Gulf Coast Garden Club General Meeting 28285 Imperial Parkway, Bonita Springs, FL. 34135

January 10, 2021

Open Meeting: 9:30-9:45am Co-fill in: Laura Sullivan and Nancy McPherson

Pledge of Allegiance – all

Inspirational Message: Mary King in Hawaii Take a moment of silence for the 19 who died Sunday in the apartment house fire in the Bronx and all who were injured.

<u>Guests</u>: Lee DeVries – new to Florida living off Immokalee in Naples. Joined us for our December luncheon.

Break at 10:00am for presentation: Setup (15 minutes) Presentation Duration: (1 hr 45 min

<u>Presentation-Sandy Pennington on 'Seven Things to Love About Caladiums'</u>. Emphasis was on choosing and growing caladiums, caladiums in a vase, Caladium farms to get the best bulbs. Well received by all attendees. Need larger screen and stronger projector for future presentations.

Reports:

- Secretary: Not present using agenda. Minutes not taken for December Holiday meeting. Check website for prior meeting minutes.
- Treasurer: Sharon Kennedy. Month end totals for December:
 - Totals for December checkbook: \$8,022.41
 - o Luncheon:

- 32 attended at \$25.00/e
- December Raffle monies:
 - We had 8 raffle items. 7 wonderful baskets filled with goodies Laura displayed beautifully and a beautiful, donated Christmas wreath.

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Activities:

December 18, 2021 Holiday Luncheon – a delightful day was had by all 32 attendees. The private room at the Bonita Bay Club gratis of Lorna O'Hara who lives there, was very nice and just steps off the luncheon buffet.

Nominating Committee: As you know, the position of President and Blossom Bulletin are expiring this year. We need a gal and or co-members to take these positions. Candidates are to be announced at the February meeting for the March election Meeting We can accept candidates from the floor.

<u>Plant Sale and Elegant Sale</u> – March 2022 Meeting. We have not had a lot of interest in the Flower and Horticulture Show and time has passed so it is not possible this year. We may shoot for the fall if there is interest. We can still do a plant sale and elegant sale. Bring in your items and we can sell to our group and/or via the internet. We need growers for our plant sale, and we can advertise it. It would be held outside on the back patio. We chose a Saturday in March.

50/50 Raffle – Did not happen. Kathy Erickson did not attend or bring tickets.

Future Activities:

February 14, 2022, meeting: at the Unity Church. Arrival 9:00am to 9:30am. Meeting start 9:45am. <u>Speaker:</u> Bob Cook on 'Fertilizer Fallacies.' Bob will present information on what works and what does not work. See page 12 in our GCGC Directory for details.

Meeting Wrap up: Questions?? New Business? See everyone in February on Valentine's Day, 2/14/2022

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