

Nottingham Garden Club
Switlik Club House
April 15, 2026

The meeting of The Nottingham Garden Club was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Jay Derrico, who began the meeting with the flag salute and Theresa Turner read a quote.

Patrish Shalestik reported that there are 41 members and 1 guest present tonight.

Treasurer, Elaine Garrison, announced that the previous balance was \$4,959.91. Current balance is \$5,303 after all checks clear.

Jay pointed out that there are sign-up sheets. One to help at the Azalea Festival (10am – 4pm) on 5/9. Table will be near the arbor. Also have a sign-up sheet to help at the garden tour. For Arbor Day, 5 trees are being planted on 4/24 at 9am at Crockett Middle School. Jay shared that a District 7 luncheon will be held on 5/13 from 10-2 here at the Switlik Club House.

4/29 at 6pm – outreach at the Hamilton Library for those with gardening questions.

Jim Huckfeldt sent an email and announced about having an outing at a Trenton Thunder game. Would be \$8.00 per person, guests are welcome and need at least 20 people.

Lorna Cruz and Jay have set up NGC members receiving a discount with Timothy's. Lorna purchased 130 plants to sell at Sayen Gardens for the Azalea Fest. They can be kept across the street at a member's home until set up. Plants cost \$3.65 and will sell for \$10.

Jay has items to make book markers which will be sold at the garden tour. Come to Switlik Club House on 5/7 at 5pm to assist. The new NGC banner was completed and is hanging up. Will be used for the garden tour and Azalea Fest.

Jay announced that directions for the Garden Tour will be at Sayen Gardens from 9:30am - 11am on June 20th.

Esther Whelan ordered new note cards to sell. 25 packets for \$10 for 8 cards.

Lydia Rogers said she has a couple names of people who can do yard cleanup which she will share. She also said where she used to work they would provide materials for a garden project there. Need NGC members to volunteer.

Trish Polunas, Awards Chair, said she put a sign-up list out. No response yet from the Kisthardt School re: 5/19 "plant something day". Also announced at the 6/3 annual meeting awards will be given out. Must register to attend. Jay forwarded the message with information.

Maria Bunda – has information about flats of flowers that can be purchased.

Lorna Cruz has an idea to make strings of pine cones, sticky balls, lotus pods etc.

Nick Truhan - Thank you to Faye Rotunda for getting the planters for tonight's raffle. Announced tonight is an ice cream social with glass cups people can keep. Nick said the Hamilton Mayor cancelled tonight but will speak next month on butterflies.

Jeanette Bergeron said there are 250 trees being planted throughout the township. Can go to the website to get a tree.

Voted for the new NGC Board: President: Elaine Bruhn; Vice-President: Charlene Miller; Treasurer: Jeanette Bergeron; Secretaries: Jane Dahlgren and Karen Neukirchen. All voted on unanimously.

Held the raffle at the end of the meeting.

Our next meeting will be May 20, 2026 at the Switlik Club House.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Weber, Co-Secretary