

# **LAKEWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB**

## **General Meeting**

**November 1, 2024**

**President - Barbara Crum - The meeting of the Lakewood Forest Garden Club was called to order at 10:02 am.**

**Chaplain – The invocation and pledge was led by Barbara Kapustka. She did a reflection on Thanksgiving and Harvest Blessings.**

**Recording Secretary - Mary Davis asked if there was any discussion on the minutes that were posted online in the member section of the LFGC website. There were no corrections or additions, so they stood approved.**

**Corresponding Secretary - Jean Robinson gave a report listing November birthdays for the following club members, Dawn Bramwell, Linda Fisher, Rosemary Felix, Sally Genko, Barbara Durr, and Silvia Kroeck. The November flower is the mum. She also received a card of appreciation for our \$200 donation to Texas A&M Forest Service from the Texas Garden Club, Inc.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Membership) - Mary Etta Wood gave a report that we had 49 members in attendance and 5 guests today. Guests were Fran Schaffer, Denise Giniris, Susan Presley, Shirley Benedix, and Vikki Harmon.**

**Treasurer – Harriett Bedenbaugh is now replacing Susan Busler. Harriett and Barbara Crum went to the bank and Harriett is now able to sign checks for the club. Harriet also explained the 50/50 raffle and how it will operate for all the new people. You must be present to win, and it will be announced at the very end of the meeting. Below is the Treasurer Report:**

**LAKWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB**  
**TREASURERS REPORT**  
**CHECKING ACCOUNT**  
**ACTIVITY FROM**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2024 TO OCTOBER 31, 2024**

**PREVIOUS CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE:** **\$11,777.70**

**INCOME:**

10/30/2024 – Deposit – Income from 50/50 raffle \$ 20.75

NOTE: Total club income from raffle was \$57.75  
\$37.00 of income has been kept in small bills to be used  
As Petty Cash to make change when selling raffle tickets.

**EXPENSES:**

10/4/2024 – Check # 3559 – Bette Gerhold – Program Speaker \$ 60.19

10/4/2024 – Check # 3558 – Bette Herhold – Program Expense 42.94

10/18/2024 – Check # 3560 – Jean Robinson – Corresponding Secretary  
Expense, flowers for Gloria Cox 13.53

10/18/2024 – Check # 3562 – Debbie Jones – Hospitality expense 26.36

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$ 143.02**

**PRESENT ACCOUNT BALANCE:** **\$11,655.43**

CD ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$10,000.00

Submitted by  
Harriett H Bedenbaugh  
Treasurer

## **Committees & Volunteer Chairs 2024- 2025**

**Cypress Assistance Ministries–CAM – Judy Beckham introduced Martha Burn the executive director of CAM and she gave an enlightening talk about the “State of CAM”. Judy has collected about \$1,000 and hopes to collect more. You may bring extra money and toys to the December Christmas party for CAM.**

**Brookwood – Lynn White is the new chair for this committee. She has an outing scheduled for Wednesday December 4 to help with poinsettias. They plan to leave from the Scout Hut parking lot at 7:15 am and work till noon. They will eat lunch there and shop and hope to return to the parking lot by 3:30pm. If you are interested in Brookwood activities, please let Lynn White know.**

**Christmas Lunch - Mary Etta Wood gave a report that there still is plenty of room to add people to the luncheon list. It will be at Perry’s at a cost of \$45 and \$10 for drink tickets. She is taking reservations until November 15.**

**Communication – Barbara Durr had no new information to share.**

**Facebook Administration - Jayne Wilson had no new information to share.**

**Federation Representative / Awards / Yearbook - Pam Randall entered a plant from Sheila Anderson into last month’s horticulture show and won 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Nove 13 meeting will have a program on Bees and there will be workshop after meeting on building a bee house.**

**Barbara Crum will be collecting a variety of items for a Children’s Gardening Basket for the Federation Silent Auction for the December Christmas luncheon. She also needs ideas and a group to help organize a holiday centerpiece for the luncheon.**

**Barbara Crum also wants everyone to look at page 16 of the Federation Newsletter to see the writeup that was submitted by Gabriele Klopp about our LFGC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea.**

**District news from Pam Randall was that a Blue Star Marker will go into the Houston VA Cemetery with a planned dedication ceremony with District 4 on Tuesday, March 25 at 2pm. District is asking clubs to give a small donation to**

**offset the cost of the marker. It will be placed in a highly visible place where the cars line up for funeral processions.**

**Historian - Gabriele Klopp is still looking for an assistant to help now and to take over as historian after this club year.**

**Horticulture - Sue Hull talked about planting garlic now. She talked about checking out the Mexican garlic at HEB. She also said to spread some chili powder around so that the squirrels are not digging in your beds.**

**Hospitality - Susan Hanson thanked the hostesses for this meeting. They were Donna Stephens, Sandra McKeon, Maggie White, Sue Hull, Sue Collins, Eleese Lester-Baier, and Barbara Kapustka.**

**Librarian - Harolene Hatley had 2 books on bulbs.**

**Mercer - Barbara Davidson reported that the Fall plant sale starts November 2 and will be from 8am – 3pm. They had a great bus trip last month to Mercer. They located the paver for Barbara Waltz and her son and found the LFGC bench. They had lunch at Lynn's and did a little shopping in Ole Town Spring.**

**Parliamentarian - Carolyn Calvert – no report**

**Publicity – Open – No Report**

**Reach - Margo Propst reported that she will host a garage sale on November 14, 15, and 16 to benefit Reach at her home. Her address is in our directory. Margo also announced that those who purchased poinsettias from Reach can pick them up at her house on December 6 after 10 am or after the Christmas luncheon. She sold 179 plants.**

**Spring Fling Planners / Transportation – Donna Stephens & Bette Gerhold – no report**

**Ways and Means - Harriett Bedenbaugh – no report**

**Web Editors - Adrienne Juno and Jayne Wilson - no report**

**Wreaths Across America - Pat Gauger reported that she sold 165 wreaths and collected \$2,806.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (Programs) - Bette Gerhold introduce the speaker Robert Martinez, who is an Heirloom Bulbs and Master Gardener who shared his knowledge and experience about growing bulbs and had plenty of hand to sell to us.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none**

**NEW BUSINESS – none**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mary Davis gave an announcement that they will be a Lakewood Forest HOA Fund meeting at the Fund office on November 4 at 7pm and it will be on zoom for those who can not attend.**

**Becky Bailey announced that Lakewood Methodist Church will have their MEGA Garage Sale coming up in November.**

**ADJOURNMENT – The business meeting was held first and formally ended at 11:11 and at this time the program was presented and ended at noon with members able to mingle and purchase bulbs from our Mr. Martinez.**