

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2002
9:15 AM
Selby Ehrlich's House

Mossman Ehrlich
Troita Hemes
Morris Coven
Harder Hamill
Wyeth Edger
Denise Robitsek
Arita
Alymer
(Perry)
Haybark

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*** MINUTES TAKEN BY KIM MORRIS ***

Attending:

Call to Order: Libby Mossman called the meeting to order.

Recording Secretary's Report: There was a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. The motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report: Libby Mossman read the treasurer's report. The report was received and is filed for audit.

Announcements: Libby announced that the Cremmins Nursery in North Salem will be open Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and by appointment. She urged members to support this business, adding that the owner recently lost her husband.

On June 13 the Syracuse Garden Club will have their gardens open in Manlius, New York. Please see bulletin board.

June 28 is the Millbrook Garden Club Flower Show in Salisbury, CT.

Standing Committee Reports:

Civic Affairs and Conservation: Denise Santomero announced that the next Walk and Talk will be on Thursday, June 6 at 9:00 AM. at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation. Beth ~~Harris~~ and Louisa Tine will both speak.

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Adopt-a-road will be re-scheduled for sometime in the near future.

Denise again urged members to be sure to get their Town Planning Board meeting notes to Tanya Lowe.

She also showed before and after photographs of the Fox Senior Center.

The Bedford Garden Club was honored and ~~chosen~~ to demonstrate

in being asked

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to the GCA, their award-winning Conservation Project from the Zone III Meeting. This is a huge tribute to Bedford. Shirley Bianco took the project to the GCA in New York City again.

Highest
LIZA CUMMER SAID
Exhibitions: In Liza's absence, Libby Mossman mentioned that there ~~may~~ ^{will} be a summer workshop on July 17. More to come in the July Clippings. She also mentioned that ~~Liza~~ ^{she} is already receiving RSVP's for the Stamford Flower Show in September.

Horticulture: Virginia Maybank urged members to review their schedule and see which classes they would like to enter in the September Stamford Flower Show. She reminded members about the 3-month ownership requirement. Libby asked Virginia to call members so that we can be sure to have at least 4-5 entries.

Virginia also spoke about this summer's garden visits to members' gardens, as described in the June Clippings. We will visit Mimi Mitchell's garden on June 26, at 9:15 AM. Members should bring their softwood cuttings to Mimi's as she will also be holding a softwood cutting workshop. July 10th will be a visit to Varner Redmon's garden and July 24th will be at Ellen Conrad's.

The Village tubs weeders and waterers schedule will be in the July Clippings. Libby also mentioned that Sam Tatnall's and Phoebe Perry's signs look great!

If we need more 2003 Plant Exchange pots, Anna Jane Hoffman will bring them to the Irvington Zone III Meeting on June 11-13.

Membership:

Tributes to Mary Beldon and Grace Reiniger will be read at the Annual Meeting and will also be printed in the July Clippings.

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~~Bonnie Trotta~~ asked for information with which ^{will} she could write a tribute to Louise Cunningham who will miss her first Annual meeting since she joined the BGC in 1969! Libby Mossman asked Lisa Hennessy to include this in her membership report.

e Selby
Lisa ~~Hennessy~~ is working on the next round of prospective new members.

Programs: A handout was distributed with the programs which have been planned for next year, thus far. Libby asked that a 2002/2003 schedule, including hostesses be made by July ~~if~~ possible for inclusion in the Annual Report. The programs thus far are as follows:

Sept. 18, 2002

of meetg with
~~Rusticus invitation~~

(OPEN PUBLIC MEETING)

Frank Cabot (founder of the Garden Conservancy.)

John Jay Homestead Ballroom

note: Libby suggested that the Garden

Conservancy garden owners be invited.

October 23, 2002

Louisa Tine

(History of Horticulture Painting)

Bedford Golf and Tennis Club

Nov. 12, 2002
(TUESDAY)

~~Rusticus invitation~~ *of at Rusticus*

Martha Baker (author)

St. Matthew's Church

Dec. 4, 2002

Greensday

Westmoreland Sanctuary

Jan. 28, 2003
(TUESDAY)

~~Ridgefield invitation~~ *of meetg of Ridgefield*

F.J. Trzuskowski of Cultivars in Greenwich

(topic of importing plants)

St. Stephen's Church, North Hall, Main St. Ridgefield, CT

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- Feb. 19, 2003 John Danzer, President of Munder Skies
 (does historic American garden furniture)
 (tentatively) Historical Hall with new window shades
- April 23, 2003 Nancy Vincent will update us on the Annual Mtg.
 Historic tape of the BGC narrated by Dottie
 Harder and Polly Winans
 St. Matthew's Church
- May 21, 2003 Planting Day
 John Jay Barn
- June 18, 2003 Annual Meeting

Special Committee Reports:

Awards: It was decided that Libby Mossman would read a quote by Mrs. Waller at the beginning of the Annual Meeting.

Historian: Dottie Harder showed an album of WWII gardens.

John Jay Gardens: The John Jay weeding schedule is listed in Clippings. The captains will call weeders to remind them the week before.

Trips and Visiting Gardens: Kirk Ferguson typed-up a description of the upcoming day trip to Fisher's Island. The trip will take place on Thursday, July 25. Please call Kirk ASAP to RSVP. There will be a limit of 20 people. The cost is \$75 per person. More details to come at the Annual Meeting. Please see attached.

Unfinished Business: The silver picture frames which will be given as "thank-you" gifts to Louise Talbot and Susan Treadway for their

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hard work during the Zone III Meeting last September, are on order through Anita Stockbridge.

New Business: We need to start thinking about revising the Job Descriptions for all Committee heads. Bonnie will get in touch with each Committee Chair to look at current descriptions and add or change wherever necessary. These should be returned to Bonnie by Christmas.

The next Executive Meeting will be on July 10. ~~Location TBA~~

at Lisa Hemessy's

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

GCA ZONE III MEETING
IRVINGTON, N.J.
JUNE 2009

FEEL LUCKY GIVING MY REPORT AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS... NOT SO MANY HARD
ACTS TO FOLLOW!

BEDFORD'S YEAR OFFICIALLY BEGAN WITH THE LONG AWAITED - BY US - ZONE III
MEETING LAST SEPTEMBER. HOSTED BY BEDFORD AND RUSTICUS, RUSTICUS AND
BEDFORD, A LOT OF WORK BUT A GREAT CHANCE TO DISCOVER NEW TALENTS.
WORK WITH FRIENDS, AND BEGIN TO HEAL AFTER THE VERY RECENT EVENTS ON 9/11.

IN OCTOBER, WE TOOK A TRIP TO THE 2001 FOUNDERS FUND WINNER, THE ECOTARIUM
MEADOW IN WOOSTER MASS. WE GROWERS WERE AMAZED AT HOW MUCH WE
LOVED THE CHILDREN'S EXHIBITS, THE MEADOW AND HEARTILY RECOMMEND A VISIT.

ONE OF OUR BEST MEETINGS WAS A PUBLIC PROGRAM WHEN BONNIE HARPER-LORE
NATIONAL ROADSIDE VEGETATION COORDINATOR, BROKE ABOUT ALL THAT
BEAUTIFUL BUT CHASTLY BITTERSWEET AND OTHER INVASIVES THAT THREATEN
IT GOES ACROSS OR PUBLIC ROADSIDES. SHE ENCOURAGED US TO PUSH LOCAL DOT'S
AND PRIVATE GROUPS UP AND DOWN THE HUDSON TO PLANT NATIVES AND FIGHT
AGAINST A VERY SUCCESSFUL SWEETSTAKE ACCOMPANIED THIS MEETING.

OUR CONSERVATION COMMITTEE ALSO HELD A SERIES OF EXCEPTIONAL WALKS AND
TALKS IN FIVE AREA NATURE PRESERVES TO OPEN MORE EYES TO OUR LOCAL
HERITAGE.

A RECORD TURNOUT OF 36 FOR OUR JANUARY SEED WORKSHOP WATCHED THE PX
VIDEO AND SHARED CATALOGUES AND CUTTINGS FROM A MONSTER KALANCHOE.

OVER THE WINTER, WE SORTED AND ORGANIZED OUR ARCHIVES, FINDING MANY
LOST TREASURES INCLUDING AN HISTORICAL TAPE OF BEDFORD GARDENERS
WHICH WE PLAN TO SHOW AT ONE OF OUR UPCOMING MEETINGS.

AS DO ALL OF US, WE GET READY FOR NEXT MAY, AND ARE EXCITED ABOUT SHARING
OUR HUDSON HERITAGE WITH GCA FRIENDS.

SLIDES:

1. ZONE III MEETING SET - UP
2. ECOTARIUM TRIP
3. BONNIE HARPER-LORE MEETING/SWEETSTAKES
4. SEED WORKSHOP
5. ARCHIVES

LIBBY MOSSMAN
PRESIDENT