

Minutes of the Trilogy Garden Club Membership Meeting March 21, 2018

The Trilogy Garden held its third 2018 Membership meeting on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the Library and Center for Higher Learning at the Kiva Club. There were approximately 35 attendees, of which 2 joined as members. All Board Members were present.

Julie Gere, the club President, opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Old Business:

1) Julie Gere, President, offered her thanks to all the members who submitted photos for the Trilogy Garden Club slide presentation that was enjoyed by all at the end of the meeting.

New Business:

1) The raffle prizes for March were a Trilogy Garden Club t-shirt and two movie tickets to the AMC Theaters.

2) Connie Thomas-Kruse, the Club Treasurer, gave a report of the Club's finances for March 2018:

March 1st Bank Balance: \$1,898.28

March Expenses: 129.90

March Deposits (dues): 40.00

Petty Cash: 45.00

Club Assets as of 3/21/18: \$1,853.38

3) There were no new pamphlets for distribution at the March Meeting.

4) The latest update from Jackie Pendergast, Member of the Trilogy Landscape Committee, included info on the blossoming Ornamental Pear Trees, the seasonal replanting of the numerous common area flower beds and planters and the current maintenance on the many solar panels in Trilogy.

Presentations:

1) Sue Puchaty, Master Gardener and Club Vice President, presented her program entitled "Weeds & Pests" in the Trilogy landscape. Pruning will be covered at the April meeting. Sue mentioned that Amazon is a good source for reviews of the many weed and pest control products available. A PDF of her outline will be attached to the e-mail blast of the Membership Meeting Minutes.

2) At 7 p.m. Julie Gere started the wonderful audio/visual presentation of member's gardens, pots and landscapes.

Upcoming Events:

1) The next Membership meeting will be in the same location on April 18, 2018 at 6 p.m.. The agenda will included a program on “Pruning” and “Container Gardening”. All members are encouraged to bring questions for a more formal question/answer session with Sue Puchaty, Master Gardener.

2) The May 16th Membership meeting will be a field trip to Moon Valley Nursery on Bell and Grand. There will be a tour of the Nursery and staff will be available to answer questions about planting and plant care. Members will meet at 1 p.m. at the outside mail boxes at the far end of the Kiva Club parking lot. We will be carpooling from there to the Nursery.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m

Respectfully submitted by:

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Recording Secretary

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WEEDS AND PESTS IN TRILOGY GARDENS

Sue Puchaty

Master Gardener/ALCA Certified Landscape Professional

Pre-emergent and Post-emergents Products (Chemical and Organic) for perennial and a weeds.

Integrated Pest Management -

- Managing your environment
- ID'ing and targeting the pest
- Using the product that is least toxic to beneficial insects, pets, humans and the Environment .
- Use Chemical and Organic Pest Control products wisely and safely.

Three types of Pests Encountered in Trilogy –

- Sucking - soft bodied (Aphids, Mites, Whiteflies, Mealy Bugs and Scale)
- Chewing – Beetles (Longhorn on Cactus, Flea Beetle on Broad-leaved Plants), Leafminer and Thrips on Citrus and Ornamentals
- Caterpillars – Genista Caterpillar on Texas Mountain Laurel and Leaf Tier on Yello Bells, Bouganvillea and Orange Jubilee

Products –

- Insecticidal Soap, Neem Oil, Horticultural Oil, BT, Spinosad, Systemics and Diatomaceous Earth,

Application Safety and Best Practises -

Proper gear and READ DIRECTIONS carefully

Comparison - Ready-mix products, pump sprayers, hose-end sprayers

Rodents and Rabbits -

Manage the environment....remove attractants

Rodents – Traps or Bait

Rabbits – Liquid Fence

Javelina –

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