Newberry Garden Club Genie Smith President October 2022 District meeting

We start off our 2022-23 year with sad news. Linda Woodcock, Director of our night group, Founders' Circle has passed away on September 30th. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Our club was organized in 1947 and federated in 1948 - This year our club will be celebrating our 75th year.

In August, our club prepared and served back-to-school breakfasts for Newberry Elementary and Newberry High School.

Our club completed a beautification project costing \$1500.00 at Oak View Middle School. Landscaping and beautiful plants adorn their main entrance.

Our November meeting, in both circles will do a "cut & stick" plant program for our plant sale in April. We provide 95% of the plants for the sale. Last year, our plant sale made a profit of \$2182.00.

In January, is our annual Soups, Sandwiches & Sweets event is for Newberry and the community. All items are homemade and are delicious! Our merchants in Newberry donate money and/or door prizes for this event. Last year our profit for this event was \$1640.00.

In March, our club has our annual Caladium sale as a beautification project for Newberry and the community. Last year's profit was \$721.30.

Some of of our programs this year with Master Gardeners from UF/IFAS on plant propagation and a presentation on orchids. We did an "art in our garden" project, and have a speaker from Wild Birds Unlimited on "birds in our yard".