

Dogwood Garden Club November 12, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Business Meeting:

Meeting called to order by President **Diane Mettler** at 10:40 AM. Meeting held at Todd's Nursery, Puyallup, WA.

16 members present.

Welcome to our guest, **Lorna**, friend of **Sharon Aguilar**.

October minutes approved as read by members.

Treasurer's report given by treasurer **Ilse Trujillo**.

\$60 plus canned items collected from members for Eatonville Food Bank.

Chairman Reports:

Diane reported that the fall clean up at Dogwood Park on October 13th went well. Thanks to all who helped including **Kathleen Owen's** husband, who came early to weed whack.

The tree decorating committee reported they met and started decorating a live tree for the December 1 District Meeting using natural materials. Some of the items used were Holly, Beautyberry, chinese lanterns, and blueberry branches.

Unfinished Business:

Kathleen Owen took part in the Garden Therapy Program at the Brookdale Alzheimer's Facility October 21st. They hollowed out pumpkins and filled them with flowers with some help from the residents. It was an activity that the volunteers and residents equally enjoyed.

We were reminded to document with pictures, write a summary, and turn this in for State judging for any projects we have been working on in our gardens. **Sheri Slayton** can email the appropriate forms if you contact her at sherislayton61@gmail.com. Deadlines for submission are Dec 1st and April 1st depending on the project.

Copies of the handout "Propagation and Planting of Ferns" from the October meeting were handed out to those interested. If others are interested, let Diane know, she will copy and can email them to you.

New Business:

Received a request from **Kathy Bowman** and the **Junior Garden Club** at Eatonville Elementary School for any spare spring bulbs, Kale or Heather plants anyone might like to donate for their winter garden. Please contact Kathy at 360-832-3479 or gbbowman@juno.com if you have anything to share.

Hill and Dale District Business:

Mary Bewley presented a ribbon won to **Geneal Palmer** for her entry in the August Pierce County Fair, and to **Sharon Burlingame** for a design entry she made in the November 4-5th Holiday Show.

Mary presented a check she received for her winnings in the WA State Fair to **Kathy Mettler** in thanks for giving her dahlias to use in Mary's design entries. **Kathy** then donated this money to the Eatonville Food Bank.

Mary has extra calendars for sale still, contact her if you are interested. They are \$5 and \$6 dollars each.

The upcoming District Meeting is December 1st at the Dryer Masonic Hall, 306 134th St S., Tacoma 98444 at 10 AM. Entries are accepted from 9-10 AM. This is a non-judged show and a perfect chance to enter any sort of greenery, blooming item, or a design. Consult your ECHO for details.

Thank you again to **Sharon Aguilar** for submitting such well written news from our club to the ECHO. Good Job!

*****Next Meeting:** December 10th at Kathy Mettler's. We will do a potluck and gift exchange for this Christmas meeting. We will be our own speakers and will share flower and veggie growing tips. **Please submit these tips to Diane as soon as possible as she will put them together in a booklet which we will receive at this meeting.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Program: presented by Todd's Nursery on forcing bulbs. They gave each of us a cup of glass beads to use as we try starting our own bulbs.

Members Present:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Sharon Burlingame
4. Linda Evaro
5. Lisa Libby
6. Diane Mettler
7. Kathy Mettler
8. Kathleen Owen
9. Geneal Palmer
10. Ginny Phillips
11. Nancy Schank
12. Sheri Slayton
13. Lynne Smith
14. Ilse Trujillo
15. Sharon Van Eaton
16. Terrie Van Eaton

Guest:

Lorna, friend of Sharon Aguilar

Minutes recorded by Secretary **Ginny Phillips**