

## Wollaston Garden Club Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2017

President Jan Clifford called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

### Hospitality

Jan thanked the Hospitality Chair, Janet Lynch, and her team for the refreshments. They included Kathy Ceurvels, Mary Brady, Mary Kelly, Emily Lebo, Virginia Duffy, Jackie Ryan, Jan Clifford, and Anita Fasano.

### Membership and Renewals

Marnie Dunn is accepting new membership dues and renewals at the back table.

The following guests were welcomed: Helga De Torres and Jody Meade. New members voted in at the Board meeting on April 13 who were in attendance were also welcomed, Eric Hall and Loretta Prendeville.

### Announcements

Thanks to Cynthia Lewis for her outstanding contribution to the Brockton Art in Bloom.

Cynthia also conducted a Fairies in the Garden Workshop on April 12<sup>th</sup> which was enjoyed by a number of members. Some members brought their gardens to the meeting to display. Cynthia is planning on doing a summer wreath workshop on May 30<sup>th</sup> made of birch and nautical items which is not listed in our program book. A sign up sheet will be available at the May club meeting.

Museum of Fine Arts Art in Bloom takes place on April 28-30. Jo Costello and Ruth Griffin are doing a design for the exhibit. Members are encouraged to take in the show and stop by to see their design.

A [Penny Pines](#) jar is on the back table for spare change. We will also be collecting change at one more meeting for one last payment to Garden Club Federation of America for reforestation at Penny [Pines Plantation](#). Follow link for more details.

Faith Raimondi gave the Treasurer's Report.

As of March 9, 2017 the checking account balance was	\$14,226.11.
Income	\$ 899.00
Expenses	\$ 1243.03
Checking account balance as of April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2017	\$13,881.08
CD balance as of 11/30/2016	\$ 5492.77

Friends of Souther Tide Mill is holding their annual meeting on April 24 at 7 pm at the Adams House (Quincy Historical Society). All are welcome, and WGC is a member of the Friends of Souther Tide Mill.

On June 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a field trip to [Pettengill Farm](#) for a tour & lunch in Salisbury. Sign up at back table.

The South Shore District Luncheon is on April 28<sup>th</sup> at Marshfield Country Club from 10-1 p.m. There is room for a few more to sign up. The speaker will be Suzanne Mahler on 'Parks in the Northeast'.

The Wollaston Garden Club's Plant Sale is **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-12:30**. This is a very important fundraiser for the Club and we all need to contribute.

Key points:

- Badly need plants or purchased plants if you don't have any to donate.
- If members have plants and need help dividing them, sign the signup sheet and arrangements will be made.
- There is a workshop to divide perennials and pot them for sale to be held on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1-3 at Carol Fischer's house. Carol will do a presentation first on the how to's of dividing and potting the plants.
- All plants from your yard need to be divided by May 1 to give them time to recover from transplant shock..
- A variety of jobs are needed with all signups on the back table.
- Flyers in bright green are on table to give to family and friends. An e-version can be sent out if you prefer. Jan will send it out to the membership.

Kathy Ceurvels and Ann Foresman will be doing an interview with Joe Catalano of QATV on Thursday, May 4, at 9:30 am.

Cleaner Greener Quincy first Saturday in May (6<sup>th</sup>). Kathy Ceurvels will be sending out an email to remind members. Sign up sheets for corner of Newport and Beale and Josiah Quincy are available on the membership table.

Ann Foresman spoke on the Civic Beautification projects that the Wollaston Garden Club participates in especially Safford Park and the hillside corner at Beale and Newport Ave. Teaming up with Sheriff Bellotti's office who has offenders participate, there was a huge cleanup on April 19<sup>th</sup>. We're in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of a grant that was written to eradicate Japanese knotweed in this area.

Emily Lebo introduced the speaker, Cheryl Monroe who presented "Hydrangeas for the Northeast"

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

