

***Lake Ramsey “Petal” Pushers Garden Club
Meeting on April 8, 2013***

Our April meeting was held at the home of Susie Boutte. Susie set the tables for us so we could sit by the pool and enjoy the herbal luncheon specially prepared for us Linda Franzo of the Passionate Platter. As Linda chopped herbs she gave us many hints on how to cultivate herbs in the garden, recipes we could make with herbs and even a lesson on how to make facial scrubs and cough medications. The herbal meal was delicious and Linda made it look so easy that after the meal we all lined up to buy some herbs she had brought with her. There will be a some new herb gardens here at the lake this spring.

Darlene Parlipiano presented Linda with a copy of the Lake Ramsey cookbook as a token of the club's appreciation for being our guest speaker. Linda was delighted with the book and said she was writing a cookbook too.

Our treasury has a balance of \$226.18.

Our last meeting for the season will be **May 6**, at Claire Hayden's home. New officers will be installed and a plant swap will take place. You may bring your two plants to swap to Claire's a few days before the dinner instead of waiting for the night of the installation. The half of the club that didn't bring a covered dish to the Christmas dinner will take their turn to provide food for this meeting. Please call Susie Boutte and let her know what you are bringing so she can coordinate the meal.

New officers will be installed at the May meeting. New officers will be Kathy Crochet for president; Susan Huff in the secretary position; Jane Griffiths will be counting the money as treasurer; and the parliamentarian will be Nancy Hotard.

New committee chairs will be Kathy Zeringue, Greenspace; Linda Rowe, Landscaping; Susie Boutte, Programs; Kathy Lyons, Sunshine; Claire Hayden, Photographer; Ceanne Hirstius, Historian; and Darlene Parlipiano, Seasonal Decorating.

Ruth Bienvenu sent word that Peggy Martin will be opening her rose gardens for touring on Sunday, April 21, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Ruth will coordinate the trip so please contact her at 809-3962 if you would like to attend.

Anyone having photos that you would like to be in the scrapbook please give to Ceanne.

Happy gardening,
Sandy Miller, Secretary.