March L 2017 Minutes Ming held at Esthers

The meeting resumed after the informative presentation and hands-ondemonstration by club member Deborah Determan.

Treasurer Report: There are no outstanding checks. Gilda Allen was given \$250.00 in support of school garden project. Present balance: \$1,288.75. Annual Club dues are due ASAP. Our dues must be paid by May $1^{\rm st}$. It was mentioned again about considering different organizations/causes to support. Gilda is chairperson for this committee and she requested interested members to contact her.

Sunshine: Birthday cards sent to Deborah Determan – 3/9, Joyce Meyer – 3/19, and Mary Jane Bishop- 3/22

Historian: Linda gave a very interesting presentation on the number and types of National and District 1 awards presented to the club over the past forty years. 134 Awards were received from NCGA and 106 from District 1 for our participation in many community activities. A discussion ensued from members who recalled some of the unique events. Considering the size of our club, we really accomplished a lot over the years.

Civic: The Holloway Estates Garden is coming along. The daffodils are in full bloom. Mulch should be delivered sometime soon.

Conservation: Diana talked about the "birds foot violet" which is a flower native to the eastern United States.

Membership: 16 members present, 5 absent.

Newsletter: Articles must be in by April 15th.

Old Business:

Discussion continued regarding changing the time of meetings that will take effect in the fall. The reason for changing the meeting time is the difficulty for our aging members to drive at night. Gilda brought up that changing meeting times is not in our by laws and can be done by a consensus of the members. Deborah summarized the 3 options under consideration.: (1) keep the evening time -6:30 PM- all year (2) meet during the day all year (morning or afternoon) and (3) meet in the evening in spring and summer and meet in the day in fall and winter.

Lanay will email members for a vote and will apprise us of the outcome.

New Business:

Announcements: Mar 11 – District Meeting 10;00 A.M.; Mar 20 - Awards Meeting; June 7 – Anniversary Celebration/Installation; and July 22 – Annual Picnic (Pam Smart)

NCAGC

Lorraine Leonard is chair for the nominating committee.

Next meeting will be at Dot Lower @ 6:30 and May will be at Iona Black 6:30

Esther brought out a delicious chocolate cake for the birthday members

The 50-50 was won by Diana

The meeting was adjourned