

**THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
EXECUTIVE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2002
9:15 AM
Lisa Hennessy's House**

Present: Cote, Coveny, Ferguson, Hennessy, Lines, Mankiewicz, Maybank, Mitchell, Mossman, Redmon, Swank

Call to Order: Libby Mossman called the meeting to order and welcomed our new officers and Members at Large:

2nd Vice President (2004):	Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
Recording Sec. (2004):	Mrs. Edward T. Cote, Jr.
Treasurer (2004):	Mrs. John Milnes Baker

Members at Large:	Mrs. Gerard Finnegan, Jr.
	Mrs. Steven V. Lines
	Mrs. Mark Swank
	Mrs. Kendrick R. Wilson

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

Announcements:

Standing Committee Reports:

Civic Affairs and Conservation: In Denise's absence, Libby said that we are continuing our Town Planning Board Meeting coverage throughout the summer.

Exhibitions: There will be a workshop at Liza Clymer's house on July 17.

Horticulture: Virginia Maybank reminded members that there would be a garden tour through Ellen Conrad's garden today, following the meeting. On July 24, there will be a tour of Nanny Wyeth's gardens. Following the September 4th Executive Meeting at Libby Mossman's, there will be a tour through her gardens.

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Virginia also reminded members to check their schedules for the watering of the village tubs and for weeding at John Jay. The hope is to get atleast 6 out of the possible 13 gardeners each week. Captains should call the week before to remind!

Membership: Lisa Hennessy said that there will be a membership meeting regarding two new candidates on Friday, July 12 at 9:00 AM at Selby Ehrlich's house. She asked if Libby could attend.

Programs: Linda Coveny reminded us that next year's schedule was handed out at the Annual Meeting. She said that the only change is that the September 18 Regular Meeting at St. Matthew's with Frank Cabot is not a joint meeting with Rusticus -- they have invited the BGC to attend.

There will also be an additional meeting in November at which Martha Baker will speak about her new book.

- stand with Rusticus -

Special Committee Reports:

Clippings/Technology: Libby mentioned Varner Redmon has our original Tine "logo" in her flat file.

Also, there was some discussion about the possibility of offering some computer publishing workshops for BGC members, beginning in the Fall. Rippowam-Cisqua was brought up as a possible location if they would allow us to use their computer facilities. Someone is going to speak to Wilkes McClave (a Rippowam parent) about this possibility. It was also noted that this could be another way to generate some money for the BGC.

Custodian: Lynn Babcock is away but we plan to meet again in the Fall to continue sorting out our Archives.

Historian: Dottie Harder is working on collecting old photos for the

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Historical Society book. She plans to speak with Louise Cunningham about past histories as well.

Trips and Visiting Gardens: Kirk Ferguson spoke about the upcoming trip to Fisher's Island on Thursday, July 25. The group will carpool from St. Matthew's at 8:00 AM. At the moment there are 33 people signed up. Kirk has also arranged for 8 on-island drivers to escort our members around.

Libby suggested a future trip to The Mount which has recently been restored by Bunny Williams. After some discussion, it was decided that perhaps a trip to Woodlawn Cemetery in October might be better.

Unfinished Business: Libby asked for volunteers to call members who have not yet chosen a committee and urge them to make their choice. *Margie will help with this.*

She also spoke briefly about our upcoming benefit at St. Matthew's on October 25, with a lecture and slide presentation by Tom Arnold, *Armstrong* the current head of the Garden Conservancy. Cassie Kernan is in charge and her committee is already hard at work. Susan Burke has agreed to help with a small auction to take place that evening, as well. We plan to have around 150 people and hope to raise \$4,000 - \$5,000. Members will all contribute by bringing *and drinks* an hors d'oeuvre. The BGC will offer to make a small donation to the charity of Mr. Arnold's *Armstrong's* choice.

The Next Executive Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 4 at Libby Mossman's house, followed by a walk through her garden. Laura-Lee Montross has offered to host the October or November Meeting at her house and Kirk Ferguson has offered her house as well.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.