes basis.

Jan then introduced our speaker, Melissa Pace, an award winning horticulturist, whose topic was "House Plants Going Exotic".

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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