Town and Country Garden Club minutes, 10/7/2021

The October meeting of the Town and Country Garden club was held at the Ivanhoe Club in Mundelein.

Garden club members gathered at 11:30 AM and enjoyed a lovely lunch prior to the meeting. Since October is our annual installation of officers event, our president Ann Baker, started off our program by reading the mission statement of our garden club.

Ann then went on to thank each member who served as an officer for the last two years, 2020 to 2022. They were as follows:

Mary Gay Kay and Peg Samuelson served as second co-vice-presidents and program co-chairs.

Annie Cochran served as secretary.

Carol Biegalski served as our Civic affairs officer.

Each of these members were presented with a yellow rose and a gift certificate as a sign of appreciation.

Ann then went on to extend appreciation to the members who served as special committee chair persons.

Marlene Elkins as horticulture chair.

Anne Stranberg as environment/conservation chair.

Paula Lubenow as historian/publicity chair

Jennifer Rielly as scholarship/awards chair.

Gay Fosberg as sunshine chair.

Next on the agenda:

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2022-2024

Ann read the responsibilities and duties of each office.

The newly installed officers are:

Jennifer Rielly and Annie Cochran as second Co-vice presidents and program chairs.

Anne Stranberg as civic chair officer.

Norma Seymour as secretary.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!

New members Sue Hazelwood, Liz Leonard, Pam Hume, and Mary Price were presented with garden pins and welcomed to our club.

Following the installation of officers the club business meeting was called to order by Ann Baker at 1:40 PM.

Ann thanked the hostesses who provided beautiful table centerpieces of pumpkins topped with lush succulents. Hostesses were Annie Cochran, Mary Gay Kay, Jennifer Rielly, Julie Eberspacher and Joyce Geib.

Appreciation was also expressed to the program chairs for planning this beautiful event.

Vice president report: membership stands at 29 active and nine associate members.

Programs report: next month we meet at the home of Norma Seymour for a program titled 'Tried and True Perennials for Tight Gardens' presented by Ed Furner from Mariani Landscape.

Treasurers report: \$12,220.05 in checking account, and \$5032.99 in money market account.

Secretaries report: A thank you letter was received from the Libertyville food pantry in appreciation for the generous supply of paper goods donated by our club.

Civic report: Jennifer will be assembling new winter containers for the Cook Mansion sometime in November. Anyone who would like to help should contact her.

Publicity report by Paula Lubenow: Mainstreet's Historical House Walk book is available to order. A Town and Country Garden Club bookmark will be inserted in every book. Members present today were each given one of these beautiful bookmarks.

Horticulture report: nothing to report

Conservation report: Anne Stranberg has been investigating the topic of food waste. There is a BBC 8 part series titled "Follow the Food" that she encourages us to watch. This series examines the biggest pressures on the world food system and explores ways to improve food security.

Scholarship report: Applications not out yet.

Sunshine report: recognition of October birthdays.

Garden walk update: five gardens are confirmed for June 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Cochran