Boxwood Garden Club Meeting

Byrd Park Round House

Welcome

- Kay Tyler called the meeting to order at 10 am

Program

 Chris Frelke, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community: Richmond's Monumental Movement in Parks

Board of Directors Reports & Information

Recording Secretary – Kate Whitehead

- Previous minutes: add hostesses -> voted and approved

Treasurer – Cammy Carleton

- Be sure to pay dues on time by Nov. 1 late fee is \$25 per month after Nov. 1
- Report attached below

1st VP/Meetings – Katherine Adamson

- Thanks to hostesses Jennifer Hudgins and Nella Timmons
- Next meeting at the Science Museum of Virginia on Nov 14

2nd VP/Green Book - Stuart Roberts

- Pickup Green Books!

Corresponding Secretary – Kit Sullivan

- Congratulations to Camille Robinson on her marriage!
- Lauren Prince passed away last week from cancer

Committee Reports & Information

GCV News & Updates – Missy Buckingham

- Board of Governors Report
 - Missy Buckingham attended the meeting as immediate HCV past President; the Garden Club of the Eastern Shore shared their beautiful community with attendees
 - Jenny Andrews provided a Pink Muhly Grass horticulture exhibit on behalf of Boxwood
 - Other BGC members attending were Cathy Lee, GCV Artistic chair, Kathryn Angus, District 1 Director at Large, and Boxwood President, Kay Tyler
- History Blooms Report
 - 27 clubs participated at the Museum of History & Culture
 - Rappahannock won the People's Choice Award
- Common Wealth Award
 - Won by RVA Four Clubs for the War Memorial Public Green Space

GCV Horticulture Collections

- Daffodil reported by Kate Kerns for Connie Saffelle
 - Will contact those who purchased as bulbs arrive in Nov
- Lily Suzie Heberle Lillies to arrive in November

GCV Bessie Bocock Carter Conservation Award – Helen Nunley

- Applications due Nov 1
- It is a monetary award made possible by her family funding a project to conserve natural resources or protect the environment; must also benefit a local community, or the whole of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Social Media, Website, and Club Photos – Laura Strickler, Van Ruffner, and Marguerite Mankins

- Send photos to Marguerite Mankins to be posted on social media and website: miz_virginia@hotmail.com

Membership Committee – Kim Condyles

- 2023-24 New Members Presented
- Five prospective members presented; currently the club has 66 active members and can have up to 75 per the bylaws
- Proxies to be emailed for a vote at next meeting
- Nicole Bridge, Brooke Lustig, Julie Sprinkle, Amy Thalhimer, and Emily Tripp
- CORRECTION:
 - 66 active members were reported but there are 65 active members as confirmed by Cammy Carleton, treasurer, and as presented in the Green Book directory.
 - Amy Hudgens is a non-resident member and is not currently an active member.
 - The Membership chair, Kim Condyles, was notified and records were updated and corrected.
 - Proxies can be emailed in advance to members who will be absent at the next meeting by contacting membership chair, Kim Condyles.

Boxwood Projects - Anna Aquino and Jody Branch

- Bandy Field: Work day Nov. 4
 - Friends of Bandy Field will plant a sycamore for Mary Glen Taylor to match the memorial sycamore for her husband
- Bee City: Education Table at the GCA Zone 7 Meeting; Anna & her sister made an incredible, Blue Ribbon-winning, educational piece of art for Richmond Bee City
- Capital Trees: New partnership with Hotchkiss Field Community Center
- Peter Paul Development Center Playground: Planting day Nov. 3

Fundraising Committee

- Shops at 5807 Shopping Night: December 5, 6-8 pm Joan Sewell (joancsewell@gmail.com)
- The Boxwood Garden Club Art & Flower Show Fundraiser: Friday, March 1, 5-8 pm at Shore Dog Cafe – Camille Robinson (camille@robinsonRVA.com)
- Merchandise: Options include Tervis Tumblers, Notepads, Cards, Aprons, totes, garden caddy – please share any other suggestions – Kate Whitehead (<u>kwassum@mindspring.com</u>)

Exhibits Awards

- Artistic – Lisa Caperton

Pave:

1. blue: Sarah Crane

- 2. red: Kit Sullivan
- 3. yellow: Hutch Livingstone
- 4. white/honorable mention: Lisa Caperton, Kate Kerns

Credit: Kathryn Angus, Bobbie Flatin

Pumpkin:

 blue: Lisa Caperton
 red: Liz Price
 yellow: Van Ruffner
 white/honorable mention: Kay Tyler, Nella Timmons, Bobbie Flatin, Rachel Davis, Susie Mccauley, Marty Parrish, Muffy Jamieson

- Horticulture – Jenny Andrews

Best in Show for the Fall Bloom - Sarah Crane Katherine Adamson - yellow Helen Nunley - two green Kay Tyler - blue Nella Timmons - two blue Suzy Heberle - blue Amy Wilson - red Gina Denniston - blue Cindy Nolan - two blue Hutch Livingston - yellow

Lee Nelson - blue Kit Sullivan - blue Cammy Carleton - yellow Tricia Branch - green Kathryn Angus - yellow Sarah Crane - blue Anna Aquino - two green Natalie Johnsrud - yellow

Best in Show for Camellia - Gina Denniston Gina Denniston - blue Katherine Adamson - red Marty Parrish - yellow Natalie Johnsrud - blue Katherine Angus - yellow Nella Timmons - blue Lee Nelson - yellow Helen Nunley - red

 Photography – Gina Denniston Class I: Molly Carey...Blue Van Ruffner...Yellow Lee Nelson...Credit Sarah Crane...Red Kathryn Angus...Credit

> Class II: Molly Carey...Blue Lisa Tripodi...Blue Laura Trevey...Red Laura Strickler...Red Amy Wilson...Red Judy Kidd...Red Van Ruffner...Blue Kit Sullivan...Blue Cammy Carleton...Red Sarah Crane...Blue Kathryn Angus...Credit Lee Nelson...Credit

Old Business

- The 2023 Boxwood Garden Club Membership Award of Merit Kit Sullivan
 - Presented to Robin Johnson for outstanding service and for generously contributing her time and talents in promoting the goals of the Club

New Business and Announcements

- Cultivating Conversations from GCV
 - Live streams and recorded on gcvirginia.org
- Boxwood Save the Dates
 - Nov. 2: 2023 Garden Club of Virginia Conservation Forum
 - "EcoLandscaping: Restoring Nature's Balance"
 - Register/stream on GCV website
 - In the Code Building (LEED certified)
 - Nov. 3, 9-11 am: PPD Playground Planting. Drop off plants (for credit, tell Jenny) to 4204 Sulgrave if you cannot attend, plus items for the Thanksgiving Food Boxes. See their website or link in newsletter for food list
 - Nov. 8, noon-5:30 pm: Sip, Shop & Celebrate the Season at J. McLaughlin to Benefit Historic Garden Week. 407 Libbie Avenue. Hosted by HGW Chairs Becky Anthony, Courtney Harper, and Shannon Weisleder (Three Chopt Garden Club)
 - Nov. 28, 10 am-noon: Greens Workshop in Laura Strickler's Garage.
 1238 Rothesay Circle
 - Bring greens, berries, and natural decorations and containers/forms to make a special holiday decorations for yourself, family, friends, or all of the above! Instruction and assistance will be available.
 - Dec. 5, 6-8 pm: Shops at 5807 Shopping Night. 5807 Patterson Avenue.
 - Knock out some gifts and donate to BGC at the same time! The Shops at 5807 will donate a percentage of sales to BGC. It's a wonderful way to start the season of giving!

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting

- Tuesday, Nov. 14 at The Forum at the Science Museum of Virginia
 - 9-9:30 am: Exhibits in place
 - 9:30-10 am: Refreshments
 - Program: The Green at SMV, presented by Tyler Holtzman, Director of Horticulture at the Science Museum of Virginia

Boxwood Garden Club Treasurer's Report - Business Meeting October 24, 2023

Boxwood Garden Club Bank Account Balances

Operating Checking as of 10/24/23	\$ 26,035.89
Savings as of 10/24/23	\$ 25,223.76
Credit Card Balance as of 10/24/23	\$ 0.00
Total Boxwood account balances	<u>\$ 51,259.65</u>

Donations in memory of Mary Glen Taylor	\$505.00
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Dues deposited \$10,529.60 (61%) as follows:

47/65 - actives 16/27 - associates 8/21 - life 2/5 - guest 1/3 - non-resident 74/121 - members have paid dues

23 - Square 51 - Check