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CALUSA GARDEN CLUB OF MARCO ISLAND  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022 10:30 a.m.  
MARCO ISLAND LIBRARY ROSE HALL

1. CALL TO ORDER - SILENCE CELL PHONES. 10:32 a.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. GUESTS ATTENDING?
4. MEMBERSHIP QUORUM Yes
  - Kathy Stark
  - Ellen Norton
  - Gloria Fabijanic
  - Charlene Crowell
5. **Approved: The minutes from the April 7, 2022 General Meeting.**  
**Approved: The minutes of the Joint Board and Member meeting of October 10, 2022.**
6. OFFICER REPORTS
  - 6.1 President - Susan Neustadt
    - a. District IX Fall Meeting scheduled via Zoom December 6 at 9:30 a.m. No registration is required. Susan will send out the link for the Zoom meeting.
    - d. Dorothy Fletcher Plaque  
A plaque was found after the hurricane noting the Calusa Garden Club and Ms. Fletcher. Susan is seeking information on the past member.
    - e. Blast from the Past  
An article from the April 2013 meeting with many familiar faces was shared with the meeting members.
    - f. Thanks to Hospitality Committee!
    - g. Two members are looking for transportation on Marco Island to the meetings. If interested, please contact Susan Neustadt.
  - 6.2 First Vice President - Kimberly Porter - Today's Program  
Dr. Steve Davis will be our presenter on November 14, 2022. He will discuss the everglades, wetlands and impacts of seawater management.
  - 6.3 Second Vice President - Monique Doyle  
Monique reminded membership that they are required to attend 4 meetings a year. If there is any concern about meeting this expectation, please contact Monique.  
Monique recognized the November birthdays including Cristina Leske.  
Debbie Kuhlman and Rhonda Gloodt were inducted as new members.
  - 6.4 Treasurer - YTD Analysis - Annette Kuhn and Margie Bramel  
Income May 1 through October 31 was \$1107.85  
Expenses May 1 through October 31 was \$8584.10
  - 6.5 Corresponding Secretary - Joan Husband  
Get well cards were sent Annette Kuhn, Jen Ferrier and two thank you cards were also sent.
7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - 7.1 Civic Beautification - Florida Arbor Day - Nanette Baumgardner (new member)  
Nanette will work with Linda Colombo to organize the Arbor Day Celebration on Marco Island which will be held on Friday, January 20 with the time to be determined.
  - 7.2 Communications - Website - Sara Wolf  
Forty-five people have logged onto the new site and changed their password. Please take time to log onto the site and update your profile.  
Member events are now able to have registration and payment on line.  
Sara walked through entering the website from your personal phone.
  - 7.3 Community Education and Outreach - Library Project - Bonnie Colman

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As outreach to our local community, there will be a Floral Design Workshop on December 14th 10-4:00 at the Marco Island Library. Bonnie is looking for members to bring greens for the arrangements and to help on the day of the event. Please reach out to Bonnie if you're interested in helping with this event.

- 7.4 Member Enrichment - Horticulture - Connie Lowery  
CFAS (Creative Floral Arrangement Seminar) will be held from February 16 to February 19, 2023 in Orlando, FL.  
CFAS brings expert floral designers from garden clubs all over the state.. The event is a way to learn about floral designs and to learn from designers over the nation. Member Connie Lowery can respond to any questions about the event. There are hands on workshops which is a great way to learn about designs. Member Marianne Foley has her arrangement on the cover of the brochure on the event. Registration is online <https://www.creativefloral.org/seminars>  
Floral Design Workshop - Marianne Foley and Lindy Kowalczyk  
November 15th at 10:00 at the Library to prepare the floral arrangements for the plant sale.
- 7.5 Member Events - Kathy McNabb - Holiday Lunch  
The Holiday Luncheon will be held on Thursday December 8th 11:30-2:00 at La Tavola \$38 (entree, dessert and tea/coffee) with a great program. Sign up on line or send in reservations. If you want to participate in the gift exchange. There will be date established to design the centerpieces. There will be a cash bar and a 50/50 drawing that day.
- 7.6 Ways and Means - Plant sale - Sara Wolf  
Sara shared updates on the plant sale as we look for 100% member participation. Look for an e-mail with all the details. Monique and Sara will be doing containers for the sale on Wednesday, November 16th at 10:00 at Mackle Park. Plants are dropped off the day of the sale between 9-9:30 in a drive through line. All plants should be labeled prior to drop off (details in your e-mails).

### NEW BUSINESS

- 8.1 Review of Bylaws - Linda Colombo  
Linda reviewed the changes to the by-laws.  
**Approved: The updates and changes to the by-laws.**
- 8.2 Nominating Committee will begin in January 2023. The nominating committee will be contacting members to learn of their interest in supporting the club as board and committee members.
- 8.3 Blue Star Memorial has historically been maintained by the club. After the renovations on Veterans Park, the city has planted this garden and there is no longer a need for a committee to plant and maintain. Linda Colombo shared that it might be nice for a re-dedication of the Blue Star Memorial.
- 8.4 Gadabouts-December-Sue Oldershaw  
December 1st (Thursday) the Gadabouts will attend the Holiday Lights Event at Naples Botanical Garden.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:58 a.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- November 19 - Leigh Plummer Park Garden Maintenance  
November 22 - Our Wonderful Plant Sale!!!  
November 26 - Butterfly Garden Work Group  
December 1 - Gadabouts to Naples Botanical Garden  
December 5 - Board Meeting (Rose Hall)  
December 7 - Horticulture Workshop - Susan LaGrotta's Home  
December 8 - Holiday Lunch - La Tavola  
December 13 - CGC Floral Design Workshop - Rose Hall

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December 14- Friends of the Library Floral Design Workshop - Rose Hall  
January 3, 2023 - CGC Board Meeting - Rose Hall  
January 9, 2023 - CGC General Membership Meeting

Approved: Susan Neustadt, President  
Respectfully Submitted: Laura Furlong, Recording Secretary