

Wollaston Garden Club
Business Meeting November 18, 2021

President Kathy Ceurvels called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

She held a **Moment of Community** to announce that Claire Currier One of our Past Presidents is in the hospital and cards can be sent to her address in our book.

Kathy also announced that Colleen Sopp, a graphic designer, has agreed to succeed Suzanne West in maintaining our website.

On Sunday, November 7, 2021 a tree planting ceremony and dedication took place at Faith Lutheran Church in honor of Anneli Johnson's late husband, Harry. WGC contributed to the purchase of a Japanese cut leaf dwarf red maple. Anneli was very appreciative and thanked the Club and the members who attended the ceremony. Check out the beautiful photos, taken by Colleen and Mimi Balsamo, of the event on our website.

Kathy thanked our bakers who made a delicious COVID-safe spread: Ellen Donnelly, Nancy Nelson, Barbara Breslin, Virginia Duffy, Mary Jennings, Carol Mellett, Jackie Ryan and Claire Turck, the Hostess. Anne McCarthy made the beautiful buffet table arrangement.

She also welcomed a few guests: Janice Abbott, Debbie St. Andre and Jeanne Morris.

Treasurer's Report-Linda Monaco

- The beginning balance in our checking account as of October 1, 2021 was \$15,504.28
- expenses totaled \$853.62
- total income was \$262.63
- balance as of 10/31/21 = \$14,913.29

- Our 6 month CD is at \$5,903.21 which gained \$1.19 in interest.
- Signatures will be required on all vouchers going forward.

Greens Sale- Emily Lebo and Pam McIsaac, Co-Chairs

- Emily reported that from Sunday, November 28-Wednesday, December 1st members will be looking for various sites and cutting greens for the Sale. Let Pam or Emily know if you need greens cut from your yard or if you know where to find different greens that we can cut.
- WGC will be making 100 wreaths and not offering any online sales this year.
- Cynthia Lewis will be conducting two wreath-making workshops for members on Thursday, December 2nd.
- Susan Lynch has 30 indoor containers to be decorated and needs 6 or 7 volunteers to decorate them on Thursday or Friday.
- There will also be a flexible flyer sled and other various outdoor containers to decorate.

Committee Reports

- **Garden Therapy** Co-Chair Jackie Ryan along with Clare La Morte
 - A group from the committee including Gloria Robertson and Marilyn O'Maley along with Jackie and Clare decorated mini pumpkins with fresh flowers this week and on December 9th at 1:30 p.m. will be returning to The Atrium to decorate wreaths with the residents. Volunteers are needed to help so reach out to Jackie or Clare if you are available.

Ann Foresman announced that members can scan the back table to find "treasures" to buy at bargain prices. The items have come from WGC's closet and a shed of donated items. Garden gloves and floral notecard photographs from five gardeners (\$10) are also available and payable to Linda Monaco.

Anneli Johnson reported that the designer of Kincaide Park (located off Water St.) from Bishop Land Design, gave a very informative fall tour.

Introduction of our presenter – Ann Foresman introduced one of most popular and creative presenters, Lisa Ahern, past designer at Cedar Grove and current superintendent of Milton Cemetery. Lisa's presentation, "Tis the Season: Time for Holiday Inspiration" used mostly locally produced materials from Milton Cemetery. The stunning arrangements all went to the Opportunity Drawing.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.