

**THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2001 2
9:15 AM**

St. Matthew's Vestry Room

Present: Cote, Edgar, Hamilton, Hennessy, McDowell, Mitchell, Morris Mossman, Pierce, Redmon, Reynders, Robinson, Santomero, Trotta, Wyeth

The meeting was called to order by the President, Libby Mossman.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Kim Morris expressed dissatisfaction with the current nametag situation (nametags hanging by strings from a nametag "tree"). After much debate, it was decided that the nametags are in fact useful and that they will be put in file folders (which will be alphabetized in some sort of file container) and members will simply take out their nametags at the beginning of each meeting and return them to their folder afterwards.

In the meantime, Margie Pierce agreed to contact Ridgefield and see how they distribute their nametags.

Recording Secretary's Report: The reading of the minutes was waived.

Treasurer's Report: Libby read through the report in Liddy's absence.

Note: Our annual contribution to St. Matthews allows us to use the vestry room in Jan & Feb at no charge.

Announcements: Libby said that she had been so pleased at the large turn out for Greensday. She thanked Margie for the good photograph in the Record Review. She mentioned that Louisa Tine is teaching art classes at the EcoInstitute in Millbrook in February and March. (A flyer was posted on the bulletin board). It was suggested that perhaps Louisa would consider giving a series of private painting lessons for BGC members in the future -- maybe for a fundraiser. It was also mentioned that Louisa is a nationally recognized artist and a recipient of the Eloise Payne Luquer medal.

Libby also reminded everyone to see Miss Luquers' painting in the bookcase in the St. Matthew's Fellowship room.

Standing Committee Reports:

Civic Affairs and Conservation: Denise Santomero noted that the next meeting will be on February 14 at Beaver Dam Sanctuary and

**THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2001
9:15 AM**

St. Matthew's Vestry Room

that she is trying to get Ed Kelly to lead the walk. On February 27 Bonnie Harper-Lore will be speaking at the Regular Meeting (which is open to the public).

Denise also reported that OBEX is almost completely shut down but that they may be opening in Bridgeport, CT. There has been plenty of supply to OBEX but not enough buyers.

Tanya Lowe came up with the idea of a captains' coffee for the Town Planning Board meetings, during which the captains could compare notes and evaluate their progress. It was also suggested that the captains be responsible for calling each team member and reminding them to attend their meetings.

Finally, Denise remarked that photos of the Fox Planters were posted on the bulletin board.

Exhibitions: Libby reminded everyone about the January 23 meeting in New York City on January 23, at GCA headquarters at 10:00 AM. Preston Bailey will be speaking and members are encouraged to bring guests. Lunch will follow. Members are to meet at 8:30 AM at the Bedford Hills train station.

Libby also reminded members about the Sweepstakes on February 27, which will be held at the Regular Meeting at St. Matthew's. Members need to sign-up for a class by February 1.

Horticulture: There will be a seed workshop on Wednesday, January 30 at Linda Wilson's greenhouse. All members are welcome.

Membership: Lisa Hennessy reminded members to bring their prospective new members to the February 27 (public) Meeting.

**THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2001
9:15 AM**

St. Matthew's Vestry Room

Programs: The upcoming meetings are as follows:

January 23: GCA headquarters: Preston Bailey, followed by lunch

February 27: Regular/Public Meeting at St. Matthew's:
*Bonnie Harper-Lore (beautification of roadways)

* It was noted that we need to capitalize on the public outreach with this meeting and that we should make flyers and mail some to the Bedford Colition to get the word out.

* Susan McDowell is also going to confirm that this meeting is to be held at St. Matthew's as there was some confusion as to whether or not it was to be held at John Jay.

April 17: Regular Meeting with David Culp from "Sunny Borders"

Special Committee Reports:

Clippings/Technology: Varner Redmon noted that the next Newsletter will be coming out in February. There was some discussion about whether or not members should be able to receive Clippings via e-mail instead of regular mail. Varner is going to explore this option.

Custodian: Libby reported that progress is being made and that there was a photo of the new archive shelving on the bulletin board. There will be a February or March gathering to sort through some more of the cartons.

**THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2001~~2~~
9:15 AM**

St. Matthew's Vestry Room

Projects: Janet Robinson remarked that Project's sale at Greensday was a big success-- they made a profit of \$602. The book sale from Inside Out and Dogs in Their Gardens generated \$452 and they were able to return the un-sold books.

Public Relations: Libby thanked Margie Pierce for the good Greensday coverage in the Record Review and Patent Trader.

Yearbook: Libby asked that members help distribute yearbooks that have not yet been picked-up.

New Business: Libby mentioned that Nonie Reynders has transposed all of the cards in the file box to a computer format; all now in looseleaf and on a disc. Pages will be sent out to each member with the February or April Newsletter for correction and return.

Abby Gosnell is our attorney for "regular" matters. She suggested that we try to have members sign a release for accidents occurring on trips etc. absent negligence. *This will be looked into and GCA policy connected.*

It was also decided that we shall follow the Bedford Public School pattern regarding cancellations due to snow. The phone number to call is 241-6000.

Following the Executive Meeting on February 6, there will be no Executive Meeting in March. Wednesday, April 3 will be will be the next.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.