

Minutes for RGC Meeting on October 13, 2022

Call to Order-----Vice President Cathie Elliott called the meeting to order, announcing that President Debbie Burgess is recovering from surgery. We contacted Debbie through the phone to connect with her and wish her well.

Many returning guests arrived, happy to be in the meeting and attend the tour of Tides Inn in Irvington.

Welcome any guests--Cathie Elliott welcomed new member, Sharon Stieber, and all guests and recalled the successful 60th Anniversary Celebration on September 8th.

There was a motion by Mary Hutya to approve last months' minutes, 2nd and approved by members.

October Birthdays----- The Vice President announced birthdays, and we sang to them. They were Anne Skerrett, Margie Redlin and Nancy Petersen

Announcements:

A Christmas Luncheon is being planned; Carol Clark is checking with Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club regarding menu and pricing.

Horticulture and Artistic Design awards were announced:

Sept 2019 – June 2020

Horticulture:

1st – Debbie Burgess

2nd – Helen Johnson

3rd – Bonnie Schaschek

Artistic Design:

1st – Judy Burlbaugh

2nd – Susan Edmonds

3rd – Deborah Brooks

Sept 2021 – June 2022

Horticulture:

1st – Deborah Brooks

2nd – Susan Edmonds

3rd – Mary Ann McKay

Artistic Design:

1st – Debbie Burgess

2nd – Marcia Robison

Miscellaneous Announcements:

Elliott mentioned that we made a net profit of \$1,500 at the September 8th Celebration. She also mentioned that the club received a very nice thank you note from Sandra Harris along with a club donation of \$200 as a result of so many club members helping with Jim Harris' funeral.

Next month's program:

Cathie Elliott gave details for the upcoming November Artistic Design workshop:

She is excited about the November meeting and the anticipation of members making beautiful floral arrangements. The details are much like last year's when many pictures were taken of members making their table arrangements. There will be many items brought by Cathie Elliott and Debbie Burgess to enhance each arrangement, and members must bring three differing components to give color, size, and texture to their arrangement. She is offering to supply the necessary container and floral foam for each arrangement for five dollars. Members should notify her if they need these items.

Conclusion of business meeting---Vice President Elliott invited the group to carpool to The Tides Inn to meet with Horticulturist, Matt Little, for a tour of their pollinator garden and shoreline ecology project.

Little began the tour with the Pollinator Garden. He went over many of the names of the various native shrubs and plants. He explained that this bed would be left "as is" to aid the pollinators with winter protection and food sources. The group then toured the shoreline and saw the various native grasses, plants and shrubs that have been planted as well as the oyster beds that have been established to help filter the water. Little gave interesting facts about the growth rates and propagation of various plants. He also mentioned that he has established a Chefs Garden very close to The Tides along with bee hives. The tour was extremely interesting and worthwhile.

END OF THE MEETING

-Trisha Tetlow