

# Academy Garden Club Thymes

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMY GARDEN CLUB OF LENOX

**October 2024**

## **Minutes**

### **September 10, 2024**

The Academy Garden Club (AGC) meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at the Lenox Academy Building with 22 members attending.

The Secretary's and the Treasurer's reports were both proposed as mailed, seconded and approved unanimously.

Jill Dore, President, gave a report on the activities of the club since our June annual meeting. She noted that there were several successful trips and activities: a tour of the sculpture at The Mount followed by luncheon, Barbara Gluckman's garden visit, Susan Wolf's Garden Party and Flower Arrangement workshop and the AGC annual flower show on the porch of the Curtis Hotel. She also mentioned how nice were the new decorations in the Post Office window and urged all to stop by. Jill thanked all the many members who help make these events possible.

Jill also spoke of the up-and-coming events: September 28th 10-5 pm is the Apple Squeeze. There is a sign-up sheet at the check in table. There are 4 two-hour shifts. On Friday, Sept 27th in the afternoon and early evening volunteers are needed to cut flowers and make both bouquets and arrangements. A few baskets have been donated and Theresa Fasano said she has collected a number of mason jars. In addition, Dianne Romeo is providing bags of coffee grounds and Cindy Packard has made bookmarks and some others will make wreaths to sell as well as the AGC Cookbook.

The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts has notified Jill that they are seeking volunteers to

develop a series of contests designed to encourage young people of all ages to become gardeners.

The AGC members are also invited to participate in a flower show at Tower Hill, MA sometime in November. If anyone is interested, contact Jill for more information and the entry forms.

Dianne Romeo spoke about the pollinator garden. It was a challenge to start. There was a mound of wood chips on the area. Once the chips were removed the ground was extremely hard to dig due to poor soil. It was decided that raised beds will be built. \$240 has been donated for the garden, but additional funds may be needed. Dianne reported that she had found someone to donate the lumber and Susan Wolf will have excess good quality garden soil that she will be willing to donate in the Spring.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. for a potluck supper enjoyed by all.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Sarah Hatch, Secretary**