



GARDEN CLUB OF CAPE CORAL

PO Box 152022, Cape Coral, FL 33915

NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2018

Our meeting this month is on April 11th, at our usual start time of 6:30 pm, at the Kiwanis Hall on Santa Barbara. Our program will be presented by club member and Master Gardener, Kathy Woodlock. Kathy is an accredited NGC Flower show judge and she will give us a PowerPoint presentation about the horticulture classes in our upcoming Flower Show. She will show us the ‘ins and outs’ of getting a blue ribbon in those classes – just in time for our Flower Show at the end of April.

Greeters: Susan Wilson	Vicki Taylor
Hosts are: Judi Dugre	Deb Leh
Ginny Huffer	Christine Prestella
Cheryl Byrd	Yong Thompson
Cathy Atchison	Kathy Woodlock
Barbara Cohen	

If you are unable to fulfil this commitment, **please arrange a substitute** or, failing that, contact Hosting Chair, Debbie Cooper at 239-541-3263.

On the subject of the Flower Show, don’t forget to sign up to help – **many** jobs still need filling – e.g., clerks, hosting, waitressing (we serve lunch to the judges) etc. Sign up sheets available at the meeting. This is a club effort and the event is open to the Public so we need to put our best ‘feet’ forward! The Flower Show – “April in the Garden” will be staged in the meeting room at the South Cape Library, off Mohawk Terrace.

Bring your check book or cash to the club meeting because **2018-2019 Dues** are now due! Rates

remain unchanged: \$30 individual, \$45 couples, \$60 Sustaining. (Members who were sustaining members in 2017-2018 should refer to the recent Bylaw change and, if necessary, obtain the relevant form from Membership Secretary Babu Mathew.)

Sign-up sheets will be available at the meeting to sign up for hosting/greeting duties in 2018-2019.

Habitat for Humanity

Here’s a reminder about the Habitat Home rehab where we will be installing the landscape:

Address: **1110 NE 13th Pl., very close to Del Prado and Pine Island Rd.**



If you are interested in helping, Sherie Bleiler will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting. We will work from Saturday, May

5th to Friday, May 11th and dedication of the home will be on May 12th. We will also water for several weeks



until the owner is allowed to sign all the papers and can move in. Also, if you have any ideas, input or questions, please contact Sherie Bleiler: 239-233-2438 or sjbleilers@gmail.com.

Garden Walk:

Our Garden Walk is on April 8. If you are a new member and have not yet responded to your invitation, please do so as soon as possible. We will meet to carpool at the Publix parking lot at Santa Barbara and Cape Coral Pkwy. At 11:45 am. If you have signed up to bring food, please bring it to the meeting place and one of the Special Events Team will convey it to the home of Tom and Judy Peltier where the actual tea will be held.

The first garden to be visited will be that of Sherie Bleiler at 1219 SW ;57th St., CC.; the second at the home of Cheryl Byrd, 1321 SE 4th St., CC, and then to Tom and Judy Peltier’s home at 3109 NW 17th Ln. Be sure to have with you the directions from the event flier, emailed to all by Susan – Burnt Store is under constructions and sometimes GPS’s can’t work out the detour route!

Upcoming Events:

April 13 – Berne Davis Service Award Luncheon, Fiddlesticks Country Club, Ft. Myers – 11:30 am \$25 – mail check made payable to FMLCG to Charlene Anderson, 5237 Del Prado Blvd., CC, 33904. Charlene is the registrar for the event.

Our own Jean Shields was the winner last year and who knows who it will be this year!!

April 21st -Bonsai Society Auction and Picnic, FMLCGC 2166 Virginia Ave.

April 22 – **FFGC** Annual State Convention, St. Augustine FL.

May 5 – Avon Park Plant Sale, 9 am to 2 pm Check with Susan for carpooling.

March’s picture gallery with thanks Paula Plum and Cheryl Byrd.

After many years of membership and service, Jean Shields and Joyce Comingore were surprised



with the gift of Honorary Membership of the Club. Both joined the club very soon after it was founded in 1997 and have always been very active in the club.

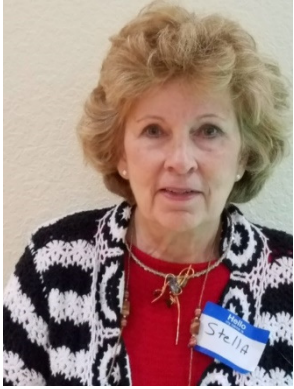
March in the Park stars Dona Baliotis, Ginny Huffer, Vicki Taylor and Kathy Woodlock



were presented with ornamental decorated trowels and new MIP shirts to thank them for the huge contributions they make every year to the success of MIP.

New Members:

Please welcome new members pictured on the following page – by saying a word of greeting and making them feel welcome at the April meeting:



Stella Conte



Janet Pung



Melanie Jacob



Karen Rupp



Hayden Jones



Dennis Ness

While you've got your check book with you to pay dues (!! don't forget while you're at the Club meeting to sign up and pay for the Naples Botanical Garden Trip in May!

If you have anything to include in next month's newsletter, please contact Sylvia Swartz, 239-339-3778 (tamargal2@aol.com)