

Lakeside Garden Guild
General Members Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2016
(MSC = Motion made, seconded and carried)

Call to Order:

President Bonnie Newman called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.

Roll Call:

Present at the meeting were 21 Regular members and 1 Life/ Honorary member. Guests included: former member Olga Spraggett and Phyllis Middleton. Birthdays for the month were recognized: Bonnie Newman, Margaret Quinn, Twig Smye, Shirley West, and Mary Wolf. Since the May meeting was cancelled, May's birthdays were also recognized: Barb Corol, Karen Lingo Averail Miller, Mary O'Leary, and Jan Quarton.

Minutes:

Minutes from the April General Members meeting were approved. (MSC)

President's Comments:

Bonnie thanked Mary Wolf for hosting the meeting in her home, Irene Suto for fruit, and Pam Pettus for pastries. She then thanked Danielle Trepenier for the floral arrangement and asked her to tell the group about her tic-tac-toe box arrangement.

Bonnie went on to explain why the May meeting was cancelled: several officers were out of town, the hostess for the month had to cancel, and when out-of-towners were considered, there were only about 12 members lakeside.

She also said that Joe deLeon called her when he discovered that he was in possession of one of the Guild's large coffee pots. He also donated a smaller one.

Treasurer's Report:

Karen Lingo presented the financials to date:

Cash on Hand	\$11,848.00
O'Rourke Balance	<u>\$41,529.42</u>
Total	\$53,377.42

Graffiti Account	\$12,721.26
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Committee Reports:

Membership:

Joyce McNiven reported that there are currently 36 regular members with 2 in queue: Melanie Wolski and Jan Riley.

Publicity

Nancy Daniel: Nothing to report.

Programs:

Sharon Smith told the group that the day's program would be Jeanne Green talking about "Herbs." July's program will be given by Herbert Pieko on "Floral Arranging." Pam Pettus' May program was cancelled, so it will be given in the future. The remaining programs are under consideration.

Hospitality:

Bonnie reported for Georgia Barneburg that the July program will be held in the home of Nancy Daniel with Maritzer Freyslinger bringing fruit and Sharron King bringing pastries. Nancy will provide the floral arrangement.

Community Project:

Bonnie explained that there had been a lengthy discussion about community projects at the Board meeting, and it was decided that we want "simple and easy!"

Estella Hidalgo is leaning toward more benches for the Ajijic Auditorio, but told about a project she is working on: planting Kiri trees on the malecon in Chapala. She would like for the Guild to be a part of the project in the future.

Estella has asked her gardener to maintain the Juanita Reed boat the Guild established a few years ago one day a month. Bonnie volunteered her extra dirt for the project.

She also mentioned that this Saturday there will be a tree planting on the Ajijic malecon. Volunteers are welcome.

Webmaster:

Linda Hines asked that members let her know of any changes to be made to profiles on the website. She also asked members to send links for interesting gardening sites, i.e. there is an App that allows a person to take a picture of a plant and it will be identified!

There is much information on the Guild website:

www.gardenguild.weebly.com

password for the Members' area: confetti (all lower case)

Sunshine:

Irene Suto said that it was good to see members present who had been ill. Lee Carson thanked the group for the flowers that were sent to her after her sister's death, former member Bobbie Chandler.

She then asked members to let her know of any member who needs "Sunshine" attention.

Irene's email: **irene06@prodigy.net.mx**

Floral Design Show:

Danielle reminded the group that the theme is "Cirque de Fleurs."

She said that a location for the show has not been established. The Train Station did not work out. The committee has looked into the Real de Chapala, but it is likely that it will be at the Raquet Club. They will know by the end of the month.

She thanked Celena Haramis for the poster art and will get Linda to post it on the website.

Tickets for the show will be ready for the August meeting and there will be between 250 and 300 for sale, depending on the venue.

Christmas Luncheon:

Nothing to report.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 (MSC)

*Sharon Smith for Sue Williams
Recording Secretary*

Following the business meeting, Jeanne Green gave an informative talk on Herbs in Mexico.

Lunch was at Alex's Pasta Bar.