The meeting was called to order at 9:53 am by Diana Madsen in her home.

Present were Mmes. Madsen, Weil, Turner, N. and S. Kroll, Hackman, Burner, Booth, Loisaux, Swain, Shepherd, Lang and Trimble.

Minutes of the board meeting of June 12 were approved with the following corrections:
- The redesigning of two areas at the Crescent Avenue Church was discussed and voted against, and
- Honorary members will receive a letter and booklet, separately, from Jane Burner, and
- Bernice Swain attended the meeting.

Second Vice President: Jeanne Turner reported PGC has been asked to provide floral arrangements for the Friends of Sleepy Hollow House Tour, to be held October 15 from 11-4 pm. Two arrangements for the Crescent Avenue Church, and one arrangement and a wreath for a house. PGC will receive publicity for so doing.

Nina Weil made a motion to approve a limit of $150 for arrangements done for the FOSH House Tour. Passed unanimously. Nina will call and inform voting members not present at this meeting of the decision, since a membership meeting will not be held before the event.

Treasurer: Anne Shepherd reported $4940.62 in the Operating Account, and $7696.72 in the Community Account. Anne received a letter from the State of NJ Gambling and Casino advising us PGC should renew its license for raffles costing $50 for two years. It was decided to get a license only if we have another raffle. Anne will send Anne Marie Seybold’s dues check back to her since she is now an honorary member.

Corresponding Secy: Jane Burner reported Marty Samek made a donation to the Shakespeare Garden in honor of Mrs. Nash, and PGC received a letter of thanks from her daughter, Lizzie Nash Meunsch.

Conservation: Jane Burner reported for Barbara Peek PGC members are asked to call Representative Frank re Endangered Species Legislation. Diane suggested calling the hot line to see if there’s any pertinent info on it.

Exhibitions: Nina Weil thanked Ramona Ferguson for entering Harvest Show and receiving an honorable mention. The joint show with the GC of the Oranges is Nov. 15. There will be a workshop at Nina’s Wednesday Oct. 25 at 1:00 pm. Bernice will demonstrate and speak.
**Horticulture:** Sally Kroll reported Betty received a blue ribbon for her *boxus microphyllia* and a second for cut herbs from the Shakespeare Garden at the Harvest Show. There were 45 plants from our club for the plant exchange. Sally will call members for the Trenton Flower Show, on October 28-29.

**Program:** Barbara reported the program is set. The October meeting is at Anne’s house with a speaker on landscaping. Sally Booth suggested terrarium and bulb-forcing workshops could be interesting. January 21 is the annual brunch.

**Shakespeare Garden:** Diana (for Evie) reported the garden is looking wonderful. This year Evie received more help from the park by calling early every Wednesday to request it.

**President:** Diana received a letter of thanks from the Student Conservation Association.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Tucker Trimble, Recording Secy
PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB

MINUTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 1:16 pm at the home of President Diana Madsen.

Present were Mmes. D. and E. Madsen, S. and N. Kroll, Booth, Peek Turner, Burner, Hackman, Long, Weil, Vivian and Trimble.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with the following correction- the letter from Liz Nash was in reference to the redwood donation.

Treasurer’s Report: Operating Account $4940.02
Community Account $7167.31

Admissions: Sally Booth reported her committee is hard at work.

Conservation: Barbara Peek advised the club on the Green and Blue Acres Bond Act, appearing on the ballot November 7. Barbara also presented a GCA "position paper" on responsible land use. Copies will be distributed at the general membership meeting and an opinion will be sought. Barbara is concerned we do not have a conservation project. Suggestions such as recycling button batteries, composting demonstrations, and adopt a block were offered. Barbara will make a list of projects other clubs with similar membership numbers use.

Exhibitions: Nina reported FOSH was a huge success, and thanked Nancy, Evie, Ramona and Betty for their beautiful contributions. There are still openings for the joint flower show with The Oranges on November 15 in Classes I and II.
From now on Joan would like two copies of any publicity that appears in print.

Horticulture: Sally received a letter of thanks from the Harvest Show for our plants. $5300 was made from the plant sale. There will be a fall workshop on bulb forcing and plant dividing October 26. Prospective members are invited.

Betty Hackman told the club there will be a vote to determine how to spend the monies raised from the Growing Fund, which is over $5000.

Program: the speaker for Wednesday is Barbara Stern from the Garden Club of the Oranges. She will speak on Home Landscaping and Shade Planting.
Sally Booth requested volunteers to help with the food for the joint meeting in November.

Exhibitions: there will be workshop for the Nov. flower show at Nina’s on Oct. 25 at 1:00. Betty is concerned about the cost of flowers for the show.
Shakespeare Garden: Evie needs help Thursday Oct 19 and Wed. Oct 25 in the garden to winterize. The garden looked beautiful in the summer but by August it was a "disaster." The park rallied to help, and it became obvious the garden can not be maintained without paid help. The two boxwood parterre gardens will be named the Elizabeth King Gardens, and the shrub border will be named the Marge Ladd Shrub Border.

Fundraising: Jeanne will organize a small committee to discuss fundraising for the club.

President: Diana showed two beautiful pictures of the Shakespeare Garden entered in the Trenton Show in the photography section. Our club will be responsible for $2115 for the 1999 GCA Annual Meeting, payable in three annual installments.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tucker Trimble
The meeting was called to order at 1:20 pm by President Diana Madsen in her home.

Present were Mmes. D. and E. Madsen, Booth, Hackman, S. Kroll, Weil, Burner, Turner, Peek, Vivian, Lang and Trimble.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with the correction the workshop included perennial dividing, not plant dividing.

No treasurer's report.

Publicity: Jeanne will start a scrapbook with newspaper clippings. She has the Star Ledger article about Evie.

Corresponding Secretary: Jane received a thank you letter from Evie for her painting of the Shakespeare Garden, and a letter from Virginia Frost thanking us that she is an honorary member.

Medal Awards: Sally Booth received a letter of appreciation from Nancy Kroll for her award.

Program: Sally discussed the food for the general membership meeting.

Exhibitions: Nina reported Evie will be a Passer and Jane Craig will Clerk at the Wednesday meeting.

Horticulture: Sally Kroll thanked Sally Booth for hosting the workshop on bulb forcing and dividing perennials. Workshops are an opportunity to introduce prospective members. Sally requests ideas for future workshops.

Nominating: Joan read some by-laws. It is necessary to form a nominating committee, which Marty will check into when she comes back. Diana requests job descriptions to pass on to the next person.

Shakespeare Garden: Evie reported two large boxwoods from Victor King are in place and doing well. Betty suggested Mr. King receive a thank you note for them. Evie said the Elizabeth J. King Parterre Gardens and the Marjorie Cone Ladd Shrub Border are so named because of donations from the two women. There was a wonderful turnout for the final closing of the garden.

President: Diana and Joan received Third Place and Honorable Mention for their two photographs of the Shakespeare Garden entered in the Trenton Flower Show, and a letter of appreciation from Janet Mills for entering the show. Diana attended a President’s meeting October 23, and reported all clubs are
encouraged to propose projects for the Founders Fund, and also to submit articles to the Bulletin. Some clubs are doing fundraising for the $45 per member required for the Annual Meeting in 1999. A proposed theme is "Watershed Sound and Sea." We could also think about formalizing the provisional year.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

 Respectfully submitted by Tucker Trimble, Recording Secretary.
Plainfield Garden Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
December 11, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 1:22 by President Diana Madsen in her home.


The minutes of the previous meeting were corrected to show the theme for the 1996 Annual Meeting is "Watershed Sound and Sea."

Treasurer's Report:  
Operating Account: $4526.17
Community Account: $7586.31

Corresponding Secretary: Jane Burner received a letter from Victor King in acknowledgement of our thank you to him for the two new boxwoods in the Shakespeare Garden. They came from clippings his grandmother had from Mount Vernon.

Conservation: Barbara Peek will ask if the Shakespeare Garden meets the criteria for Historic Preservation. She reported billboards will now be allowed on the northern part of the turnpike.

Diana wants the club to have a conservation project of some kind, no matter how small. Various suggestions included a school project, composting, and a newsletter. Diana suggested we develop a list of ideas by February or March and choose one of them.

Exhibits: Jeanne reported for Nina by reading a synopsis of the November joint meeting and Flower Show. The following members received awards:
Class I  Second: Carroll Keating and Tucker Trimble  
Third: Betty Hackman  
Hon Men: Maryanne Gonder and Berenice Swain
Class II Second: Sally Booth and Jeanne Turner  
Third: Sally Kroll and Anne Shepherd  
Hon Men: Barbara Sandford
Class III First: Nancy Kroll and Barbara Lang  
Second: Jane Burner and Barbara Peek  
Third: Nina Weil

Horticulture: Sally Kroll reported on the successful composting workshop at Joan Vivian's. She will have a handout for the meeting on Wednesday, showing what can and cannot go on a composting heap. Betty, Evie and Sally Kroll will participate in the Fragrant Plant Exchange in May. The Zone Hort meeting was cancelled.

Program: Sally Kroll very kindly offered her home for the Annual Brunch.
Shakespeare Garden: Evie reported workers there have been spreading salt hay around the boxwoods and mushroom manure around roses and other areas.

President: Diana wants members, when RSVPing to meetings, to indicate if they need a ride to prevent any more unfortunate carpooling problems. The NJ National Parks Association is applying to GCA for an inventory, and the GCA wants manpower interest.

The Conservation Meeting will be open to friends.

Something will be put in writing to formalize the provisional course.

Betty and Nancy will be Passers at the NY Flower Show, and Sally and Nina will Clerk.

January 18 is a Joint Meeting at the Frelinghuysen for Medal Awards, PR, and Archives.

Jeanne and Diana will write an article for the Bulletin on the Shakespeare Garden and Evie.

Another civic project in the schools was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05.