Garden Club of Wilmington Membership Meeting January 6, 2020

Location: DCH

Program: Tracking Animal Movements using Bird Banding and Motus Network

Presenter: Ian Stewart, Delaware Nature Society

Hostesses: Conservation Committee

Marion du Pont, President called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

DCH:

Vik Krishnamurthy welcomed our garden club to DCH.

Vik shared:

- Information about the last rare plant auction to be held at Longwood on Saturday, April 25, 2020 with Celebrated Plant Experts Rick Darke and Melinda Zoehrer. Sally and Don DeWees will be hosting the Clivia luncheon.
- DCH has chosen to return to a magazine format for the RPA program and plant list in addition to having it available in electronic format.
- The courtyard will be renovated in the spring.
- DCH will be having an excellent winter lecture series and encouraged us to attend

Programs:

Meg announced the program meeting that would take place after the current membership meeting.

Flower Show:

Joanne Cushman announced the next flower show meeting will be held at her house on January 31st @ 1:30 pm

Photography:

The spring photography show will be held at Winterthur during the March meeting. The deadline for the photo entries is Feb 7th. All the information for the show is on our website.

Below are the categories for the entries:

- Class 1 Stormy Weather, any season
- Class 2 Winter
 - 2A . Black and White Photograph
 - 2B. Color Photograph
- Class 3 Reflections
- Class 4 Fungi

Member's Support Committee:

Lynne Swartz explained the purpose of her committee and encouraged the membership to reach out to her or a committee member if aware of a member in need.

Conservation:

Kate Hackett Kate presented the Conservation Tip of the Month by reminding the membership of the threat of the invasive Spotted Lanternfly and ways to identify the insect as well as how to destroy it.

Program:

Ian Stewart from the Delaware Nature Society presented a fascinating and informative discussion on tracking birds both by banding and using the Motus network. More information and ways to participate in the tracking can be found on the website Motus.org.

Marion du Pont adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Patsy Walls Recording Secretary