

KETTLE MORAINÉ GARDEN CLUB GENERAL MEETING
October 20, 2022 Oconomowoc Lake Club

Co-Presidents Meg Schoenecker and Connie Tjarksen called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM with approximately fifty-five members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report - Kari Pietsch-Wangard Please see attached report for details and balances in each of the accounts. Some members may not be aware of the "Lady Bug " account. This is funded by memorial donations and is set aside to underwrite some expenses for KMGC future judges. One of our esteemed judges Elaine Burke encouraged us to think about entering the judging program. Not only do we need judges but it is also an opportunity to travel to other parts of the country, see amazing flower shows, and make new friends. She also mentioned that it is not as long a process as you may think.

Communications - Susan Blott The deadline for the last Newsletter of the year is October 23.

Art en Fleurs - Susan Blott, Jan Ewald, Kari Pietsch-Wangard. "Cooler by the Lake" will take place September 9-11, 2024, at St. John's on the Lake. Many chair positions have been filled with a few important ones remaining: Judges' Hospitality, Volunteer Hospitality, Awards, and Equipment. They want to emphasize that you don't have to chair these alone.

Membership – Barb Farnham Motion was made that the 2022 Provisional members be named Active: Anne Frigo, Joanne Janzer, Deanne Olson, Andrea Pandazi Psaras; and Julie Rolfs. Motion to approve Judy Hansen, seconded Susan Esslinger. Motion approved and we welcome five new active members.

Nominating – Julia Syburg Julia announced the following officers to be voted on at Thursday's meeting:
President : Susan Esslinger; Co-Vice-Presidents: Pam Angst and Kathy Friend; Communications: Susan Blott (yr 2); Treasurer: Kari Pietsch-Wangard (yr. 4); Conservation: Linda Klimowicz and chair-elect Julia Syburg; Horticulture: Lara Ehrsam and chair-elect Julie Rolfs; Floral Design: Bette Massaro and chair-elect Joanne Janzer; Photography: Margaret Hollister and chair-elect Monica Tighe; Program: Janelle Peterson and chair-elect Jackie Rehm; Ways and Means: Lynn Shannon and chair-elect Anne Frigo; Past Presidents: Meg Schoenecker and Connie Tjarksen. Several members will fill the role of taking minutes.

Appointed

Committee Chairs: Awards: Madonna Williams; Bulletin: Karen Kindel; Garden History and Design: Mary Stippich; chair-elect Jan McKenna; Historian Connie Mitchell; Holly Berry: Jill Muehlmeier, Barb Farnham, Lyndsey Glasener; Chairs-elect: Andrea Pandazi Psaras and Deanne Olson; Membership: Mary Lou Findley; chair-elect Karen Gardner; Nominating: Meg Schoenecker and Connie Tjarksen; Scholarship: Jan Ewald; Spring Plant Sale: Debbie Kaerek; Strategic Planning: Patty Brink; Summer Garden Party: Sherri Kasdorf and Liz Boelter; Visiting Gardens: Deb Treis and Cindy Johnson. Art en Fleurs : Maureen Hill; Kari Pietsch-Wangard, Jan Ewald, Susan Blott; Treasurer Julia Syburg.

Julia thanked all who answered the call to serve.

Ways and Means - Kathy Friend The committee recommends the following donations for 2022:

- 1) Lake Park Friends, Olmsted Project for tree planting - \$10,000
- 2) Charles Allis Villa Terrace - \$2,000
- 3) Town Hall Library landscape and benches - \$5,000

4) Food Pantry of Waukesha County for Container Garden for teens- \$3,000
Old World Wisconsin -\$1700 for heirloom gardens. Total \$21,700.

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Floral Design – Lyndsey Glasener Thank you to all who made creative cornucopia centerpieces and thanks to Elaine Burke and Judy Stark who judged throughout the year.

Conservation – Julie Meier Plantings have just been completed for the fall on the Ice Age Trail with the remainder to be planted in the spring. The committee also had a book discussion on Dan Egan’s “The Death and Life of the Great Lakes.”

Awards – Madonna Williams The following awards were announced :

Floral Design - **Lyndsey Glasener**; Horticulture - **Jackie Rehm**; Photography - **Sonja Durkee**; Mary White Rix Award to a member of three years or less with outstanding participation, volunteerism, and leadership - **Linda Klimowicz**. Also special recognition to **Leslie Barkow**, KMGC member 35 years; and **Judy McBroom**, 25 years; and to **Judy Stark** as GCA Judge Emeritus.

Holly Berry - Karen Gardner and Monica Tighe Please pick up your Holly Berry invitations. They still need help on the day of the event and bakery donations.

Meg and Connie – Thanked everyone for their support and emphasized what a great group KMGC is. They then “passed the gavel” to President Susan Esslinger. Next year will mark KMGC’s 70th birthday and Susan’s theme for the next year will be “Getting It Together.”

Motion to adjourn, Diana Markus, seconded Bette Massaro. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM

Respectfully submitted, Jan McKenna