

Weeders Meeting and Flower Show  
Hilltop House, Berwyn  
May 10th, 2022

## Flower Show

The business meeting commenced at 10:37am by President, Karen Shepard  
She gave thanks to the Meeting Chairs (Pam Bagby and Laura Carpenter) and the Hostesses (Jen Fryberger, patty Greenhalgh, Hazel Hannaway, Whitney Harrison and Anne Rhodes)

A welcome was given to two guests  
Murfee Aceto (guest of Annette Toebe)  
Linda Schanne (guest of Laura Riedel)

## Announcements

**The April meeting minutes**  
approved

### **Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee**

Michele Bolton reviewed the report and noted that the surplus was due to several factors, including excess revenue from Crazy for Containers and decreased expenses for conference and program costs.

### **Dues/Slate**

Dues are \$200 and they are due by June 30th-a check may be given to Michele at the meeting or mailed to her home address  
A copy of the slate will be available in limited amount

### **Crazy for Containers Wrap up**

Ellyn Spragins reported a steady growth of orders over the past 3 years and a net total profit of \$6,040.00. She was encouraged that 40% of participants were not Weeder members.

### **Hort Workshop and Tip of the month**

Pruning workshop with Jim Ward will be on June 14th at Michele Bolton's home  
Cindy Pierce discussed now is the time to divide plants, don't plant if the temperature is below 50 degrees. She also described a product called Brio Char which has multiple benefits which may be sprinkled on your garden plantings

### **Flower Show points**

Monica Church asked that if anyone has gotten points from any outside flower or photography shows to send them to her by June 1st

### **Annual Meeting**

Karen Shepard reported on several key take-aways, one of which is an appreciation that the GCA allows individual garden clubs to retain their own culture and protocols. Another term meaning for GCA could be summed up as "Garden, Create, Advocate"

### **Reminder to Committee chairs**

Please contact your members to see if they want to remain on your committee

**Annual Meeting**

Will be at Lloyd Brown's home on June 7th. At that meeting, the remaining committee chairs will give a report no longer than 150 words

**Name Tags**

Cheryl Cheston has fashioned new name tags utilizing the weeder lady logo which can be easily printed out

The Meeting was adjourned at 11:02 and Julie DeVuono introduced the speaker, Howard Brosius. He gave a riveting talk on "Chipping Hill Micro Farm's Mobile Greenhouse". He described his mobile greenhouse (the first one was purchased with some funding by the Weeders) which goes to Pre-K and Head Start programs in Philadelphia and Montgomery County. His mission is to introduce these 4 year old children in underserved populations to fresh fruits and vegetables by helping them plant, harvest and eat them. Using a game called "Feed the Bird", he has the children taste 10 vegetables and 4 fruits. Through a variety of public and private partnerships, his goal is to have 50 mobile greenhouses to travel in other Northeastern cities.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Gallagher  
Weeder Recording Secretary