

NCGC November General Meeting
November 7, 2013

Alice Brown called the meeting to order at 10:00, following the 9:30 meet and greet time. She announced that Frankie Green, Lori Fay and a third person yet to be named will serve on the nomination committee to make selections to fill vacancies on the board for the coming year. The nominees will be presented at the December meeting with the election to follow in January. Vita Barrio is the contact person for those interested in participating in the NCGC Face book page. The e-mail policy for the club is that all blanket messages go to Alice who will send them to the rest of the members. Solicitations will not be permitted on Facebook or in e-mail messages.

Maddie Gardner introduced the speaker, Barry Ward, who talked about planting, watering, and care of trees in the Houston area. His organization, Trees for Houston, is a thirty year old non-profit organization that receives not government funding. It donates trees to schools, planting and providing maintenance for two years following the planting.

Secretary: Marilyn Frueh

The October board and general meeting minutes were approved at the November board meeting and will be available for reading on line.

Treasurer: Gwen Heck

The month of October began with a balance of \$4,846.47, had Income of \$999.00, expenses of \$485, leaving a balance of \$5360.47.

Programs: Maddy Gardner and Gayle Spence

Checks for the December luncheon need to be mailed to the treasurer by November 15. Bonnie Baker, a flower show judge, will be the speaker for the January general meeting. A flower arranging workshop, conducted by Corrie Ten-Have, will take place January 21 at the MUD building. There will be a fee for materials provided.

Membership: Mary Lou Proctor

Three guests attended the meeting. Three additional members were added, bringing paid membership to a total of 63. The new directory is available and may be picked up at the meeting or can be sent by email if preferred.

Newsletter: Pat Chislett

The newsletter is posted on the website

Federation: Donna Luther

Those interested in the November 8 meeting will meet at the MUD building parking lot to carpool to the meeting.

Horticulture: Jean Bays and Ann Schmidt

Plants brought by club members were displayed and discussed.

Fundraising: Lori Fay and Vita Barrio

A gardening apron was offered for purchase as a fundraising activity. Raffles were won by the following: Cheryl Fletcher--afghan, Gayle Spence--decorative gourd, Patricia Crawford--pineapple lily, Pat Plesko--ixoria, Alice Brown--hose guide. The miniature rose door prize was won by Cindy Shelton.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00.