

**Wellington Garden Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 22, 2025
Wellington Community Center**

ATTENDEES: Uma Bhatti, Stormi Bivin, Cynthia Craig, Huguette Damas, Carol Dima, Marianne Forrest, Anne Hlasnicek, Carol Lazzarino, Annette Lubsen, Linda Messina, Twig Morris, Carol Ralph, Dee Rolfe, Jan Seagrave, Danese Sloan-Kendall, Maria Wolfe

Meeting Called to Order at 9:31am

A quorum is established

All cell phones are silenced

Officer Reports

Recording Secretary – Minutes for October 27, 2025 BoD Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report - Marianne Forrest

Nov & Dec 2025, Fiscal Year-to-Date Treasurer's Report. The report will no longer be in paragraph form, all income and expense items will be in a bullet format. See the Treasurer's Report included with the meeting announcement.

Re the December luncheon, the Treasurer paid \$250 for the magician. The bill was presented to her at the event. Dee Rolfe questioned the \$250, as she understood it should have been \$225.

Discussion about why more members do not attend the luncheons. Attempt to keep costs low but it seems still not within the members budget. Will discuss this further for future luncheons, and make sure the dates don't conflict with Thanksgiving.

President's Report:

WGC Awards Display - Susie Stevenson. The Village of Wellington has given us the go ahead to use a wall in the Wellington Community Center Building on the first floor to display our Wellington Garden Club Awards. Susie and Annette with Heather, Jennifer, and the carpenter, will plan the layout. They also are painting the wall for us. The center plaque will have our logo and our motto, there will be five frames around the center with the current awards. The frames were purchased, the cost was very minimal, under \$100. It will be completed by the February meeting for viewing.

Holiday Luncheon – Attendees & Raffle

Dee Rolfe did a great job working on December luncheon. It was a great success. There were 75 attendees, four did cancel. The raffle earned \$1,240. JoAnn Akins and her team were responsible for the raffle items. We also had a fun magician.

Sunset Social, January 30, 4p-6p

Linda Messina & Sheila Ewing host at their homes. They live right next door to each other and are sharing the night.

Adopt-a-Street - Annette Lubsen. Tuesday, December 2, Greenbriar Blvd from Wellington Trace to Aero Club. Jim Thompson, Dale Barnhart, and Annette worked

together picking up debris. We have a new two-year contract which was filed with the Village of Wellington. The next cleanup is Tuesday, February 3. We hope to see more members participating.

Storage Unit information

We received a notice that only one car can go through the gate once the code is entered. It was a message they sent to all of their tenants.

1st Vice President - This position is still vacant

2nd Vice President - Robin Hummel-Johnson. Speaker for January 5 Member Meeting is Bryan Beidleman. Topic: An Intro to Tropical Weather Bonsai. (Listed in Yearbook on Page 15).

Standing Committee Reports

Membership - Anne Hlasnicek. New Member orientation. Actively working to make our new members feel welcome, comfortable, and part of the group. At our last meeting, we had nine guests and three new members. Have two individuals who have attended two or more meetings, so a letter was sent to them expressing our interest in having them join us. Explained that WGC welcomes visitors at two meetings of their choice. It's not known to outsiders that we welcome visitors only twice a year. We sent Priscilla Haynes and Lee Massey a membership application and note informing them that the club will resume monthly meetings in January when they can receive their new Yearbook if they join. One week before each general meeting, we send an email invitation to one-time visitors, providing a description of the program. When a non-member signs in at a meeting, they receive a piece of paper that now states they are welcome as non-members at two meetings only.

The New Member Orientation and Garden Walk will be held on Wednesday, February 25th. There will be food, socializing, and a meeting to discuss their interests in participating. Plan is to have two such events annually. We also discussed the possibility of mentors to help new members learn how to use their Garden Club Book and find out what they want to attend. Anyone who joins between January and March will pay \$12.00 to FFGC, and \$.50 for the District X dues.

Garden Arts & Crafts - Dee Rolfe

February 4, 2026 the project is making flowers using book pages. The charge is \$15. Will be held in the Evergreen Room from 9a -1p. Carol Lazzarino is teaching the class.

Newsletter – This position is still vacant - looking for committee volunteers. PowerPoint will be the software we will use. Next newsletter will be the end of March.

Arbor Day - Kathy Siena sent a letter to Michael Napoleone, Maria Antuna, Jim Barnes, with cc to Will Gurney, Annette Lubsen, Susie Stevenson, Amanda Silvestri, and John McGovern. Arbor Day is celebrated on January 16th. The Wellington Garden Club will

host the third annual Florida Arbor Day celebration on Friday, January 16th, at 11a at our Wildflower Meadow, located within the Greenbriar Park. We would be delighted if you could all join us in supporting Florida and Arbor Day.

Special Committee Reports

Club Shirts - Sera Peat. WGC Polo shirts will be available at the upcoming Members Meeting.

Floral Design Study Group - Carol Ralph. 11 members have shown interest. 7 have already paid. It is advertised on our website, and information sent to the Presidents of District X clubs. We will be talking to members at the membership meeting and encouraging the members to take a look at this and register.

Garden Tour - Carol Ralph. We held a meeting on December 8th, with only 11 members attending. To increase participation, Carol Coleman and I will be speaking to the members at the upcoming meeting. Some of the owners have kindly offered to provide tents and coolers, which will reduce our workload. Claire Valier will be in charge of managing the tents and tables.

The public tickets are priced at \$60. The volunteer club member tickets cost \$35 each. There are two color options for tickets. Joyce Smith has volunteered to be the ticket seller at the Membership Meeting. You can also purchase tickets online at the WGC website.

We will have a 50-50 raffle, and Caroline Kessman has volunteered to handle it. The public will be informed about this. There will be a table in front of the parking lot at Village Hall where people will be handing out booklets, wristbands, and will provide enough space for Caroline if needed, or add an extra table.

We will need 42 volunteers to greet visitors and ensure that everyone has a great time on the tour. The volunteer work time will last for a maximum of 2.5 hours per person. We will visit six gardens including Mida Farms.

The vendors will be located at the cul-de-sac on Westbury Close. We will set up the tables there, as ample parking available. No approval from the VoW is required.

External Events Liaison - Maria Wolfe. The Tropical Short Course "Gardening Into The Future" will be held at Wellington Community Center on January 22 & 23. The course covers a wide range of topics, including orchids, saltwater intrusion and gardening, community gardening, new species for Florida gardens. Floral designers will compete in a judges' challenge, where they will create floral arrangements using the same container and floral materials and accents. Designs will be evaluated based on their creativity and technical skill. Designers include Susan Hillson, Dalphna Goldberg, Victoria Bellias, Barbara Campbell, and Faye Estes. Cost is \$95 including continental breakfast and lunch.

Flower Show School Series - Maria Wolfe. The very first course in a four-part series of courses to become a horticulture judge, flower show judge, or chairing an NGC flower show is January 13-16 in Boca Raton. Sign up if you're interested.

FFGC Convention (State Flower Show) - Maria Wolfe

The convention is April 14-16 in Kissimmee, Florida at Embassy Suites. Excellent speakers, workshops, and PJ's & Pancake Breakfast (where attendees wear pajamas). It is a convention, and also a business meeting. It is important to attend as one item possibly up for discussion, and a vote, is the sale of the FFGC Headquarters building in Winter Park, FL. Maria will keep all posted as this event approaches. Registration is open and available.

FFGC District X Meeting - Maria Wolfe.

The next District X meeting is Thursday, April 23. The theme is Wonders of Water. To be held at the Boca Raton Garden Club clubhouse (only 1-1/2 miles from the Ocean). Seating will be limited. Register early. AM speaker is RJ Boyle "Conservation of our Ocean". PM speaker is Sandra Deery, NGC Floral Designer "Underwater Designs". Cost is \$45. Register at DistrictX.org.

Memorial Project - Jan Seagrave. Committee: John Siena, Kimberly Helms, Jan Seagrave have been tasked with developing a standardized way to honor our deceased members. Decided to purchase a park bench of composite material (approximately \$400-\$500) requiring minimal maintenance, where a small engraved plaque/plate would be attached; additional plaque engraving to indicate officers or members of distinction. The Committee obtained permission from VoW to place this bench in our garden by the butterfly garden. VoW will be responsible for the bench installation. This committee will continue to gather information until a unanimous decision is reached.

Shredding Event - Annette Lubsen. Next scheduled event is Saturday, January 24 from 10a to 12p. Will post a volunteer sign-up sheet at the January 5 Member Meeting. Need energetic volunteers/sales people.

Old Business - None

New Business - Bobbi Ziegler. We ran out of stationary, but Carol Ralph kindly printed more for us.

WGC Contributors Appreciation - Dee Rolfe. Request members to patronize the businesses that contribute to WGC throughout the year. When doing so, kindly mention that you are a member of the Wellington Garden Club. It is crucial to let these businesses and individuals know how much we appreciate their support. Thank You cards are sent out to all contributors.

Announcements - None

Meeting adjourned at 11:11am

Respectfully Submitted by
Mariclaire "Mimi" Borowy and Carol Dima
Co-Recording Secretaries

**Wellington Garden Club
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Monday, December 22, 2025 – 9:30am
Wellington Community Center**

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. A quorum to be established
- B. All cell phones to be silenced

II. Officer Reports

- A. **Recording Secretary** – Minutes from October 27, 2025, BOD meeting submitted for approval.
- B. **Treasurer** - Treasurer's Report, Covering Nov & Dec 2025, Fiscal Year to Date
- C. **President's Report:**
 - 1. WGC awards display – Susie
 - 2. Holiday Luncheon – Attendees & Raffle
 - 3. Sunset Social, January 30th, Linda Messina & Sheila Ewing Homes
 - 4. Adopt - A – Street, December 2nd
 - 5. Storage Unit information
- D. **1st Vice President – This position is still vacant**
- E. **2nd Vice President** –Robin Hummel-Johnson - Speaker for January 5th - Bryan Beidlerman An Intro to Tropical Weather Bonsai. (see page 15 in yearbook)
- F. **External Events Liaison** - Maria Wolfe
 - a. Tropical Short Course- January 22-23,2026
 - b. FFGC Convention (State Flower Show) April 14-17,2026
 - c. FFGC District X Meeting April 23, 2026
 - d. Flower Show School

III. Standing Committee Reports

- A. **Anne Hlasnicek** – New Member orientation
- B. **Dee Rolfe** – Garden Arts & Crafts
- D. **Newsletter** – This position is still vacant - looking for committee volunteers- PowerPoint

IV. Special Committee Reports

- A. **Sera Peat** - Club Polo shirts/unable to attend-report forwarded
- B. **Carol Ralph**
 - a. Floral Design Study
 - b. Garden Tour
- C. **Jan Seagrave** – Memorial Project
- D. **Shredding Event** – January 24, 2026

V. Old Business

VII. New Business

- 1. **Bobbi Ziegler**

VIII. Announcements

IV. Adjourn

Wellington Garden Club
Preliminary Treasurer's Report - November 1- December 19, 2025

Income between Nov. 1st – Dec. 19th is **\$6,652.70**

Income for November and December 2025 (to date) is attributed to:

- Member Holiday Luncheon Deposits (\$3,528)
- Holiday Luncheon Raffle (\$1,240)
- Member purchases of preordered WGC Polo Shirts with embroidered logo (\$565)
- Anonymous \$500 Donation earmarked for Wekiva LIT Sponsorships (\$500)
- Ongoing collection of 2025/26 Membership Dues (\$265)
- Membership basket donations to the Florida Oceanographic Society for their Sea Grass Restoration program (\$170.58)
- November Membership Meeting Plant Raffle (\$143)
- Collection of Garden Art workshop fee (\$135)
- Wekiva (LIT) Sponsorship Donation (\$80)
- PayPal Giving Fund (Donations - Other \$17.31)
- PNC Credit Card Rewards (\$8.81)

Expenses between Nov. 1st – Dec. 19th are **\$5,117.76**

Expenses incurred in November and December 2025 (to date) are attributed to:

- Wellington National Golf Club for Holiday Luncheon Meals (\$2,947.93)
- Purchase of gardening materials for Youth Gardens at Pine Jog Elementary and Palm Beach Central High School (\$522.83)
- Paid balance for 36 WGC embroidered shirts (\$522)
- Holiday Luncheon - Other (Entertainment) (\$250)
- Donation to the Florida Oceanographic Society for their Sea Grass Restoration program (\$170.58)
- Purchase of Individual and Family Mounts Memberships (Raffle Prizes) (\$155.00)
- Storage unit fees for Nov. & Dec. (\$111.95)
- Purchase of Wildflower Garden plants (\$100)
- Holiday Luncheon Other Expenses (\$91.57)
- Purchase of Garden Art materials (\$65.60)
- FFGC membership dues for four new members (\$50)
- Postage Forever Stamps (31.20)
- Mailchimp monthly email correspondence fees for Nov. & Dec. (\$26)
- President's Expense (\$25.23)
- Treasurer & Accountant Expense (\$21.06)
- Printing Expense (\$15)
- Awards/Grants expense (\$11.86)

See the attached Profit & Loss reports (November/December & Fiscal Year to Date) for additional details.

Checking Account Balance (as of 12/19/2025): **\$31,580.02**

Marianne Forrest
Treasurer

Danese Sloan-Kendall
Asst. Treasurer

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 June 1 through December 19, 2025

	Jun 1 - De...	Budget	\$ Over Bu...	% of Bud...
Income				
4000 · INCOME				
4100 · Inventory Items Fundraising				
4101 · Boutique Items	865.00	100.00	765.00	865.0%
4104 · Plants Sale	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
4106 · Plant Raffle Meetings	433.00	500.00	-67.00	86.6%
4110 · Misc	-257.50	100.00	-357.50	-257.5%
Total 4100 · Inventory Items Fundraising	1,040.50	2,700.00	-1,659.50	38.5%
4200 · Membership Dues				
	960.00	6,000.00	-5,040.00	16.0%
4300 · Program Services Revenue				
4301 · Awards & Grants				
4301.1 · Awards	75.00	0.00	75.00	100.0%
4301 · Awards & Grants - Other	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Total 4301 · Awards & Grants	75.00	300.00	-225.00	25.0%
4302 · Donations & Memorials				
4302.2 Wekiva Sponsorship Donat	1,580.00	0.00	1,580.00	100.0%
4302.1 · Donations Other	1,022.31	0.00	1,022.31	100.0%
4411 · Scholarships	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	100.0%
4302 · Donations & Memorials - Other	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 4302 · Donations & Memorials	5,602.31	100.00	5,502.31	5,602.3%
4307 · Wekiva Campership Income				
	0.00	1.00	-1.00	0.0%
4308 · Floral Design				
	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
4308b · Garden Art				
	135.00	1.00	134.00	13,500.0%
4309 · Plant-A-Tree				
	47.99	1.00	46.99	4,799.0%
4313 · Coral Reef				
	108.00	1.00	107.00	10,800.0%
4314 · FL Oceanographic Society				
	170.58	1.00	169.58	17,058.0%
Total 4300 · Program Services Revenue	6,138.88	905.00	5,233.88	678.3%
4400 · Special Events				
4401 · Around & Abouts				
	550.00	1.00	549.00	55,000.0%
4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income				
4402.1 · Member Meals Holiday Luncheon	3,528.00	4,500.00	-972.00	78.4%
4402.2 · Other Holiday Luncheon Income	1,235.00	500.00	735.00	247.0%
4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income - Other	5.00	0.00	5.00	100.0%
Total 4402 · Holiday Luncheon Income	4,768.00	5,000.00	-232.00	95.4%
4403 · Spring Luncheon Income				
4403.1 · Member Meals Spring Luncheon	0.00	4,500.00	-4,500.00	0.0%
4403.2 · Other Income Spring Luncheon	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
Total 4403 · Spring Luncheon Income	0.00	4,750.00	-4,750.00	0.0%
Total 4400 · Special Events	5,318.00	9,751.00	-4,433.00	54.5%
4408 · Flower Show				
	26.00	0.00	26.00	100.0%
4409 · Fundraising				
4409 b · Fundraising other	84.44	500.00	-415.56	16.9%
4409c · Shredding	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
4409d · The Kings Academy	2,303.00	4,200.00	-1,897.00	54.8%
4500 · Garden Tour				
4504 · Garden Tour Raffle Income	70.00	0.00	70.00	100.0%
4500 · Garden Tour - Other	0.00	15,700.00	-15,700.00	0.0%
Total 4500 · Garden Tour	70.00	15,700.00	-15,630.00	0.4%
4409 · Fundraising - Other				
	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Total 4409 · Fundraising	2,457.44	21,600.00	-19,142.56	11.4%
4900 · reconciliation				
	8.81	0.00	8.81	100.0%
Total 4000 · INCOME	15,949.63	40,956.00	-25,006.37	38.9%

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 June 1 through December 19, 2025

	Jun 1 - De...	Budget	\$ Over Bu...	% of Bud...
Total Income	15,949.63	40,956.00	-25,006.37	38.9%
Gross Profit	15,949.63	40,956.00	-25,006.37	38.9%
Expense				
6500 · EXPENSE				
6501 · Inventory Fundraising Expenses				
6502 · Boutique & Logo Items	1,070.99	200.00	870.99	535.5%
6505 · Plants Sale	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
6507 · Plants Meetings	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
6510 · Tropical Short Course	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
Total 6501 · Inventory Fundraising Expenses	1,070.99	900.00	170.99	119.0%
6599 · Fundraising Expenses				
6599 b · Fundraising Other				
6599c · Shredding	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6599d · The Kings Academy	1,983.00	3,500.00	-1,517.00	56.7%
6599 b · Fundraising Other - Other	160.20	0.00	160.20	100.0%
Total 6599 b · Fundraising Other	2,143.20	3,650.00	-1,506.80	58.7%
6600 · Garden Tour Expense	0.00	3,700.00	-3,700.00	0.0%
Total 6599 · Fundraising Expenses	2,143.20	7,350.00	-5,206.80	29.2%
6700 · Management & General				
6701 · Chamber Dues (Wellington)	150.00	125.00	25.00	120.0%
6702 · Correspondence	78.00	350.00	-272.00	22.3%
6703 · Discretionary	76.99	250.00	-173.01	30.8%
6704 · Historian	0.00	25.00	-25.00	0.0%
6705 · Insurance	582.27	700.00	-117.73	83.2%
6706 · Membership				
6706b · New Member Reception	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6706 · Membership - Other	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 6706 · Membership	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
6707 · Newsletter	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0.0%
6708 · Postage	54.67	20.00	34.67	273.4%
6709 · President's Expense	25.23	1,500.00	-1,474.77	1.7%
6710 · Printing Expense	15.00	0.00	15.00	100.0%
6711 · Treasurer & Accountant	449.94	600.00	-150.06	75.0%
6712 · Website	41.99	400.00	-358.01	10.5%
6713 · Yearbook	786.94	900.00	-113.06	87.4%
6714 · Bank fees	0.00	30.00	-30.00	0.0%
6717 · Miscellaneous				
6717 b · Storage	329.18	700.00	-370.82	47.0%
Total 6717 · Miscellaneous	329.18	700.00	-370.82	47.0%
Total 6700 · Management & General	2,590.21	6,300.00	-3,709.79	41.1%
6800 · Program Services				
6802 · Award & Grants	11.86	100.00	-88.14	11.9%
6803 · Member Education	65.00	2,000.00	-1,935.00	3.3%
6804 · FFGC & District Dues				
6804.1 · Dues FFGC	210.00	1,625.00	-1,415.00	12.9%
6804.2 · Dues District X	0.00	74.50	-74.50	0.0%
Total 6804 · FFGC & District Dues	210.00	1,699.50	-1,489.50	12.4%
6805 · FFGC Convention Ad	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6806 · Honorary Awards	-100.00	600.00	-700.00	-16.7%
6807 · Floral Design	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
6807b · Garden Art	65.60	100.00	-34.40	65.6%
6808 · Habitat	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
6809 · Youth Activities				
6809.1 · Youth Programs	522.83	1,600.00	-1,077.17	32.7%

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6809.5 · Designated Youth Activities	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 6809 · Youth Activities	522.83	1,700.00	-1,177.17	30.8%
6810 · Meeting Programs/Speakers	-125.00	1,000.00	-1,125.00	-12.5%
6812 · Memorials and Donations				
6812 b · VoW Tea Talk Sponsorship	0.00	330.00	-330.00	0.0%
6812 · Memorials and Donations - Other	0.00	2,700.00	-2,700.00	0.0%
Total 6812 · Memorials and Donations	0.00	3,030.00	-3,030.00	0.0%
6813 · Mounts Membership	155.00	150.00	5.00	103.3%
6814 · College Scholarships	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
6815 · SEEK Capital Fund	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
6816 · SEEK Scholarship	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	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	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
6820 · Wekiva LIT Program	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
6826 · Plant-A-Tree	0.00	1.00	-1.00	0.0%
6827 · Earth Day	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
6828 · Arbor Day Florida	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6829 · National Garden Week	171.65	300.00	-128.35	57.2%
6831 · Environmental Education				
6831 b · NGC Environ. Sculpture Contest	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
6831 · Environmental Education - Other	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 6831 · Environmental Education	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
6834 · Coral Reef Restoration	108.00	1.00	107.00	10,800.0%
6835 · FL Oceanographic Society	170.58	1.00	169.58	17,058.0%
6836 · Wellington Landscaping				
6836.b · Wellington Wildflower Garden	185.00	350.00	-165.00	52.9%
6836 · Wellington Landscaping - Other	0.00	350.00	-350.00	0.0%
Total 6836 · Wellington Landscaping	185.00	700.00	-515.00	26.4%
Total 6800 · Program Services	1,440.52	23,102.50	-21,661.98	6.2%
6900 · Special Events Direct Expense				
6901 · Around & Abouts	550.00	100.00	450.00	550.0%
6904 · Holiday Luncheon				
6911 · Holiday Luncheon Other Expenses	91.57	300.00	-208.43	30.5%
6913 · Member Meals	3,447.93	4,500.00	-1,052.07	76.6%
6904 · Holiday Luncheon - Other	186.02	0.00	186.02	100.0%
Total 6904 · Holiday Luncheon	3,725.52	4,800.00	-1,074.48	77.6%
6905 · Hospitality	192.30	100.00	92.30	192.3%
6908 · Spring Luncheon				
6909 · Spring Luncheon Other Expenses	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
6912 · Guest Meals	0.00	225.00	-225.00	0.0%
6914 · Member Meals	0.00	4,500.00	-4,500.00	0.0%
Total 6908 · Spring Luncheon	0.00	5,025.00	-5,025.00	0.0%
6900 · Special Events Direct Expense - Other	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Total 6900 · Special Events Direct Expense	4,467.82	10,125.00	-5,657.18	44.1%
Total 6500 · EXPENSE	11,712.74	47,777.50	-36,064.76	24.5%
Total Expense	11,712.74	47,777.50	-36,064.76	24.5%
Net Income	4,236.89	-6,821.50	11,058.39	-62.1%

4) PROGRAM SERVICES: CAMP WEKIVA

FY 25/26

PERCENTAGE OF INCOME SPENT

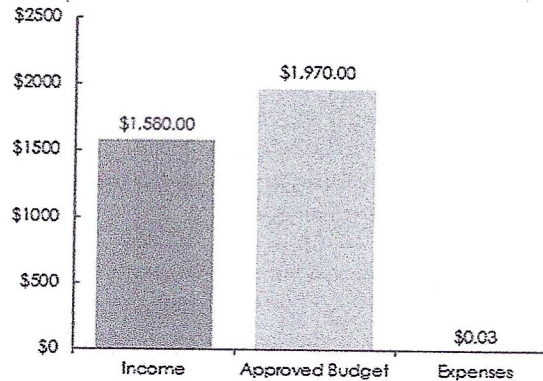
Chairs: Jan Seagrave

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SUMMARY

Additional Income (4307 Forecast \$0)	\$1,580.00
Approved Budget	\$1,970.00
Total expenses (#6818 \$1470, + 36819 \$200, + #6820 \$300 = Forecast : \$1,970)	\$0.03

BALANCE \$3,549.97



9) SPECIAL EVENTS: HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

FY 25/26

PERCENTAGE OF INCOME SPENT

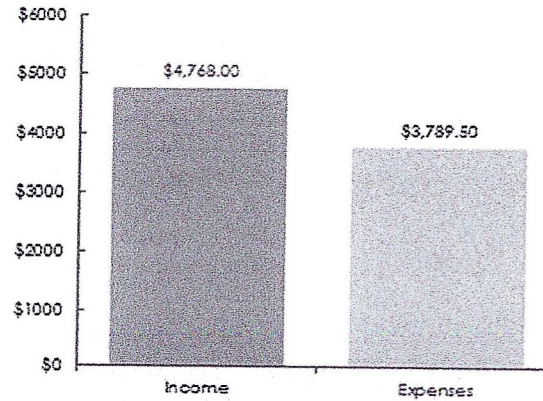
Chairs: Annette Lubsen / Dee Rolfe / Susie Stevenson

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SUMMARY

Total income (4402 Forecast \$5,000)	\$4,768.00
Total expenses (6904 Forecast: \$4,800)	\$3,789.50

BALANCE (PROFIT) \$978.50



13) FUNDRAISING: THE KINGS ACADEMY PERFORMANCES

FY 25/26

PERCENTAGE OF INCOME SPENT

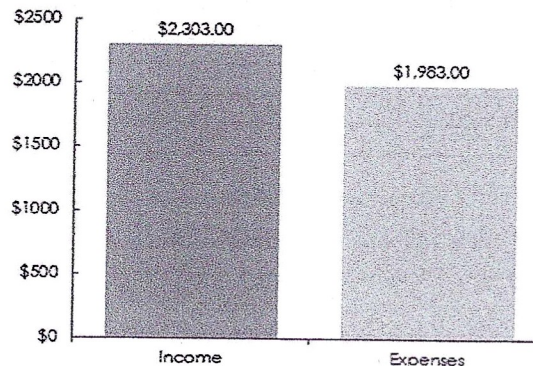
Chair: Stormi Bivin

86%

SUMMARY

Total income (4409d Forecast \$4,200)	\$2,303.00
Total expenses (6599d Forecast: \$3,500)	\$1,983.00

BALANCE (Profit) \$320.00



Garden Art and Crafts
Vase in a Book Craft
Wednesday February 04; 2026
\$15.00

Wellington Community Center
Everglades Room!
9:00 AM

Time permitting I will teach you how to make the flowers with book pages, however, you might have to finish them at home. The other option is to bring your own silk flowers to coordinate with your decor.. please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Carol Lazzarino
561 312-2082



-Carol Dima-

External Events Liaison Report

Wellington Garden Club

Maria Wolfe

Tropical Short Course: – Gardening Into The Future – January 22-23, 2026 at the Wellington Community Center. Cost is \$95.00 and covers continental breakfast and lunch.

1. Subjects covered are Orchids to Know & Grow, New Species for Fl Gardens, Saltwater Intrusion & Gardening, and Community Gardening. Each day finishes with Floral Designers and on Thursday, 4 Flower Show Judges will be given the same container, florals leaves and accents with 30 minutes to create an arrangement as the audience watches. They are: Susan Hillson, Daphna Goldberg, Victoria Bellias, Barbara Campbell, and Faye Estes.

2. **Flower Show School:**

Flower Show School by Susan Hillson

New Flower Show School Series Starting Up

District XI Judges Council in Ft. Lauderdale is planning a new flower show school series. The first two schools will be held at the Boca Raton Clubhouse while the Ft. Lauderdale clubhouse is undergoing construction. Becky Schuberth and Inger Jones are the co-chairs. Plans include:

Course 1: JANUARY 13-16, 2026 Boca Raton, Instructors: Design & Procedure Gina Jogan , Horticulture David Robson

Course 2: MAY 19-22, 2026 Boca Raton, Instructors: Design & Procedure Gina Jogan, Horticulture Teri Ewers

Course 3: NOVEMBER 9-12, 2026, Ft. Lauderdale, Instructors: Design Claudia Bates, Horticulture & Procedure Jan Griffin

Course 4: MARCH 15-18, 2027, Ft. Lauderdale, Instructors: Design Claudia Bates, Horticulture & Procedure Jan Griffin

Flower Show School teaches all you need to know about judging, entering, competing, and chairing an NGC flower show. There are 4 courses each generally scheduled over a 2-3 day period, and each with a specific curriculum that includes horticulture, design, and flower show procedure (FSP). If you know someone who would make a good flower show judge encourage them to attend flower show school. It is also useful for members planning to chair a flower show, or simply want to learn more.

3. **FFGC Convention:** FFGC Convention – April 14-16, 2026 – at Embassy Suites in Kissimmee, Fl. (that means you can fit 3 to a room). Speaker – Neal Sanders author of Gardening is Murder book series and Jacob McCall – a nationally known floral designer. Workshops on making baskets out of Pine Straw, Fun With Flowers. A PJS and Pancakes breakfast one morning with a backdrop for pictures. Please plan on attending. One business item that may be up for discussion is selling the FFGC Headquarters building. Come vote.

4. **District X Meeting:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 Theme is: Wonders of Water – to be held at the Boca Raton Garden Club clubhouse which is only 1.5 miles from the ocean. Seating is limited so I recommend you register early. The speakers are: AM Speaker: RJ Boyle “Conservation of our Ocean” PM Speaker: Sandra Deery NGC Floral Designer “Underwater Designs” Cost is: \$45 Register NOW at DistrictX.org Why: Because seating is limited.....

Report to the Board December 22, 2025

(preparation for Jan 2026 meeting)

Anne Hlasnicek – Membership Chair

At the last meeting we had 9 visitors and gained 3 new members. Two visitors had attended two (or more,) meetings by 11-3-25 and were sent a letter expressing our interest in having them join us and explaining that we only open attendance at two meetings of their choice to nonmembers.

I enclosed a membership application in that note to Priscilla Haynes and Lee Massey, explaining that the club returns to monthly meetings in January when they could receive their new yearbook with membership.

Approximately one week before each meeting, one time visitors are sent an Email invitation to the next Garden Club meeting with a description of the program. I will now add the note that nonmembers are welcome at two of our meetings yearly. This may help avoid confusion regarding our protocol. The guest sign-in sheets are now amended to carry the nonmember two visit policy

On Monday, February ~~23~~²⁵, the Membership Committee and the co presidents will again host a garden walk and coffee for new members including those who could not attend the last social., This time it will be at the home and garden of Anne Hlasnicek. This is planned for the morning hours of 10.00 to 12:30 with a brunch served. Committee Chairs are again invited to attend and introduce newbies to the activities and workings of our club. Because this will replace the scheduled reception for February 25th, chairs are encouraged to attend and offer information about their work and needs. We will again make this an informal, get acquainted and make new friends event which proved to be very successful at our October event. **Please notify Anne of your wishes to attend before February 9th**

from Susan -

- The Awards Wall -

The Village of Wellington has given us the go-ahead to use a wall in the community building on the first floor to display our Wellington Garden Club awards.

We met with Heather, ~~Jade~~ ^{Jennifer} and a carpenter to plan the layout after our November meeting.

We will have a center plaque showing our logo and motto.

It will be surrounded by 5 different awards - All will be in a simple black rim frame

(Cost is ~~over~~ 100 \$ approximately)

We plan to have the installation complete by the February meeting to show our members!

Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Native Plant Resource Guide

Plant Selection

Find the right native plants for your landscape with these helpful websites:

- **Florida Association of Native Nurseries**
www.plantrealflorida.org/plants
- **Florida Native Plant Society**
www.fnps.org/plants
- **Institute for Regional Conservation - Natives for Your Neighborhood**
www.regionalconservation.org/beta/nfyn

Where to Buy Native Plants

Retail Nurseries

- **Amelia's SmartyPlants**
1515 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth
561-540-6296
www.amelias-smartyplants.com
- **Meadow Beauty Nursery**
Design, installation services available. Call in advance.
5782 Ranches Rd, Lake Worth
561-601-9673
www.meadowbeautynursery.com
- **Native Choice Nursery**
561-843-1192
jeffrem@bellsouth.net
- **Indian Trails Native Nursery**
Consult, design, grow, deliver, install
6315 Park Ln W, Lake Worth
561-641-9488
www.indiantrailsnativenursery.com

Wholesale Nurseries (Some Open to Public)

- **Carl Bates Indigenous Plants**
Call for retail options
17639 64th Place North,
Loxahatchee
828-342-7764
- **Native Green Cay Nursery Inc.**
Wholesale only
12750 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach
561-496-1415
mijam@mac.com

Native Landscape Design & Installation Services

- **Neglected Plants** (Installation, maintenance)
561-767-6554
www.neglectedplants.com
- **The Nursery at Sustainscape** (Design, installation)
561-245-5305
www.sustainscapeflorida.com
- **General Landscaping Corporation** (Design, installation, landscape architecture)
561-239-8280
generalland@bellsouth.net
- **Mesozoic Landscapes** (Design, installation)
561-967-2630
moyroud@prodigy.net
- **Lorax Designs** (Design, installation)
7713 Park Lane Rd, Lake Worth
954-592-2980
lxdesigns13@gmail.com

Top 12 Native Plants for Home Landscapes



Firebush

(*Hamelia patens*)

Firebush is a fast-growing, semi-woody shrub native

to Florida. It features bright red-orange tubular flowers that attract hummingbirds and butterflies. This plant can grow between 5 to 20 feet tall, 10 feet wide and thrives in full sun to partial shade. Firebush is drought-tolerant once established and is commonly used in wildlife gardens and hedges.



Palmetto (*Serenoa repens*)

Saw Palmetto is a hardy, slow-growing palm that typically reaches 4 to 6 feet in height. It has fan-shaped, silvery-green leaves and produces small, yellowish-white flowers followed by dark berries that provide food for wildlife. This plant thrives in a variety of conditions, from full sun to shade, and is highly drought-tolerant.



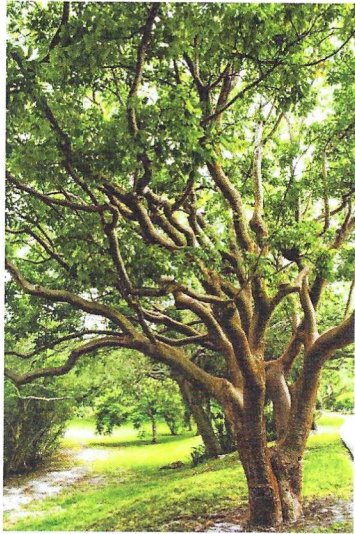
Wild Coffee (*Psychotria nervosa*)

Wild Coffee is an evergreen shrub that grows 2 to 6 feet tall, 1.5 to 3 feet wide. It has glossy, dark green leaves with deep veins and produces clusters of small, white flowers followed by red berries. This plant thrives in partial to full shade and well-drained soils. Wild Coffee is a great choice for attracting birds and pollinators to the garden.



Seagrape (*Coccoloba uvifera*)

Seagrape is a coastal tree or shrub that can grow up to 50 feet tall by 35 feet wide. It has large, round leaves with red veins and produces clusters of grape-like fruits that are edible. This plant thrives in sandy, well-drained soils and full sun, making it an excellent choice for coastal landscapes and erosion control.



Gumbo Limbo

(Bursera simaruba)

Gumbo Limbo is a fast-growing, semi-evergreen tree native to South Florida. It can reach 25 to 30 feet in height, equally as wide, and is known

for its distinctive peeling red bark. This tree thrives in full sun to partial shade and well-drained soils. It is drought- and salt-tolerant, making it an excellent choice for coastal and urban landscapes.



Wild Cinnamon Bark (*Canella winterana*)

Wild Cinnamon Bark is an evergreen shrub or small tree that grows 15 to 20 feet tall. It features glossy green leaves, small red flowers, and red berries that attract birds. This plant thrives in full sun to partial shade and sandy, well-drained soils. It is drought- and salt-tolerant, making it well-suited for coastal gardens.



Florida Thatch Palm *(Thrinax radiata)*

Florida Thatch Palm is a slender, single-trunk palm that grows 15 to 30 feet tall, 5-

15 feet wide. It has fan-shaped, deep green leaves and produces small white flowers followed by white to purple fruits. This palm prefers full sun to partial shade and well-drained sandy soils. It is salt-tolerant and commonly used in coastal and ornamental landscapes.



Cocoplum *(Chrysobalanus icaco)*

Cocoplum is a versatile

evergreen shrub or small tree that grows 10 to 30 feet tall, by 10-2- feet wide. It has rounded, glossy green leaves and produces small white flowers followed by edible purple fruits. This plant thrives in full sun to partial shade and well-drained sandy soils. It is salt- and drought-tolerant, making it ideal for coastal and residential landscapes.



Jamaican Caper

(*Capparis cynophallophora*)

Jamaican Caper is an evergreen shrub or small tree that grows 6 to 12 feet tall and 6-10 feet wide. It has glossy green leaves with a

silvery underside and produces fragrant purple and white flowers that attract pollinators. This plant thrives in full sun to partial shade and well-drained soils. It is highly drought- and salt-tolerant, making it ideal for coastal and urban landscapes.



Dahoon Holly

(*Ilex cassine*)

Dahoon Holly is an evergreen tree that grows 20 to 30 feet tall, spread 10 to 15 feet. It has glossy, dark green leaves and

produces small white flowers followed by bright red berries that attract birds. This plant thrives in full sun to partial shade and moist to wet soils, making it well-suited for rain gardens and wetland areas.

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Chapman's Senna (*Senna mexicana var. chapmanii*)

Chapman's Senna is a fast-growing, shrub that reaches 2-4 feet tall and 3 to 6 feet wide. It produces clusters of bright yellow flowers that attract butterflies, especially sulfur butterflies. This plant thrives in full sun and well-drained soils. It is drought-tolerant and commonly used in native plant gardens and pollinator habitats.

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Coontie

(*Zamia integrifolia*)

Coontie is a slow-growing, native cycad

that reaches 2-3 feet in height, 3 to 5 feet wide. It features stiff, feather-like leaves and thrives in well-drained soils with full sun to partial shade. This drought-tolerant plant provides habitat and food for the rare Atala butterfly, making it an excellent choice for wildlife gardens and native landscapes.

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