

BEAUTIFICATION Meeting DECEMBER 9th 2021

EVERYONE IS BUSY THIS
MONTH:

Everyone is running around and jumping through numerous hoops. Just trying to get dates organized is challenging. When we had our meeting this week we found some members of beautification totally forgot.

 Join the club.

January things should calm down. We will have meetings once a month and always on the same day. Because of so many conflicts with other committees and groups we had to find a day that hopefully works for everyone. So at this time we will have our meetings the 2nd Thursday of each month. Every meeting will start at 9:00 am. Meeting will last 1 hour.

We will be using the new (old workout room) meeting room. Room is being cleaned and painted. We cannot use the main room in the clubhouse since craft group is making cards on the same day.

**KEEP ANGIE IN YOUR
THOUGHTS:**

Angie Bageant will not be at Lee Plantation for several months due to a serious illness in her family. We do not know when she will

return. She is our community glue gun. She is so active and supportive in multiple areas of our community. Prayers to her and family.

As you know Angie takes the minutes of our meetings. So in her absence Gail O'Brian took notes for us today.

Thanks Gail for the extra effort. Very hard to lead a meeting and take write everything down. Having you add notes to our agenda helps so much.

DONATION AND COMMUNICATION BOARD/ SCRAP BOOKS

I will work on keeping photos and donation names added as needed to our board. With all the activities coming up the board will certainly have some wonderful photos.

Anyone that would like to help while Angie is away please let me know.

Beautification purchased

plants for Christmas that are around the clubhouse. Also new pots for seasonal flowers for back of clubhouse. \$ 197.44

Dave and Pam Page donated a new timer for our outside Christmas tree. Danny and Brenda Hart. also donated a timer, a set of luminaries and some plants for outside Christmas decorations.

We had some trouble with the

luminaries last night. Jayne, Ed Rocca and I think we worked out the problem. It seems the timer may be the issue. Jayne will continue to manually check lights. Thanks so much!

HERB GARDEN PLANTER

Brenda picked up a herb planter at Home Depot that was on sale. We decided to start with a few plants like dill, basil and Rosemary. Also add a separate pot for mint. Can

we get someone to care for this area? The cost is \$109.00. Note the same Pot is twice that on line.

Funds available as of this date:

Budget remaining for 2021.

\$289.98

Donations.

\$2874.85

We may have a request to contribute to equipment that was purchased for the

community. Probably around \$200.00. This was for a long cutting pole used on trees. We agreed this was fair.

Angie purchased a new cabinet that will go under our donation and project board. She found at a consignment shop for \$23.00. A great find.

SOIL AND MULCH AND EQUIPMENT:

All soil or mulch must be purchased and approved by

Preston Becker or Brenda Hart.

Money goes back to beautification and placed into donation fund. Sale is recorded and receipt is returned to resident. Money must be given to Brenda Hart immediately.

Payment must be made in cash.

We discussed the importance of how equipment owned in the community is used. We do

not want to see a misunderstanding to surface with residents. We have a system in place but feel it should be tweaked. We agreed that an exact format showing policy and procedures be developed. Have this put in writing. This protects the community and anyone responsible for equipment or money. We will communicate and work with the board to develop a solid system.

Present price being charged:
\$25.00 bucket soil/ delivered.
\$ 3.00 bag of mulch.

RECENT DONATIONS:

Ed and Linda Rocca

\$300.00

George and Charla Broughton.

\$200.00

We talked about all donations,
at this time, being given in
cash only. No checks.

Total donations this year

\$5,175.00 in cash donations.

Note there are times residents also donate items that are not included in this amount.

GARDENERS/ PICK AN AREA.



If possible take an area in our gardens that need ongoing care.

You would assure plants are weed free, trimmed as needed, soil turned. Give advice if you see mulch is needed or plants are lacking

water etc.

Note our landscape has come a long way. We are always improving. New eyes 🙄 help us become even better gardeners. 🌻

If you have an area and leave town. Get another team member to pickup your garden responsibilities or you get with me.

Several of us do this all year.

We are looking for a few months of hands on from beautification.

We will get with you and give pointers. We want you to enjoy what you are doing. Nothing is better than a day in the garden!

Please get with me and let me know what area you may be interested in working.

See attached list of areas that help is needed.

VICTORY GARDEN :

We are planting the seed. We brainstormed the idea of a victory garden being added to

the community.

Beautification would support the effort but cannot be responsible for the ongoing upkeep.

Our thoughts are that maybe we get men's club involved.

Pick an area area do research.

Sitting here typing I had a few thoughts and also listing

notes from our discussion:

Beds as discussed, would be raised. This protects against critters and of course makes gardening easy on the body.

Look at local ideas like at Lake Park. Also Pinterest. Each street could have their own garden spot. Not every raised garden bed has to be in the same area.

Beds must be beautiful and attractive and become part of the landscape.

Water must be available.

Maybe water could come from the lake.

Maybe start with one bed as a prototype.

NEW HANDS:

Thank you Bruce Haley.

Always out there looking for something to do. Thank you for sharing your new eyes in the community.

Bruce had an idea for our Culdesac locations that will help with weeds. We will discuss at our next meeting.

Beautification purchased electric sheers for our gardens. Presently Bruce is using the garden sheers to keep plants manicured.

MEMORY PLAQUES:

Example of plaques that will available will be posted.

Ed and Linda Rocca are placing the first plaque under a memory tree.

This tree is a Bahama Cassia.

Pictures will follow.

Plaques can be purchased also to show a tree was donated by a resident.

Nice creating history!

CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA



Beautification will be supplying the funds for this event. Our goal is to make this an ongoing celebration. We need to celebrate that our community is returning to normal.

PARADE:      

Louise Sanders is in charge of the line up of golf carts bikes etc. She will have helpers. Jayne Hayden is in charge of



We have 2 Santa's lined up for the evening.

Dan Kosowicz has a plan ready to pull Santa in style around the community.

Candy canes have been purchased for handouts.

Need to organize the route and complete 3 loops in the community. Lead cart important. No one can break off the line. They must keep moving as directed.

LUMINARIES 

Simply remind your neighbors to participate.

Do luminaries for a neighbor. We have some bags available. Of course sand is in the parking lot.

PARTY 🎉

(Pam Page)

Who else? Gail Parker.

Menu will be Christmas desserts, eggnog and

wassail. Cookie sharing 🍪

(Brenda and Danny will pickup food items)

Gift certificate will be picked up for \$25.00. (Prize for best cart)

We need judges!

We need to do a brief meeting before this event.

We decided on:

December 20th 1:00 just to make sure we are all on the same page. 😊

PHOTO CONTEST

Communication and

Beautification will be working

on a contest just for fun.

Winner will have their photo featured on the cover of next year's directory.

Flyer was sent out this week.

Jayne is taking the lead to have the judges for this contest.

We will touch base on this right after Christmas.

Just encourage everyone to get snapping or send in a recent picture that reflects our community.

MEETINGS:

Next meeting January 13th

9:00am

Brenda Hart