Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting January 3, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington's Board met January 3rd at the home of Ginny May. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. There were twelve members present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Ginny May, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, and Barbara Young.

Mo Ethington read the minutes from the December Board meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$14,897.97.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$7,453.00 for assistant treasurer, Kim DeCamp. Ginny read a letter of resignation from Anne Sayre Combs. A motion was made to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Sydney Sarah Combs. Seconded by Libby Brown. Unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown announced an orientation meeting with the new members at her house on January 20th at 4:00 p.m.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young reminded everyone our Jan 20th meeting would be held at Broadway Christian Church at 10:30 a.m. There will be no meeting in February and the Annual meeting will be on March 17th. Further details will be in the Blooming News.

PUBLICATIONS: Tuesday, January 4th at 5:00 p.m will be the deadline for the Blooming News.

NEW BUSINESS: Ellen Chapman, Visiting Garden Chair, announced a small group of women from the Garden Club of Houston would be coming to Lexington in the spring. They would like to visit gardens and see some of the Bluegrass.

President Ginny May appointed Brenda Barrett and Kathy Brooks to be on the Horticulture Committee; Betsy Bulleit on the Flower Arrangement Committee and Marcia Slabaugh on the Conservation Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, mo Ethington Mo Ethington, Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting January 20, 2005

Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, January 20th at Broadway Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Ginny May, Kay Steffee and Janie Stilz served as hostesses. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,420.58.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Conservation: Mott Nicol reported she would be going to the GCA conservation meeting in a few weeks.

Horticulture: Chairman Dottie Cordray asked everyone who had a propagation box to please let her know how the plants were doing for the Annual Meeting. A horticulture meeting will be held at Dot Crutcher's on Wednesday, March 2nd at 10:30 a.m.

Old Business: Ginny took a survey to see how many people use and enjoy the GCA site, "Real Dirt".

Ginny thanked Anne Campbell for the new microphone she donated to the Garden Club.

New Business: Dot Crutcher presented the motion from the Board to change the name of Publicity to Public Relations and to add Public Relations to the Board Standing Committees in the By-Laws. Unanimously approved.

As there was no further business, Ginny reminded everyone there would be no February meeting. The next meeting will be at the Lexington Club on March 17th at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Program Chairman, Barbara Young turned the program over to our own beekeeper, Lucy Breathitt, who introduced Phil Craft, Kentucky State Apiarist. A wonderful program was given on the life of honeybees and beekeeping, which was followed by a delicious box lunch. All enjoyed the morning.

Respectfully submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting March 7, 2005

The Board of Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Mimi Milward. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 18 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Mott Nicol, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay VanMeter and Barbara Young.

The minutes from the January meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer, Gay VanMeter reported a bank balance of \$15,596.78.

President Ginny May read a letter of resignation from the Garden Club from Bitsy Ruch. Barbara Young made a motion, which was seconded by Nancy Bishop to accept with deep, deep regret Bitsy Ruch resignation. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION: Chair Mott Nicol reported on her meeting in Washington, D.C. She informed everyone of a report by Congress's Joint Committee on Taxation. Their recommendation is to dismantle tax deductions for landowners who volunteer to conserve their land and historic buildings. This program has been essential to private and public conservation efforts. Mott asked all who were concerned to either call or fax our Senators. Numbers will be in the Blooming News. Our conservation project will be to help Ashland with their grounds by trying to rid the grounds of honeysuckle and to take care of the Buffalo clover plants. We will work along side Gray Landscape Service. This is a one-year commitment and will cost about \$700.00.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson announced they have found a beautiful Lacebark Elm, which will be purchased to replace the tree on the terrace. The cost will be approximately \$1500.00.

Jessica and Callie are getting bids on garden gates to replace the wooden gate on the side. Aluminum gates are around \$6100.00 and the steel are \$2500.00. This does not include installation. They will report later on their recommendation. Everyone should report to the peony bed for clean up on march 30th. Our weekly garden work will begin April 6th.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray reported on a brochure the horticulture committee will be working on and asked for everyone help. A list of every plant in the boarder will be identified and a timeline of when they bloom will be printed. Logistics will follow soon. Dottie asked everyone who has propagation containers to please bring them to Dot

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported we have a balance of \$9, 129.54

OLD BUSINESS: Ginny reminded all photographers to have their pictures ready for the Zone Meeting. They have to be entered by May 2-16. There can only be two entries from each club. We will decide which pictures will be entered.

NEW BUSINESS: A vote will be taken on a new National Park. Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Water Trail is being considered.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Dot Crutcher for the use of her home even though she was unable to attend. The next meeting will be held at Sarah Davis's house on May 2^{nd} . The meeting was adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Elhungton

February 25, 2005

To: Benny Williams

From: Jackie Duke

Re: Bluegrass Winners cookbook

Dear Benny:

Eclipse Press is pleased to propose the following arrangement for printing the 20th edition of *Bluegrass Winners* cookbook (or the first edition of *The NEW Bluegrass Winners* cookbook):

Press run: 4,000 copies

Cover price: \$24.95 (in line with other cookbooks and anticipating an increase in paper costs by the 2006)

Specifications: as proposed by Garden Club of Lexington

Benefits to Garden Club: 3,000 copies at no cost, representing revenue potential of nearly \$75,000; Garden Club to sell through its established channels and outlets; editing, layout, and production at no cost to Garden Club.

Eclipse Press retains 1,000 copies to sell through Exclusively Equine and through national distributor.

Subsequent printing: to be determined within first full year *Bluegrass Winners* is available for sale.

Thank you in advance for the opportunity to present this proposal.

Mo Ethington

From: Benny Williams [benny@bellgroupky.com]

Sent: Friday, February 25, 2005 9:22 AM

To: GHV211@aol.com **Subject:** Cookbook progress

Hey Gay--

I left a message on your cell phone yesterday, but wanted you to have the scoop in writing, too. Heard back from Stacy Bearse. The long and short of it is that if they cut the press run down by one-half, he can make sense of the costs they incur. So, the proposal is that they do 4,000 books, Eclipse keeps 1,000, cover price is \$24.95. No cost to us up front, we keep all of our current "clients" and outlet to sell to, we have the rights, etc. Then, when time to reprint, we can get a quote from them, which should be at a reasonable rate. If you have any questions, Jackie said to give her a call. Or, if the timing is such that the board has more questions, etc., by the time I get back, I'll call Stacy and firm it up. I get back on March 10th (functioning hopefully by the 14th). Let me know. Not a bad compromise, especially considering no up-front money for production. Not exactly what we want, but should be OK? Check you later, Benny

Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2004

| | Dec 31, 04 | |
|---|---|--|
| ASSETS Current Assets Checking/Savings Checking - BGW Checking - DUES Checking - GARDEN Savings - BGW | 7,884.60 7,431.34 14,555.15 6,563.81 | |
| Total Checking/Savings | 36,434.90 | |
| Accounts Receivable Accounts Receivable | 7,133.90 | |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 7,133.90 | |
| Other Current Assets Certificates of Deposit CD - Pacific Capital Bank 12/08 CD - GMAC Automotive Bank 10/09 CD - Flagstar Bank 08/08 CD - Net Bank 06/18/08 CD - Safra National Bank NY 13 CD - Merrill Lynch Bk USA 2007 CD - Bankatlantic F.S.B. 032706 CD - Provident BK Cinn OH 11/07 CD - Flagstar Bank 010207 CD - MBNA America Bk 10/05 CD - Capital One Bank 0506 CD - Providian N.B. 09/06 CD - Lehman Bros 08/05 CD - Provid NH FF Dep 12/05 | 15,000.00 20,000.00 10,000.00 14,000.00 15,000.00 8,000.00 21,000.00 15,000.00 15,000.00 25,000.00 14,000.00 34,000.00 | |
| Total Certificates of Deposit | 232,000.00 | |
| Inventory Merrill Lynch Ready Asset Undeposited Funds | 57,599.93 17,567.20 37.91 | |
| Total Other Current Assets | 307,205.04 | |
| Total Current Assets | 350,773.84 | |
| Fixed Assets Lighting for Garden Accumulated Depreciation Lighting for Garden - Other | -2,173.00 3,801.00 | |
| Total Lighting for Garden | 1,628.00 | |
| Irrigation System Accumulated Depreciation Cost | -2,948.00 7,370.00 | |
| Total Irrigation System | 4,422.00 | |

6:04 AM 04/13/05 Accrual Basis

Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2004

| | Dec 31, 04 | | |
|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| Computer | | | |
| Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 1,090.03 -1,028.00 | | |
| Total Computer | 62.03 | | |
| Computer Software | | | |
| Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 353.86 -353.86 | | |
| Total Computer Software | 0.00 | | |
| Garden Fountain | 0.00 | | |
| Cost | 224.95 | | |
| Accumulated Depreciation | -225.00 | | |
| Total Garden Fountain | -0.05 | | |
| Garden Furniture Cost | 4,149.75 | | |
| Accumulated Depreciation | -4,150.00 | | |
| Total Garden Furniture | -0.25 | | |
| Office Equipment | | | |
| Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 1,491.83 -1,492.00 | | |
| Total Office Equipment | -0.17 | | |
| Total Fixed Assets | 6,111.56 | | |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 356,885.40 | | |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities | | | |
| Current Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Payroll Liabilities | | | |
| City Withholding | 29.05 | | |
| Federal Withholding FICA | -112.00 | | |
| Company | -20.55 | | |
| Employee | -294.96 | | |
| Total FICA | -315.51 | | |
| Medicare Company | 26.74 | | |
| Employee | -36.71 5.30 | | |
| Total Medicare | -31.41 | | |
| School | 1.83 | | |
| State Withholding | 10.47 | | |
| Total Payroll Liabilities | -417.57 | | |
| | | | |

6:04 AM 04/13/05 Accrual Basis

Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2004

| | Dec 31, 04 |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Sales Tax | -345.42 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | -762.99 |
| Total Current Liabilities | -762.99 |
| Total Liabilities | -762.99 |
| Equity Open Bal Equity Retained Earnings Net Income | 272,174.33 89,609.23 -4,135.17 |
| Total Equity | 357,648.39 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 356,885.40 |

Garden Club of Lexington P&L Previous Year Comparison

January through December 2004

| | Jan - Dec '04 | Jan - Dec '03 | \$ Change | % Change |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Income | | | | |
| Donation | 1,125.00 | 0.00 | 1,125.00 | 100.0% |
| Membership Dues Membership Initiation Fees Gifts Received | 8,500.00 200.00 | 8,300.00 200.00 | 200.00 | 2.4% 0.0% |
| Memorial Gifts Regular Gifts | 400.00 0.00 | 1,945.00 55.00 | -1,545.00 -55.00 | -79.4% -100.0% |
| Total Gifts Received | 400.00 | 2,000.00 | -1,600.00 | -80.0% |
| Interest Received | | | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 10,276.91 | 14,111.73 | -3.834.82 | -27.2% |
| Checking Accounts | 37.50 | 50.78 | -13.28 | -26.2% |
| ML Ready Asset Interest Receive | 149.31 | 112.97 | 36.34 | 32.2% |
| Savings Accounts Blue Grass Winners Account | 11.04 | 60.04 | | |
| Savings Accounts - Other | 11.94 3.99 | 66.84 0.00 | -54.90 | -82.1% |
| | | | 3.99 | 100.0% |
| Total Savings Accounts | 15.93 | 66.84 | -50.91 | -76.2% |
| Total Interest Received | 10,479.65 | 14,342.32 | -3,862.67 | -26.9% |
| Cookbook Sales | | | | |
| Sales - Wholesale | 27,639.88 | 30,363.90 | -2,724.02 | -9.0% |
| Sales - Distributors Sales - In Kentucky | 18,622.84 | 21,121.94 | -2,499.10 | -11.8% |
| Sales - Out of State | 90.75 679.54 | 236.40 972.41 | -145.65 | -61.6% |
| Sales - Members | 951.87 | 664.05 | -292.87 287.82 | -30.1% 43.3% |
| Discounts Given | 001.07 | 004.03 | 207.02 | 43.3% |
| Distributors | -10,498.04 | -11,660.89 | 1,162.85 | 10.0% |
| Prepayment | -18.18 | -38.71 | 20.53 | 53.0% |
| Wholesalers | -11,060.28 | -12,145.57 | 1,085.29 | 8.9% |
| Total Discounts Given | -21,576.50 | -23,845.17 | 2,268.67 | 9.5% |
| Cost of Books Sold Cookbook Sales - Other | -12,460.48 3.75 | -13,485.22 3.80 | 1,024.74 | 7.6% |
| Total Cookbook Sales | 13,951.65 | 16,032.11 | -0.05 | -1.3% |
| Money Making Projects | 10,001.00 | 10,002.11 | -2,000.40 | -13.0% |
| Flower Show Expenses | . 0.00 | 0.000.00 | | |
| Income | 0.00 | -3,330.63 6,553.80 | 3,330.63 -6,553.80 | 100.0% -100.0% |
| Total Flower Show | 0.00 | 3,223.17 | -3,223.17 | -100.0% |
| Art Sales | | | | |
| Cost of Art Sold | -4,297.50 | -5,108.63 | 811.13 | 15.9% |
| Art Sales - Other | 8,516.70 | 8,546.30 | -29.60 | -0.4% |
| Total Art Sales | 4,219.20 | 3,437.67 | 781.53 | 22.7% |
| Friends of Garden Party | | | | |
| Income | 9,690.00 | 10,155.00 | -465.00 | -4.6% |
| Expenses Total Friends of Garden Party | -1,936.86 | -1,528.21 | -408.65 | -26.7% |
| | 7,753.14 | 8,626.79 | -873.65 | -10.1% |
| Total Money Making Projects | 11,972.34 | 15,287.63 | -3,315.29 | -21.7% |
| Total Income | 46,628.64 | 56,162.06 | -9,533.42 | -17.0% |
| Gross Profit | 46,628.64 | 56,162.06 | -9,533.42 | -17.0% |
| Expense | | | | |
| Employee Benefits | 50.00 | 0.00 | 50.00 | 100.0% |
| Bank Charges | 18.00 | 0.00 | 18.00 | 100.0% |
| Contributions | 1,381.00 | 1,015.00 | 366.00 | 36.1% |
| Depreciation Expense | 0.00 | 5,247.00 | -5,247.00 | -100.0% |
| Dues Paid to GCA | 2,870.00 | 2,870.00 | 0.00 | 0.0% |
| Blue Grass Winners Expenses Payroll Expense Medicare | 1000 | | | |
| Payroll Expense Medicare Payroll Expense Fica | 122.64 | 107.96 | 14.68 | 13.6% |
| Freight/Handling | 524.41 361.50 | 461.71 | 62.70 | 13.6% |
| . roight landing | 301.30 | 312.41 | 49.09 | 15.7% |

Garden Club of Lexington P&L Previous Year Comparison

January through December 2004

| | Jan - Dec '04 | Jan - Dec '03 | \$ Change | % Change |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| Office Supplies Payroll Expenses | 30.46 | 152.52 | -122.06 | -80.0% |
| Gross Wages | 8,458.20 | 7,448.10 | 1,010.10 | 13.6% |
| Total Payroll Expenses | 8,458.20 | 7,448.10 | 1,010.10 | 13.6% |
| Postage Promotions | 87.11 | 65.47 | 21.64 | 33.1% |
| Advertising | 569.58 | 170.80 | 398.78 | 233.5% |
| Postage Supplies | 116.40 32.46 | 37.00 30.50 | 79.40 1.96 | 214.6% 6.4% |
| Total Promotions | 718.44 | 238.30 | 480.14 | 201.5% |
| Shipping & Handling Delivery Charges Paid Out Received | . 145.33 1,425.18 -739.56 | 127.59 1,361.13 -656.20 | 17.74 64.05 | 13.9% 4.7% |
| Total Shipping & Handling | 830.95 | | -83.36 | -12.7% |
| | | 832.52 | -1.57 | -0.2% |
| Storage Fee Telephone Blue Grass Winners Expenses - Other | 222.18 706.46 0.00 | 564.00 704.88 -527.89 | -341.82 1.58 527.89 | -60.6% 0.2% 100.0% |
| Total Blue Grass Winners Expenses | 12,062.35 | 10,359.98 | 1,702.37 | 16.4% |
| Garden Expenses | 12,002.00 | 10,000.50 | 1,702.07 | 10.4% |
| Insurance Garden Furniture Insurance GCA Club Insurance Liability Insurance | 594.37 0.00 699.50 | 565.21 82.00 436.50 | 29.16 -82.00 263.00 | 5.2% -100.0% 60.3% |
| Workman's Comp | 836.25 | 836.25 | 0.00 | 0.0% |
| Total Insurance | 2,130.12 | 1,919.96 | 210.16 | 11.0% |
| Supplies Garden Maintenance Garden Building | 122.04 | 43.00 | 79.04 1,000.00 | 183.8% 100.0% |
| Repairs | 60.00 | 200.00 | -140.00 | -70.0% |
| Total Garden Maintenance | 1,060.00 | 200.00 | 860.00 | 430.0% |
| Garden Operating Expense Irrigation System Mowing Peony Garden Plants Purchased Rose Garden Upkeep, Spraying, Etc. | 465.19 5,676.00 95.20 3,229.26 98.24 4,018.96 | 354.00 5,915.00 185.00 396.25 0.00 2,876.32 | 111.19 -239.00 -89.80 2,833.01 98.24 1,142.64 | 31.4% -4.0% -48.5% 715.0% 100.0% 39.7% |
| Total Garden Operating Expense | 13,582.85 | 9,726.57 | 3,856.28 | 39.7% |
| Payroll Expenses Gross Wages | 4,831.91 | 5.068.16 | -236.25 | -4.7% |
| Total Payroll Expenses | 4.831.91 | 5,068.16 | -236.25 | -4.7% |
| Payroll Taxes | | 0,000.10 | -200.20 | -4.7 70 |
| FICA Medicare | 299.56 70.06 | 314.16 73.49 | -14.60 -3.43 | -4.7% -4.7% |
| Total Payroll Taxes | 369.62 | 387.65 | -18.03 | -4.7% |
| Utilities Electric Water | 235.86 1,371.96 | 63.58 965.22 | 172.28 406.74 | 271.0% 42.1% |
| Total Utilities | 1,607.82 | 1,028.80 | 579.02 | 56.3% |
| Total Garden Expenses | 23,704.36 | 18,374.14 | 5,330.22 | 29.0% |
| General Expenses of GCL | | | | |
| Blooming News Membership & Programs Office Supplies Postage | 266.05 593.18 105.00 79.97 | 374.99 0.00 261.74 135.85 | -108.94 593.18 -156.74 -55.88 | -29.1% 100.0% -59.9% -41.1% |
| Printing/Copying | 581.27 | 26.00 | 555.27 | 2,135.7% |

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting April 4, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Dot Crutcher. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 10 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Ellen Chapman, Kim Decamp, Mo Ethington, Callie Keller, Ginny May, Mott Nicol, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz and Barbara Young.

The minutes from the March board meeting were approved as read.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$13, 873.19 for treasurer, Gay VanMeter.

Ellen Chapman, who serves on the GCA Public Relations Committee, would like to see us submit our Henry Clay project for the Public Relation Award. It was suggested that we should educate our members about the work of the Public Relation Committee and other GCA committees. Over the years, we have not participated in some of these projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol, Chairman, reported Gray Eaton would donate his crew to help us one day to clean around the trees on the Ashland grounds. We will try to get rid of the honeysuckle and euonymus. We will have to pay a dump fee to haul away the debris. We will have one man at \$36.00 a day to cut out any growth coming back around the trees. This will be for 3 months at an expense of \$500.00. Barbara Young made a motion to accept Mott's recommendation subject to the finance committee approval. Seconded by Mo Ethington. Mott will pick a Wednesday for us to work with the lawn service. This will be after we complete out work in the garden.

GARDEN: Co- Chair, Callie Keller, reported the Lacebark Elm has been planted in the garden. It is beautiful and everyone was delighted. A lovely woman, Dorothy Swope, who has enjoyed Ashland over the years, will donate the tree. Barbara suggested having her join us for refreshments in the garden after a work Wednesday. Callie and Jessica are still researching the gates and will let us know their recommendations. A motion was made by Ellen Chapman to finance the gates thru the Memorial Fund. Seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was approved. Mott Nicol made a motion to replace the two trees outside the gate from the memorial fund. This would have to be done thru the Ashland Foundation. Seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was approved. Barbara will donate some of the perennials that have been dug and potted from Mr. Young's garden for our borders.

PROGRAM: Our next general meeting will be held at the Crutcher Preserve reported Chair Barbara Young. Details will be forthcoming in the Blooming News. Our hostess will be Betsy Hillenmeyer and Sheilagh Hammond.

Crutcher's garage by March 16th. The committee will repot them for the April Zone meeting.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young reported our April meeting will be held at the Crutcher Preserve and our May meeting will be at Keeneland. Further details will be in the Blooming News.

PUBLICATION: Chairman Mimi Milward reported a large print edition of the Blooming News would be available soon.

FOUNDERS FUND: Wendy Bell, Chair reported a vote would be taken for the Founders Fund Award at our March 17th meeting. She reminded everyone to read about the candidates in the GCA Bulletin. Zone 7 has a wonderful project, Montpelier's Oriental Garden.

Treasurer Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$ 5,927.54. Annual dues are \$100.00 and are due by June 1st.

OLD BUSINESS

Gay VanMeter gave the following cookbook update. Eclipse Press will print 4,000 books and they will keep 1000 to sell through Exclusively Equine and other national distributor. We would have 3,000 copies at no cost. The Garden Club retains the rights etc. and we sell through our established channels and outlets. Editing, layout and production will be no cost to us. At the time of reprinting, we can get a quote from them. Committees will be announced soon.

President Ginny May told of the lovely note she received from the Scholarship Committee thanking us for our donation to Interchange Fellowship. Zone 7 has been approved to have the Annual Meeting in 2014. They will remind us 5 years ahead of time.

NEW BUSINESS

A nice note was received from the Shelia McQueen Foundation thanking us for our donation. Martie Mayer will be joining Ginny to the Zone meeting in Louisville on May 22-24th. There will be now flower show, however, there will be a Photography Show. Each club is required to submit two and only two entries. Further information will be in the Blooming News.

The next Board meeting will be at Dot Crutchers on April 4th. After thanking Mimi for her hospitality, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON April 21,2005

Garden Club of Lexington met at the Crutcher Preserve for a hike on April 21, 2005. After a walk through the Blue-Eyed Marys on a glorious spring day, the hikers retreated to the home of Vickie Brooks, overlooking the preserve. Vickie welcomed the group saying that since she was fortunate enough to live in paradise, she wanted to share it with us.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order and thanked hostesses Sheilagh Hammond and Betsy Hillenmeyer. She also thanked Chandra Grodon from the Nature Conservancy and Vickie Brooks.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as read.

In Gay's absence, Ginny passed out the annual balance sheets. There was no Treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray presented the charts she has created to track the garden's bloom time. Each parterre will be responsible for marking down what is in bloom each week of the year. This information will then be gathered and put on a master sheet to be made available to the public as people view the garden. Dottie also reported that we have six plants that will make the trip to the Annual Meeting in Kansas City. Gay VanMeter and Mary Montague were commended for their groups' boxes of cuttings.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mimi Milward will collect the photos which are eligible to go to Lousiville for the Zone Meeting in May. Since we can only send two photos from the club, a group will go over the class criteria and choose those two photographs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ginny announced that there was an article about the garden in the Chevy Chaser Magazine.

She also announced that Hylah Boyd, Zone VII Conservation Representative, is seeking support from Zones VI and VII to endorse a new national park, the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Water Trail. A motion to endorse this legislation was made by Carol Jackson and was seconded by Anne Gay. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfullly submitted,

Jessica Nicholson,

Acting Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting May 2, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Sarah Davis. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 15 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim Decamp, Mo Ethington, Callie Keller, Ginny May, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay Van Meter, and Barbara Young.

President Ginny May read a nice note from Ashland thanking the club for the wonderful job we do in the garden.

Gay Van Meter, treasurer reported a balance of \$12,921.01

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Libby Brown reminded everyone June 1st was the deadline for a change in membership status. At the moment, we have openings for 5 new members. All applications must be in no later than August 28th. Kay Steffee has requested to change her membership from active to affiliate. Callie Keller made a motion to change Kay's membership status. Seconded by Nancy Bishop. Motion carried.

GARDEN: Callie Keller reported they had received two bids for the garden gates. Lucas Equine bid \$6,620.00. Mark Mulligan bid \$4,850.00 for steel gates with a powdered coating. Steel post will be installed for the gates to hang. Finance committee will decide. Jessica Nicholson announced Talitha Freeman would be the head of the garden refreshment committee.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray announced Ginny May, Gay VanMeter, Mary Montague, Sue Glover, Mimi Milward and Nancy Bishop sent plants to the plant exchange and received 4 merit awards. Dottie announced that after 2006 there would be no more Annual meeting plant exchange. The exchange is being stopped because of spreading diseases from one part of the country to another and the difficulty of transporting plants.

PROGRAMS: Barbara Young announced our next meeting would be held May 19th at 10:30 in the Keeneland Clubhouse. On June 16th, our meeting will be held at Clara Dupree's garden in Rockcastle County. A bus will be provided for transportation.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Gay Van Meter announced the steering committee had met twice. Jane Stilz and Martie Mayer will be the Chairs of the recipe committee. There will be a maximum of five hundred recipes. A few of the old recipes will be used. There will be 50 horse farms asked to sponsor our cookbook. We will be receiving the final contract from Eclipse soon.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$9,929.54. The deadline for dues is June 1st.

OLD BUSINESS: Mimi Milward signed the club up for the photography classes at the Zone Meeting in Louisville. Her first choices were granted.

NEW BUSINESS: Gay Van Meter informed the board that Ashland charged \$100.00 for prom pictures to be taken in the garden.

President Ginny May announced the death of long time member Mary Andrews Goff who will be truly missed.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Sarah Davis for the use of her home. The next meeting will be held a Mott Nicol's house on June 6th. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully submitted,

the Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting May 19, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met at Keeneland on May 19th. Mary Louise Fisher and Edie Gess were the hostesses.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. She thanked our hostesses and Nick Nicholson and Louis Haggin. Ginny announced a group from the River Oak Club of Houston would be joining us later for the program.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter announced a balance of \$12,226.57.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FLOWER SHOW: Chairman Sarah Davis circulated a sign up sheet for the Friends of the Garden party. She also announced a flower arrangement committee meeting in the garden on Wednesday, May 25th.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson asked for anyone who had a garden bushel basket to please return it.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray announced Nancy Bishop, Mimi Milward, Mary Montague and Gay Van Meter won merit awards at the Annual Meeting plant exchange. Dottie informed everyone, the plant exchange would be stopped after the 2006 Annual Meeting because of the problems of diseases and transporting the plants to meetings.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz and Martie Mayer distributed Recipe Forms for our new Cookbook. It will be a lot of fun compiling a new cookbook and everyone's full participation will make the new book a huge success. They would like to have all recipes by August 31st. Gay Van Meter and Benny Williams reported they have received the final contract from Eclipse Press, which will be signed today. There is no set date for going to Press.

OLD BUSINESS: President Ginny May announced Perry Street Children's Garden in Trenton, New Jersey won the 2005 Founders Fund Award.

NEW BUSINESS: Ginny announced Sue Glover will Chair the Friends of the Garden Party and Sarah Davis will Chair the Art Auction.

President Ginny May showed the trophy the Garden Club of Lexington was awarded by the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government Historic Preservation Commission for more than 50 years of excellent stewardship in the Ashland garden.

As there was no further business, Ginny adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m. She turned the meeting over to Louis Haggin and Nick Nicholson who gave us a lovely history of Keeneland and the grounds. We were treated to a wonderful tour of the library, which was followed, by a delicious box lunch and a talk by Louis on the horticulture history of Keeneland.

Respectfully submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting June 6, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Mott Nicol. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 11 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Sue Glover (Chair of Garden Party), Callie Keller, Jessica Nicholson, Mott Nicol and Barbara Young.

President Ginny May read a nice letter of resignation from Eileen Hillenmeyer. Libby Brown made a motion to accept Eileen's resignation with deep regret. Seconded by Callie Keller. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$10,541.46.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown announced there were 5 places for new members. Anyone who is eligible and needs an application should contact Libby.

CONSERVATION: Mott thanked everyone for her work on the grounds of Ashland. Gray Eaton graciously donated his men and equipment for the day of clean up. Everyone appreciated his generosity. Betty Kenan had suggested an adopt-a-tree program to make sure the areas are kept clean. Everyone thanked Mott for the excellent job she has done on this project.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: The committee will meet in the garden on Wednesday, June 15th.

GARDEN: Co-Chairman, Callie Keller informed the Board of the vandalism that took place in the garden over Memorial Day weekend. The herb garden has been replanted and the lead birdbath straightened. All felt frustration.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray asked everyone to leave their new plant labels with her for identification purposes. If we remove something from our borders, we are to let Dottie know. A plant propagation meeting will be announced in the Blooming News. All members of the committee should attend.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young announced Anne Gay and Kim Decamp would host the Garden Picnic on Thursday, July 21st. Bill Fountain will take us on a tree identification trip around the grounds.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: In honor of the 20th anniversary of "Bluegrass Winners", the garden club will honor everyone who worked on the book. Everyone is asked to bring comments, suggestions or anything that would be helpful to the committee who is undertaking Bluegrass Winners Too. A website is being discussed for the cookbook. Everyone's participation is needed.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$12,092.07 for Assistant Treasurer, Kim Decamp.

Anne Gay, Chair for Public Relations announced she had sent picture of the Garden Club's award from the city to GCA.

Barbara Young, who is the Zone Representive to the Scholarship Committee, has been notified of a few receiptants who are attending the University of Kentucky.

NEW BUSINESS: Gay Van Meter asked everyone to keep their ears and eyes open for a new location for Bluegrass Winners. The office building we are presently using has been sold.

Sarah Davis suggested a new Honorary membership for Scotty Walton and others. After a lot of discussions and motions, which were made and rescinded, it was decided to give it more thought and research before we make a decision.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Mott for the use of her home. The next meeting will be held at Gay Van Meter's house on July 11th. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01.

Respectfully submitted,

Mo EthingTon

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JUNE 16, 2005

On June 16 the Garden Club of Lexington was treated to a delightful excursion to The Close, the beautiful retreat of Clara and Tom Dupree in Rockcastle County. Nineteen members were present. We enjoyed a tour of the lovely gardens before eating a delicious lunch on the porch, all the while watching numerous goldfinches and hummingbirds eat their lunch. Clara graciously welcomed us; Tom gave a delightful history of The Close.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 12:30 and thanked Clara and Tom for sharing their heavenly spot with us. She also thanked the hostesses, Kathy Brooks, Betsy Bulleit, Betty Kenan and Meg Sprow. Ginny dispensed with the reading of the minutes and the Treasurer's report. She read a letter from the Houston ladies thanking us for letting them come to Ashland Garden and to our meeting at Keeneland. Next, Ginny read a letter from Eileen Hillenmeyer requesting resignation from the club. Sarah Davis moved, and Anne Gay seconded the motion that we accept with regret her request.

Conservation: Mott Nicol thanked all those members who participated in the cleanup of the trees at Ashland. She gave special thanks to Anne Arvin and Celeste Neuman, both of whom supplied a truck and extra help. She also noted that Gray Eaton volunteered his time while his crew helped. Several members have expressed an interest in working another day.

Betty Kenan suggested that we approach the Ashland neighborhood association to ask for volunteers to "adopt" a tree or an area to keep under control. Mott will discuss this idea with Ann Hagan-Michel.

Garden: Jessica Nicholson reminded garden workers to clean up their area after working, including sweeping and raking the gravel and brick area.

Program: Barbara Young thanked Clara and announced that next month's meeting will be a picnic in the garden with a program on tree identification. In September we will go to Celeste Neuman's, and in October we will have a joint meeting with the Garden Club of Glenview. Chip Calloway will be the speaker. In November we will be at Idle Hour, where Sarah Davis and the flower arranging committee will help us make an arrangement for a holiday table. The Christmas tea will be at Libby Brown's house.

Publication: Mimi Milward will be in Michigan in July so members should e-mail any items for submission to her.

Ginny reported that she had received two notes, one from Barbara Hulette and one from Ann Hagan-Michel, congratulating the club for our Historic Preservation award.

New Business: Mott Nicol announced that Partners for Plants is having a work session in Marion, Virginia August 21-23 to help the Forest Service identify and inventory plots of black cohosh. Looters are digging up the plant because of its medicinal value. Anyone interested in helping should contact Mott.

Ginny announced that Dottie Cordray is going to a horticulture meeting in St. Louis in October. The club can send two participants, so if anyone else would like to attend she should contact Ginny.

Cookbook: Jane Stiltz said that she would like every member to submit at least ten recipes for our new cookbook. She has forms.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Gay

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting July 11, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Gay Van Meter. Vice President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 8 members were present: Elise Boyd, Ellen Chapman, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Mott Nicol, Jane Stilz and Gay Van Meter.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$10,484.88. She reported Kim DeCamp, Assistant Treasurer, has \$11,581.87. Kim will call member who has not paid dues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Libby Brown, admission chair, reported she has given out three applications for membership. The deadline is Sunday August 28th.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol reported Kentucky State Nature Preservationist, Debra White was thrilled to see how well the Running Buffalo clover was doing in Ashland. Any one interested in going to Marion, Virginia with Mott to inventory the Black Cohosh, please contact her. The board thanked Mott for the wonderful job she is doing.

GARDEN: Ellen Chapman reported Habitat For Humanity would pick up the old garden gates.

FLOWER SHOW: The November meeting will be making Holiday Table Arrangements, reported Sarah Davis. Everyone will participate.

HORTICULTURE: Anne Gay reported 6 members attended the propagation workshop arranged by Chairman, Dottie Cordray.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz reminded everyone of the need for recipes for the cookbook. They can be e-mailed to Janie or Martie Mayer.

As there was no further business, Ellen thanked Gay for the use of her home and the vegetables we picked in her garden. The next meeting will be held at Libby Brown's house on August 29th. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

Respectfully submitted,

mo eunington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting July 21, 2005

The members of the Garden Club met at Ashland garden on July 21, 2005 for a picnic lunch and a talk given by Dr. Bill Fountain on tree identification. As a kick off for Bluegrass Winners Too, Patricia Green honored the original kitchen cabinet of the first Bluegrass Winners. Many thanks to Anne Gay and Kim DeCamp for the wonderful lunch.

The Garden Club had a short meeting. Martie Mayer read the minutes from the June meeting. Approved as read. Gay Van Meter, Treasurer, announced the balance of \$10,299.14.

Libby Brown announced that membership forms are due by Sunday the 28th of August.

Conservation: Anne Gay gave a report for Mott Nicol on the Runaway Buffalo clover. The Partners for Plants will be traveling to Virginia to check the Black Cohosh. Jane Stilz and Mott will be going and would love to have anyone else who is interested.

Flower Committee: Sarah Davis announced the flower committee would be hosting the November meeting at the Idle Hour Country Club. There will be 3 tables for Thanksgiving table decorations; 3 for Christmas and 3 for New Years. The flower committee will meet to draw which holiday table they will represent. Everyone will participate.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$ 11, 547.00

Friends of the Garden party will be held September 8th.

Jane Stilz asked everyone to please send in their recipes. They can be e-mailed to either Jane or Martie Mayer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Mortie Mayer

Martie Mayer

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting August 29, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Libby Brown. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 16 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Ginny May Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay Van Meter and Barbara Young.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance o \$14,877.17.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown read the applications for 6 prospective new members. She reminded everyone to keep the names inside this room. In order to vote, a board member must attend the August or October Board meeting. We will vote in November.

CONSERVATION: Jane Stilz and Jessica Nicholson reported on their trip with Chairman Mott Nicol to Virginia for The Partners for Plants. They counted, dug and labeled Black Cohosh plants.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: Sarah reminded everyone to sign up for her worktable at the November meeting.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson announced the new gates are in place. Callie Keller thanked everyone who has worked all summer in the garden. The turn out has been wonderful. Barbara Young asked if the crabapple at the new gate could be replaced? Callie is going to check on a price for a new tree and stump removal. She will check with Ashland as the tree is on their property. Everyone felt this would be good use of the Memorial Fund.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray asked everyone to finish up her flower identification in her parterre.

PROGRAMS: Barbara Young, Chairman announced we would be going to Celeste Newman, Xalapa Farm in September and the Louisville Country Club in October for a joint meeting with the Glenview Garden Club. Details will follow later.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz asked the Board to please help get recipes for the new cookbook. We are very short. Ginny May asked anyone who was available to come to her house Thursday with recipes and paper for a brainstorming session. Barbara Young announced the letters have just been sent to the horse farms and two have already signed up.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$ 8,317.87. We have 55 active members and 25 affiliate members.

NEW BUSINESS: President Ginny May informed the Board of a request from the Ashland Neighborhood Fondation for us to landscape and maintain a sculpture placed on Fincastle and McDowell road. Ginny will thank them but decline. Our plate is full.

Ginny thanked Libby for the use of her home and Ellen Chapman for running the July Board meeting. The next board meeting will be at Anne Gay's on Oct. 3rd.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

mo Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting September 15, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met at the beautiful Xalapa Farm on September 15th. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. She thanked Celeste Newman for sharing her home with us and Jessica Nicholson and Wendy Bell for being our hostesses.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$23,578.52.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GARDEN: Co – Chair, Jessica Nicholson asked everyone to report to the peony bed on Wednesday, September 21st by 9:30. The beds need to be cut down and weeded.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray reminded everyone to report to her on the progress of her propagation box.

C00KBOOK: Gay Van Meter reported the letters to the horse farm have been mailed and the responses have been good. She asked everyone to please submit her recipes.

FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY: President Ginny May thanked all the people who put in extra time and effort for the party and art auction. She especially thanked the Chairs, Sue Glover and Sarah Davis and co chair, Luanne Milward. Everyone had a wonderful time and the garden and art were beautiful. Gay Van Meter, Treasurer reported the art sold for \$4,520.00 which we received 40 percent for a total of \$1,808.00. The party made \$10,385.00. The expenses were \$1,610.94, which gave us a net profit of \$8,774.06.

NEW BUSINESS: Kathy Dalton and Anne Gay gave a wonderful tribute to Mary Andrews McVey whom we shall all miss in so many ways. President Ginny May informed us of the GCA trip to New Zealand, the Philadelphia Flower show on March 8-10 and the South Eastern Flower Show in Atlanta on February 8-12. If anyone is interested, please contact Ginny.

As there was no further business, the business meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Celeste Newman told us about Jens Jensen who designed the landscape of Xalapa in 1915-1916. He was instrumental in developing the "prairie style" of landscape design. After a wonderful talk, we were treated to a delicious lunch and a tour of the beautiful grounds of Xalapa.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting October 3, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Anne Gay. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 19 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Sue Glover, Callie Keller, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Jessica Nicholson, Mott Nicol, Janie Stilz and Gay VanMeter.

Mo Ethington read the minutes and they were approved as read except for the correction of the tree out side of the garden which is a hawthorn and not a crabapple.

Treasurer, Gay VanMeter did not have the exact amount but reported a little over \$18,000.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown read the applications for perspective new members. The board will vote at the November meeting and there will be no discussion. If you are unable to attend, please give Libby your proxy ballot before the meeting.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol, Chairman announced there would be a conservation meeting in the garden after the tulips are planted on Wednesday, October 26th.

GARDEN: Callie Keller announced the new garden gates were up. The Memorial Fund paid for the gates. She reminded everyone to put there beds/parteers to bed and not to forget bulb day. The rain date will be November 2nd.

SPECIAL PROJECT: The Keeneland Winter Magazine will have an article on Bluegrass Winner Too, which will feature Gay VanMeter, Barbara Young, Martie Mayer and Janie Stilz cooking a meal from some of the cookbook recipes at Gay's home. Janie also reported a cookbook meeting for the section heads on Oct 13th. We are still in need of recipes.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8,093.62. Kim has collected all the dues. Nancy Bishop and Kim will draw up a guide sheet for future treasurer. They will present it at the next board meeting.

President Ginny May thanked Sue Glover and Sarah Davis for the wonderful party and Art show they ran. Sue Glover brought up suggestions for future years including purchasing tablecloths. After a lengthy discussion, Ginny appointed the following committee to bring recommendations back to the Board for future Friends of the Garden party. Nancy Bishop will chair a committee with Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Libby Brown, Sarah Davis, Sue Glover, Dottie Cordray, Mo Ethington and Melodye Kinkead.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Anne Gay for hosting the meeting. Our next meeting will be on November 7th at Barbara Young's. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington Joint General Meeting October 11, 2005

A Joint Meeting of the Glenview Garden Club and the Garden Club of Lexington was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2005 at the Louisville Country Club.

Ginny May, our President, called the meeting to order. She welcomed everyone and she dispensed with the reading of the minutes. Ginny introduced Linda Holden, Zone VII Chairman, who discussed opportunities within GCA. She distributed copies of "Open Your Doors to GCA Opportunities," an informative booklet printed by Linda with gratitude to the Public Relations Committee of GCA.

Barbara Young, Zone VII Scholarship Chairman, reported on the meeting she attended at GCA Headquarters in New York. She encouraged students in Zone VII to apply.

Two committee reports were given by Glenview members.

There was no old business.

Blair Matthews, Glenview member, and Zone VII Visiting Gardens Chairman and past Zone VII Chairman, introduced our speaker, Chip Calloway, a landscape architect from Greensboro, North Carolina. He is known internationally for historic garden restoration. He was elected to membership in the Garden Club of America in 2005 as a member-at-large. He showed beautiful slides and gave an interesting and entertaining talk on garden restoration.

The meeting was adjourned to a delicious lunch provided by hostesses Elise Boyd, Carol Jackson and Blair Matthews. Ginny expressed appreciation to our hostesses and the Glenview Garden Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy Bishop

Nancy Bishop, Acting Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting November 7, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Barbara Young. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 15 members were present: Wendy Bell, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Melodye Kinkead, Betty Kenan, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Mott Nicol, Jessica Nicholson, Jane Stilz and Barbara Young.

The minutes were approved as read.

Barbara Young reported a balance of \$11,949.04 for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown passed out the ballots for the election of new members. Later in the meeting, she announced the following 3 women had been elected to become members. They are Katie Alford, Leslie Baldwin and Kathy Courtney. Jane Stilz will extend them an invitation to join.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol reported Anne Arvin might have another Eagle Scout troop who would be interested in adopting a tree. If any member would like to do the same, please let Mott know and she will tell you where there is one available. The GCA conservation meeting will be held on February 28 – March 2 in Washington, D.C.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray, Chairman, thanked the garden club for sending her to the St. Louis Horticulture meeting. She was very interested in the recycling of old plastic pots. A brochure was passed around showing the process.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young, Chairman reported on the joint meeting with the Glenview Garden Club. Everyone enjoyed the meeting and the talk given by Chip Calloway on Garden restoration. The Christmas tea will be held at Libby Brown's. The new members will be invited to attend. Recipes for the new cookbook will be tested. The affiliates will be asked to participate. The January meeting will be a horticulture meeting held at Idle Hour Country Club. The hostesses will be Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington and Judy Philpot.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8,022.86. Kim and Nancy Bishop worked on guidelines for collecting membership dues. The treasurer will start collecting dues at the March annual meeting, reminders will be in the Blooming News, a reminder sent in April, a certified letter with signature required in May, followed up by a call. If still not received, she will talk to the President and they will deem the member has resigned.

Nancy Bishop brought a motion from the Friends of the Garden committee to have the party in June instead of September. The purpose would be to show appreciation to people in the community and to people who have supported Ashland. \$30.00 per person would be charged. There would be no art at the present time but it can be re-evaluated in the future. After a lengthy discussion, the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Jane Stilz reported that they hope everything will be ready to have <u>Bluegrass Winners Too</u> out by Christmas 2006 or by Derby 2007.

NEW BUSINESS: President Ginny May announced the GCA dues will be increased to \$50.00 for each member next year. It has not been decided whither to increase ours or not.

Gay Van Meter will host the Dec. 5th Board meeting and Sarah Davis the January meeting.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Eunington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting November 17, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, November 17 at Idle Hour Country Club. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 and thanked our hostesses, Jane, Lou Ann and Mimi Milward. She introduced Betty

Milward, who was there as a guest.

Ginny thanked Sarah Davis, who was unable to attend the meeting due to illness, for the wonderful program. Sarah, as Flower Show chairman, had divided the membership into six groups, and had assigned each group a table to decorate for the holidays. Two were Thanksgiving, two Christmas and two New Year's. Everyone enjoyed working on the tables and the results were spectacular.

The minutes of the September and October meetings were read and approved.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$11,738.08.

Corresponding Secretary: Jane Stilz circulated a list of members' listings for the new directory. Everyone was asked to check for accuracy and was urged to include e-mail addresses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSIONS: Libby Brown announced that we have three new members, Mrs. Farra Alford, (Katie), Mrs. Bill Baldwin, (Leslie), and Mrs. Tom Courtney, (Kathy). They will be invited to the Christmas Tea.

GARDEN: Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson thanked everyone for working so diligently in the garden.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray thanked the club for sending her to the wonderful horticulture conference at the Missouri Botanical Garden. She described a fabulous program they have instigated recycling the plastic containers that plants come in. Dottie left the brochure on the table for our perusal. She also asked that if anyone has a propagation box not in use please return it to her.

COOKBOOK: Melodye Kinkead has books for sale today.

NEW COOKBOOK: Gay Van Meter reported that as of today we have received eighteen contracts with checks.

FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY: Libby Brown reported for Nancy Bishop. Ginny has appointed a committee to study the annual party with Nancy serving as chairman. Other members include Libby, Sarah Davis, Anne Gay, Sue Glover, Melodye Kinkead and Callie Keller. The committee recommended to the board that we move the date of the party to June this year and not include art. The reasoning is that the garden is prettier in June, there are fewer bugs, and the daylight lasts longer, making cleanup easier. The board approved the recommendation.

ASSISTANT TREASURER: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8172.00, reflecting the initiation fees of our new members. She explained the new process of collecting dues. There will be an announcement at the Annual Meeting in March. If not paid by April, members will receive a notice; if not paid by May first, a certified letter will be sent. Anyone who has not paid her dues by June first technically will no longer be a club member. The President may waiver this rule.

OLD BUSINESS: Ginny announced that the Southeastern Flower Show will be in Atlanta February 8-12. Anyone interested in attending should contact Ginny.

NEW BUSINESS: The Christmas Tea will be Thursday, December 15 at 3:00 at the home of Libby Brown. We will be testing recipes for the new cookbook, so members will be asked to prepare something.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sue Glover announced that Carleton Lear from Events by Design donated the rental tables and chairs used at the Friends party. She asked members to express their appreciation to him. Gay Van Meter asked everyone to return to the tables they had decorated so she could take photographs to send to Sarah Davis, who had worked very hard on this wonderful project.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 to a delicious lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Gay, Acting Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting December 15, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington gathered at the home of Libby Brown for the Annual Christmas Tea. The cookbook committee had arranged to taste-test the wonderful tea treats from our new upcoming cookbook. The Christmas spirit filled the air with a gorgeous house, beautiful flowers and decorations, delicious food and wonderful friends. President Ginny May introduced our three new members Katie Alford, Leslie Baldwin and Kathy Courtney. What a wonderful time had by all. Thanks to Libby, Janie Stilz and the cookbook committee for making the 2005 tea so special.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Elmington

Mo Ethington Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington **Board Meeting** December 5, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Gay Van Meter. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 13 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Jessica Nicholson, Janie Stilz, Gay Van Meter, and Barbara Young.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$13, 530.20.

Ellen Chapman, first Vice- President announced the following slate for the 2006-2008 offices:

President:

1st Vice President:

2nd Vice President:

Recording Secretary:

Corresponding Secretary:

Treasurer;

Admissions:

Awards:

Conservation:

Finance:

Flower Show:

Garden:

Horticulture:

Program:

Publication:

Special Projects:

Archives:

Archives of American Garden History and Design: Wende Bell

Assistant Treasurer:

Founders Fund:

Public Relations:

Ellen Chapman

Jessica Nicholson

Ginny May

Anne Kraus

Callie Keller

Gay Van Meter

Nancy Bishop

Mott Nicol

Mimi Milward

Gay Van Meter

Mary Louis Fisher

Libby Brown and

Martie Mayer

Mary Montague

Janie Pappas

Sheilagh Hammond

Anne Arvin

Sue Glover

Kim DeCamp

Luanne Milward

Lauren Van Balen

Scholarship: Visiting Gardens:

Barbara Young Dottie Cordray

The slate will be presented for vote to the General membership at the January meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Finance chairman, Gay Van Meter recommended a \$200.00 Christmas bonus for Mary in appreciation of the wonderful job she does in the garden. Callie Keller made a motion to give Mary a Christmas bonus of \$200.00. Seconded by Nancy Bishop. Unanimously approved. Gay reported the following 2005 donations:

| GCA Scholarship Fund | \$ 400.00 |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Bluegrass Conservancy | 400.00 |
| Ashland | 200.00 |
| UK Arboretum | 200.00 |
| Nature Conservancy | 100.00 |
| Bernheim | 100.00 |
| Ashland Neighborhood | 15.00 |
| Bluegrass Tomorrow | 100.00 |
| Total | \$ 1.515.00 |

FLOWER SHOW: Chairman Sarah Davis was so pleased with the creative and wonderful flower arrangement made for the November meeting. She thanked everyone.

PROGRAM: Chairman Barbara Young announced the Christmas tea would be held at Libby Brown's. Newly submitted recipes for Bluegrass Winners will be served. The January meeting will be held at Idle Hour Country Club. The program will be seed propagation with Cindy Finneseth. Hostesses will be Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington and Judy Philpott.

COOKBOOK: Gay Van Meter announced a balance of \$44,000.01 in the account. Twenty-two farms have paid. There are a lot of verbal commitments. The committee is hoping to have the new cookbook out by Christmas 2007.

OLD BUSINESS: GCA will be increasing their dues this year but it was decided to keep our Annual dues the same next year. The finance committee will monitor the situation next year.

As there was no further business, President Ginny May adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Ethington

Mo Ethington Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting January 2, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Sarah Davis. Second Vice-President, Nancy Bishop called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 7 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Mott Nicols and Jessica Nicholson.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter has a balance of \$14,699.12. Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp has a balance of \$3,363.14. Mo Ethington asked for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter for the Board to consider a Christmas bonus for Susie who works in the cookbook office. Mary, who helps in the garden, received a \$200.00 bonus. After discussion, it was decided to wait until the next Board meeting when we would have a quorum to make a decision.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSERVATION: Chairman Mott Nicol announced the GCA Conservation meeting will be February 28- March 2 in Washington, D.C. Mott asked for volunteers to attend.

GARDEN PROJECT: Jessica Nicholson reported test have been taken on the large Holly tree. It has black root rot.

OLD BUSINESS: Nancy thanked Libby for hosting the beautiful Christmas tea. With the help of Jane Stilz's and the new cookbook recipes, the lovely Christmas decorations and hospitality, we all left filled with the holiday spirit.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting will be March 6th, at Dottie Cord ray's house. Both new and old Board members will attend.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mo Ethington
Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting January 19, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, January 19 at Idle Hour Country Club. Vice-President, Ellen Chapman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 and thanked hostesses Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, and Judy Philpott. She introduced Susan Dumaine, a GCA member at large who has recently moved to Cynthiana from western Massachusetts. Susan is a well-known horticulturist and lecturer who specializes in wildflowers, propagation, and garden design. We are fortunate to have her in our area.

The minutes of the Christmas Tea were read and approved. Treasurer: Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,368.91. Assistant Treasurer: Kim Decamp reported a balance of \$3,068.00

Conservation: Mott Nicol announced that even though we will not be sending a member to the Conservation meeting in Washington in February, we can still express our opinions. Members were urged to get on the GCA website to learn about upcoming bills and the GCA position papers. Individuals can send messages to Jim Bunning and Mitch McConnell. Mott also reported that two boy scout troops have continued our work on cleaning up the premises surrounding the garden at Ashland. Anne Arvin has worked with the scouts on this project. They have hauled away over three trailer loads of weeds. One of the boy scouts has also designed a brochure for Ashland. Jane Stilz will write him a letter of thanks.

Flower Show: Sarah Davis announced that we have been asked to do an arrangement for a table at the Blue Grass Trust Antiques Show March 9-12. She asked for volunteers, and the following ladies signed up to help: Betsy Bulleit, Mary Louise Fisher, Melodye Kinkead, Lou Anne Milward, Meg Sprow, and Barbara Young.

Program: Barbara Young announced that there will be no meeting in February. The joint board meeting will be at Dottie Cordray's house March 6th. Hostesses for the Annual Meeting, to be held March 16th at Idle Hour, will be Callie Keller, Betty Kinkead and Barbara Young.

Special Projects: Jane Stilz thanked our hostesses for serving recipes which have been submitted for the cookbook. She also asked members to record their critiques of the food. Jane announced that there will be a meeting of the cookbook section heads in February.

Gay Van Meter announced that we have received 26 contracts from farms, thus have \$52,000 in the account. Everyone was urged to do her part to make this a fabulous cookbook.

Public Relations: Anne Gay read a letter from Rachel Cottrell, Zone VII PR chairman, requesting photographs of members participating in community projects.

Scholarship: Barbara Young, Zone VII rep to the scholarship committee, announced that there is a GCA scholar at the UK School of Horticulture, who will be invited to our Annual Meeting. Barbara reminded members that GCA offers wonderful scholarships for students.

Old business: Ellen reported that seven members have signed up to go to the Southeast flower show. Anyone else who would like to go should contact Ginny May.

Jane Stilz said the proofs for the new roster have been returned. She asked that anyone having a change of address or phone number please notify her immediately.

Dottie Cordray introduced our speaker, Cindy Finneseth, horticulturist and seed coordinator for the state, who gave a most informative talk on seed propagation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to a delicious luncheon.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Gay

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting March 6, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Dottie Cordray. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 and thanked Dottie for hosting the meeting. The following 16 members were present: Anne Arvin, Wende Bell, Martie Broadbent, Ellen Chapman, Mo Ethington, Mary Louise Fishers, Sue Glover, Callie Keller, Anne Kraus, Ginny May, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward, Mary Montague, Jessica Nicholson, Janie Pappas, and Lauren Van Balen.

The minutes for the January meeting were approved as read.

Mo Ethington reported a balance of \$14,367.12 for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter. Ginny May reported a balance of \$2,418.13 for Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp.

Callie Keller reported Jane Stilz, Corresponding Secretary, has received a letter of resignation from Irma Johnson. Dottie Cordray made a motion to accept Irma's request with deep regret. Seconded by Jessica Nicholson. The motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray reminded everyone that the plant exchange would be held only at the Zone meetings. She will stay on the horticulture committee to complete the list of plants in each parteer. She asked everyone who adds new plants to their border, to please give identification tags to her.

GARDEN: Martie Mayer announced Peony Day will be Wednesday, March 29th and our garden work begins on April 3rd.

FOUNDERS FUND: Wende Bell will tally the votes for the new Founders Fund winner from our club at the Annual Meeting.

Martie Mayer reported the cookbook recipe committee had met and felt everything was going well even though more recipes are needed. There is not a need for soup recipes. Everyone is busy testing recipes. A list of the Section Leaders will be in the Blooming News. New recipes should be given to the respective leaders.

OLD BUSINESS: President Ginny May asked everyone to keep there ears and eyes open for a new location for the cookbook office. Ginny asked every committee chair to bring two copies of their end of year report to the meeting.

NEW BUSIINESS: Ashland asked permission to auction a dinner for 10 to be catered and to be held in the garden. After a discussion, it was decided to have the table set up outside the garden but to leave the garden open for the guest to wander and enjoy the garden. This policy has been in effect for a long time and the reason is for the protection of the garden.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next meeting will be April 3rd at Wende Bell's.

Respectfully submitted,

Me Ethington

Mo Ethington Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2005

| | Dec 31, 05 |
|--|-----------------------|
| ASSETS Current Assets | |
| Checking/Savings | EE 714 01 |
| Checking - BGW Too | 55,714.81 |
| Checking - BGW | 18,166.18 3,068.13 |
| Checking - DUES | 14,227.68 |
| Checking - GARDEN Savings - BGW | 1,574.62 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 92,751.42 |
| Accounts Receivable | |
| Accounts Receivable | 4,962.61 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 4,962.61 |
| | ,,002.01 |
| Other Current Assets CD - | 4,105.00 |
| Certificates of Deposit CD - Capital One Bank 10/26/10 | 15,000.00 |
| CD - BMW Bank of NA 02/06 | 17,000.00 |
| CD - RG Premier Bank of PR 2/06 | 17,000.00 |
| CD - Pacific Capital Bank 12/08 | 15,000.00 |
| CD - GMAC Automotive Bank 10/09 | 20,000.00 |
| CD - Flagstar Bank 08/08` | 10,000.00 |
| CD - Net Bank 06/18/08 | 14,000.00 |
| CD - Safra National Bank NY 13 | 15,000.00 |
| CD - Merrill Lynch Bk USA 2007 | 8,000.00 |
| CD - Bankatlantic F.S.B. 032706 | 21,000.00 |
| CD - Provident BK Cinn OH 11/07 | 15,000.00 |
| CD - Flagstar Bank 010207 | 10,000.00 |
| CD - Capital One Bank 0506 | 25,000.00 |
| CD - Providian N.B. 09/06 | 14,000.00 |
| CD - New | 10,000.00 |
| CD - Provid NH FF Dep 12/05 | 16,000.00 |
| Certificates of Deposit - Other | -1,718.56 |
| Total Certificates of Deposit | 240,281.44 |
| Inventory | 44,621.49 |
| Merrill Lynch Ready Asset | 14,220.51 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 303,228.44 |
| Total Current Assets | 400,942.47 |
| Fixed Assets | |
| Lighting for Garden | |
| Accumulated Depreciation | -2,638.00 |
| Lighting for Garden - Other | 4,064.75 |
| Total Lighting for Garden | 1,426.75 |
| Total Lighting for Garden | 1,720.70 |

Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2005

| | Dec 31, 05 |
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| Irrigation System Accumulated Depreciation Cost | -4,211.00 7,370.00 |
| Total Irrigation System | 3,159.00 |
| Computer Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 1,090.03 -1,090.00 |
| Total Computer | 0.03 |
| Computer Software Cost Accumulated Depreciation Computer Software - Other | 353.86 -353.86 454.74 |
| Total Computer Software | 454.74 |
| Garden Fountain Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 224.95 -225.00 |
| Total Garden Fountain | -0.05 |
| Garden Furniture Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 4,149.75 -4,150.00 |
| Total Garden Furniture | -0.25 |
| Office Equipment Cost Accumulated Depreciation | 1,491.83 -1,492.00 |
| Total Office Equipment | -0.17 |
| Total Fixed Assets | 5,040.05 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 405,982.52 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Payroll Liabilities | |
| City Withholding Federal Withholding FICA | 64.26 48.75 |
| Company Employee | 177.05 177.05 |
| Total FICA | 354.10 |
| Medicare | |
| Company Employee | 41.42 41.41 |
| Total Medicare | 82.83 |
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Garden Club of Lexington Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2005

| | Dec 31, 05 |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| School State Withholding | 6.91 247.45 |
| Total Payroll Liabilities | 804.30 |
| Sales Tax | -239.04 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | 565.26 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 565.26 |
| Total Liabilities | 565.26 |
| Equity Open Bal Equity Retained Earnings Net Income | 272,174.34 81,548.91 51,694.01 |
| Total Equity | 405,417.26 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 405,982.52 |
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GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGON

BOARD MEETING

April 3, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Wende Bell at 2731 Bowmans Mill Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Fourteen Board Members were present: Luanne Milward, Sue Glover, Sheilagh Hammond, Mimi Milward, Ginny May, Callie Keller, Nancy Bishop, Wende Bell, Anne Arvin, Janie Pappas, Gay Van Meter, Anne Kraus and Ellen Chapman.

Ellen regretfully read a letter of resignation from Charlotte Turner. Callie Keller made a motion to accept her resignation. It was seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,229.99.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No reports were reported for Jessica Nicholson – 1st Vice President, Ginny May – 2nd Vice President, Admissions - Nancy Bishop, Conservation – Mimi Milward, Horticulture – Mary Montague.

Flower Show – Janie Pappas reported for Mary Louise Fisher that thank you notes were received from the Blue Grass Trust praising members for their two table arrangements at the BGT Antiques and Garden Show in March. Forming committees for the Flower Show was discussed.

Program – Janie Pappas reported that the April 20th meeting would be at Howard's Creek Nature Preserve and would include a Wildflower Walk led by Clare Sipple. Anne Arvin and Anne Kraus will hostess a luncheon. We should plan to meet at the IHCC parking lot at 10:00 a.m. to carpool to the 10:30 meeting. Other details discussed will appear in the Bloomin' News. An RSVP sheet was circulated.

Garden Project – Martie Mayer was enthusiastic about Wednesday's opening day at the Garden. A mowing contract has been signed with United. Mary Warren will again be working with us. The problem with the 'sick' boxwood was addressed. Ellen suggested that we call Laura Ladd to see if they would donate a large boxwood that they would be removing from their property. Barbara said that she could possibly locate one too.

Publication – Sheilagh Hammond requested information for the Bloomin' News.

Special Projects – Anne Arvin asked for new ideas for places to sell <u>Bluegrass Winners.</u> Susan Hanks and Anne Arvin have thoughts for a special advertisement. Our current office is still available for another year. We will need a new location after that, however.

<u>Bluegrass Winners Too</u> - Ellen reported for chairman Benny Williams. The committee's ideas on a different 'take' on this cookbook were discussed – size, format, use of pictures, effective indexing of recipes, etc. This cookbook should be able to compete with current trends seen in popular cookbooks. Any ideas should be E-mailed Benny Williams. There is a need to hire a talented photographer and to start taking pictures during the spring party season. Ellen emphasized a need to be organized and to 'look' organized.

NON-VOTING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

No Report for: Archives – Sue Glover; Archives of Am Garden History/Design – Wende Bell; Founders Fund; Publicity; Visiting Gardens – Dottie Cordray.

Scholarship – Barbara Young encouraged us to look for any programs that encourage children to become involved in horticulture either in schools or in the community. She also threw out the idea of having the three GCA clubs in KY go together to form a scholarship that would directly impact our state.

OLD BUSINESS

The June 29th date was chosen for our Garden Party because the garden will be at its peak then. A Garden Party committee was formed informally: Sara Davis, Callie Keller, Libby Brown, Sue Glover, Betsy Bulleit and Luanne Milward. Changes include: no art auction, plans for live music, a charge of \$30 per person, a smaller invitation list and a rain location at Libby Brown's home. Lists will circulate for food donations and flower arrangements (3 or 4). Everyone needs to be 'on deck' for this event!!

The next meeting will be May 1st at Janie Pappas'. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING APRIL 20, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday April 20, 2006 at the home of Martie Mayer after a Wild Flower Walk at Howard's Creek Nature Preserve. President, Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m. She thanked hostesses Anne Arvin, Anne Kraus and Martie Mayer as well as guest Claire Sipple for leading a very interesting wild flower walk. Twenty-two members were in attendance.

The minutes were approved as read.

Ellen reported for Gay Van Meter that we had a balance of \$14,800.51. Kim DeCamp needs checks for dues.

Committee Reports:

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher read an enthusiastic thank you note from Martha Trussel complimenting our members on table arrangements done for the Antique and Garden Show luncheon in March.

Mary Louise also read information about a project called 'Beautify Lexington' which is being established in preparation for the World Equestrian Games. It will encourage neighborhoods to plant and mulch.

Jessica Nicholson, chairman for the May 21st Gala in the Arboretum, needs our participation and support for the event.

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported a plant exchange in Denver May 21-23. She encouraged us to read the history of the plant exchange in the GCA bulletin and to take photographs of plants we might have that were specimens from past plant exchanges. The Shirley Meece Horticulture Workshop will be held October 15, 16, 17^{th} at the Longwood Gardens at Wintertur near Philadelphia. Contact Mary for invitation information.

Guest Claire Sipple commented about toxic plants -cherry laurel trees.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin reported that another Boy Scout volunteer is doing clean-up projects on the grounds.

We have a booth to sell our cookbooks at The Bluegrass Festival of Books which is being held at the Civic Center on April 29th. Susan Hanks will 'man' the booth but volunteers from the membership are also needed. Sara Davis sold 30 cookbooks at a recent medical meeting in Lex.

Friends of the Garden – Party: The party will be Thursday June 29th from 6:30 to 8:30p.m. Betsy Bulleit circulated lists for food donations. Invitations have gone to press. There will be music – a combo from the SCAPA program (Fayette Co. Schools). There will not be an art auction.

Scholarship: Barbara Young discussed the possibility of establishing a one year/one time scholarship program which would combine funds from all three KY GCA clubs. Details are indefinite.

Garden Project: Libby Brown reported that work in the garden was canceled yesterday because of rain. It is important to clean up 'mess' in the paths before leaving. United is going to deliver a flowering crab tree soon!

Old Business:

Ellen reminded us to disregard the scare of termites in New Orleans mulch.

New Business:

Janie Pappas thanked Claire for leading our hike and gave her a hydrangea. Special thanks went to hostesses Anne Arvin, Anne Kraus & Martie Mayer.

The May meeting will be held at Liberty Hall in Frankfort KY. Kathy Brewer and Ellen Chapman will be the hostesses.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING MAY 1, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on May 3, 2006 at the home of Janie Pappas at 1713 Clays Spring Lane. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Twenty Board Members were in attendance: Ellen Chapman, Anne Kraus, Mary Louise Fisher, Dottie Cordray, Sheilagh Hammond, Lauren Van Balen, Nancy Bishop, Jessica Nicholson, Sue Glover, Janie Pappas, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Libby Brown, Barbara Young, Mary Montague, Anne Arvin, Kim DeCamp, Martie Mayer, Wende Bell, Callie Keller. The minutes were read and approved.

Ellen urged everyone to support the Arboretum Fund Raiser on Sunday May 21st. Jessica Nicholson is the chairman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Conservation – Mimi Milward received a letter from Ellen Sower indicating that she wants to know about any new conservation projects in our area. Several were discussed.

Assistant Treasurer – Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$6,356.06. The deadline for dues and status changes is June 1st. Unpaid dues to date include 12 actives, 13 affiliates.

Garden Project – Libby Brown reported that she and Martie had inventoried the shed. Let Libby know of any suggestions you might have for gardening items to purchase. A new variety of a flowering crab tree will replace our 'Martha Washington'. Mimi Milward will donate a mature boxwood. We were asked to remember the memorial fund for trees at Ashland. Dottie Crutcher will donate funds to diagnose problem with dogwood trees near peony beds.

Horticulture – Mary Montague reminded us of the Shirley Mineese Horticulture Workshop at Longwood Garden on Oct. 15, 16, 17. We need to get photos of plant exchange material in your gardens. Ashland Foundation is sponsoring a Tree Walk at Ashland on Thursday May 18th at 7p.m.

Program – Janie Pappas arranged for the May 18th General Meeting to be held at Liberty Hall in Frankfort. It will include a tour of their gardens and lunch at Liberty Hall. Hostesses will be Mary Montague and Francis Cox. We will caravan to Wilson's Greenhouse afterwards. See the 'Bloomin' News' for more details.

Publication – Sheilagh Hammond requested that those interested in having 'The Bloomin' News' sent by E-mail, let her know.

Special Projects – Anne Arvin reported that the 4/29 Book Fair was great publicity because of an ad in the newspaper, interest shown at fair and the circulation of a flyer advertising our new cookbook. Sales at the event of <u>Bluegrass Winners</u> were down because people already had them. Anne also showed us an impressive pamphlet created

as an 'Eagle Scout' project by our scout volunteer. It included a map of our garden and a list of trees on the grounds. Our new scout volunteer is designing new trash containers!

New Cookbook – Martie Mayer reported that Benny Williams and Ellen Chapman will meet with Jackie Beasley of the Eclipse Press to discuss details of printing. Jane Stilz will meet with her committee about recipes. Barbara Young thought it necessary to send out a progress report to those who sent 'seed' money for the cookbook.

Founders Fund – Luanne Milward reported that the GC of Louisville wanted to purpose Yew Dell Gardens. They are interested in having us 'second' the project. If we did so, we would have to send a letter of intent by July 1st and 'second' the project by Oct. 1st. We would need to have a joint meeting with the GC of Louisville before July 1st as well as view the garden. Nancy Bishop made a motion that we 'second' the Yew Dell Garden Project. Ellen called for a voice vote. It passed by acclimation.

Visiting Gardens – Dottie Cordray asked for members to volunteer their gardens for the list of Lexington gardens which are available for visits.

Scholarship – Barbara Young reported that she is working with Blaire Matthews of the GC of Louisville and Sue Ellen Johnson of the GC of Paducah to coordinate details about forming a Conservation Scholarship in honor of Sally Brown.

Old Business – Ellen said that we are in the process of rotating our sub-committees – Horticulture, Flower and Conservation. See the 'Bloomin News' for the new lists. The Iris Society will host a sale on Saturday July 29th – See 'The Bloomin' News'.

The next meeting will be on Monday June 5^{th} at Martie Mayer's -2560 Jones Nursery Lane. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:33.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING MAY 18, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday May 18, 2006 at the Liberty Hall Historic Site in Frankfort, KY. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 11:55 a.m. She thanked Louise Dearborn and Tonya for taking us on an informative and delightful tour of Liberty Hall's historic garden. The minutes were approved as read. Charlotte Turner's resignation was regretfully announced. The deadline for membership dues is June 1st.

Committee Reports:

Conservation: Mimi Milward discussed the continuation of the endangered species project and announced the first committee meeting on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden. Mot Nicol added that we were lucky to have our 'buffalo clover' project right on the grounds at Ashland.

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher announced that the Flower Committee would meet on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden.

Garden Project: Libby Brown sent word that the boxwood had been replaced.

Horticulture: Mary Montague announced the 1st committee meeting on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden. There was enthusiastic discussion of the Shirley Meece Horticulture Workshop October 15 -17th at Winterthur.

Program: Janie Pappas announced that our next general meeting would be on Thursday June 15th in Louisville, KY at the Yew Dell Gardens. See details in the Bloomin' News.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin announced that she had brought a box of cookbooks to sell to members for \$13.00 each. Not many cookbooks were sold at the Bluegrass Festival of Books but there was much interest in our new cookbook – great PR!! Barbara Young announced that the **Cookbook Committee** had met to discuss the format for the new cookbook. There will be more pictures of the farms, fewer recipes, a 'menu' format, a special section for 'proven winners'. Special efforts are being made to get it out by Derby time 2007. Any especially GOOD recipes can be submitted until August. A suggestion was made to include committee names and E-mails in each Bloomin' News.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward and others discussed the Yew Dell Garden Project in Louisville. Ellen read a description of the project – "an outdoor living laboratory. . . want to develop an existing woodland area... educating young people about the natural

systems and our gardens." It was emphasized that we are not volunteering to run it but we should be knowledgeable enough to 'promote' it. A motion was made to write a letter to second this proposal. The motion was seconded. It was passed by a show of hands.

Friends of the Garden – Party: Betsy Bulleit announced that invitations will go out soon for the June 29th party. Cards will be sent out to members to remind them of food donations and time and place of delivery.

Scholarship: Barbara Young said that she would have more details about the scholarship honoring Louisville's Sally Brown after the Denver Meeting. The idea is that the three GCA clubs in KY would go together to offer a one time scholarship for a summer environmental study project.

Visiting Gardens: Dottie Cordray encouraged members who were traveling this summer to check with her about gardens to visit in different areas – US gardens were more available.

Old Business: None

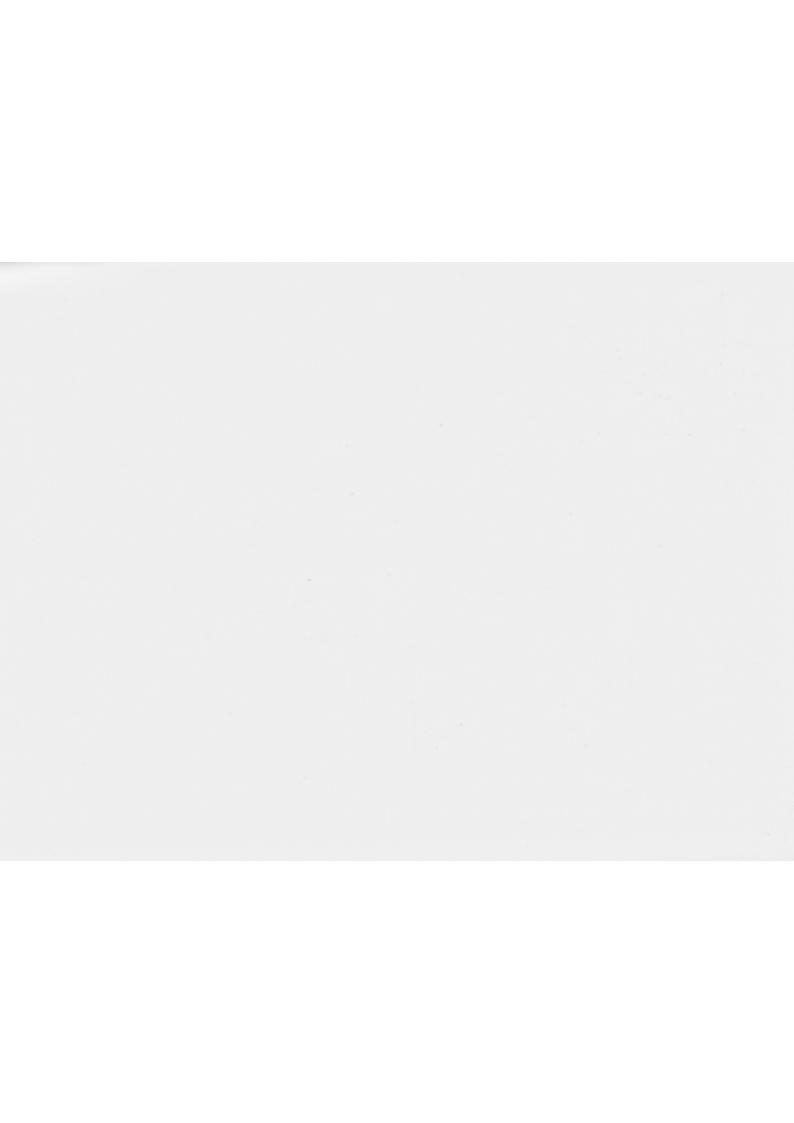
New Business: Be aware that we are now dealing with a new group of vandals that the police are calling "Tagers". They are in the Ashland area spray painting 'labels' or grafetti on things.

Ellen thanked our hostesses Francis Cox and Mary Montague for a delicious luncheon served on the patio at the Orlando Brown House (Part of the Liberty Hall Historic Site.) As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus



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GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING JUNE 5, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on June 5, 2006 at the home of Martie Mayer at 2560 Jones Nursery Lane. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Sixteen Board Members were in attendance: Ginny May, Lauren Van Balen, Mott Nicol, Mary Montague, Janie Pappas, Nancy Bishop, Mary Louise Fisher, Anne Arvin, Barbara Young, Gay H. VanMeter, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Anne Kraus, Sheilagh Hammond, Martie Mayer, Ellen Chapman. The minutes were read and approved with one correction.

Ellen read a letter of resignation from affiliate Harriet Shanklin. The board voted to accept Harriet's resignation with regret.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Gay VanMeter said that we have a balance of \$111,280.70.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop read the names of those who are ineligible to purpose anyone for membership for one year: Wende Bell, Ellen Chapman, Sarah Davis, and Betsy Hillenmeyer. Those ineligible to purpose anyone for membership for two years: Francis Cox, Anne Gay, Jane Stilz. There are three openings for membership. The deadline for making proposals is the last Monday in August. Nancy reminded us that new members should be able to attend meetings, to work in the Garden and to be able to be a Hostess.

Conservation: Mimi Milward discussed our continuation of the Buffalo Clover Project. She will work with Anne Hagen Michel and our scout volunteer about this.

Finance: Gay VanMeter thanked Mimi Milward for offering her boxwood for the Garden but said that getting new boxwood for \$250 was more cost effective.

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher said that the entire membership is eligible to submit an arrangement for the Flower Show. She will get with Jessica Nicholson to form a group to judge.

Horticulture: Barbara Young said that our entry in the Denver 'Plant Exchange' received 12 points out of 20. We received no merit points although our plants looked well. We had only 3 varieties and we needed 6. This was the GCA's last Plant Exchange. There are tentative plans for a Seed Exchange! Mary Montague is on the wait list for the Oct. 11th workshop at Winterthur - anyone interested should contact Mary.

Program: Janie Pappas talked about the next General Meeting on Thursday June 15th at Yew Dell Garden in Louisville. See the Bloomin' News for details. RSVP to Mary Louise Fisher. The July 20th meeting will be a picnic in the Garden. No August meeting.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin had cookbooks available for purchase.

New Cookbook: Gay and Marty said there will be a meeting every Friday at Jane Stilz's to work on the new cookbook. Mid August is the completion deadline. All are encouraged to give input /help. Further info will be in the Bloomin' News. Special help is needed to test menus. Recipes are still needed for good appetizers, etc.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim sent balance figure of \$8,250.06. All membership dues are paid.

Friends of the Garden – Party: Luanne Milward reported that invitations were sent out today for the party on Thursday June29th 6:30 – 8:30. Rain Location – Libby Brown's.

Visiting Gardens: Recent visitors went to Barbara Young's and Jud Knight's gardens.

Scholarship: Barbara Young said that Blaire Matthews in Louisville wants to make the Sally Brown Scholarship fund into a 'heavier' financial commitment – details are evolving. It was suggested that we show the Sally Brown video at a Meeting.

Old Business: none

New Business: Ellen said that Joseph Hillenmeyer and Misdee Wrigley have made a verbal request to use Ashland Garden in a movie for the Home and Garden TV channel. They have been asked to send a detailed written proposal. We need this before we can really discuss the possibility. It was felt that the membership needed to vote on this.

Ellen thanked the board for sending Wende Bell, Barbara Young and herself to Denver for the GCA meeting entitled "National Parks – National Treasures". See the GCA web site for more detailed information.

After discussion, it was decided that the Board Members would receive their Minutes from the previous board meeting by E-mail. The minutes could then be corrected and approved without being read at the next Board Meeting.

The next meeting will be Monday July 10th at Callie Keller's. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JUNE 15, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday June 15, 2006 at the Yew Dell Gardens in Crestwood, Kentucky. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 1:00 after a tour of Yew Dell Gardens given by its director Paul Cappiello. The Minutes were approved as read. Paul Cappiello was enthusiastically thanked for his hospitality and tour.

Committee Reports:

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported that our plant exchange will become a seed exchange next year. Everyone was encouraged to read the GCA magazine and to use the GCA web site (password is REAL DIRT) for horticulture information. Our speaker and tour director, Paul Cappiello, wrote an informative article in the March issue of Horticulture Magazine about kousa dogwood trees. Paul added his comments on great nursery and garden sources close to home.

Program: Janie Pappas said that we need hostesses for our next meeting on July 20th which will be a picnic in our garden at Ashland.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward, suggested that we get pictures of Yew Dell Gardens for those who could not make it to the meeting. It was suggested that we get Paul Cappiello to speak to our membership again at the July meeting.

Friends of the Garden Party: Kathy Brooks said that 83 people have responded 'yes'! The Central KY Youth Orchestra is performing.

Scholarship: Barbara and Blaire Matthews are continuing to work on plans for the Sally Brown (one time) scholarship.

Garden Project: Libby Brown - two more Wednesdays to get the garden ready for the party!

Flower Committee: Mary Louise Fisher reminded the flower committee (and anyone else) to bring an arrangement to the July 20th meeting. Five will be taken to shut-ins.

Old Business: Ellen spoke about the Denver meeting entitled "The National Parks – National Treasurers". She thankful for the opportunity to attend.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

June Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING JULY 10, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on July 10, 2006 at the home of Callie Keller at 2012 Hart Road. Vice President Jessica Nicholson called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Thirteen Board Members were in attendance: Jessica Nicholson, Mary Montague, Anne Kraus, Betsy Bulleit, Lauren Van Balen, Mary Louise Fisher, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Callie Keller, Barbara Young, Luanne Milward, Janie Pappas, and Mott Nicol. The minutes were approved as read.

It was decided that we continue to send the Board minutes by E-mail and make corrections before the meeting. We will revisit the pros and cons of this new procedure at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Gay VanMeter reported a balance of \$15,460.01.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop announced that the deadline for submitting a candidate is Sunday August 27th. We have three openings.

Awards: Mot Nicol discussed her thoughts on submitting names for local and National awards. It was decided that she form a selection committee.

Flower Show: Everyone is encouraged to bring a flower arrangement to the July 20th meeting in the Garden. Five of these will be taken to shut-ins.

Horticulture: Mary Montague told about several articles in the 'GCA Bulletin' (Hydrangeas), the 'Al La Carte' section of the newspaper, 'Horticulture Magazine' and 'By the Yard' (the UK Extension Service Publication). It was suggested that she add a reading list to the Bloomin' News each month or rotate with reports from other chairman.

Program: Janie Pappas reported that the next meeting will be July 20th in the Garden with hostesses Joy Hinkle and Sheila Hammond. A list was circulated to **RSVP**. We will travel to 'Warwick', the former home of Clay Lancaster, in September.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$5,799.38. She suggested that we set rules for 'honorary status' for older members.

Scholarship: Barbara Young reported that Louisville and Paducah will join us in a one-time summer scholarship in honor of Sally Brown. Each club will pay \$666.00 of the fund total of \$2,000. Blaire Matthews is eager to make this a permanent scholarship fund. Barbara felt that would stretch us too much, however.

Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit reported that the Garden Party took in \$8,625. Expenses have not been taken out of this, however. 217 invitations were mailed. 136 people

responded. 99 people paid (some of those paid for spouses or guests.) 177 attended the party. The Youth Orchestra was a successful addition. Donations of food, flowers and money were appreciated. The weather turned out to be perfect! Carlton Lear of Events by Design did a fabulous job and gave us some price breaks! Concerns included: there were fewer people from a 'younger' age group as well as fewer 'older' people, competition from other events, scheduled for the same night, kept people away.

Old Business: none

New Business: The next Board Meeting will be on August 28th at Gay Van Meter's.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JULY 20, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday July 20, 2006 at the Ashland Garden in Lexington. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon after Paul Cappiello, Director of Yew Dell Gardens, conducted an informative tour of kousa dogwood trees. The minutes were approved as read. Paul was thanked for his tour and his book <u>Dogwoods</u> was made was made available for purchase. Janie Pappas also thanked Paul for his gift to us – a kousa dogwood tree!

Committee Reports:

Admission: Nancy Bishop announced that the deadline for submitting admission forms to her is Sunday August 27th. These forms will then be presented at the August 28th Board Meeting. We have several openings.

Flower Committee: Mary Louise Fisher thanked everyone for their flower arrangement. All received a ribbon. Some were blue!!

Garden Project: Marty Mayer told everyone to "Keep up the good work!"

Horticulture: Mary Montague made copies available of an article in Horticulture Magazine called "Saving Seeds". She mentioned another article relating to the variety of salvia that we have in our coral bell bed. We will participate in a GCA project which will be due October 11th. See more about this in the 'Bloomin News' and the GCA web site. We will need to enter three 'classes' by Sept. 10th.

Program: Janie Pappas circulated a sign-up sheet for 'meeting hostesses'. Our Sept. meeting will be held at Warwick, the former home of architect Clay Lancaster, in Salvisa.

Founders Fund: We are getting proposals written for the Yew Dell project. We are requesting funds to recreate woodlands and ponds for an outdoor learning laboratory.

Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit thanked everyone for their help and participation in a very successful June Garden Party. 177 people paid to attend.

Ellen thanked Paul Cappiello for the program and hostesses Sheilagh Hammond and Joy Hinkle. Our next meeting will be in September. As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:15. A delightful picnic luncheon followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING AUGUST 28, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on Monday August 28, 2006 at the home of Gay Van Meter at 4224 Briar Hill Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Fifteen Board Members were in attendance: Ellen Chapman, Lauren VanBalen, Anne Kraus, Mary Montague, Sheilagh Hammond, Callie Keller, Kim DeCamp, Barbara Young, Janie Pappas, Jessica Nicholson, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Anne Arvin, and Gay Van Meter. The minutes were read via E-mail and approved. Treasurer, Gay Van Meter said that we have a balance of \$11,032.02.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher reported that she received a letter from Ashland inviting us to help decorate their historical house for Christmas on Nov. 13. A mantel and a tree have been assigned to us. The theme is 'Neighborhood Christmas'. The November general meeting will be a make-and-take session for holiday decorations. See details in the Bloomin' News.

Conservation: Mimi Milward reported she was working with Ashland for us to 'adopt a tree'. Plans are still incomplete.

Garden Project: Libby Brown reported that fall 'clean-up' in the Garden would be Oct. 18th, Bulb Day – Nov.1st (rain date – Nov. 8). An order has been made for herbs and bulbs.

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported that she will attend the Winterthur workshop in Oct. The Zone Meeting will be Oct. 11 to 13th in Alexandria VA. We must submit a minimum of 3 entries. (Transporting plant materials was discussed.) Copies of the Horticulture Rules were circulated. They will also appear in the Bloomin' News. Mary also circulated a book by Michael Dirr Hardy Trees and Shrubs.

Admissions: Nancy reminded us that only chairman of a standing committees will vote for membership. She read the guidelines for membership: 1. to work in Ashland Garden on Wednesday mornings spring until fall and this is a requirement. 2. to hostess a general meeting every two years 3. to regularly attend monthly meetings. 4. to serve on the Board and hold office when asked. 5. to participate in club projects which include cookbook sales and flower shows. 6. to represent our club at GCA Zone and Annual Meetings when asked.

Applications of candidates were read as well as letters of recommendation. Discussion followed each reading.

Program: Janie Pappas reported that our general meeting will be Sept. 21st at 10:30 at Warwick, the Anderson Co. home of Clay Lancaster. Betty Lee Mastin will be our speaker. Linda Cary and Betty Gess will be the hostesses. See details in 'The Bloomin'n News'.

Publication: Sheilagh Hammond requested information for the Bloomin'n News by tonight if possible.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin reported that by the end of December we need to have plans in place for a new office which would provide space for storage as well as our once a week staff member. A new lap top computer is also needed. We are now getting Christmas orders for our cookbook. We brainstormed for new ideas for advertising the cookbook as well finding office space.

Scholarship: Barbara Young reported that Louisville's Glenview GC has voted to support the Sally Brown Scholarship fund with \$667.00. It was suggested that our Finance Committee meet as soon as possible to make a similar recommendation for our GC. Paducah will have to commit also. A scholarship cannot be announced unless all the money is 'there'. Barbara encouraged us to 'be aware' of worthy KY students for this \$2,000 summer scholarship.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward reported that she is working with the Glenview GC on a letter for the Yew Dell Project.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$2445.48. She thanked everyone for responding to her E-mail about the membership roister. We were reminded that honorary members of the GC don't pay dues.

Special Projects: Martie Mayer and Jane Stilz are working hard on getting recipes and menus together for the new cookbook. They still need recipes for cookies / sweets and appetizers.

Old / New Business: Remember to help the affiliates who bring tea to the garden. Don't block their cars. Upcoming Board meetings: Oct. 2nd – Kim DeCamp, Nov. – Ellen Chapman, Dec. – Barbara Young.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING September 21, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday September 21, 2006 at Warwick, the former home of architect Clay Lancaster, in Salvisa KY. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:30 after thanking speakers Bettye Lee Mastin and Jim Birchfield for leading us on a tour/lecture of the Warwick buildings and grounds. The minutes were approved as read.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Mot Nicol circulated a recently received pamphlet about GCA awards.

Conservation: A pamphlet was circulated about a National GCA conference entitled 'National Affairs' February 26 – 28 in Washington DC. Apply before Nov. 10th.

Flower Committee: 'We' are doing a holiday tree and mantel in the drawing room at Ashland using a bird theme. (Due up by Nov. 13th.) The Flower Committee will coordinate a make-and-take session at the Nov.16th meeting. Details to follow.

Garden Project: Garden clean-up - Oct. 18th. Bulb Day - Nov. 1st, rain date Nov. 8th.

Horticulture: Mary Montague circulated articles on elm trees and buffalo clover. Horticulture specimens are due on Oct. 11 for the Zone Meeting. Three or more entries are needed. Look at the first three categories because of transportation issues.

Program: October's joint meeting with Louisville (at IHCC) will feature a lecture on stone fences.

Special Projects: Keep thinking of ideas for a 'cookbook' office. (Need by 3/1/07.)

Founder's Fund: Luanne Milward read our letter which seconds Louisville's Yew Dell proposal. GCA funds would be used for an outdoor educational facility.

Friends of the Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit said that the party took in \$8,235. Expenses were \$2,311. Our net income was \$5,923.

Old Business / New Business: none

Ellen thanked Janie for organizing a wonderful program at Warwick as well as our hostesses Linda Carey and Betty Gess who fed us a delicious box lunch! As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:50.

Respectfully Submitted,

June Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on Monday October 2, 2006 at the home of Kim DeCamp at 228 Barrow Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Twenty Board Members were in attendance: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Anne Arvin, Jessica Nicholson, Lauren VanBalen, Ellen Chapman, Anne Kraus, Mary Montague, Mary Louise Fisher, Kim DeCamp, Ginny May, Martie Mayer, Gay VanMeter, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward, Callie Keller, Janie Pappas, Sheilagh Hammond, Wende Bell The minutes were read via E-mail and approved. Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$7,963.34.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Admissions: Nancy Bishop presented each candidate for admission and read their admission information and letters of recommendation. Each candidate was discussed as well as the issue of holding over an application.

Flower Show: Mary Louise said that plans were being organized for the holiday decorations at Ashland by her 'sub-committee' of Edie Gess, Leslie Baldwin, Brenda Barrett and herself. They are using a 'bird' theme and need items donated relating to birds. The Flower Committee is organizing a holiday make-and-take workshop for the November meeting.

Garden Project: Martie and Libby discussed a list of repairs which included: grill work, brick work on the top of walls, the 'jockey', compost pile (Mimi Milward volunteered to take this on as a conservation project.), need for new gravel, sick holly tree (black root rot), leaks in the irrigation system and plant storage for jasmine, gardenias, and citrus trees. Several estimates are being taken for general maintenance. Mulch is available near the shed. Salvia from Mary's bed will be available for 'takers'. The rose partier will be put to bed in December. Irrigation system turn-off will be right after 'bulb day'.

Horticulture: Mary Montague is preparing for the upcoming Zone Meeting in Alexandria VA on Oct. 11th. Concerns about packaging plant material for air travel were addressed. 'Cards' filled out prior to the meeting. Jessica Nicholson, Barbara Young and Joy Hinkle will be our representatives. The 2007 Zone meeting will be at Biltmore in Ashville NC September 17 – 19 and will honor landscape architect Frederick L. Olmstead.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin discussed needs for a new cookbook office. We will leave the old office Dec. 30. Storage for cookbooks was discussed.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$2445.38.

Founders Fund: Luanne completed the letter seconding the Yew Dell Garden Project.

Scholarship: Ellen Chapman and Barbara Young had lunch with Sally Brown in Louisville. She is flattered by her 'honor'. Our portion is paid.

New Business: We have been giving donations during the year (to our speakers / organizations) instead of in a 'neat' sum at the end of the year. Program Chair Janie Pappas has been doing this out of her pocket and needs to be reimbursed. The Finance Committee needs to meet and discuss this.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 19, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday October 19, 2006 at the Idle Hour Country Club in Lexington. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. She introduced our guest Ruth Wadlington (GCA Zone VII Board Director) who was complimentary of our record keeping, our activities and Ashland Garden. The minutes were approved as read.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: Gay VanMeter reported a balance of \$7,763.90.

Conservation: A letter was circulated on global warming.

Flower Committee: Mary Louise Fisher encouraged everyone to bring a container and greenery to the November make-and-take meeting. We will decorate a holiday tree and mantel for Christmas at Ashland using a 'bird' theme – 'bird' decorations are needed.

Garden Project: Martie Mayer thanked everyone for helping with garden clean-up. Bulb Day is Nov. 1st. The holly tree will be taken out next week.

Program: Janie Pappas thanked hostesses Carol Jackson, Betty Kenan and Lucy Breathitt for a wonderful luncheon yet to come. The Nov. meeting will be at IHCC.

Scholarship: Barbara Young reminded us of the many GCA scholarships encouraging us to look for eligible candidates.

New Business: Ellen Chapman reported on the recent Zone Meeting in Alexandria VA. entitled 'Where History Grows'. The Garden Club of Lexington received many honors including: Jessica Nicholson being named as a new GCA Flower Show Judge, our delegate Joy Hinkle received an award for flower arranging and Barbara Young represented us on the Zone VII Scholarship Committee. Horticulture ribbons included: Dottie Cordray – Blue for hydrangea piniculata' tardiva', Nancy Bishop – Red for 'Peace' rose, Kathy Brooks – Red for aronia or chokeberry, Dottie Cordray – Red for viburnum' Michael Dodge', Jessica Bell – Yellow for callicarpa, Marcia Slaubaugh – White for hydrangea 'Endless Summer'. Joy reported on the conservation meeting entitled 'Blue Space' – inland waterways. Of interest was the Jamestown archeological dig and we were encouraged to attend their 2007 event.

The Glenview Garden Club from Louisville was introduced as our guest at 11:05 as we continued our meeting with presentations by McKensie Royce – Bluegrass Conservancy and Carolyn Wooley, Jane Wooley, Jean Ann Tulloch – Dry Stone Conservancy. This program was followed by a 'sorghum tasting' and Lucy Breathitt's informative story of

the process of making sorghum and her new sorghum business. A delicious luncheon was then served hosted by Carol Jackson, Betty Kenan and Lucy Breatthitt.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 6, 2007

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on Monday November 6, 2007 at the home of Ellen Chapman at 5689 Old Frankfort Pike. Sixteen Board members were in attendance: Anne Arvin, Barbara Young, Ellen Chapman, Gay VanMeter, Jessica Nicholson, Lauren VanBalen, Luanne Milward, Martie Mayer, Mot Nicol, Nancy Bishop, Sue Glover, Wende Bell, Sheilagh Hammond, Anne Kraus and Libby Brown. The minutes were approved as read. Treasurer Gay VanMeter reported a balance of \$7,639.42.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Awards: Mot Nicol reminded us that award info was due in February for publicity and public relations. The Elizabeth Abernathy Hall award is a nice award for teachers.

Conservation: Two magazines were circulated: "Nature Conservancy" and "Forest Echo" – Magazine for Bernheim Forest.

Flower Show: Bring container & greenery to Nov. meeting. Sarah Davis is our 'leader'.

Garden Project: Libby and Martie – Rain date for Bulb Day is Nov. 8th. We are still comparing other bids with United's (whose contract expires Jan. 1st.) Irrigation was turned off last Sat. The holly tree is gone. Still working on brick work at top of wall, and ornamental iron on gate. The issue of using Memorial Fund money was discussed.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop reminded us that those eligible to vote are officers and chairmen of standing committees who have attended either the Sept. or Oct. board meeting. Ballots for candidates were passed and collected. The results were later announced. Our two new members are Amy Kessinger and Margaret Cowgill.

Archives: Sue Glover informed us of the upcoming GCA centennial year. Ideas were discussed about how to organize and present our 'shared history'.

Scholarship: Barbara Young encouraged us to look for scholarship candidates. She will bring UK recipient of the Katherine Grovescup scholarship to the January meeting.

Assistant Treasurer: Our current balance is \$2091.99. Please forward receipts from the Zone meeting travel to Kim DeCamp. The membership roster spreadsheet is updated!

New Business: We are setting a publishing deadline for the new cookbook with Eclipse Press. Barbara read a short letter explaining our progress which she was sending to 40 of our seed money supporters. Dec. 1st is our tentative deadline to have everything ready for press. If you can help type, call Jane Stilz.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday November 16, 2006 at the Idle Hour Country Club in Lexington. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. She thanked our hostesses Katie Alford and Kathy Courtney as well as flower arranging 'coach' Sarah Davis. The minutes were approved as read.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: Our balance is \$9,134.15.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop reported that invitations were extended to new members.

Their names will appear in the Bloomin' News before the Christmas Tea.

Conservation: Mimi Milward is working on the compost pile. An article was circulated concerning the relationship of the election & National Affairs and GCA.

Flower Committee: Be sure to see the tree & mantel we decorated at Ashland! Garden Project: We are working on replacing the holly tree in the Garden.

Program: The Christmas Tea will be at Janie Pappas' home. Kathy Brewer and Marcia Salbaugh will help Janie hostess.

Special Projects: We have a possibility for a cookbook office. Cookbooks are available after the meeting. We are still getting lots of orders for *Bluegrass Winners*.

Archives: The GCA centennial year will be 2010. Think about our 'past'. **Assistant Treasurer:** Our balance is \$2,091.99.

Visiting Gardens: Charleston South Carolina's Horticulture Society can accommodate garden tours for groups – plan in advance. There are lots of other GCA trip possibilities!

Scholarship: Barbara will introduce a new UK scholarship recipient at the Dec. Tea.

Old Business / New Business: Anne Gay encouraged us to support *Art in Bloom* – UK Art Museum's fund raiser February 22 to 25, 2007. Jane Stilz needs help typing recipes for the new cookbook. Our deadline is December 1st.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:05. It was followed by a 'Holiday Arrangement' workshop guided by Sarah Davis. A delicious luncheon was then served hosted by Katie Alford and Kathy Courtney.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 6, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on December 6, 2006 at the home of Barbara Young at 206 Barrow Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Nineteen Board Members were in attendance: Anne Arvin, Barbara Young, Ellen Chapman, Gay VanMeter, Janie Pappas, Jessica Nicholson, Kim Decamp, Lauren Van Balen, Luanne Milward, Martie Mayer, Mary Louise Fisher, Mary Montague, Mimi Milward, Nancy Bishop, Sheilagh Hammond, sue Glover, Callie Keller and Anne Kraus. The minutes were approved as read via E-mail. Gay VanMeter reported a balance of \$5,867.83.

Committee Reports:

Admissions: Nancy Bishop reminded us to welcome new members Margaret Cowgill and Amy Kessinger at the Christmas Tea.

Conservation: Mimi Milward advised us to be aware of conservation issues in media.

Finance: Gay VanMeter reported that the finance committee recently met at Libby Brown's home. Recommendations were made for the 2006 annual contributions: GCA Scholarship Fund - \$667.00, (Sallie Brown – given in 9/06}, The Fayette Alliance - \$200.00, Ashland - \$100.00, Bluegrass Conservancy - \$200.00, Yew Dell Gardens - \$100.00, UK Aboretum - \$50.00, Ashland Neighborhood Association - \$15.00. Total Contributions for 2006 - \$1,532.00. Ellen made a motion that the Board of GCL pass the recommendations of the Finance Committee. The motion was passed by acclimation.

Garden Project: The garden is 'sleeping'. Bids are being taken for a new holly tree.

Program: Janie Pappas reported that Susan Domain (a GCA national speaker) will tell us about 'Garden Design' at our Jan. 18th meeting at the IHCC. Sign-up sheets were passed for the Dec. 14th tea (3:30) and the Jan. 18th meeting. Our next Board Meeting will be Jan. 7th at Mary Louise Fisher's.

Publication: E-mail Sheilagh any 'news'. She will add E-mail addresses to RSVP info.

Special Projects: We have office space in IHCC shopping center but don't need to make a definite decision until March 1st. If you know other prospects, we'll consider them.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim said our balance still is \$2,091.99. Send any bills ASAP.

Public Relations: Lauren is submitting an article on conservation to the GCA Bulletin.

Flower Committee: Candlelight tours of Ashland are at 5p.m. for the next two Sundays. We are invited to gather at Mary Louise's home before the tours. Thanks to Sarah Davis for coordinating our flower arranging make-and-take at the Nov. meeting.

Old Business/New Business: Ginny May encouraged us to attend the upcoming flower shows in Atlanta, Philadelphia and Nashville. Welcome our new members at the Christmas Tea! Ellen thanked Martie Mayer and Jane Stilz for their ongoing hard work on the new cookbook. We need extra help with proofreading, etc. We will again meet with Eclipse Press in early Jan. Our 'Launch Date' will be in Sept. 2007. Almost all 'seed' money has been received.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting December 14, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington gathered on Thursday December 14th at the home of Janie Pappas at 1713 Clays Spring Lane for its annual Christmas Tea. Kathy Brewer and Marcia Slabaugh were co-hostesses. President Ellen Chapman welcomed our two new members Margaret Cowgill and Amy Kessinger. Janie's house was beautifully decorated with a boxwood centerpiece, festive greens/flowers and an old fashion Christmas tree. An elegantly appointed table was highlighted with a spectacular tea menu created and presented by Marcia's daughter Holly.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Kraus Recording Secretary

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on Monday October 2, 2006 at the home of Kim DeCamp at 228 Barrow Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Twenty Board Members were in attendance: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Anne Arvin, Jessica Nicholson, Lauren VanBalen, Ellen Chapman, Anne Kraus, Mary Montague, Mary Louise Fisher, Kim DeCamp, Ginny May, Martie Mayer, Gay VanMeter, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward, Callie Keller, Janie Pappas, Sheilagh Hammond, Wende Bell The minutes were read via E-mail and approved. Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$7,963.34.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Admissions: Nancy Bishop presented each candidate for admission and read their admission information and letters of recommendation. Each candidate was discussed as well as the issue of holding over an application.

Flower Show: Mary Louise said that plans were being organized for the holiday decorations at Ashland by her 'sub-committee' of Edie Gess, Leslie Baldwin, Brenda Barrett and herself. They are using a 'bird' theme and need items donated relating to birds. The Flower Committee is organizing a holiday make-and-take workshop for the November meeting.

Garden Project: Martie and Libby discussed a list of repairs which included: grill work, brick work on the top of walls, the 'jockey', compost pile (Mimi Milward volunteered to take this on as a conservation project.), need for new gravel, sick holly tree (black root rot), leaks in the irrigation system and plant storage for jasmine, gardenias, and citrus trees. Several estimates are being taken for general maintenance. Mulch is available near the shed. Salvia from Mary's bed will be available for 'takers'. The rose partier will be put to bed in December. Irrigation system turn-off will be right after 'bulb day'.

Horticulture: Mary Montague is preparing for the upcoming Zone Meeting in Alexandria VA on Oct. 11th. Concerns about packaging plant material for air travel were addressed. 'Cards' filled out prior to the meeting. Jessica Nicholson, Barbara Young and Joy Hinkle will be our representatives. The 2007 Zone meeting will be at Biltmore in Ashville NC September 17 – 19 and will honor landscape architect Frederick L. Olmstead.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin discussed needs for a new cookbook office. We will leave the old office Dec. 30. Storage for cookbooks was discussed.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$2445.38.

Founders Fund: Luanne completed the letter seconding the Yew Dell Garden Project.

Scholarship: Ellen Chapman and Barbara Young had lunch with Sally Brown in Louisville. She is flattered by her 'honor'. Our portion is paid.

New Business: We have been giving donations during the year (to our speakers / organizations) instead of in a 'neat' sum at the end of the year.

Program Chair Janie Pappas has been doing this out of her pocket and needs to be reimbursed. The Finance Committee needs to meet and discuss this.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING September 21, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday September 21, 2006 at Warwick, the former home of architect Clay Lancaster, in Salvisa KY. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:30 after thanking speakers Bettye Lee Mastin and Jim Birchfield for leading us on a tour/lecture of the Warwick buildings and grounds. The minutes were approved as read.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Mot Nicol circulated a recently received pamphlet about GCA awards.

Conservation: A pamphlet was circulated about a National GCA conference entitled 'National Affairs' February 26 – 28 in Washington DC. Apply before Nov. 10th.

Flower Committee: 'We' are doing a holiday tree and mantel in the drawing room at Ashland using a bird theme. (Due up by Nov. 13th.) The Flower Committee will coordinate a make-and-take session at the Nov.16th meeting. Details to follow.

Garden Project: Garden clean-up - Oct. 18th. Bulb Day - Nov. 1st, rain date Nov. 8th.

Horticulture: Mary Montague circulated articles on elm trees and buffalo clover. Horticulture specimens are due on Oct. 11 for the Zone Meeting. Three or more entries are needed. Look at the first three categories because of transportation issues.

Program: October's joint meeting with Louisville (at IHCC) will feature a lecture on stone fences.

Special Projects: Keep thinking of ideas for a 'cookbook' office. (Need by 3/1/07.)

Founder's Fund: Luanne Milward read our letter which seconds Louisville's Yew Dell proposal. GCA funds would be used for an outdoor educational facility.

Friends of the Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit said that the party took in \$8,235. Expenses were \$2,311. Our net income was \$5,923.

Old Business / New Business: none

Ellen thanked Janie for organizing a wonderful program at Warwick as well as our hostesses Linda Carey and Betty Gess who fed us a delicious box lunch! As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:50.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING AUGUST 28, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on Monday August 28, 2006 at the home of Gay Van Meter at 4224 Briar Hill Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Fifteen Board Members were in attendance: Ellen Chapman, Lauren VanBalen, Anne Kraus, Mary Montague, Sheilagh Hammond, Callie Keller, Kim DeCamp, Barbara Young, Janie Pappas, Jessica Nicholson, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Anne Arvin, and Gay Van Meter. The minutes were read via E-mail and approved. Treasurer, Gay Van Meter said that we have a balance of \$11,032.02.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher reported that she received a letter from Ashland inviting us to help decorate their historical house for Christmas on Nov. 13. A mantel and a tree have been assigned to us. The theme is 'Neighborhood Christmas'. The November general meeting will be a make-and-take session for holiday decorations. See details in the Bloomin' News.

Conservation: Mimi Milward reported she was working with Ashland for us to 'adopt a tree'. Plans are still incomplete.

Garden Project: Libby Brown reported that fall 'clean-up' in the Garden would be Oct. 18th, Bulb Day – Nov.1st (rain date – Nov. 8). An order has been made for herbs and bulbs.

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported that she will attend the Winterthur workshop in Oct. The Zone Meeting will be Oct. 11 to 13th in Alexandria VA. We must submit a minimum of 3 entries. (Transporting plant materials was discussed.) Copies of the Horticulture Rules were circulated. They will also appear in the Bloomin' News. Mary also circulated a book by Michael Dirr Hardy Trees and Shrubs.

Admissions: Nancy reminded us that only chairman of a standing committees will vote for membership. She read the guidelines for membership: 1. to work in Ashland Garden on Wednesday mornings spring until fall and this is a requirement. 2. to hostess a general meeting every two years 3. to regularly attend monthly meetings. 4. to serve on the Board and hold office when asked. 5. to participate in club projects which include cookbook sales and flower shows. 6. to represent our club at GCA Zone and Annual Meetings when asked.

Applications of candidates were read as well as letters of recommendation. Discussion followed each reading.

Program: Janie Pappas reported that our general meeting will be Sept. 21st at 10:30 at Warwick, the Anderson Co. home of Clay Lancaster. Betty Lee Mastin will be our speaker. Linda Cary and Betty Gess will be the hostesses. See details in 'The Bloomin'n News'.

Publication: Sheilagh Hammond requested information for the Bloomin'n News by tonight if possible.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin reported that by the end of December we need to have plans in place for a new office which would provide space for storage as well as our once a week staff member. A new lap top computer is also needed. We are now getting Christmas orders for our cookbook. We brainstormed for new ideas for advertising the cookbook as well finding office space.

Scholarship: Barbara Young reported that Louisville's Glenview GC has voted to support the Sally Brown Scholarship fund with \$667.00. It was suggested that our Finance Committee meet as soon as possible to make a similar recommendation for our GC. Paducah will have to commit also. A scholarship cannot be announced unless all the money is 'there'. Barbara encouraged us to 'be aware' of worthy KY students for this \$2,000 summer scholarship.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward reported that she is working with the Glenview GC on a letter for the Yew Dell Project.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$2445.48. She thanked everyone for responding to her E-mail about the membership roister. We were reminded that honorary members of the GC don't pay dues.

Special Projects: Martie Mayer and Jane Stilz are working hard on getting recipes and menus together for the new cookbook. They still need recipes for cookies / sweets and appetizers.

Old / New Business: Remember to help the affiliates who bring tea to the garden. Don't block their cars. Upcoming Board meetings: Oct. 2 - Kim DeCamp, Nov. – Ellen Chapman, Dec. – Barbara Young.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

June Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JULY 20, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met on Thursday July 20, 2006 at the Ashland Garden in Lexington. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon after Paul Cappiello, Director of Yew Dell Gardens, conducted an informative tour of kousa dogwood trees. The minutes were approved as read. Paul was thanked for his tour and his book <u>Dogwoods</u> was made was made available for purchase. Janie Pappas also thanked Paul for his gift to us – a kousa dogwood tree!

Committee Reports:

Admission: Nancy Bishop announced that the deadline for submitting admission forms to her is Sunday August 27th. These forms will then be presented at the August 28th Board Meeting. We have several openings.

Flower Committee: Mary Louise Fisher thanked everyone for their flower arrangement. All received a ribbon. Some were blue!!

Garden Project: Marty Mayer told everyone to "Keep up the good work!"

Horticulture: Mary Montague made copies available of an article in Horticulture Magazine called "Saving Seeds". She mentioned another article relating to the variety of salvia that we have in our coral bell bed. We will participate in a GCA project which will be due October 11th. See more about this in the 'Bloomin News' and the GCA web site. We will need to enter three 'classes' by Sept. 10th.

Program: Janie Pappas circulated a sign-up sheet for 'meeting hostesses'. Our Sept. meeting will be held at Warwick, the former home of architect Clay Lancaster, in Salvisa.

Founders Fund: We are getting proposals written for the Yew Dell project. We are requesting funds to recreate woodlands and ponds for an outdoor learning laboratory.

Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit thanked everyone for their help and participation in a very successful June Garden Party. 177 people paid to attend.

Ellen thanked Paul Cappiello for the program and hostesses Sheilagh Hammond and Joy Hinkle. Our next meeting will be in September. As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:15. A delightful picnic luncheon followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Kraus Recording Secretary

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING JULY 10, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on July 10, 2006 at the home of Callie Keller at 2012 Hart Road. Vice President Jessica Nicholson called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Thirteen Board Members were in attendance: Jessica Nicholson, Mary Montague, Anne Kraus, Betsy Bulleit, Lauren Van Balen, Mary Louise Fisher, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Callie Keller, Barbara Young, Luanne Milward, Janie Pappas, and Mott Nicol. The minutes were approved as read.

It was decided that we continue to send the Board minutes by E-mail and make corrections before the meeting. We will revisit the pros and cons of this new procedure at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Gay VanMeter reported a balance of \$15,460.01.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop announced that the deadline for submitting a candidate is Sunday August 27th. We have three openings.

Awards: Mot Nicol discussed her thoughts on submitting names for local and National awards. It was decided that she form a selection committee.

Flower Show: Everyone is encouraged to bring a flower arrangement to the July 20th meeting in the Garden. Five of these will be taken to shut-ins.

Horticulture: Mary Montague told about several articles in the 'GCA Bulletin' (Hydrangeas), the 'Al La Carte' section of the newspaper, 'Horticulture Magazine' and 'By the Yard' (the UK Extension Service Publication). It was suggested that she add a reading list to the Bloomin' News each month or rotate with reports from other chairman.

Program: Janie Pappas reported that the next meeting will be July 20th in the Garden with hostesses Joy Hinkle and Sheila Hammond. A list was circulated to **RSVP**. We will travel to 'Warwick', the former home of Clay Lancaster, in September.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$5,799.38. She suggested that we set rules for 'honorary status' for older members.

Scholarship: Barbara Young reported that Louisville and Paducah will join us in a one-time summer scholarship in honor of Sally Brown. Each club will pay \$666.00 of the fund total of \$2,000. Blaire Matthews is eager to make this a permanent scholarship fund. Barbara felt that would stretch us too much, however.

Garden Party: Betsy Bulleit reported that the Garden Party took in \$8,625. Expenses have not been taken out of this, however. 217 invitations were mailed. 136 people

responded. 99 people paid (some of those paid for spouses or guests.) 177 attended the party. The Youth Orchestra was a successful addition. Donations of food, flowers and money were appreciated. The weather turned out to be perfect! Carlton Lear of Events by Design did a fabulous job and gave us some price breaks! Concerns included: there were fewer people from a 'younger' age group as well as fewer 'older' people, competition from other events, scheduled for the same night, kept people away.

Old Business: none

New Business: The next Board Meeting will be on August 28th at Gay Van Meter's.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JUNE 15, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday June 15, 2006 at the Yew Dell Gardens in Crestwood, Kentucky. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 1:00 after a tour of Yew Dell Gardens given by its director Paul Cappiello. The Minutes were approved as read. Paul Cappiello was enthusiastically thanked for his hospitality and tour.

Committee Reports:

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported that our plant exchange will become a seed exchange next year. Everyone was encouraged to read the GCA magazine and to use the GCA web site (password is REAL DIRT) for horticulture information. Our speaker and tour director, Paul Cappiello, wrote an informative article in the March issue of Horticulture Magazine about kousa dogwood trees. Paul added his comments on great nursery and garden sources close to home.

Program: Janie Pappas said that we need hostesses for our next meeting on July 20th which will be a picnic in our garden at Ashland.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward, suggested that we get pictures of Yew Dell Gardens for those who could not make it to the meeting. It was suggested that we get Paul Cappiello to speak to our membership again at the July meeting.

Friends of the Garden Party: Kathy Brooks said that 83 people have responded 'yes'! The Central KY Youth Orchestra is performing.

Scholarship: Barbara Young and Blaire Matthews (Louisville) are continuing to work on plans for the Sally Brown (one time) scholarship.

Garden Project: Libby Brown reminded us that there were two more Wednesdays to get the garden ready for the party!

Flower Committee: Mary Louise Fisher reminded the flower committee (and anyone else) to bring an arrangement to the July 20th meeting. Five will be taken to shut-ins.

Old Business: Ellen spoke about the Denver meeting, "The National Parks – National Treasurers". She was thankful for the opportunity to attend.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING JUNE 5, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on June 5, 2006 at the home of Martie Mayer at 2560 Jones Nursery Lane. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Sixteen Board Members were in attendance: Ginny May, Lauren Van Balen, Mott Nicol, Mary Montague, Janie Pappas, Nancy Bishop, Mary Louise Fisher, Anne Arvin, Barbara Young, Gay H. VanMeter, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Anne Kraus, Sheilagh Hammond, Martie Mayer, Ellen Chapman. The minutes were read and approved with one correction.

Ellen read a letter of resignation from affiliate Harriet Shanklin. The board voted to accept Harriet's resignation with regret.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Gay VanMeter said that we have a balance of \$11,280.70.

Admissions: Nancy Bishop read the names of those who are ineligible to purpose anyone for membership for one year: Wende Bell, Ellen Chapman, Sarah Davis, and Betsy Hillenmeyer. Those ineligible to purpose anyone for membership for two years: Francis Cox, Anne Gay, Jane Stilz. There are three openings for membership. The deadline for making proposals is the last Monday in August. Nancy reminded us that new members should be able to attend meetings, to work in the Garden and to be able to be a Hostess.

Conservation: Mimi Milward discussed our continuation of the Buffalo Clover Project. She will work with Anne Hagen Michel and our scout volunteer about this.

Finance: Gay VanMeter thanked Mimi Milward for offering her boxwood for the Garden but said that getting new boxwood for \$250 was more cost effective.

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher said that the entire membership is eligible to submit an arrangement for the Flower Show. She will get with Jessica Nicholson to form a group to judge.

Horticulture: Barbara Young said that our entry in the Denver 'Plant Exchange' received 12 points out of 20. We received no merit points although our plants looked well. We had only 3 varieties and we needed 6. This was the GCA's last Plant Exchange. There are tentative plans for a Seed Exchange! Mary Montague is on the wait list for the Oct. 11th workshop at Winterthur - anyone interested should contact Mary.

Program: Janie Pappas talked about the next General Meeting on Thursday June 15th at Yew Dell Garden in Louisville. See the Bloomin' News for details. RSVP to Mary Louise Fisher. The July 20th meeting will be a picnic in the Garden. No August meeting.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin had cookbooks available for purchase.

New Cookbook: Gay and Marty said there will be a meeting every Friday at Jane Stilz's to work on the new cookbook. Mid August is the completion deadline. All are encouraged to give input /help. Further info will be in the Bloomin' News. Special help is needed to test menus. Recipes are still needed for good appetizers, etc.

Assistant Treasurer: Kim sent balance figure of \$8,250.06. All membership dues are paid.

Friends of the Garden – Party: Luanne Milward reported that invitations were sent out today for the party on Thursday June29th 6:30 – 8:30. Rain Location – Libby Brown's.

Visiting Gardens: Recent visitors went to Barbara Young's and Jud Knight's gardens.

Scholarship: Barbara Young said that Blaire Matthews in Louisville wants to make the Sally Brown Scholarship fund into a 'heavier' financial commitment – details are evolving. It was suggested that we show the Sally Brown video at a Meeting.

Old Business: none

New Business: Ellen said that Joseph Hillenmeyer and Misdee Wrigley have made a verbal request to use Ashland Garden in a movie for the Home and Garden TV channel. They have been asked to send a detailed written proposal. We need this before we can really discuss the possibility. It was felt that the membership needed to vote on this.

Ellen thanked the board for sending Wende Bell, Barbara Young and herself to Denver for the GCA meeting entitled "National Parks – National Treasures". See the GCA web site for more detailed information.

After discussion, it was decided that the Board Members would receive their Minutes from the previous board meeting by E-mail. The minutes could then be corrected and approved without being read at the next Board Meeting.

The next meeting will be Monday July 10th at Callie Keller's. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING MAY 18, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday May 18, 2006 at the Liberty Hall Historic Site in Frankfort, KY. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 11:55 a.m. She thanked Louise Dearborn and Tonya for taking us on an informative and delightful tour of Liberty Hall's historic garden. The minutes were approved as read. Charlotte Turner's resignation was regretfully announced. The deadline for membership dues is June 1st.

Committee Reports:

Conservation: Mimi Milward discussed the continuation of the endangered species project and announced the first committee meeting on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden. Mot Nicol added that we were lucky to have our 'buffalo clover' project right on the grounds at Ashland.

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher announced that the Flower Committee would meet on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden.

Garden Project: Libby Brown sent word that the boxwood had been replaced.

Horticulture: Mary Montague announced the 1st committee meeting on June 7th at 11:00 in the Garden. There was enthusiastic discussion of the Shirley Meece Horticulture Workshop October 15 -17th at Winterthur.

Program: Janie Pappas announced that our next general meeting would be on Thursday June 15th in Louisville, KY at the Yew Dell Gardens. See details in the Bloomin' News.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin announced that she had brought a box of cookbooks to sell to members for \$13.00 each. Not many cookbooks were sold at the Bluegrass Festival of Books but there was much interest in our new cookbook – great PR!! Barbara Young announced that the Cookbook Committee had met to discuss the format for the new cookbook. There will be more pictures of the farms, fewer recipes, a 'menu' format, a special section for 'proven winners'. Special efforts are being made to get it out by Derby time 2007. Any especially GOOD recipes can be submitted until August. A suggestion was made to include committee names and E-mails in each Bloomin' News.

Founders Fund: Luanne Milward and others discussed the Yew Dell Garden Project in Louisville. Ellen read a description of the project – "an outdoor living laboratory. . . want to develop an existing woodland area... educating young people about the natural

systems and our gardens." It was emphasized that we are not volunteering to run it but we should be knowledgeable enough to 'promote' it. A motion was made to write a letter to second this proposal. The motion was seconded. It was passed by a show of hands.

Friends of the Garden – Party: Betsy Bulleit announced that invitations will go out soon for the June 29th party. Cards will be sent out to members to remind them of food donations and time and place of delivery.

Scholarship: Barbara Young said that she would have more details about the scholarship honoring Louisville's Sally Brown after the Denver Meeting. The idea is that the three GCA clubs in KY would go together to offer a one time scholarship for a summer environmental study project.

Visiting Gardens: Dottie Cordray encouraged members who were traveling to check with her about gardens to visit in different areas – US gardens were more available.

Old Business: None

New Business: Be aware that we are now dealing with a new group of vandals that the police are calling "Tagers". They are in the Ashland area spray painting 'labels' or grafetti on things.

Ellen thanked our hostesses Francis Cox and Mary Montague for a delicious luncheon served on the patio at the Orlando Brown House (Part of the Liberty Hall Historic Site.) As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Frans

Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON BOARD MEETING MAY 1, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met on May 3, 2006 at the home of Janie Pappas at 1713 Clays Spring Lane. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Twenty Board Members were in attendance: Ellen Chapman, Anne Kraus, Mary Louise Fisher, Dottie Cordray, Sheilagh Hammond, Lauren Van Balen, Nancy Bishop, Jessica Nicholson, Sue Glover, Janie Pappas, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward, Libby Brown, Barbara Young, Mary Montague, Anne Arvin, Kim DeCamp, Martie Mayer, Wende Bell, Callie Keller. The minutes were read and approved.

Ellen urged everyone to support the Arboretum Fund Raiser on Sunday May 21st. Jessica Nicholson is the chairman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Conservation – Mimi Milward received a letter from Ellen Sower indicating that she wants to know about any new conservation projects in our area. Several were discussed.

Assistant Treasurer – Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$6,356.06. The deadline for dues and status changes is June 1st. Unpaid dues to date include 12 actives, 13 affiliates.

Garden Project – Libby Brown reported that she and Mary had inventoried the shed. Let Libby know of any suggestions you might have for gardening items to purchase. A new variety of a flowering crab tree will replace our 'Martha Washington'. Mimi Milward will donate a mature boxwood. We were asked to remember the memorial fund for trees at Ashland. Dottie Crutcher will donate funds to diagnose problem with dogwood trees near peony beds.

Horticulture – Mary Montague reminded us of the Shirley Mineese Horticulture Workshop at Longwood Garden on Oct. 15, 16, 17. We need to get photos of plant exchange material in your gardens. Ashland Foundation is sponsoring a Tree Walk at Ashland on Thursday May 18th at 7p.m.

Program – Janie Pappas arranged for the May 18th General Meeting to be held at Liberty Hall in Frankfort. It will include a tour of their gardens and lunch at Liberty Hall. Hostesses will be Mary Montague and Nancy Bishop. We will caravan to Wilson's Greenhouse afterwards. See the 'Bloomin' News' for more details.

Publication – Sheilagh Hammond requested that those interested in having 'The Bloomin' News' sent by E-mail to let her know.

Special Projects – Anne Arvin reported that the 4/29 Book Fair was great publicity because of an ad in the newspaper, interest shown at fair and the circulation of a flyer advertising our new cookbook. Sales at the event of <u>Bluegrass Winners</u> were down because people already had them. Anne also showed us an impressive pamphlet created

as an 'Eagle Scout' project by our scout volunteer. It included a map of our garden and a list of trees on the grounds. Our new scout volunteer is designing new trash containers!

New Cookbook – Martie Mayer reported that Benny Williams and Ellen Chapman will meet with Jackie Beasley of the Thoroughbred Press to discuss details of printing. Jane Stilz will meet with her committee about recipes. Barbara Young thought it necessary to send out a progress report to those who sent 'seed' money for the cookbook.

Founders Fund – Luanne Milward reported that the GC of Louisville wanted to purpose Yew Dell Gardens. They are interested in having us 'second' the project. If we did so, we would have to send a letter of intent by July 1st and 'second' the project by Oct. 1st. We would need to have a joint meeting with the GC of Louisville before July 1st as well as view the garden. Nancy Bishop made a motion that we 'second' the Yew Dell Garden Project. Ellen called for a voice vote. It passed by acclimation.

Visiting Gardens – Dottie Cordray asked for members to volunteer their gardens for the list of Lexington gardens which are available for visits.

Scholarship – Barbara Young reported that she is working with Blaire Matthews of the GC of Louisville and Sue Ellen Johnson of the GC of Paducah to coordinate details about forming a Conservation Scholarship in honor of Sally Brown.

Old Business – Ellen said that we are in the process of rotating our sub-committees – Horticulture, Flower and Conservation. See the 'Bloomin News' for the new lists. The Iris Society will host a sale on Saturday July 29th – See 'The Bloomin' News'.

The next meeting will be on Monday June 5^{th} at Martie Mayer's -2560 Jones Nursery Lane. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:33.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Kraus
Recording Secretary

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING APRIL 20, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday April 20, 2006 at the home of Martie Mayer after a Wild Flower Walk at Howard's Creek Nature Preserve. President, Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m. She thanked hostesses Anne Arvin, Anne Kraus and Martie Mayer as well as guest Claire Sipple for leading a very interesting wild flower walk. Twenty-two members were in attendance.

The minutes were approved as read.

Ellen reported for Gay Van Meter that we had a balance of \$14,800.51. Kim DeCamp needs checks for dues.

Committee Reports:

Flower Show: Mary Louise Fisher read an enthusiastic thank you note from Martha Trussel complimenting our members on table arrangements done for the Antique and Garden Show luncheon in March.

Mary Louise also read information about a project called 'Beautify Lexington' which is being established in preparation for the World Equestrian Games. It will encourage neighborhoods to plant and mulch.

Jessica Nicholson, chairman for the May 21st Gala in the Arboretum, needs our participation and support for the event.

Horticulture: Mary Montague reported a plant exchange in Denver May 21 – 23. She encouraged us to read the history of the plant exchange in the GCA bulletin and to take photographs of plants we might have that were specimens from past plant exchanges. The Shirley Meece Horticulture Workshop will be held October 15, 16, 17th at the Longwood Gardens at Wintertur near Philadelphia. Contact Mary for invitation information.

Guest Claire Sipple commented about toxic plants -cherry laurel trees.

Special Projects: Anne Arvin reported that another Boy Scout volunteer is doing clean-up projects on the grounds.

We have a booth to sell our cookbooks at The Bluegrass Festival of Books which is being held at the Civic Center on April 29th. Susan Hanks will 'man' the booth but volunteers from the membership are also needed.

Sara Davis sold 30 cookbooks at a recent medical meeting in Lex.

Friends of the Garden – Party: The party will be Thursday June 29th from 6:30 to 8:30p.m. Betsy Bulleit circulated lists for food donations. Invitations have gone to press. There will be music – a combo from the SCAPA program (Fayette Co. Schools). There will not be an art auction.

Scholarship: Barbara Young discussed the possibility of establishing a one year/one time scholarship program which would combine funds from all three KY GCA clubs. Details are indefinite.

Garden Project: Libby Brown reported that work in the garden was canceled yesterday because of rain. It is important to clean up 'mess' in the paths before leaving. United is going to deliver a flowering crab tree soon!

Old Business:

Ellen reminded us to disregard the scare of termites in New Orleans mulch.

New Business:

Janie Pappas thanked Claire for leading our hike and gave her a hydrangea. Special thanks went to hostesses Anne Arvin, Anne Kraus & Martie Mayer.

The May meeting will be held at Liberty Hall in Frankfort KY. Kathy Brewer and Ellen Chapman will be the hostesses.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kraus

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGON

BOARD MEETING

April 3, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Wende Bell at 2731 Bowmans Mill Road. President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Fourteen Board Members were present: Luanne Milward, Sue Glover, Sheilagh Hammond, Mimi Milward, Ginny May, Callie Keller, Nancy Bishop, Wende Bell, Anne Arvin, Janie Pappas, Gay Van Meter, Anne Kraus and Ellen Chapman.

Ellen regretfully read a letter of resignation from Charlotte Turner. Callie Keller made a motion to accept her resignation. It was seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,229.99.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No reports were reported for Jessica Nicholson -1^{st} Vice President, Ginny May -2^{nd} Vice President, Admissions - Nancy Bishop, Conservation – Mimi Milward, Horticulture – Mary Montague.

Flower Show – Janie Pappas reported for Mary Louise Fisher that thank you notes were received from the Blue Grass Trust praising members for their two table arrangements at the BGT Antiques and Garden Show in March. Forming committees for the Flower Show was discussed.

Program – Janie Pappas reported that the April 20th meeting would be at Howard's Creek Nature Preserve and would include a Wildflower Walk led by Clare Sipple. Anne Arvin and Anne Kraus will hostess a luncheon. We should plan to meet at the IHCC parking lot at 10:00 a.m. to carpool to the 10:30 meeting. Other details discussed will appear in the Bloomin' News. An RSVP sheet was circulated.

Garden Project – Martie Mayer was enthusiastic about Wednesday's opening day at the Garden. A mowing contract has been signed with United. Mary Warren will again be working with us. The problem with the 'sick' boxwood was addressed. Ellen suggested that we call Laura Ladd to see if they would donate a large boxwood that they would be removing from their property. Barbara said that she could possibly locate one too.

Publication – Sheilagh Hammond requested information for the Bloomin' News.

Special Projects – Anne Arvin asked for new ideas for places to sell <u>Bluegrass Winners</u>. Susan Hanks and Anne Arvin have thoughts for a special advertisement. Our current office is still available for another year. We will need a new location after that, however.

<u>Bluegrass Winners Too</u> - Ellen reported for chairman Benny Williams. The committee's ideas on a different 'take' on this cookbook were discussed – size, format, use of pictures, effective indexing of recipes, etc. This cookbook should be able to compete with current trends seen in popular cookbooks. Any ideas should be E-mailed Benny Williams. There is a need to hire a talented photographer and to start taking pictures during the spring party season. Ellen emphasized a need to be organized and to 'look' organized.

NON-VOTING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

No Report for: Archives – Sue Glover; Archives of Am Garden History/Design – Wende Bell; Founders Fund; Publicity; Visiting Gardens – Dottie Cordray.

Scholarship – Barbara Young encouraged us to look for any programs that encourage children to become involved in horticulture either in schools or in the community. She also threw out the idea of having the three GCA clubs in KY go together to form a scholarship that would directly impact our state.

OLD BUSINESS

The June 29th date was chosen for our Garden Party because the garden will be at its peak then. A Garden Party committee was formed informally: Sara Davis, Callie Keller, Libby Brown, Sue Glover, Betsy Bulleit and Luanne Milward. Changes include: no art auction, plans for live music, a charge of \$30 per person, a smaller invitation list and a rain location at Libby Brown's home. Lists will circulate for food donations and flower arrangements (3 or 4). Everyone needs to be 'on deck' for this event!!

The next meeting will be May 1st at Janie Pappas'. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Kraus

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting March 6, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Dottie Cordray. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 and thanked Dottie for hosting the meeting. The following 16 members were present: Anne Arvin, Wende Bell, Martie Broadbent, Ellen Chapman, Mo Ethington, Mary Louise Fishers, Sue Glover, Callie Keller, Anne Kraus, Ginny May, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward, Mary Montague, Jessica Nicholson, Janie Pappas, and Lauren Van Balen.

The minutes for the January meeting were approved as read.

Mo Ethington reported a balance of \$14,367.12 for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter. Ginny May reported a balance of \$2,418.13 for Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp.

Callie Keller reported Jane Stilz, Corresponding Secretary, has received a letter of resignation from Irma Johnson. Dottie Cordray made a motion to accept Irma's request with deep regret. Seconded by Jessica Nicholson. The motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray reminded everyone that the plant exchange would be held only at the Zone meetings. She will stay on the horticulture committee to complete the list of plants in each parteer. She asked everyone who adds new plants to their border, to please give identification tags to her.

GARDEN: Martie Mayer announced Peony Day will be Wednesday, March 29th and our garden work begins on April 3rd.

FOUNDERS FUND: Wende Bell will tally the votes for the new Founders Fund winner from our club at the Annual Meeting.

Martie Mayer reported the cookbook recipe committee had met and felt everything was going well even though more recipes are needed. There is not a need for soup recipes. Everyone is busy testing recipes. A list of the Section Leaders will be in the Blooming News. New recipes should be given to the respective leaders.

OLD BUSINESS: President Ginny May asked everyone to keep there ears and eyes open for a new location for the cookbook office. Ginny asked every committee chair to bring two copies of their end of year report to the meeting.

NEW BUSIINESS: Ashland asked permission to auction a dinner for 10 to be catered and to be held in the garden. After a discussion, it was decided to have the table set up outside the garden but to leave the garden open for the guest to wander and enjoy the garden. This policy has been in effect for a long time and the reason is for the protection of the garden.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next meeting will be April 3rd at Wende Bell's.

Respectfully submitted,

Me Ethington

Mo Ethington Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting January 19, 2006

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, January 19 at Idle Hour Country Club. Vice-President, Ellen Chapman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 and thanked hostesses Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, and Judy Philpott. She introduced Susan Dumaine, a GCA member at large who has recently moved to Cynthiana from western Massachusetts. Susan is a well-known horticulturist and lecturer who specializes in wildflowers, propagation, and garden design. We are fortunate to have her in our area.

The minutes of the Christmas Tea were read and approved. Treasurer: Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,368.91. Assistant Treasurer: Kim Decamp reported a balance of \$3,068.00

Conservation: Mott Nicol announced that even though we will not be sending a member to the Conservation meeting in Washington in February, we can still express our opinions. Members were urged to get on the GCA website to learn about upcoming bills and the GCA position papers. Individuals can send messages to Jim Bunning and Mitch McConnell. Mott also reported that two boy scout troops have continued our work on cleaning up the premises surrounding the garden at Ashland. Anne Arvin has worked with the scouts on this project. They have hauled away over three trailer loads of weeds. One of the boy scouts has also designed a brochure for Ashland. Jane Stilz will write him a letter of thanks.

Flower Show: Sarah Davis announced that we have been asked to do an arrangement for a table at the Blue Grass Trust Antiques Show March 9-12. She asked for volunteers, and the following ladies signed up to help: Betsy Bulleit, Mary Louise Fisher, Melodye Kinkead, Lou Anne Milward, Meg Sprow, and Barbara Young.

Program: Barbara Young announced that there will be no meeting in February. The joint board meeting will be at Dottie Cordray's house March 6th. Hostesses for the Annual Meeting, to be held March 16th at Idle Hour, will be Callie Keller, Betty Kinkead and Barbara Young.

Special Projects: Jane Stilz thanked our hostesses for serving recipes which have been submitted for the cookbook. She also asked members to record their critiques of the food. Jane announced that there will be a meeting of the cookbook section heads in February.

Gay Van Meter announced that we have received 26 contracts from farms, thus have \$52,000 in the account. Everyone was urged to do her part to make this a fabulous cookbook.

Public Relations: Anne Gay read a letter from Rachel Cottrell, Zone VII PR chairman, requesting photographs of members participating in community projects.

Scholarship: Barbara Young, Zone VII rep to the scholarship committee, announced that there is a GCA scholar at the UK School of Horticulture, who will be invited to our Annual Meeting. Barbara reminded members that GCA offers wonderful scholarships for students.

Old business: Ellen reported that seven members have signed up to go to the Southeast flower show. Anyone else who would like to go should contact Ginny May.

Jane Stilz said the proofs for the new roster have been returned. She asked that anyone having a change of address or phone number please notify her immediately.

Dottie Cordray introduced our speaker, Cindy Finneseth, horticulturist and seed coordinator for the state, who gave a most informative talk on seed propagation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to a delicious luncheon.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Gay

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting January 2, 2006

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Sarah Davis. Second Vice-President, Nancy Bishop called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 7 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Mott Nicols and Jessica Nicholson.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter has a balance of \$14,699.12. Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp has a balance of \$3,363.14. Mo Ethington asked for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter for the Board to consider a Christmas bonus for Susie who works in the cookbook office. Mary, who helps in the garden, received a \$200.00 bonus. After discussion, it was decided to wait until the next Board meeting when we would have a quorum to make a decision.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSERVATION: Chairman Mott Nicol announced the GCA Conservation meeting will be February 28- March 2 in Washington, D.C. Mott asked for volunteers to attend.

GARDEN PROJECT: Jessica Nicholson reported test have been taken on the large Holly tree. It has black root rot.

OLD BUSINESS: Nancy thanked Libby for hosting the beautiful Christmas tea. With the help of Jane Stilz's and the new cookbook recipes, the lovely Christmas decorations and hospitality, we all left filled with the holiday spirit.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting will be March 6^{th} , at Dottie Cord ray's house. Both new and old Board members will attend.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mo Ethington
Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting December 15, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington gathered at the home of Libby Brown for the Annual Christmas Tea. The cookbook committee had arranged to taste-test the wonderful tea treats from our new upcoming cookbook. The Christmas spirit filled the air with a gorgeous house, beautiful flowers and decorations, delicious food and wonderful friends. President Ginny May introduced our three new members Katie Alford, Leslie Baldwin and Kathy Courtney. What a wonderful time had by all. Thanks to Libby, Janie Stilz and the cookbook committee for making the 2005 tea so special.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mo Ethington
Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington **Board Meeting** December 5, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Gay Van Meter. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 13 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Jessica Nicholson, Janie Stilz, Gay Van Meter, and Barbara Young.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$13, 530.20.

Ellen Chapman, first Vice- President announced the following slate for the 2006-2008 offices:

President:

1st Vice President:

2nd Vice President:

Recording Secretary:

Corresponding Secretary:

Treasurer:

Admissions:

Awards:

Conservation:

Finance:

Flower Show:

Garden:

Horticulture:

Program:

Publication:

Special Projects:

Archives:

Archives of American Garden History and Design: Wende Bell

Assistant Treasurer:

Founders Fund:

Public Relations:

Ellen Chapman

Jessica Nicholson

Ginny May

Anne Kraus

Callie Keller

Gay Van Meter

Nancy Bishop

Mott Nicol

Mimi Milward

Gay Van Meter

Mary Louis Fisher

Libby Brown and

Martie Mayer

Mary Montague

Janie Pappas

Sheilagh Hammond

Anne Arvin

Sue Glover

Kim DeCamp Luanne Milward

Lauren Van Balen

Scholarship: Visiting Gardens: Barbara Young Dottie Cordray

The slate will be presented for vote to the General membership at the January meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Finance chairman, Gay Van Meter recommended a \$200.00 Christmas bonus for Mary in appreciation of the wonderful job she does in the garden. Callie Keller made a motion to give Mary a Christmas bonus of \$200.00. Seconded by Nancy Bishop. Unanimously approved. Gay reported the following 2005 donations:

| GCA Scholarship Fund | \$ 400.00 |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Bluegrass Conservancy | 400.00 |
| Ashland | 200.00 |
| UK Arboretum | 200.00 |
| Nature Conservancy | 100.00 |
| Bernheim | 100.00 |
| Ashland Neighborhood | 15.00 |
| Bluegrass Tomorrow | 100.00 |
| Total | \$ 1,515.00 |

FLOWER SHOW: Chairman Sarah Davis was so pleased with the creative and wonderful flower arrangement made for the November meeting. She thanked everyone.

PROGRAM: Chairman Barbara Young announced the Christmas tea would be held at Libby Brown's. Newly submitted recipes for Bluegrass Winners will be served. The January meeting will be held at Idle Hour Country Club. The program will be seed propagation with Cindy Finneseth. Hostesses will be Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington and Judy Philpott.

COOKBOOK: Gay Van Meter announced a balance of \$44,000.01 in the account. Twenty-two farms have paid. There are a lot of verbal commitments. The committee is hoping to have the new cookbook out by Christmas 2007.

OLD BUSINESS: GCA will be increasing their dues this year but it was decided to keep our Annual dues the same next year. The finance committee will monitor the situation next year.

As there was no further business, President Ginny May adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting November 17, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, November 17 at Idle Hour Country Club. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 and thanked our hostesses, Jane, Lou Ann and Mimi Milward. She introduced Betty

Milward, who was there as a guest.

Ginny thanked Sarah Davis, who was unable to attend the meeting due to illness, for the wonderful program. Sarah, as Flower Show chairman, had divided the membership into six groups, and had assigned each group a table to decorate for the holidays. Two were Thanksgiving, two Christmas and two New Year's. Everyone enjoyed working on the tables and the results were spectacular.

The minutes of the September and October meetings were read and approved.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$11,738.08.

Corresponding Secretary: Jane Stilz circulated a list of members' listings for the new directory. Everyone was asked to check for accuracy and was urged to include e-mail addresses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSIONS: Libby Brown announced that we have three new members, Mrs. Farra Alford, (Katie), Mrs. Bill Baldwin, (Leslie), and Mrs. Tom Courtney, (Kathy). They will be invited to the Christmas Tea.

GARDEN: Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson thanked everyone for working so diligently in the garden.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray thanked the club for sending her to the wonderful horticulture conference at the Missouri Botanical Garden. She described a fabulous program they have instigated recycling the plastic containers that plants come in. Dottie left the brochure on the table for our perusal. She also asked that if anyone has a propagation box not in use please return it to her.

COOKBOOK: Melodye Kinkead has books for sale today.

NEW COOKBOOK: Gay Van Meter reported that as of today we have received eighteen contracts with checks.

FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY: Libby Brown reported for Nancy Bishop. Ginny has appointed a committee to study the annual party with Nancy serving as chairman. Other members include Libby, Sarah Davis, Anne Gay, Sue Glover, Melodye Kinkead and Callie Keller. The committee recommended to the board that we move the date of the party to June this year and not include art. The reasoning is that the garden is prettier in June, there are fewer bugs, and the daylight lasts longer, making cleanup easier. The board approved the recommendation.

ASSISTANT TREASURER: Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8172.00, reflecting the initiation fees of our new members. She explained the new process of collecting dues. There will be an announcement at the Annual Meeting in March. If not paid by April, members will receive a notice; if not paid by May first, a certified letter will be sent. Anyone who has not paid her dues by June first technically will no longer be a club member. The President may waiver this rule.

OLD BUSINESS: Ginny announced that the Southeastern Flower Show will be in Atlanta February 8-12. Anyone interested in attending should contact Ginny.

NEW BUSINESS: The Christmas Tea will be Thursday, December 15 at 3:00 at the home of Libby Brown. We will be testing recipes for the new cookbook, so members will be asked to prepare something.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sue Glover announced that Carleton Lear from Events by Design donated the rental tables and chairs used at the Friends party. She asked members to express their appreciation to him. Gay Van Meter asked everyone to return to the tables they had decorated so she could take photographs to send to Sarah Davis, who had worked very hard on

this wonderful project.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 to a delicious lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Gay, Acting Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting November 7, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Barbara Young. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 15 members were present: Wendy Bell, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Melodye Kinkead, Betty Kenan, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Mott Nicol, Jessica Nicholson, Jane Stilz and Barbara Young.

The minutes were approved as read.

Barbara Young reported a balance of \$11,949.04 for Treasurer, Gay Van Meter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown passed out the ballots for the election of new members. Later in the meeting, she announced the following 3 women had been elected to become members. They are Katie Alford, Leslie Baldwin and Kathy Courtney. Jane Stilz will extend them an invitation to join.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol reported Anne Arvin might have another Eagle Scout troop who would be interested in adopting a tree. If any member would like to do the same, please let Mott know and she will tell you where there is one available. The GCA conservation meeting will be held on February 28 – March 2 in Washington, D.C.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray, Chairman, thanked the garden club for sending her to the St. Louis Horticulture meeting. She was very interested in the recycling of old plastic pots. A brochure was passed around showing the process.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young, Chairman reported on the joint meeting with the Glenview Garden Club. Everyone enjoyed the meeting and the talk given by Chip Calloway on Garden restoration. The Christmas tea will be held at Libby Brown's. The new members will be invited to attend. Recipes for the new cookbook will be tested. The affiliates will be asked to participate. The January meeting will be a horticulture meeting held at Idle Hour Country Club. The hostesses will be Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington and Judy Philpot.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8,022.86. Kim and Nancy Bishop worked on guidelines for collecting membership dues. The treasurer will start collecting dues at the March annual meeting, reminders will be in the Blooming News, a reminder sent in April, a certified letter with signature required in May, followed up by a call. If still not received, she will talk to the President and they will deem the member has resigned.

Nancy Bishop brought a motion from the Friends of the Garden committee to have the party in June instead of September. The purpose would be to show appreciation to people in the community and to people who have supported Ashland. \$30.00 per person would be charged. There would be no art at the present time but it can be re-evaluated in the future. After a lengthy discussion, the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Jane Stilz reported that they hope everything will be ready to have <u>Bluegrass Winners Too</u> out by Christmas 2006 or by Derby 2007.

NEW BUSINESS: President Ginny May announced the GCA dues will be increased to \$50.00 for each member next year. It has not been decided whither to increase ours or not.

Gay Van Meter will host the Dec. 5th Board meeting and Sarah Davis the January meeting.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington Joint General Meeting October 11, 2005

A Joint Meeting of the Glenview Garden Club and the Garden Club of Lexington was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2005 at the Louisville Country Club.

Ginny May, our President, called the meeting to order. She welcomed everyone and she dispensed with the reading of the minutes. Ginny introduced Linda Holden, Zone VII Chairman, who discussed opportunities within GCA. She distributed copies of "Open Your Doors to GCA Opportunities," an informative booklet printed by Linda with gratitude to the Public Relations Committee of GCA.

Barbara Young, Zone VII Scholarship Chairman, reported on the meeting she attended at GCA Headquarters in New York. She encouraged students in Zone VII to apply.

Two committee reports were given by Glenview members.

There was no old business.

Blair Matthews, Glenview member, and Zone VII Visiting Gardens Chairman and past Zone VII Chairman, introduced our speaker, Chip Calloway, a landscape architect from Greensboro, North Carolina. He is known internationally for historic garden restoration. He was elected to membership in the Garden Club of America in 2005 as a member-at-large. He showed beautiful slides and gave an interesting and entertaining talk on garden restoration.

The meeting was adjourned to a delicious lunch provided by hostesses Elise Boyd, Carol Jackson and Blair Matthews. Ginny expressed appreciation to our hostesses and the Glenview Garden Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy Bishop

Nancy Bishop, Acting Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting October 3, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Anne Gay. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 19 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Sue Glover, Callie Keller, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Jessica Nicholson, Mott Nicol, Janie Stilz and Gay VanMeter.

Mo Ethington read the minutes and they were approved as read except for the correction of the tree out side of the garden which is a hawthorn and not a crabapple.

Treasurer, Gay VanMeter did not have the exact amount but reported a little over \$18,000.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown read the applications for perspective new members. The board will vote at the November meeting and there will be no discussion. If you are unable to attend, please give Libby your proxy ballot before the meeting.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol, Chairman announced there would be a conservation meeting in the garden after the tulips are planted on Wednesday, October 26th.

GARDEN: Callie Keller announced the new garden gates were up. The Memorial Fund paid for the gates. She reminded everyone to put there beds/parteers to bed and not to forget bulb day. The rain date will be November 2nd.

SPECIAL PROJECT: The Keeneland Winter Magazine will have an article on Bluegrass Winner Too, which will feature Gay VanMeter, Barbara Young, Martie Mayer and Janie Stilz cooking a meal from some of the cookbook recipes at Gay's home. Janie also reported a cookbook meeting for the section heads on Oct 13th. We are still in need of recipes.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8,093.62. Kim has collected all the dues. Nancy Bishop and Kim will draw up a guide sheet for future treasurer. They will present it at the next board meeting.

President Ginny May thanked Sue Glover and Sarah Davis for the wonderful party and Art show they ran. Sue Glover brought up suggestions for future years including purchasing tablecloths. After a lengthy discussion, Ginny appointed the following committee to bring recommendations back to the Board for future Friends of the Garden party. Nancy Bishop will chair a committee with Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Libby Brown, Sarah Davis, Sue Glover, Dottie Cordray, Mo Ethington and Melodye Kinkead.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Anne Gay for hosting the meeting. Our next meeting will be on November 7th at Barbara Young's. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

mo Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting September 15, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met at the beautiful Xalapa Farm on September 15th. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. She thanked Celeste Newman for sharing her home with us and Jessica Nicholson and Wendy Bell for being our hostesses.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$23,578.52.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GARDEN: Co – Chair, Jessica Nicholson asked everyone to report to the peony bed on Wednesday, September 21st by 9:30. The beds need to be cut down and weeded.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray reminded everyone to report to her on the progress of her propagation box.

C00KBOOK: Gay Van Meter reported the letters to the horse farm have been mailed and the responses have been good. She asked everyone to please submit her recipes.

FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY: President Ginny May thanked all the people who put in extra time and effort for the party and art auction. She especially thanked the Chairs, Sue Glover and Sarah Davis and co chair, Luanne Milward. Everyone had a wonderful time and the garden and art were beautiful. Gay Van Meter, Treasurer reported the art sold for \$4,520.00 which we received 40 percent for a total of \$1,808.00. The party made \$10,385.00. The expenses were \$1,610.94, which gave us a net profit of \$8,774.06.

NEW BUSINESS: Kathy Dalton and Anne Gay gave a wonderful tribute to Mary Andrews McVey whom we shall all miss in so many ways. President Ginny May informed us of the GCA trip to New Zealand, the Philadelphia Flower show on March 8-10 and the South Eastern Flower Show in Atlanta on February 8-12. If anyone is interested, please contact Ginny.

As there was no further business, the business meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Celeste Newman told us about Jens Jensen who designed the landscape of Xalapa in 1915-1916. He was instrumental in developing the "prairie style" of landscape design. After a wonderful talk, we were treated to a delicious lunch and a tour of the beautiful grounds of Xalapa.

Respectfully submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting August 29, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Libby Brown. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 16 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Callie Keller, Ginny May Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay Van Meter and Barbara Young.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance o \$14,877.17.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown read the applications for 6 prospective new Board members. She reminded everyone to keep the names inside this room. In order to vote, a board member must attend the August or October Board meeting. We will vote in November.

CONSERVATION: Jane Stilz and Jessica Nicholson reported on their trip with Chairman Mott Nicol to Virginia for The Partners for Plants. They counted, dug and labeled Black Cohosh plants.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: Sarah reminded everyone to sign up for her worktable at the November meeting.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson announced the new gates are in place. Callie Keller thanked everyone who has worked all summer in the garden. The turn out has been wonderful. Barbara Young asked if the crabapple at the new gate could be replaced? Callie is going to check on a price for a new tree and stump removal. She will check with Ashland as the tree is on their property. Everyone felt this would be good use of the Memorial Fund.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray asked everyone to finish up her flower identification in her parterre.

PROGRAMS: Barbara Young, Chairman announced we would be going to Celeste Newman, Xalapa Farm in September and the Louisville Country Club in October for a joint meeting with the Glenview Garden Club. Details will follow later.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz asked the Board to please help get recipes for the new cookbook. We are very short. Ginny May asked anyone who was available to come to her house Thursday with recipes and paper for a brainstorming session. Barbara Young announced the letters have just been sent to the horse farms and two have already signed up.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$8,317.87. We have 55 active members and 25 affiliate members.

NEW BUSINESS: President Ginny May informed the Board of a request from the Ashland Neighborhood Fondation for us to landscape and maintain a sculpture placed on Fincastle and McDowell road. Ginny will thank them but decline. Our plate is full.

Ginny thanked Libby for the use of her home and Ellen Chapman for running the July Board meeting. The next board meeting will be at Anne Gay's on Oct. 3rd.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting July 21, 2005

The members of the Garden Club met at Ashland garden on July 21, 2005 for a picnic lunch and a talk given by Dr. Bill Fountain on tree identification. As a kick off for Bluegrass Winners Too, Patricia Green honored the original kitchen cabinet of the first Bluegrass Winners. Many thanks to Anne Gay and Kim DeCamp for the wonderful lunch.

The Garden Club had a short meeting. Martie Mayer read the minutes from the June meeting. Approved as read. Gay Van Meter, Treasurer, announced the balance of \$10,299.14.

Libby Brown announced that membership forms are due by Sunday the 28th of August.

Conservation: Anne Gay gave a report for Mott Nicol on the Runaway Buffalo clover. The Partners for Plants will be traveling to Virginia to check the Black Cohosh. Jane Stilz and Mott will be going and would love to have anyone else who is interested.

Flower Committee: Sarah Davis announced the flower committee would be hosting the November meeting at the Idle Hour Country Club. There will be 3 tables for Thanksgiving table decorations; 3 for Christmas and 3 for New Years. The flower committee will meet to draw which holiday table they will represent. Everyone will participate.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$ 11, 547.00

Friends of the Garden party will be held September 8th.

Jane Stilz asked everyone to please send in their recipes. They can be emailed to either Jane or Martie Mayer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Novine Mayer

Martie Mayer

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting July 11, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Gay Van Meter. Vice President Ellen Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following 8 members were present: Elise Boyd, Ellen Chapman, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Mott Nicol, Jane Stilz and Gay Van Meter.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$10,484.88. She reported Kim DeCamp, Assistant Treasurer, has \$11,581.87. Kim will call member who has not paid dues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMISSION: Libby Brown, admission chair, reported she has given out three applications for membership. The deadline is Sunday August 28th.

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol reported Kentucky State Nature Preservationist, Debra White was thrilled to see how well the Running Buffalo clover was doing in Ashland. Any one interested in going to Marion, Virginia with Mott to inventory the Black Cohosh, please contact her. The board thanked Mott for the wonderful job she is doing.

GARDEN: Ellen Chapman reported Habitat For Humanity would pick up the old garden gates.

FLOWER SHOW: The November meeting will be making Holiday Table Arrangements, reported Sarah Davis. Everyone will participate.

HORTICULTURE: Anne Gay reported 6 members attended the propagation workshop arranged by Chairman, Dottie Cordray.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz reminded everyone of the need for recipes for the cookbook. They can be e-mailed to Janie or Martie Mayer.

As there was no further business, Ellen thanked Gay for the use of her home and the vegetables we picked in her garden. The next meeting will be held at Libby Brown's house on August 29th. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

Respectfully submitted,

the Ethonglow

GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON GENERAL MEETING JUNE 16, 2005

On June 16 the Garden Club of Lexington was treated to a delightful excursion to The Close, the beautiful retreat of Clara and Tom Dupree in Rockcastle County. Nineteen members were present. We enjoyed a tour of the lovely gardens before eating a delicious lunch on the porch, all the while watching numerous goldfinches and hummingbirds eat their lunch. Clara graciously welcomed us; Tom gave a delightful history of The Close.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 12:30 and thanked Clara and Tom for sharing their heavenly spot with us. She also thanked the hostesses, Kathy Brooks, Betsy Bulleit, Betty Kenan and Meg Sprow. Ginny dispensed with the reading of the minutes and the Treasurer's report. She read a letter from the Houston ladies thanking us for letting them come to Ashland Garden and to our meeting at Keeneland. Next, Ginny read a letter from Eileen Hillenmeyer requesting resignation from the club. Sarah Davis moved, and Anne Gay seconded the motion that we accept with regret her request.

Conservation: Mott Nicol thanked all those members who participated in the cleanup of the trees at Ashland. She gave special thanks to Anne Arvin and Celeste Neuman, both of whom supplied a truck and extra help. She also noted that Gray Eaton volunteered his time while his crew helped. Several members have expressed an interest in working another day.

Betty Kenan suggested that we approach the Ashland neighborhood association to ask for volunteers to "adopt" a tree or an area to keep under control. Mott will discuss this idea with Ann Hagan-Michel.

Garden: Jessica Nicholson reminded garden workers to clean up their area after working, including sweeping and raking the gravel and brick area.

Program: Barbara Young thanked Clara and announced that next month's meeting will be a picnic in the garden with a program on tree identification. In September we will go to Celeste Neuman's, and in October we will have a joint meeting with the Garden Club of Glenview. Chip Calloway will be the speaker. In November we will be at Idle Hour, where Sarah Davis and the flower arranging committee will help us make an arrangement for a holiday table. The Christmas tea will be at Libby Brown's house.

Publication: Mimi Milward will be in Michigan in July so members should e-mail any items for submission to her.

Ginny reported that she had received two notes, one from Barbara Hulette and one from Ann Hagan-Michel, congratulating the club for our Historic Preservation award.

New Business: Mott Nicol announced that Partners for Plants is having a work session in Marion, Virginia August 21-23 to help the Forest Service identify and inventory plots of black cohosh. Looters are digging up the plant because of its medicinal value. Anyone interested in helping should contact Mott.

Ginny announced that Dottie Cordray is going to a horticulture meeting in St. Louis in October. The club can send two participants, so if anyone else would like to attend she should contact Ginny.

Cookbook: Jane Stiltz said that she would like every member to submit at least ten recipes for our new cookbook. She has forms.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Gay

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting June 6, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Mott Nicol. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 11 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Sue Glover (Chair of Garden Party), Callie Keller, Jessica Nicholson, Mott Nicol and Barbara Young.

President Ginny May read a nice letter of resignation from Eileen Hillenmeyer. Libby Brown made a motion to accept Eileen's resignation with deep regret. Seconded by Callie Keller. Unanimously approved. Treasurer, Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$10,541.46.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown announced there were 5 places for new members. Anyone who is eligible and needs an application should contact Libby.

CONSERVATION: Mott thanked everyone for her work on the grounds of Ashland. Gray Eaton graciously donated his men and equipment for the day of clean up. Everyone appreciated his generosity. Betty Kenan had suggested an adopt-a-tree program to make sure the areas are kept clean. Everyone thanked Mott for the excellent job she has done on this project.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: The committee will meet in the garden on Wednesday, June 15th.

GARDEN: Co-Chairman, Callie Keller informed the Board of the vandalism that took place in the garden over Memorial Day weekend. The herb garden has been replanted and the lead birdbath straightened. All felt frustration.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray asked everyone to leave their new plant labels with her for identification purposes. If we remove something from our borders, we are to let Dottie know. A plant propagation meeting will be announced in the Blooming News. All members of the committee should attend.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young announced Anne Gay and Kim Decamp would host the Garden Picnic on Thursday, July 21st. Bill Fountain will take us on a tree identification trip around the grounds.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: In honor of the 20th anniversary of "Bluegrass Winners", the garden club will honor everyone who worked on the book. Everyone is asked to bring comments, suggestions or anything that would be helpful to the committee who is undertaking Bluegrass Winners Too. A website is being discussed for the cookbook. Everyone's participation is needed.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$12,092.07 for Assistant Treasurer, Kim Decamp.

Anne Gay, Chair for Public Relations announced she had sent picture of the Garden Club's award from the city to GCA.

Barbara Young, who is the Zone Representive to the Scholarship Committee, has been notified of a few receiptants who are attending the University of Kentucky.

NEW BUSINESS: Gay Van Meter asked everyone to keep their ears and eyes open for a new location for Bluegrass Winners. The office building we are presently using has been sold.

Sarah Davis suggested a new Honorary membership for Scotty Walton and others. After a lot of discussions and motions, which were made and rescinded, it was decided to give it more thought and research before we make a decision.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Mott for the use of her home. The next meeting will be held at Gay Van Meter's house on July 11th. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01.

Respectfully submitted,

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting May 19, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington met at Keeneland on May 19th. Mary Louise Fisher and Edie Gess were the hostesses.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. She thanked our hostesses and Nick Nicholson and Louis Haggin. Ginny announced a group from the River Oak Club of Houston would be joining us later for the program.

Treasurer, Gay Van Meter announced a balance of \$12,226.57.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FLOWER SHOW: Chairman Sarah Davis circulated a sign up sheet for the Friends of the Garden party. She also announced a flower arrangement committee meeting in the garden on Wednesday, May 25th.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson asked for anyone who had a garden bushel basket to please return it.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray announced Nancy Bishop, Mimi Milward, Mary Montague and Gay Van Meter won merit awards at the Annual Meeting plant exchange. Dottie informed everyone, the plant exchange would be stopped after the 2006 Annual Meeting because of the problems of diseases and transporting the plants to meetings.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jane Stilz and Martie Mayer distributed Recipe Forms for our new Cookbook. It will be a lot of fun compiling a new cookbook and everyone's full participation will make the new book a huge success. They would like to have all recipes by August 31st. Gay Van Meter and Benny Williams reported they have received the final contract from Eclipse Press, which will be signed today. There is no set date for going to Press.

OLD BUSINESS: President Ginny May announced Perry Street Children's Garden in Trenton, New Jersey won the 2005 Founders Fund Award.

NEW BUSINESS: Ginny announced Sue Glover will Chair the Friends of the Garden Party and Sarah Davis will Chair the Art Auction.

President Ginny May showed the trophy the Garden Club of Lexington was awarded by the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government Historic Preservation Commission for more than 50 years of excellent stewardship in the Ashland garden.

As there was no further business, Ginny adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m. She turned the meeting over to Louis Haggin and Nick Nicholson who gave us a lovely history of Keeneland and the grounds. We were treated to a wonderful tour of the library, which was followed, by a delicious box lunch and a talk by Louis on the horticulture history of Keeneland.

Respectfully submitted,

Mo Ethungton

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting May 2, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Sarah Davis. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 15 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim Decamp, Mo Ethington, Callie Keller, Ginny May, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay Van Meter, and Barbara Young.

President Ginny May read a nice note from Ashland thanking the club for the wonderful job we do in the garden.

Gay Van Meter, treasurer reported a balance of \$12,921.01

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Libby Brown reminded everyone June 1st was the deadline for a change in membership status. At the moment, we have openings for 5 new members. All applications must be in no later than August 28th. Kay Steffee has requested to change her membership from active to affiliate. Callie Keller made a motion to change Kay's membership status. Seconded by Nancy Bishop. Motion carried.

GARDEN: Callie Keller reported they had received two bids for the garden gates. Lucas Equine bid \$6,620.00. Mark Mulligan bid \$4,850.00 for steel gates with a powdered coating. Steel post will be installed for the gates to hang. Finance committee will decide. Jessica Nicholson announced Talitha Freeman would be the head of the garden refreshment committee.

HORTICULTURE: Chairman Dottie Cordray announced Ginny May, Gay VanMeter, Mary Montague, Sue Glover, Mimi Milward and Nancy Bishop sent plants to the plant exchange and received 4 merit awards. Dottie announced that after 2006 there would be no more Annual meeting plant exchange. The exchange is being stopped because of spreading diseases from one part of the country to another and the difficulty of transporting plants.

PROGRAMS: Barbara Young announced our next meeting would be held May 19th at 10:30 in the Keeneland Clubhouse. On June 16th, our meeting will be held at Clara Dupree's garden in Rockcastle County. A bus will be provided for transportation.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Gay Van Meter announced the steering committee had met twice. Jane Stilz and Martie Mayer will be the Chairs of the recipe committee. There will be a maximum of five hundred recipes. A few of the old recipes will be used. There will be 50 horse farms asked to sponsor our cookbook. We will be receiving the final contract from Eclipse soon.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$9,929.54. The deadline for dues is June 1st.

OLD BUSINESS: Mimi Milward signed the club up for the photography classes at the Zone Meeting in Louisville. Her first choices were granted.

NEW BUSINESS: Gay Van Meter informed the board that Ashland charged \$100.00 for prom pictures to be taken in the garden.

President Ginny May announced the death of long time member Mary Andrews Goff who will be truly missed.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Sarah Davis for the use of her home. The next meeting will be held a Mott Nicol's house on June 6th. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully submitted,

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GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON April 21,2005

Garden Club of Lexington met at the Crutcher Preserve for a hike on April 21, 2005. After a walk through the Blue-Eyed Marys on a glorious spring day, the hikers retreated to the home of Vickie Brooks, overlooking the preserve. Vickie welcomed the group saying that since she was fortunate enough to live in paradise, she wanted to share it with us.

President Ginny May called the meeting to order and thanked hostesses Sheilagh Hammond and Betsy Hillenmeyer. She also thanked Chandra Grodon from the Nature Conservancy and Vickie Brooks.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as read.

In Gay's absence, Ginny passed out the annual balance sheets. There was no Treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray presented the charts she has created to track the garden's bloom time. Each parterre will be responsible for marking down what is in bloom each week of the year. This information will then be gathered and put on a master sheet to be made available to the public as people view the garden. Dottie also reported that we have six plants that will make the trip to the Annual Meeting in Kansas City. Gay VanMeter and Mary Montague were commended for their groups' boxes of cuttings.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mimi Milward will collect the photos which are eligible to go to Lousiville for the Zone Meeting in May. Since we can only send two photos from the club, a group will go over the class criteria and choose those two photographs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ginny announced that there was an article about the garden in the Chevy Chaser Magazine.

She also announced that Hylah Boyd, Zone VII Conservation Representative, is seeking support from Zones VI and VII to endorse a new national park, the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Water Trail. A motion to endorse this legislation was made by Carol Jackson and was seconded by Anne Gay. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfullly submitted,

Jessica Nicholson,

Acting Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting April 4, 2005

The Board of the Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Dot Crutcher. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 10 members were present: Nancy Bishop, Ellen Chapman, Kim Decamp, Mo Ethington, Callie Keller, Ginny May, Mott Nicol, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz and Barbara Young.

The minutes from the March board meeting were approved as read.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$13, 873.19 for treasurer, Gay VanMeter.

Ellen Chapman, who serves on the GCA Public Relations Committee, would like to see us submit our Henry Clay project for the Public Relation Award. Ellen suggested we should educate our members about the work of the Public Relation Committee and other GCA committees. Over the years, we have not participated in some of these projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION: Mott Nicol, Chairman, made the following recommendations for the Ashland grounds. After work in the garden on a Wednesday, we will work with Grey Landscape to try and eliminate the honeysuckle and euonymus underneath the trees. We will pay the dump fee to haul away the debris. We will pay one man for three months to keep the tree area clean. He will be paid \$36.00 a day, which will be an expense of \$500.00 plus any supplies needed. Grey Eaton has offered to donate his men for the day they work with us. This is a one-time commitment. Barbara Young made a motion to accept Mott's recommendation subject to the finance committee approval. Seconded by Mo Ethington. Motion approved.

GARDEN: Co- Chair, Callie Keller, reported the Lacebark Elm has been planted in the garden. It is beautiful and everyone was delighted. Dorothy Swope, a frequent visitor, who has enjoyed Ashland over the years, will donate the tree. Barbara suggested having her join us for refreshments in the garden after a work Wednesday. Callie and Jessica are still researching the gates and will let us know their recommendations. A motion was made by Ellen Chapman to finance the gates thru the Memorial Fund. Seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was approved. Mott Nicol made a motion to replace the two trees outside the gate from the memorial fund. This would have to be done thru the Ashland Foundation. Seconded by Barbara Young. The motion was approved. Barbara generously will donate some of the perennials that have been dug and potted from Mr. Young's garden for our borders.

PROGRAM: Our next general meeting will be held at the Crutcher Preserve reported Chairman, Barbara Young. Details will be forthcoming in the Blooming News. Our hostess will be Betsy Hillenmeyer and Sheilagh Hammond.

Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp reported we have a balance of \$9, 129.54

OLD BUSINESS: Ginny reminded all photographers to bring their pictures for the Zone Meeting to the April meeting. Two winners will be selected to represent our club.

NEW BUSINESS: We will vote at the April meeting on endorsing a new national park, the Captain John Smith Chesapeake Nation Water Trail.

As there was no further business, Ginny thanked Dot Crutcher for the use of her home even though she was unable to attend. The next meeting will be held at Sarah Davis's house on May 2^{nd} . The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

the Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting March 7, 2005

The Board of Garden Club of Lexington met at the home of Mimi Milward. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following 18 members were present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Elise Boyd, Dottie Cordray, Dot Crutcher, Sarah Davis, Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny May, Mimi Milward, Mott Nicol, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, Jane Stilz, Gay VanMeter and Barbara Young.

The minutes from the January meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer, Gay VanMeter reported a bank balance of \$15,596.78.

President Ginny May read a letter of resignation from the Garden Club from Bitsy Ruch. Barbara Young made a motion, which was seconded by Nancy Bishop to accept with deep, deep regret Bitsy Ruch resignation. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION: Chair Mott Nicol reported on her meeting in Washington, D.C. She informed everyone of a report by Congress's Joint Committee on Taxation. Their recommendation is to dismantle tax deductions for landowners who volunteer to conserve their land and historic buildings. This program has been essential to private and public conservation efforts. Mott asked all who were concerned to either call or fax our Senators. Numbers will be in the Blooming News. Our conservation project will be to help Ashland with their grounds by trying to rid the grounds of honeysuckle and to take care of the Buffalo clover plants. We will work along side Gray Landscape Service. This is a one-year commitment and will cost about \$700.00.

GARDEN: Jessica Nicholson announced they have found a beautiful Lacebark Elm, which will be purchased to replace the tree on the terrace. The cost will be approximately \$1500.00.

Jessica and Callie are getting bids on garden gates to replace the wooden gate on the side. Aluminum gates are around \$6100.00 and the steel are \$2500.00. This does not include installation. They will report later on their recommendation. Everyone should report to the peony bed for clean up on march 30th. Our weekly garden work will begin April 6th.

HORTICULTURE: Dottie Cordray reported on a brochure the horticulture committee will be working on and asked for everyone help. A list of every plant in the boarder will be identified and a timeline of when they bloom will be printed. Logistics will follow soon. Dottie asked everyone who has propagation containers to please bring them to Dot

Crutcher's garage by March 16th. The committee will repot them for the April Zone meeting.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young reported our April meeting will be held at the Crutcher Preserve and our May meeting will be at Keeneland. Further details will be in the Blooming News.

PUBLICATION: Chairman Mimi Milward reported a large print edition of the Blooming News would be available soon.

FOUNDERS FUND: Wendy Bell, Chair reported a vote would be taken for the Founders Fund Award at our March 17th meeting. She reminded everyone to read about the candidates in the GCA Bulletin. Zone 7 has a wonderful project, Montpelier's Oriental Garden.

Treasurer Kim DeCamp reported a balance of \$ 5,927.54. Annual dues are \$100.00 and are due by June 1st.

OLD BUSINESS

Gay VanMeter gave the following cookbook update. Eclipse Press will print 4,000 books and they will keep 1000 to sell through Exclusively Equine and other national distributor. We would have 3,000 copies at no cost. The Garden Club retains the rights etc. and we sell through our established channels and outlets. Editing, layout and production will be no cost to us. At the time of reprinting, we can get a quote from them. Committees will be announced soon.

President Ginny May told of the lovely note she received from the Scholarship Committee thanking us for our donation to Interchange Fellowship. Zone 7 has been approved to have the Annual Meeting in 2014. They will remind us 5 years ahead of time.

NEW BUSINESS

A nice note was received from the Shelia McQueen Foundation thanking us for our donation. Martie Mayer will be joining Ginny to the Zone meeting in Louisville on May 22-24th. There will be now flower show, however, there will be a Photography Show. Each club is required to submit two and only two entries. Further information will be in the Blooming News.

The next Board meeting will be at Dot Crutchers on April 4th. After thanking Mimi for her hospitality, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mo Ethington

Garden Club of Lexington General Meeting January 20, 2005

Garden Club of Lexington met Thursday, January 20th at Broadway Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Ginny May, Kay Steffee and Janie Stilz served as hostesses. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$15,420.58.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Conservation: Mott Nicol reported she would be going to the GCA conservation meeting in a few weeks.

Horticulture: Chairman Dottie Cordray asked everyone who had a propagation box to please let her know how the plants were doing for the Annual Meeting. A horticulture meeting will be held at Dot Crutcher's on Wednesday, March 2nd at 10:30 a.m.

Old Business: Ginny took a survey to see how many people use and enjoy the GCA site, "Real Dirt".

Ginny thanked Anne Campbell for the new microphone she donated to the Garden Club.

New Business: Dot Crutcher presented the motion from the Board to change the name of Publicity to Public Relations and to add Public Relations to the Board Standing Committees in the By-Laws. Unanimously approved.

As there was no further business, Ginny reminded everyone there would be no February meeting. The next meeting will be at the Lexington Club on March 17th at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Program Chairman, Barbara Young turned the program over to our own beekeeper, Lucy Breathitt, who introduced Phil Craft, Kentucky State Apiarist. A wonderful program was given on the life of honeybees and beekeeping, which was followed by a delicious box lunch. All enjoyed the morning.

Respectfully submitted,
Mo Ethington
Recording Secretary

Garden Club of Lexington Board Meeting January 3, 2005

The Garden Club of Lexington's Board met January 3rd at the home of Ginny May. President Ginny May called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. There were twelve members present: Wendy Bell, Nancy Bishop, Libby Brown, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah Davis, Mo Ethington, Anne Gay, Ginny May, Jessica Nicholson, Judy Philpot, and Barbara Young.

Mo Ethington read the minutes from the December Board meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Gay Van Meter reported a balance of \$14,897.97.

Ginny May reported a balance of \$7,453.00 for assistant treasurer, Kim DeCamp. Ginny read a letter of resignation from Anne Sayre Combs. A motion was made to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Sydney Sarah Combs. Seconded by Libby Brown. Unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMISSION: Chairman Libby Brown announced an orientation meeting with the new members at her house on January 20th at 4:00 p.m.

PROGRAM: Barbara Young reminded everyone our Jan 20th meeting would be held at Broadway Christian Church at 10:30 a.m. There will be no meeting in February and the Annual meeting will be on March 17th. Further details will be in the Blooming News.

PUBLICATIONS: Tuesday, January 4th at 5:00 p.m will be the deadline for the Blooming News.

NEW BUSINESS: Ellen Chapman, Visiting Garden Chair, announced a small group of women from the Garden Club of Houston would be coming to Lexington in the spring. They would like to visit gardens and see some of the Bluegrass.

President Ginny May appointed Brenda Barrett and Kathy Brooks to be on the Horticulture Committee; Betsy Bulleit on the Flower Arrangement Committee and Marcia Slabaugh on the Conservation Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
the Ethington
Mo Ethington, Recording Secretary