

# Gateway Garden Club Meeting Minutes

08/11/2022

The August 11 Gateway Garden Club meeting was called to order at 1:05 at War Memorial Park by President Jean Jacobs.

Attendance was taken: thirteen members were present: Kathie Campbell, Diana Carpenter, Judy Childs, Mary Duke, Kathy Gerken, Lynn Gibson, Jean Jacobs, Dricka Meyer, Sue Ann Palmer, Rennie Tressler, Ruhamah Strite, Grace Vass, and Donna Yost. The following were absent: Betty Bennett, Pam Hansrote, Mona Hayford, and Judy Pugh.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes from the last meeting on June 9 were posted online on our web site. There were no corrections or deletions. Minutes were accepted. M/S/P.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mona emailed out the treasurers report. There is a balance of \$5,108.12 as of July 31, 2022.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Lynn thanked all for the Beautification pictures. Jean read the Thank You card received from RAPP for the tomato planting project.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- Watering at the park is doing fine. Jean will check on getting mulch for Poor house Farm entrance.
- Newspaper Article: The Journal published Sue Ann's article and picture from our July Picnic at Ruhamah home.
- Two Christmas tree were donated to the Martinsburg Public Library. The one used last year was donated by Lowe's through the efforts of Sue Ann. The other was donated by Scott and Debbie McAboy.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- Yard Sale is scheduled for Sept 30 with a rain date of Oct 7. A motions was made to have the yard sale, which was duly seconded. M/S/P.
- Beautification Awards – Nominees in five categories are due August 15. Gateway will judge the Public/Nonprofit and the Commercial/ Business categories. Winners will be submitted by September 1.
- Fall District Meeting – will be held on September 26 at the Holiday Inn from 8 am to 3 pm. The theme is "Down to Earth". Assignments include poster for Hallway; Name cards for head tables; members needed to assist with loading and unloading at 8:00am; Silent Auction Baskets worth \$35 with Theme of "Farm to Table"; A tri-fold Board high lightening "beautiful smiling faces of members", Members are to send prints to Jean or Judy Childs and an Arrangements less than 14 inches high and 16 inches diameter.
- By-Laws need to be reviewed. A meeting of the executive committee will address this. 2 critical notes: "Let hostess know of your absence; 3 absences allowed. "

Mary Duke commented on the program at the Gateway Children's Garden presented by Potomac Valley Audubon Society – "Nature in the Neighborhood". It was suggested to send a letter to both Parks and Rec and PVAS to encourage promotion of the GCG. Sue Ann volunteered.

Next meeting is September 8 at the Tabler Farm – 482 Billmyer Road, Shepherdstown at 1:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM.

Diana offered a host of refreshments.

Immediately following the meeting we created small table top arrangement to be sent to Harmony Assisted Living Facility using flowers from our gardens and flowers purchased from Pam Wagoner's Depot Florist. We created approximately 30 arrangements.

Kathy Gerken,  
Recording Secretary