

COUNCIL OF BARRINGTON GARDEN CLUBS MINUTES

MAY 15, 1979

Maxine Borah, President, called the meeting to order. The following were in attendance: Oliver, Andresen, Veto, Schomberg, Wadloington, McClintock, Faxon, D. Johnson, Borah, D. Miller, Anderson, Simpson, and Horne.

Maxine explained the silver bowl called the Council Cup award which will be one by the one club with the most collective points in the flower show. This is the Club Sweepstakes award. Therefore, when entering you have to designate which club is to receive any points you may win if you belong to more than one club. The bowl is being donated by Mrs. Borah.

Penny Horne, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting - March. She said she had talked to Mrs. DeAngelo re changing the date of the G.S.H. preview and also to Pat Howell about her newcomers garden group becoming a part of an existing club.

Carol Veto treasurer reported that all dues had been paid as well as all Arbor Day assessments. Bills paid were \$10.95 to P. Horne for postage and \$38.00 for clerical typing of F.S. schedules. Leaving a checking balance of \$834.51 and Savings \$732.52.

On Beautification at the Recycling Center Penny reported that her committee had met there with Bill Miller and agreed to plant a Council tree in the north west corner inside the fence - there really being no other logical place for it. The C.F.C. will donate an additional \$100 toward the tree and its planting. The tree will be an evergreen to provide year round interest. The committee also decided to install flower boxes on the west fence and plant them when the C.B.D. ones are done each year at Council expense.

Penny said she would approach L.G.C. for a change from planting another tree there to paying for the cost of the building of the flower boxes. She has contacted a local carpenter - Noal Logan for price of building four and met with him there. Paulson's is donating the cedar at cost. It was decided to ask Puff Hairdresser

if they would assume the watering duties for the 4 boxes. Possibly lining them with plastic would help to prevent drying out. Also it was decided to do the standard petunias in them this year and see how they did.

On the tree penny explained that D. Hill Nursery had a 20 year old Juniper Chinensis for @\$250 and would meet the planting cost to \$300. It stands 20-25 feet tall. Her lack of success at contacting Roy Klehm for their suggestions and possible costs has been discouraging. The fire dept. could water the tree initially and it was suggested that we contact the Village and see if they could put the tree in their regular maintenance contract with the C.B.D. and T. Brickman. She agreed to pursue Klehm and the above mentioned points further before making any final decisions.

Maxine asked Dorothy Miller the status of the 2 Trees For Tomorrow scholarships. The 4-H kids are still interested but the camp is in July and maybe we'll have to wait until next year. It was suggested that Dorothy get the file on this from Jean Ost.

Maxine announced that the Flower Boxes will be planted at 1:00 on May 23 in the parking lot behind the Village Green all will assemble for distribution of materials. This program will hereafter be set up on a rotation basis and this year Countryside is chairman and Garden Club of B. is assistant chairman to be head next year. Possibly their Conservation Chairman could be in charge of it. Maxine also suggested for next year that 2 weeks should be given between date of planting and merchants order cut off date. She has ordered plants from the Market Place on 12 between Ela and Cuba Rds. north of Old Mill. They might also be delivering the plants. Yesterday was the cut-off date for ordering and our order will go in today. We are using a different soil this year again from Olsens not ProMix but Metso and the same Mag Amp. Each club will again have their own stall in the parking lot on the south end and plant approximately the same boxes they have in the past. Cost is \$7.98 for 48 plants. Each club should have already received their instructions for the day.

The Chamber is running off the how to take care instructions for distribution after planting. If the plant place can't furnish delivery the following volunteered to help pick up on 22nd: Sam Oliver, Dorothy Johnson, Grace Wickman and Maxine with station wagons.

Maxine asked for suggestions for a historian to replace Hazel Jackson. Carol McClintock suggested that Ann Matz might be interested and she's asking her on behalf of us. Dorothy Johnson said she call Hazel and ask her where old files are.

On the subject of the Arbor Day past Pat Waddlington said bagging and separating went well. We have always asked for 4 people from each club said Maxine and Dorothy said 3 was ideal plus 2 to go to school. Pat said everyone came and worked but most clubs felt they'd do their own for their school and leave. There were enough trees. However no one was at the original delivery address and Donna Sabol Chairman had a problem picking up the trees. Maxine said she would send a formal objection to G.C.I. for the lack of communication of the change.

Maxine then read Donna's report. Apparently someone from one Barrington club ordered trees and used the Council's name. Carol McClintock said any club can order trees for their purpose. Maxine suggested getting together with Pat, Sam and herself to refine and re-structure the Arbor Day program. It was decided that the chairman and co-chairman need to attend the January meeting so material can be given out to clubs at the March meeting. Dorothy Johnson circulated letters from the 4th graders at North Barrington school which showed their enormous appreciation of the day. Carol Veto asked to use these for library display in Aug. or possibly at the flower show as an educational exhibit. Carol also noted that the Arbor Day speech should include questioning the children as well as the little lecture. Pat W. said the background be given by the teacher on Arbor Day before we arrive. Maxine said maybe this should be re-coordinated through the district office.

Maxine stated that Mary Galvin needed a count and names and addresses of members guests. This would be to avoid duplication. Discussion then centered around the need to have the dinner cost stay at a minimum to cover its own expenses only. Penny agreed to send copies of all club's books to Mary so she has members names and she also said she have Mary notify club presidents of dinner cost as soon as she had it.

Maxine guessed \$20 per person with an open bar. Sam mentioned the problem of getting husbands to attend. Dorothy Miller said the food need not be gourmet, simple and inexpensive would attract more people. Penny Horne said at the preview of the W.F.G.S. there are four bars in the gardens and husband attendance is high.

Maxine said depot restaurant is to be open 9/4. Artistic entries should be made as soon as possible to Penny in writing. Maxine also noted that she and Claudia would be in charge of corrections for the final schedule before its printing.

Sam said the Juniors has been changed from grades 1-8 to 4-12 for artistic - see pg. 16 of schedule. On invitational Claudia will do one and 3 other judges will be invited. Penny to invite them to participate and Claudia has asked that the class be judged.

Peg Faxon added that Donna Hellman director of the Historical Society has requested landscape help and plants for a 10 x 15' area in the museum. Craft items will now be sold on consignment as well. Maxine said not now but could consider in November when we're not so busy. Each rep. could ask her club members if they wish to donate instead.

Penny mentioned the problem of 2 club affiliation and who points should go to. It was decided to list both member affiliations on the display card and the exhibitor would tell the exhibits chairman which club was to receive the points. Bert Andresen mentioned the problem of lighting if the dinner was first and the show 2nd. If the I.H. is used the preview is 1st and dinner after. Claudia has agreed to notify merchants of details and date change, as per Bert's suggestion.

Respectfully submitted.

Penny Horne