

**Garden Club of Harwich
General Meeting – June 7, 2011
Pilgrim Congregational Church
Monbleau Hall**

President Jeanne Tassinari called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. 124 members were in attendance.

OFFICERS' Reports

President Jeanne Tassinari thanked the Plant Sale chairs and all the many who helped make it successful. Final tally is in process but it looks like we made over \$5000. The drawing winners were Nancy Jones (painting), Kathleen Willet (mulch), Anne Lawson (tree) and Jeanne MacEachern (quilt).

Secretary's minutes of the April 5 meeting had been distributed by email. They were accepted for file. For the record there was no official meeting at the Fashion Show in May.

Treasurer's Report for the period ending May 31, 2011 had been distributed by email. It was accepted for file (copy attached).

COMMITTEE REPORTS – No formal reports were given.

Updates and/or reviews of activities were provided by the following committees:

Corresponding Secretary Carrie Wailgum (resignations of Agnes Adams, Carol Jewer and Delena Previd, sympathy card to Sally Jane Rivard on the death of her mother, thank you note to Linc Hooper for reinstalling the welcome sign at Exit 10, thank yous from Gerie Schumann, Jan Evers, Kathy Willett and HHS principal for the scholarships), **Program** chair Lynne Drummond (this month's program, presented Jeanne a gift for serving as president – a potting bench made by Jan Oudemool), **Membership** chair Sue Hart (introduced and presented a gift to new member, Debbie Paige, resignations of Nancy Woods and Marcia Bearse, pay dues by June 15 to be in the book), **Civic Beautification** (thanked committee members, passed sign up sheet for watering), Jeanne announced that **Horticulture** chair Patty Tworek has arranged a July 12 trip to Mel Condon's Hydranga Farm in Nantucket, **Scholarship** co-chairs Jackie Leach and Shirley Knowles (2 \$3000 scholarships and 2 \$300 toolships awarded), **Plant Sale** co-chair Diane DiGennaro (thanked club members for their support), Jeanne thanked **Tea** co-chairs Kathy Willet and Nancy Jones (passed clip boards for new committee volunteers and for September tea), Jeanne announced that **Conservation** chair Sue Mills arranged a tour of Cedar Spring Herb Farm on June 8.

Jeanne read the nominees for officers for 2011-12: President – Diane Schoenfelder, 1st Vice-President – Judie Palleschi, 2nd Vice-President – Susan Pleines, Recording Secretary – Sally Cohen, Corresponding Secretary – Aileen Demeusy, Treasurer – Sandy Concannon, Assistant Treasurer – Shade Cronan. She asked for a motion to accept the slate as presented. It was made, seconded and approved by the membership.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Jeanne turned the gavel over to incoming President Dian Schoenfelder. Diane's goals are to make the townspeople more aware of Garden Club contributions and to address our tax status. The most efficient way to do this is to join the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc. By-Law changes are required. These changes and information on advantages of becoming federated were available at sign-in. (copies attached). She will ask for a vote in September.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - none

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Wall, Recording Secretary

Prior to the meeting, Doris Casy judged the Horticulture sweepstakes. Diane DiGennaro announced the annual winners: 1st place – Sharon Oudemool, 2nd place – Diane Schoenfelder, 3rd place – Gerie Schumann, and honorable mention – Patty Tworek.

The program "Irises in the Garden" by Linda Corapi followed the meeting