

Lake Placid Garden Club Executive Board Meeting, December 4, 2024

The meeting was held at the Masonic Lodge. These members were present – Sandy Rosch, Mary Meisenheimer, Sally Kinsey, Deb Gunderlock, Robin Shear, Fran Bomberger, Janet Earnshaw, Jennifer Marsh, Karen Denning, Jan Vedernjak, Laura Krumm, Joyce Miles, Doris Rohner, Nick Price, Mary Mihok, Donna Ferchen, Jeannie Dietl, Sue Rood, Pam Rosenberg and Sherill Trevino.

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 by President Sandy Rosch.

Treasurer Donna Ferchen gave the Financial Report. The club's total assets are \$48,320.05. Sue Rood made a motion that \$5000 should always be kept in the Club checking account and any remaining funds should be transferred to the Club's Vanguard account. Sally Kinsey seconded the motion which then passed. It is understood that money can always be transferred back to the checking account if necessary. The LPGC has an annual budget of \$26,250.

Laura Krumm, Corresponding Secretary reported receiving a letter of thanks from Manna Ministries for the donations made to them in November. She also had a letter of appreciation from Marian Chambers praising those members responsible for beautifying the American Legion Garden. Those members did so in time for Veteran's Day.

Mary Mihok, Membership, will be introducing these new members at the December General Meeting. – Therese McDonald, Deborah Pollard and Bettie Zima. The club has 103 members.

Robin Shear, Call Girls Chairman, reported on her committee's activity.

There were no new Sunshine requests.

At the upcoming December meeting, President Rosch reports, there will be music, a photo opportunity, a trivia game and Christmas centerpiece how-to by Candy Wolfe. Lunch will be a ham diner from Hartzells. The centerpieces will be made by Doris Rohner. The business portion will be condensed.

The January lunch will be the annual Soup, Sandwich and Dessert meal. Members who bring food will not need to pay; others will need to pay usual \$10. There will be a sign-up sheet at the December meeting. There was a consensus that not many sandwiches would be needed.

The LPGC annual Plant Sale will be held at the Masonic Lodge March 1. Members are urged to start plants now. Co-Chair Vicki Maxwell has requested 3-4" pots.

Some work has been done on the Depot Museum's Historical Garden. Volunteers are needed for every area maintained by the LPGC.

The December Ridge Rangers event was cancelled.

The December 7 Holiday Home and Garden Tour was discussed.

290 tickets have been sold.

Bagging of cookies begins today. The number of cookies needed was discussed. Cookie bagging will continue again tomorrow at the Placid Lakes Community Center.

Jan Vedernjak reported on the Boutique.

Karen Denning reported on gifts for the homeowners.

She, Jennifer Marsh and Janet Earnshaw talked about food and drink for the pre-tour party.

Decorating the Placid Lakes Community Center will begin today after lunch at Oscar's.

The raffle for the \$100 bill will be conducted by Sue Peabody with Sheriff Blackman pulling the winning ticket at 2:00 the day of the tour.

Mug arrangements will be made Thursday morning at the Placid Lakes Community Center beginning at 10:00.

Youth Gardening will meet at the Lake Placid E-Learning Lab on December 18. The theme will be "Snakes." Carol Lambert chairs this committee.

Nick Price reported that the November LPGC donation to Manna Ministries totaled 405# food and supplies plus a cash donation of \$915. Both were record amounts. We will be collecting for Manna again this month. In January, Nick will report the total contribution from the LPGC to Manna Ministries for 2024.

The October and November Plant Studies conducted by Vicki Maxwell and Doris Rohner were complimented. There will be a basket making workshop on February 20.

The annual Member Picnic will be March 29.

Deb Gunderlock and Mary Mihok will work on a data base from which to "recruit" members for committees. Sherill Trevino and Marcia Price will do the "recruiting."

The Spring District IX meeting **will be hosted by the The Garden Club of Cape Coral** May 21 in Fort Myers.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Miles, Recording Secretary