

COUNCIL OF BARRINGTON GARDEN CLUBS

September 16, 1986

The meeting held at Langendorf Field House was called to order at 9:40 A.M. by President Kathi Davis. In attendance were: Sam Oliver, Citizens for Conservation; Bonnie Murry and Diane Montani, Country Home and Garden; Margaret Kerr and Alice Jepson, Countryside Garden Class; Andee Carponelli and Elaine Wright, Field and Flower; Mary Jo Garre and Penny Horne, Garden Club of Barrington; Fran Colburn, Kathi Davis, and Betty Simpson, Green Thumbs; Helen Withrow and Peggy Graham, Little Garden Club; and Joanne Larson and Marge Rypkema from Village Planters.

Kathi passed out an updated representative list of Garden Council and asked for a current copy of each club's yearbook. The rotation of officers of Council has changed because of the loss of Prairie State. Mary Jo will fill the new position of Civic Affairs.

Kathi also passed out a list of the 1986 Christmas Decoration Assignments. Country Home and Garden will permanently be in charge of the interior tree at the Historical Society and Green Thumbs will permanently handle the tree at the Library.

The minutes of the previous meeting of May 20 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Diane Montani gave an overview of the new accounting system that she reorganized for a greater ease of financial reporting. Our fiscal year will run from May 1 to April 30 of the following year. The flower show will be part of a separate account. \$384.35 in our checking account and \$312.52 in savings were identified as assets of the fund on hand as of May 1, 1986. \$323.87 is the "Previous Years' Residual" which represents the cumulative net effect of all prior year council activities. Please make all bills, checks, etc. very specific before giving them to Diane. She needs to know the number of current members/club and the status of each club's 1986 or 1987 dues payment. The past flower show lost over \$1000.

Conservation: Sam Oliver reported that the summer sessions for children and the family field trips sponsored by CFC over the summer were very successful. CFC will provide a tour of the Naperville Recycling Center following a visit by a representative of the recycling facility to the Oct. 27 CFC Board meeting. The family bird walk was quite popular and a visit to the Spring Hill Farm Fen is scheduled. Fens and bogs are number one on the Illinois Nature Inventory. The nature study classes for children held at Crabtree will begin in Sept. and are held each month. Parents are welcome too. The Recycling Center will move around the 1st of Oct. to the west end of Liberty St. Check the newspapers for the exact date. The League of Woman Voters is collecting aluminum cans. Morton Arboretum will host a recycling workshop on Nov. 6. A prairie restoration project is being conducted on property located at the corner of Oak Knoll and Buckley Roads. Volunteers are needed to help collect prairie seeds. Sam also highlighted the article on purple loosestrife from "CFC News".

Old Business: Mary Jo Garre commented on her observation of women pushing carts while collecting the compost and litter during a recent visit to Mackinac Island. She summarized the BADC annual meeting. Bruce Hamilton learned how trees may easily be incorporated into parking lots and the idea of communicating with small community groups on their likes and dislikes concerning our village. Money is being raised to purchase the property on

discussed

the corner of Dundee Avenue and 59. Jack Lageschulte will match \$10,000 of raised funds to name this "gateway park" in honor of his father. The village will give \$25,000 and several garden clubs have already pledged funds for this project that the village will maintain. Plans for the redesign of the Hough/Main St. intersection are on exhibit at the village hall. Plans for the herbal garden and remodeling of the Historical Society are on view at the Historical Society on Main St.

Helen Withrow reviewed the planter box situation from last spring. Many merchants want to plant their own flowers, so Council was responsible for about 50 boxes. The sun impatiens required too much watering and never did well. Possibly using petunias or geraniums would be better for next year. Many of the planter boxes are falling apart and should be replaced. The main cost of this project was spent on the metro-mix which has been replaced each year. The new chairman of this project should meet with the Chamber of Commerce before making decisions for next year.

Helen also reported that the Middle School Project is going quite well. The PTO donated \$500 for the purchase of a new fence, a dead pine will be replaced, and students will plant bulbs in the near future. Bill Richter has planned a rock garden for the area under an overhang where nothing will grow. He wants to eventually have a rock from each state included. The entire area was weeded and well cared for over the summer.

Penny Horne announced that the District IX Flower Show was a huge success. The artistic design was good and 385 horticulture specimen were entered. The Energy Conference Awareness Meeting will be repeated in 1988. Penny has sets of Prairie post cards available for sale at \$1.50/10 cards.

Kathi announced that a qualified applicant for our Trees for Tomorrow scholarship had not been found for 1986. We will concentrate on next year.

New Business: Penny asked Council to write a letter to save the tree that we had donated to the old recycling center. The village was planning to cut down the tree to make way for the new parking lot. Maybe a letter would prod them to move the tree instead.

A motion was made and passed to change our meeting date to the 2nd Tuesday of the month beginning in November. Since several clubs meet the 3rd week of the month, this change will facilitate more current reporting.

Kathi opened the discussion for a 1987 Flower Show by appointing a Steering Committee to study the issue. Margaret Kerr will serve as chairman of the committee composed of Mary Jo Garre, Diane Montani, Betty McLaughlin, Barb D'Annunzio, Maxine Borah, Bonnie Murray, and Joanne Larson. Mary Jo will host the first meeting on Oct. 28th. Joanne asked that recommendations be gathered from each club. Everyone seemed to agree that a primary reason for holding the Show is to educate the community. Kathi asked that the committee address the questions of who, what, when, where, and how concerning the Flower Show. She also asked that the committee report the feasibility and recommendations as to location, date, and funding to Council at the November meeting and set a timetable for future plans.

Mary Jo wondered if the new Herb Society should be asked to join Council, but the consensus of the group was that the Society was really too specific

compared to the general orientation of the current membership.

Kathi will bring up amendments to our By-laws regarding the change of meeting date and shifting of the rotation of club duties at our Nov. 11 meeting.

Announcements: The Botanic Gardens Roadside Sale will be held on September 27th and 28th.

Gardening Study III will be held at Morton on Sept. 29, 30, and Oct. 1. The Chicago Botanic Garden will hold a Water Conservation Conference on Oct. 21-23.

Judges Council is on Oct. 27.

A Shaker Herb Day will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden on Sept. 20.

Peggy Graham,
Secretary

AGENDA
 COUNCIL OF BARRINGTON GARDEN CLUBS
 SEPTEMBER 16, 1986

1. Roll Call - Names and Clubs
 Representative Lists - Updates? Yearbooks?
 Christmas Assignments
2. Minutes - May 20, 1986 - Peggy Graham
3. Treasurer's Report - Diane Montani: Overview New Accounting System
 1985 Flower Show Profit & Loss
4. Standing Committee Reports/Old Business
 - a. Conservation - Sam Oliver
 - b. Civic Affairs - Maryjo Garre
 - c. Publicity/Historian - Helen Withrow
 - d. Barrington in Bloom - " "
 - e. Middle School Project - " "
 - f. District IX Flower Show/Waste Awareness ?
 - g. Trees for Tomorrow
5. New Business

- a. Tree in Bank Parking Lot - Penny Horne
- b. Possible Change in Council Meeting Date - Peggy Graham
- c. Flower Show - 1987 - WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? HOW? \$\$\$

Steering Committee:

Andee will ask for volunteers from their club
 Maryjo Garre, Advisor
 Diane Montani, Ways and Means
 Betty McLaughlin Ways and Means
 Barbara D'Annunzio
 Margaret Kerr *Chs.*
 Maxine Borah
 Bonnie Murray
 Joanne Larson

Timetable: November Meeting: Feasibility and Recommendations
 Location, Date, Funding Sources

January Meeting: Chairman/Asst. Chairman and all
 Committee positions identified and filled

March Meeting: F.S. Schedule, potential income and
 expenses identified by category

May Meeting: Recap, finalize all plans

- d.
- e.

6. Announcements: Illinois Prairie Postcards Still Available? Penny?
 Botanic Gardens Roadside Sale. September 27, 28
 Gardening Study III, Morton, September 29, 30, Oct 1.
 Conservation Conference (Water) Chicago Botanic Grdn Oct 2
 Flower Show School II, Chicago Botanic Garden, Oct. 21-23
 Judges Council, October 27
 A Shaker Herb Day, Chicago Botanic Garden, Sept. 20

① Do you want one

Fund raisers
Location
Time - Dates
Meeting - Tues Oct 27 9:30
at Maryjo's

everyone's ok.
Mary Jo will send out announcements appoint Chs.

Separate

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TREASURER'S REPORT
SEPTEMBER, 1986

This year the accounting system has been reorganized to allow for a greater ease of financial reporting. Previously the records were maintained as a perpetual bank checking account which impacted our ability to provide fiscal year statistics on an accrual accounting method.

The new records are organized as follows:

1. The fiscal year runs from May 1, to April 30, of the following calendar year.
2. Accounts 1 to 99 represent asset and liability items.
(Note: These are not items of expense but represent the benefit received from or need to pay for expense items. These accounts will enable us to evaluate our change in financial condition from one year to the next.)
3. Accounts 100 to 199 will represent income and expense related to normal day to day council activities.
4. Accounts 200 to 299 will represent income and expense related to the semi-annual flower show.
5. Our system will therefore consist of:
 - A. Checking Account Register
 - B. Listing of all account balances (trail balance)
 - C. Individual Account analysis
 - D. Annual Balance Sheet
 - E. Annual Operational Statement
 - F. Flower Show Profit and Loss Statement

In order to implement this new method I identified as assets the fund on hand as of May 1, 1986 (checking \$384.35, Savings \$312.52) and as reserves the fiscal 1986/1987 prepaid income (membership dues \$273.00, Donations to next flower show \$100.00). All expenses for the 1985 show had been previously paid. In order to then balance our records to begin the 1986/1987 fiscal year (difference between the \$696.87 cash on hand and the reserves of \$373.00) I listed a reserve amount of \$323.87 I established an account for this and titled this amount "Previous Years Residual". The amount represents the cumulative net effect of all prior year council activities. In effect since our beginning we have retained \$323.87 of the total cash obtained by the council regardless of the source of these funds. As long as we retain the accounting just established this amount will remain unchanged and be reported on our Balance Sheet.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane J. Montani
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Council CF BARRINGTON Garden Clubs
 BALANCE Sheet 9-15-86

Prepared By	Initials	Date
Approved By		

<u>ASSETS</u>		Sub Total	TOTAL
<u>CASH</u>			
Checking Account	41835		
Savings Account	31252	73087	<u>73087</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
<u>RESERVE</u>			
1987 FLOWER Show	13400		
PREVIOUS YEARS Residual	32387	45787	
Net Profit/Loss	27300	27300	<u>73087</u>