

Lake Ramsey Petal Pushers Garden Club

Meeting on October 1, 2012

Our October meeting was a trip up to the Florist of Covington for a bow making class taught by floral artist and shop owner Jon Nicholson. He magically crafted bow after bow while we fumbled through loops and half twists and short and long tails of the fall colored plaid ribbon trying desperately to make our bows as full and fluffed up as Jon's. Some of our Petal Pushers did very, very well, while a few, like myself, will probably not put bow making

on our resumes. Afterwards, we browsed the gift shop filled with so many lovely items that we vowed to return and shop again. Jon was presented with a \$100 gift card from the Petal Pushers in grateful appreciation for the class and his patience.

We were so busy bow making we didn't really have a formal meeting, but Camille Steen updated our 2012 Program schedule, **revised** itineraries are:

November 9 - Guided tour of the LSU Ag Center in Hammond. Meet at our front entrance at 8:15 a.m. to leave for Hammond and a guided tour at 9:00 a.m. Meeting will follow tour.

March 1 - Leave at 8:45 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. tour of Long Vue House and Gardens, cost \$9, no meeting.

April 8 - Tentative, a trip to the Passionate Platter in Slidell for herb cooking demonstration by Linda Franzo, cost \$15.00 lunch/\$20 dinner, to be voted on. Meeting follows.

May 6 - Installation of officers, potluck and plant swap at Claire Hayden's home. Half of the group bringing dinner.

It is almost time for the 2012 Christmas Tree Tour! You know we all love to see how everyone else decorates their tree so get in the attic, start pulling out your treasured ornaments and call Paulette Hecker, 809-0897, to be on the tour.

I am sure you all noticed how neat and spiffed up the front entrance looks. Cleaned and tidied up for fall are the beds by the gate, the crepe myrtle beds, the pots, the arbor area, and the curbs were scraped clean. Garden club members on the work crew were Juanita Bild, Paulette Hecker, Susan Huff, Kathy Hymel, Darlene Parlipiano, Linda Rowe, Camille Steen, Kathy Zeringue and me. I apologize if I missed anyone.

Watering the pots still continues! If anyone has spare time on Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays to take a few minutes to run up and water the pots please call me, 893-8868, to be put on the schedule.

Don't let the goblins get 'cha! Sandy Miller, Secretary