

Chesapeake Bay Garden Club general Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2020

The Chesapeake Bay Garden Club January meeting was held at Festival Halle in Reedville. President Kathie Truxall called the meeting to order at 1 P.M.

Kathie thanked the lunch hostesses of the day: Debbie Boze, Jacqui Penney, Carol Medlin, Sharon Lemke, Debbie Gwaltney, Linda Hixon and Darlene Nelson.

Devotional thoughts and prayers were led by Cindy Boyce, Chaplain.

The minutes of the October meeting were emailed to all members on October 27 2019.

The **Treasurer's** Report for November/December 2019 is posted on our website in the "For member only" section.

Corresponding Secretary Ann Haynie reported that she sent a thank you note to Susan Reed for her donation of garden books to our club. She also read a note from Jane Peterson's daughter, Isabel Silvers, for our kind thoughts of support at the loss of her mother.

Committee Reports:

Sandra Ehlert, **Membership** Chair said that we had 36 members in attendance today along with 4 guests. Our membership is now 50 after the recent loss of Jane Peterson.

Birds and Butterfly chair Susan Brandli reminded members of the Great Backyard Bird Count that will be held February 17-20. You can go to birdcount.org to get more information on this event. It was also mentioned that there will be a waterfowl bird count done on Feb 8-9 along the Potomac River and its tributaries.

Alice Stieve, **Conservation** chair gave a report on ongoing efforts in the Northern Neck concerning recycling and anti-littering. The next Hazardous Waste collection will be held on May 2 in Northumberland County. Lancaster County won't have a hazardous waste collection until Oct 2020.

Richmond County was the most active in combatting the littering problem. Efforts included a mass cleanup with numerous civic groups participating, actively catching litter violators with cameras at certain locations, and a grant was received to plan an Outreach program to educate children on this issue. Alice suggested we present the litter issue at a Northumberland Board of Supervisors meeting. The next meeting is February 13 at 5:30 P.M. at the county courthouse.

Rebecca Elston gave the **Horticulture** judging results:

Debbie Gwaltny—2 blue; Rebecca Elston—2 Blue, 1 Red; Nancy Stogowski—1 Blue; Anne Haynie—5 Blue; Alice Stieve—3 Blue and Best in Show; Jerry Jenkins—1 Blue; Wonda Allain—3 Blue, 1 Red

Darleen Nelson reported for **Floral Exhibits** with these results:

All 6 exhibitors were advanced and the theme was “Winter Wonderland” with Designers Choice of type of design.

Sharon Lemke—Blue and Best in Show for her petite design; Kathie Truxall—Blue; Carol Medlin—Red; Jerry Jenkins—Red; Carol Cole—Blue; Rebecca Elston—Blue

President’s Remarks:

Kathie thanked all who participated in decorating for Christmas on Cockrell’s Creek.

We still need 5 more people to have a minimum of 30 for our trip to Longwood Garden in June. She asked members to let her know by the end of the month if they are interested. Guests are welcome. We will go to other local garden clubs for participation if we can’t fill our quota.

The Rappahannock Art League is having another art/floral design event on April 3&4. We have been asked to participate in making floral design to interpret works of art.

Program:

Rebecca Elston introduced Art Chadwick of Chadwick & Son Orchids. He presented a wealth of information on the 5 different types of orchids along with how to care for them. Each type of orchid was on display for us to see.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

Sharon Lemke

Recording Secretary

The minutes were approved by Carol Cole and Bobby Brodgen.