

**Wellington Garden Club
Members' Meeting
Wellington Community Center
February 7, 2022 @ 9:30am**

- I. Welcome - Maria Wolfe welcomed everyone to the meeting.
 - a. A quorum was established
 - b. The request to silence all cell phones was made
 - c. We said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

- II. Mary Barbara Alexander introduce the speaker, Mark Peters, who talked about Phenomenal Crotons. He was an entertaining and informative speaker.

- III. Executive Committee Reports
 - A. President - Maria Wolfe
 1. The hospitality sheets were passed around for members to volunteer to bring in breakfast treats for the March 7, 2022 members' meeting.
 2. The donation container for the Coral Reef Restoration was passed around.
 3. The Tree Planting Record sheet was passed around for any members who have planted trees in the past month to add to our count.
 4. The Garden Tip of the Month for February was for another use for coffee filters. Wet a filter, put it in the pot and put the plant in the pot. Water goes through the filter, but dirt does not! You can also use weed block, pine bark nuggets or a large leaf in the bottom of your pot and it will do the same thing.
 5. The next Sip 'n Stroll will be hosted by Linda DeSanti on Friday, Feb. 11th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Sign up to attend, bring an appetizer to share and your favorite drink to sip. (Ladies, you can bring your husbands!)
 6. A District X environmental opportunity will be a Full Moon cruise on Biscayne Bay, Miami, on Thursday, March 17, 2022. It will be a St. Patrick's Day sunset/full moon evening cruise. The tour will include some "behind the scenes" information on rescued wild life, beginning at 4:30pm. That will be followed by the evening sunset cruise. The cost is \$60.
 - B. Recording Secretary, Amy Schwed needed the minutes of the January 10, 2022 to be approved. Kathy Hood asked for a correction in section VIII. The profits from the Spring Luncheon go to the WGC; one purpose of this luncheon is to honor scholarship recipients. The minutes passed as corrected.
 - C. Joan Kaplan, Corresponding Secretary, read a thank you note from Donna Fernandez, a WGC past president (1998-2000) about being invited to the 40th anniversary luncheon which was so enjoyable. It included kudos to Linda DeSanti for doing such an outstanding job running this luncheon.
 - D. Treasurer's report from Danese Sloan-Kendall was read by Maria Wolfe. This report is attached to these minutes, as well as the P & L statement.

IV. Committee Chair Reports

E. Membership chair, Alison Albury introduced new members to us. First were Theresa Cummings and Hildy Wanklyn (both past members) who were given a yearbook and pin. Cynthia Craig, Gladys Maloy and Sheree Biafore were given their yearbooks, pins and a succulent made by Kimberly Helms. New members, John & Michelle McGovern, had to leave before the introductions. Alison introduced guests Marsha Montoya, Betty Ann Quinn, Carolee Samuels, Susan Kampel, Mary Lou Shook and Hillka Schrodems-Rowe and Leslie Needleman. All were asked to stand and be welcomed by our members.

F. Kimberly Helms spoke about the Bonsai classes she is holding on Thursdays, Feb. 24th, March 31st and April 28th at her house. Those attending may choose to make a bonsai gorgonzola, a bonsai cypress, a palm seed frond succulent garden. The cost for any of these is \$30 which is the cost of the materials.

G. Carol Ralph spoke about the upcoming Around & About which will be on February 17, 2022. It will be at Betty & Joe Libertucci's garden which is filled with many palms, bromeliads and domestic and imported plants. There are 35 people signed up to go. The car pools will meet at 9:15am and depart at 9:30am. After the garden tour, lunch will be at Papichulo's in front of the Regal Cinema on 441, for those interested. Carol then spoke about the Thursday, March 17, 2022 10am tour at the Ed Hand and Hank Bonner Garden in Palm City. It is a 5.8 acre home which has 120 different palms, orchids, bromeliads of all types, plus many exotic plants. This tour will honor his deceased partner, Ed Hand. He will have bromeliads available for sale. No restaurant has been selected yet for lunch.

H. Tina Richter, the newsletter editor, thanked everyone for their submissions. She asked anyone interested to send her photos taken of interesting plants. This month's deadline for submission is 2/18/22.

I. John Siena spoke about college scholarships. He said that \$38,000 has been awarded so far. PBSC horticultural environmental department chairpeople are looking for eligible scholarship students. Surprisingly, students need to be encouraged to ask for money! If anyone knows a possible worthy candidate, please tell John. He does have some viable candidates so far. The WGC fundraisers help to support the scholarships.

J. A horticulture tip that Linda DeSanti learned at the Tropical Short Course on floral design was shared with us. Linda showed us how Curly Willow could be wrapped around your hand, then placed in a vase which would hide the ugly stems and hold flowers in place for a floral design. Curly Willow can be found at some florists or wholesale flower shops. Linda also told us that you can open flowers that are tightly closed by either gently spreading the petals apart with your finger, or by blowing on them. She then shared the idea that we can use garden greens from our home gardens as accents in the arrangements. Her last tip was to use wire twist ties to shape long greens to fit in your vase. She demonstrated all tips by creating a beautiful floral design with materials she brought with her.

While Linda was setting up, Maria Wolfe sent around a sign-up sheet for notification when Mark Peters, our Feb. 7, 2022 speaker on crotons, comes to Mounts Gardens or other local places. Provide your name and email address and you will be notified by Mr. Peters when he will be here locally with crotons for sale.

V. Fundraisers

K. Carol Coleman spoke to us about the "Gardens of Distinction" tour on Saturday, April 2, 2022. She really needs help! She needs ads, sponsors, publicity people, etc. No one signed up to help on her 3 sign-up sheets. During the day of the tour, Carol Ralph will be chairing the sale of member-grown plants at Petra Russell's house, which is pure profit for the club. Additionally, Dee Rolfe will be chairing a boutique crafts sale. WGC members can contribute as sponsors, especially those who will be working at the tour, as they don't pay for their tickets. They can donate the cost of the ticket as a sponsor. Carol suggested we talk up the tour with friends. John Siena is chairing the refreshments committee, Lisa Ferraro will chair the garden greeters committee. Joan Kaplan will sell tickets on site the day of the tour. Additionally, Alison Albury, Kathy Hood, Huguette Damas and Barbara Zenker told Carol Ralph they would help her with the plant sale.

L. The shredding event run by Barbara Zenker will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022 from 10am to 12pm in front of the Wellington Town Hall. Volunteers that are willing to help need to come one half hour before and stay one half hour after to aid in set up and take down. Volunteers are needed (especially some strong ones, who can take heavy boxes out of car trunks!) The Town Crier and the Wellington Chamber of Commerce have advertised this event, but more publicity is needed. Gwen Marcus, Dora Bellomo, Alison Albury and Kristy Floyd volunteered to help Barbara Zenker, who reminded everyone that we get pure profit from this event for scholarships.

M. Carol Ralph reminded everyone that educational classes taken by members can be reimbursed. Everything you need is on-line, under "Educational Expense Reimbursement" forms. Just print it out and send it to Evvy Bartlett.

N. Joann Akins reported that we made \$132 today in plant sales.

VI. Name Tag Raffle

Jayne Kiesewetter won the Welcome sign donated by Dee Rolfe.

Libby Dolsen won the Jamaican croton donated by Stormi Bivin.

Denise Friedlander the dancing lady orchid.

VII. The meeting adjourned at 11:58am.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Schwed, Recording Secretary

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From: Alison Albury <kaalbury@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:27 PM
To: amy.schwed@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Feb. 7th members meeting

Sure. Sorry about the confusion. Here you go:

New members:

John and Michelle McGovern (not there to receive anything)

Cynthia Craig (rec'd pin, book and shell gift)

Gladys Maloy (rec'd pin, book and shell gift)

Sheree Biatore *11*

Past members reintroduced:

Hildi Wanklyn

Ricki Pollacchi

Guests:

Marsha Montoya

Betty AnnQuinn

Carolee Samuels

Susan Kampel

Mary Lou Shook

Hilkka Schrodems-Rowe

Leslie Needleman (came late so not on your list)

Hope this helps. I have written to all new members welcoming them; I have also written to all guests, thanking them for attending.

Cheers! Alison

Report for Garden Tour February 7, 2022

The garden tour is coming along, but we need your help. I need more sponsors and more ads. At this time most of the people doing the work are the same people that are always doing the work. Since this is a fund raiser, I find it hard to let all the people who are working on the day of the event to get free tickets. The sponsor sheet has a level that includes a \$25.00 sponsorship, which is the same price of the ticket. It would be nice if the members could at least make this donation to the garden tour.

Carol Ralph has taken on the job of getting us publicity. This is a very important aspect of the tour to get out the word. We have it on line on the District X website and Maria has sent a flyer to all the presidents in District X.

Buying tickets on line is now available. We will also have tickets for sale at the meeting in March. All tickets purchased on line and those purchased in person the day of the event can be picked up at the Community Center in Wellington.

Respectfully,

Carol Coleman

Barbara Zenker

amy.schwed@gmail.com

From: Barbara <barbzzz@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 6, 2022 10:48 PM
To: Maria Wolfe; Amy Schwed
Subject: Meeting

Maria

My presentation is almost the same as it was last month

On Saturday February 19th we are having our annual shredding event between 10:00 and 12:30

We will need volunteers to setup tear down and work this event.

It has always been a great experience and a lot of fun.

All the money we collect goes to charity

Barbara 🍷 🍷

Sent from my iPad

January, 2022

Wellington Garden Club
Treasurer Report

Income this month was \$157.50, from the plant raffle and Penny Pines.

Total expenses this month were \$850.62 for Member education, youth programs. Speaker fee, Penny Pines and supplies. Additionally we received a check for \$1,250.00 for an unused college scholarship which is noted in the scholarship account.

Balance in checking account is \$26,052.71.

Additionally, for more detailed information please review the WGC profit & loss versus annual budget report to date.

Danese Sloan Kendall
Treasurer

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 June 1, 2021 through February 1, 2022

	Jun 1, '2...	Budget	\$ Over B...	% of Bud...
Income				
4000 · INCOME				
4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing				
4101 · Boutique Items	96.00	100.00	-4.00	96.0%
4103 · Fertilizer	35.00	0.00	35.00	100.0%
4106 · Plant Raffle Meetings	340.00	200.00	140.00	170.0%
4110 · Misc	14.78	100.00	-85.22	14.8%
Total 4100 · Inventory Items Fundrasing	485.78	400.00	85.78	121.4%
4200 · Membership Dues				
4300 · Program Services Revenue	1,717.50	4,500.00	-2,782.50	38.2%
4301 · Awards & Grants				
4301.1 · Awards	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
4301.2 · Grants	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total 4301 · Awards & Grants	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
4302 · Donations & Memorials				
4302	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4305 · Newsletter Advertising				
4305	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4308b · Garden Art				
4308b	90.00	0.00	90.00	100.0%
4309 · Penny Pines				
4309	141.25	0.00	141.25	100.0%
4313 · Coral Reef				
4313	298.00	0.00	298.00	100.0%
Total 4300 · Program Services Revenue	529.25	500.00	29.25	105.9%
4400 · Special Events				
4401 · Around & Abouts				
4401	703.00	0.00	703.00	100.0%
4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income				
4402.1 · Member meals Holiday Luncheon				
4402.1	3,463.00	3,500.00	-37.00	98.9%
4402.2 · Other Holiday Luncheon Income				
4402.2	1,439.10	250.00	1,189.10	575.6%
Total 4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income	4,902.10	3,750.00	1,152.10	130.7%
4403 · Spring Luncheon Income				
4403.1 · Member meals Spring Luncheon				
4403.1	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00	0.0%
4403.2 · Other Income Spring Luncheon				
4403.2	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total 4403 · Spring Luncheon Income	0.00	3,750.00	-3,750.00	0.0%
Total 4400 · Special Events	5,605.10	7,500.00	-1,894.90	74.7%
4409 · Fundraising				
4409 b · Fundrasing other				
4409 b	1,012.00	0.00	1,012.00	100.0%
4500 · Garden Tour				
4501 · Garden Tour Sponsors				
4501	0.00	3,700.00	-3,700.00	0.0%
4502 · Garden Tour Boutique				
4502	0.00	900.00	-900.00	0.0%
4503 · Garden Tour Plant Sales				
4503	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.0%
4505 · Garden Tour Ticket Sales				
4505	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
4506 · Garden Club Advertisers				
4506	0.00	2,700.00	-2,700.00	0.0%
Total 4500 · Garden Tour	0.00	16,800.00	-16,800.00	0.0%
Total 4409 · Fundraising	1,012.00	16,800.00	-15,788.00	6.0%
Total 4000 · INCOME	9,349.63	29,700.00	-20,350.37	31.5%
Total Income	9,349.63	29,700.00	-20,350.37	31.5%
Gross Profit	9,349.63	29,700.00	-20,350.37	31.5%
Expense				
6500 · EXPENSE				
6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses				
6507 · Plants Meetings				
6507	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
Total 6501 · Inventory fundraising expenses	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6599 · Fundraising expenses				
6599 b · Fundraising Other				
6599 b	882.00	0.00	882.00	100.0%

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
June 1, 2021 through February 1, 2022

	Jun 1, '2...	Budget	\$ Over B...	% of Bud...
6600 · Garden Tour Expense				
6602 · Homeowners' Gifts	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6603 · Insurance	0.00	600.00	-600.00	0.0%
6604 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6605 · Refreshments	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6606 · Plant Sales	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
6607 · Program Printing	0.00	850.00	-850.00	0.0%
6608 · Publicity	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
6612 · Printing of Posters and Flyers	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6618 · Refreshments for Docents	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6619 · Garden Art	38.72	0.00	38.72	100.0%
Total 6600 · Garden Tour Expense	38.72	5,450.00	-5,411.28	0.7%
Total 6599 · Fundraising expenses	920.72	5,450.00	-4,529.28	16.9%
6700 · Management & General				
6701 · Chamber Dues (Wellington)	125.00	125.00	0.00	100.0%
6702 · Correspondence	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6703 · Discretionary	28.32	250.00	-221.68	11.3%
6704 · Historian	0.00	25.00	-25.00	0.0%
6705 · Insurance	577.50	700.00	-122.50	82.5%
6706 · Membership	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6707 · Newsletter	24.00	300.00	-276.00	8.0%
6708 · Postage	27.56	0.00	27.56	100.0%
6709 · President's Expense	57.07	800.00	-742.93	7.1%
6710 · Printing Expense	55.00	0.00	55.00	100.0%
6711 · Treasurer & Accountant	260.00	400.00	-140.00	65.0%
6712 · Website	267.98	350.00	-82.02	76.6%
6713 · Yearbook	570.86	800.00	-229.14	71.4%
6717 · Miscellaneous				
6717 b · Storage	308.60	479.40	-170.80	64.4%
Total 6717 · Miscellaneous	308.60	479.40	-170.80	64.4%
Total 6700 · Management & General	2,301.89	4,379.40	-2,077.51	52.6%
6800 · Program Services				
6802 · Award & Grants	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6803 · Member Education	70.00	2,000.00	-1,930.00	3.5%
6804 · FFGC & District Dues				
6804.1 · Dues FFGC	406.00	1,200.00	-794.00	33.8%
6804.2 · Dues District X	51.50	50.00	1.50	103.0%
Total 6804 · FFGC & District Dues	457.50	1,250.00	-792.50	36.6%
6805 · FFGC Convention Ad	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6806 · Honorary Awards	730.78	1,600.00	-869.22	45.7%
6807 · Floral Design	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6807b · Garden Art	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6808 · Habitat Landscaping	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
6809 · Youth Activities				
6809.1 · Youth programs	168.92	0.00	168.92	100.0%
6809 · Youth Activities - Other	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00	0.0%
Total 6809 · Youth Activities	168.92	1,600.00	-1,431.08	10.6%
6810 · Meeting Programs/Speakers	300.00	600.00	-300.00	50.0%
6811 · Meeting/Trade Out	57.44	0.00	57.44	100.0%
6812 · Memorials and Donations	235.00	150.00	85.00	156.7%
6813 · Mounts Membership	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.0%
6814 · College Scholarships	-1,250.00	5,000.00	-6,250.00	-25.0%
6815 · SEEK Capital Fund	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
6816 · SEEK Scholarship	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
6817 · Sunshine Fund	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6818 · Wekiva Camperships	0.00	1,470.00	-1,470.00	0.0%
6819 · Wekiva Capital Fund	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%

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6820 · Wekiva LIT Program	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
6826 · Penny Pines	136.00	0.00	136.00	100.0%
6827 · Earth Day	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6829 · National Garden Week	201.22	200.00	1.22	100.6%
6830 · NGC Disaster Fund	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6831 · Environmental Education	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6834 · Coral Reef Restoration	200.00	0.00	200.00	100.0%
6836 · Wellington Preserve Landscaping	119.07	250.00	-130.93	47.6%
6837 · Community Garden	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0.0%
6838 · Supplies ~ Program	244.76	0.00	244.76	100.0%
Total 6800 · Program Services	1,670.69	18,445.00	-16,774.31	9.1%
6900 · Special Events Direct Expense				
6901 · Around & Abouts	703.00	100.00	603.00	703.0%
6904 · Holiday Luncheon				
6911 · Holiday luncheon Other expense	574.15	300.00	274.15	191.4%
6913 · Member Meals	3,431.86	3,500.00	-68.14	98.1%
Total 6904 · Holiday Luncheon	4,006.01	3,800.00	206.01	105.4%
6905 · Hospitality	32.05	300.00	-267.95	10.7%
6908 · Spring Luncheon				
6909 · Spring luncheon Other expense	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
6912 · Guest meals	0.00	210.00	-210.00	0.0%
6914 · Member Meals	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00	0.0%
Total 6908 · Spring Luncheon	0.00	4,010.00	-4,010.00	0.0%
Total 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense	4,741.06	8,210.00	-3,468.94	57.7%
Total 6500 · EXPENSE	9,634.36	36,534.40	-26,900.04	26.4%
Total Expense	9,634.36	36,534.40	-26,900.04	26.4%
Net Income	-284.73	-6,834.40	6,549.67	4.2%