

## **Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes December 8, 2022**

### **Business Meeting:**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Mettler at 10:30 am at the Ohop Grange. Thank you to hostess Diane Mettler and co-hostess Kathy Mettler. Kathy distributed our new club books to those who had not received them yet.

**25** members present.

Welcome to visitors Katie Daniels and Ken Quirie.

Thank you to Carolyn McKelvie for the gift of handmade horticulture themed quilted ornaments to all attending.

Lisa Libby motioned to approve the November minutes as written and corrected. Approved by members present.

Written treasurer's report submitted by Treasurer Lisa Libby. Our bazaar table at the recent District meeting earned the club \$130.50. Thanks to all who contributed and helped at the sale. Diane Mettler motioned to approve the report. Voted approved by members present.

### **Chairman Reports:**

**Birds & Gardening:** Nancy Schank introduced this month's plant, Camellia Sasanqua "Yuletide". It is loved by Hummingbirds, has red flowers which bloom gradually November through December, likes am sun and partial afternoon shade and is pretty deer tolerant. Nancy then presented the shrub to Kathy Mettler as her Christmas exchange gift.

**Sunshine:** Ginny Phillips, no news to report except that Bev Holze is happily doing well and is present today after her recent knee surgery.

**Programs:** Katy Hoffman reports our speaker at the January meeting will be Kecia Cole from Wild Birds Unlimited.

**Echo Reporter:** Crystal Dorsey not able to be present today. Please continue to send her comments on your experiences attending meetings and your gardening experiences, etc, along with pictures.

**Garden Therapy:** Sammie Jo Thirtyacre reported she and Jane Smith from Dogwood and several more members from other clubs were able to finally meet with residents on October 27th at the Silver Creek Facility where they helped the residents make Fall wreaths. The next Garden Therapy will take place at the end of February 2023.

**Historian:** Melody Stalk is gradually working to organize the materials that have been presented to her. Sylvia Russell has volunteered to work with her on this project. Melody will send the historian job description to all members and we will vote on accepting it at the January meeting. Lisa made a motion for Melody to purchase a hard drive and to reimburse her with club funds. Voted approved by members present. This will be used for safe storage of materials scanned.. Diane noted that many of the saved artifacts pertain to Eatonville history and there is a source for storage in the town of Eatonville.

### **Unfinished Business:**

District is still looking for nominations for different positions. Please let Kathy Mettler know if you or someone you know would be interested in serving at the district level. District officers are presently working on the by-laws.

We are still in need of a new Awards Chairman. Pam Waring has stepped down because of family commitments but encourages someone to take it on. Applying for awards is a way to share our projects and encourage others to try different activities. Melody suggested adding the awards categories to our yearbook in the future. Lisa did apply for an award for our yearbook. Diane pointed out that there is information on the Hill and Dale website. Lisa will redistribute a list of awards to everyone.

### **New Business:**

We discussed making changes to our By-laws and Standing Rules, particularly #3. As it stands, "members can purchase as many raffle tickets as there are items to be raffled. Each raffle ticket shall be fifty cents". Lisa made a motion, Diane 2nd to change the rule to read "a voluntary raffle can be held at every meeting and members can buy

one ticket per member for \$1 to go toward how ever many items are to be raffled". This was tabled to be voted on at our January 2023 meeting.

Geneal Palmer let us know that Kathy Bowman, former co-leader of Jr Garden Club, will be meeting with children at the Methodist Church and has been working with them on Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl posters.

A motion was made by Pam Waring to donate \$50 to the Ohop Grange every time we use their building to meet starting today. Voted approved by members present.

Our next meeting will be held January 12th at the Ohop Grange. Paulette Quirie volunteered to be our hostess. Speaker will be Kecia Cole from Wild Birds Unlimited.

- Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.
- Potluck was served.
- We played a "name a Christmas song" game. Carolyn McKelvie won!
- Holiday gift exchange was held.
- We collected cash to donate to the Eatonville Food Bank.

**Members Present :**

1. Sherry Hanson
2. Keri Hatcher
3. Louise Harris
4. Anne Hartman
5. Katy Hoffman
6. Bev Holze
7. Creig Kuwitzky
8. Lisa Libby
9. Diane Mettler
10. Kathy Mettler
11. Carolyn McKelvie
12. Darlene Nelson
13. Geneal Palmer
14. Ginny Phillips
15. Paulette Quirie
16. Donna Rahier
17. Tina Royo
18. Beth Runyan
19. Sylvia Russell
20. Nancy Schank
21. Jane Smith
22. Melody Stalk
23. Penny Swanson
24. Sammie Jo Thirtyacre
25. Pam Waring

**Guests:**

1. Katie Daniels
2. Ken Quirie

Minutes recorded by Secretary Ginny Phillips