

October 11th, 2018
RGC Garden Club Meeting Minutes
September meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather

Pres. Bonnie Schaschek called the meeting to order at 12:28 pm. Bonnie began by announcing that longtime member, Sandra Harris, and her husband Jim will be moving from the area to be closer to family.

Please remember to sign up for the Christmas luncheon today. The cost is \$23. Entrée selections are chicken or flounder. Bonnie asked for approval of the June meeting minutes. Sharon Rowe motioned to approve, seconded by Robin Perks, approved.

Bonnie announced September and October birthdays and thanked hostesses.

Bonnie announced that Cathie Elliott is distributing a hardcopy of the programs and meeting assignments for September 2018 through June 2019. This document can go into your yearbook. Please go through this document and make a note of your responsibilities on your calendar.

Bonnie mentioned that the November 8th program "Designing Divas" was not a fundraiser but she would like to do a Root Cellar. Margie Redlin volunteered to take charge of putting this together. She will work with Jo Manson.

Bonnie asked for three volunteers to be on the Nominating Committee for new officers starting in September 2019. Susan Edmonds, Margie Redlin, Debbie Burgess and Jenny Boyenga will be on committee.

New Business: Bonnie discussed the recommended change to our bylaws as it relates to the Associate category. In 2016, the Board had discussed eliminating this category. At the June 2017 Board Meeting, Bonnie suggested a more equitable solution and all present at the meeting agreed. She recommended that we limit the number of associates to 10% of the active membership. Anne Skerrett read the proposed new language:

The proposed change will be to Article III, Section 1 (Membership) B (Associate Members). If approved, the change would be from:

The number of associate members may not exceed 10.

To:

The number of associate members may not exceed 10% of active members (rounded to the nearest whole number with .5 being rounded upward).

This will be voted on at the November meeting.

Bonnie mentioned that she still needs YTD reports from all Committee Chairs before the next meeting.

Bonnie announced Hazardous Waste drop-offs: Lancaster Cty rescheduled for Oct 27th; Northumberland Cty TBD. (Date was not known at time of garden club meeting)

Debbie Burgess briefly discussed the Piedmont District Meeting in Richmond and also the Piedmont District Flower Show.

Susan Edmonds passed around a list of members and their contact information. If you want cell numbers listed, please make a note on the sheet.

Bonnie announced an upcoming floral design event: November 8th 9:45 am; Ginter Park Garden Club presents Home for the Holidays, Featuring the Dueling Designers Al Brockwell and David Pippin. 9:45 am Reception with Buffet; 10:30 am Welcome and Program. Location is: Ginter Park Woman's Club, 3016 Seminary Avenue, Richmond VA 23227. Contact Joyce Parker for tickets. parkboat@aol.com or 804.513.7268. Tickets are \$25 per person.

Jenny Boyenga introduced our program speaker; Lu Cavallero who hails from Thomas Jefferson Garden Club. Lu gave an interesting program on gourds. Lu introduced the club to several different varieties -- swan, mottled, apple, pear, warty, snake, finger, scallop, cannonball, flat top canteen, apache dippers, and more. It was a very fun and interesting program.

Debbie Burgess announced artistic design and horticulture results. Artistic Design—Cathie Elliott, 1 blue; Margie Redlin, 1 blue. Horticulture--Susan Edmonds, 1 blue, Redlin, 3 blue and Cathie Ward, 1 blue.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Minutes prepared by,

Cathie Elliott