

## Rappahannock Garden Club Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER:** RGC President Mary Hutya opened the meeting at 1:00 pm and followed the call to order with a garden blessing.

A delicious luncheon was enjoyed in Cathie Elliott's garden where the meeting was held.

**WELCOME:** Guests Kathie and Joan Gilson were welcomed to the meeting. They were guests last month, and we are delighted to see them again.

**THANK YOU:** Judge Sharon Lemke, an NGC Accredited Judge, Deborah Brooks and Cathie Elliott were thanked for their services in connection with the Horticulture and Design Exhibits. Cathie Elliott, Deborah Brooks, and Susan Edmonds were thanks for providing an excellent lunch. Special thanks when to Cathie for opening her home to the club.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Happy birthday, Cathie Elliott and Ann Gray Wood.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Gloucester Daffodil Festival - Debbie Burgess and Deborah Brooks exhibited at the Gloucester Daffodil Festival and each won numerous awards. Debbie Burgess, a first-time participant in that event received 8 blue, 3 red, one yellow and 2 honorable mentions in addition to a blue for Best Small Grower. Deborah Brooks won 8 blue, 2 red, and 6 yellow and 6 honorable mentions.

RAL Art & Flower Show – Cathie Elliott and Deborah Brooks participated in this event. Cathie won a silver bowl for her entry which Deborah won three silver mugs.

Request for Assistance – At our last meeting it was announced that Sheila Zukor has passed away. A memorial for her will be held at her home on May 14, 1:30 – 5:00 pm. Her husband has requested assistance to manage the food and beverage table so people can help themselves. If you can lend a hand, contact Steve Zukor at 703/915-7319 for information.

### BUSINESS ITEMS:

Expense Reimbursement – Expenses must be turned into Bonnie Schaschek by the **end of May** if you want to be reimbursed.

Budgeting for Next Year – Those of you in charge of committees need to determine what your budget needs are for 2022 – 2023 no later than May 14 and get those requirements to Bonnie Schaschek. Bonnie's going to working on the budget for next year and will need your estimate of expenses to prepare a realistic budget.

**2022 – 2023 Officers** – The slate of officers for next year as proposed by the Nominating Committee and approved by a majority vote of members is as follows:

President	Debbie Burgess
1st Vice President	Cathie Elliott
2nd Vice President	Carol Clark
Treasurer	Bonnie Schaschek
Recording Secretary	Trisha Tetlow

Thank you to the Nominating Committee: Carol Clark, Chairman; Debbie Burgess, Ginny Baron and Cathie Elliott.

**MAY MEETING** - Debbie Burgess announced the tour cost for Maymont Park located in Richmond, VA is \$15.00 per person. Anyone planning to attend should get their check to Debbie no later than April 28<sup>th</sup>. A minimum of ten people must attend in order to have a guided tour of the rose gardens, Japanese Gardens, and Italian Gardens. Eight have signed up to date.

**YEARBOOK** - Yearbooks with updated guidelines, rules, source list, etc., are now available for those members who have never received a yearbook. Three will be given out today. The updated book is available for viewing on RGC's website in the member only section.

**NAME BADGES:** New name badges have been made and are available.

**HORTICULTURE & DESIGN AWARDS for APRIL** - Debra Brooks-10 blues  
Debbie Burgess-7 blues  
Susan Edmonds-11 blues &  
Best in Show  
Mary McKay-3 blues, 1 red

**GARDEN TOUR** - Cathie Elliott gave a brief history of her home. The large brick home is surrounded on all sides by gardens. Her raised beds, intricate walkways, stone borders reflect expertise and care. The color and variety of the many gardens blend in well with the manicured lawn. This early spring garden is delightful, full, and has many flowers, trees, and bushes that delight those fortunate enough to view them all.

**ADJOURNMENT** - President Mary Hutya adjourned us.

Trisha Tetlow, Recording Secretary  
April 22, 2022

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