

Dogwood Garden Club  
Meeting Minutes May 8, 2012

**BUSINESS MEETING**

- Meeting called to order 10:35 a.m. at the home of Kim LaFrance by President Diane Mettler. Thank you to Kim and Rosie for hosting!
- 15 members, one guest Deborah Householder
- April minutes approved as written.
- Treasurer's report: for Ilse Trujillo, Mary Bewley reported \$302.65 deposited from plant sale.
  - Key Bank now charges fees for paper statement. Rosie moved we switch to electronic statement only. Anne seconded. Club unanimously approved motion. Mary and Ilse will go to Key Bank to make the change.
- **Chairman Report:**
  - Helen reported on Dogwood Park clean up day April 17. DOT did much of the work. Dead Madrone still there – DOT will take care of it.
  - Diane reported on Garden Therapy. For next year should we support local businesses to plant/water/fertilize their pots. Club decided yes.
  - Mary Bewley reported on highlights of plant sale. For next year:
    - Better advertising – signs around town and on high school doors. Announcements on loud speaker.
    - In March 2013 the committee chair will lead plans for advertising.
    - What sells best:
      - rhodies, azaleas, roses, red twig dogwood. Ask a local garden to donate? Start to root these now!!!
      - Small plants: vege starts, tomato, berries, scented mint
- **Unfinished Business:**
  - Dogwood club dues are due to Ilse Trujillo by June meeting.
  - Keep collecting clear glass goblets and miniature items, as well as rock, soil, moss for District meeting centerpieces; we will make 20 centerpieces. Workshop date set for May 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Diane Mettler's house.
  - District flower show May 22<sup>nd</sup> at Puyallup Methodist Church. Entries 9 – 10 a.m. Program Old Goat Farm speaker \$12.
- **New Business:**
  - Sign up at today's meeting for next year; hostesses and committee chairs. Hostesses decide whether to provide food, bring own, or potluck.
  - Memorial Day bouquet making will be Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm at Sharon's house. Need 200 for veterans graves.

- Garden Tour is Saturday, July 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Need volunteers to host. Diane's garden is on the tour!
- Dollars for Scholars has a swap meet on June 23. Asked if club would like a booth (\$15) - we could sell plants. Discussion. Club decided we don't have enough left over from plant sale to pull this together this year, will plan on it for next year.
- Health Fair; why was club not asked to participate? Only health issues were invited. Space was limited in Community Center.
  
- **Hill & Dale District Business:**
  - Convention June 5-8, 2012 in Mt. Vernon
  - Starting in April, each club is to have own nametags for District Meeting to save time at sign in table. Club decided to do permanent name tags for 2012-13 year.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.
- Raffle
- Lunch
- Mary Bewley: Discussion of Flower Show entries, both design and horticulture.
- Sharon Aguilar presented program on making wreaths from weeds. Start collecting! It takes a LOT of dried weeds to make one wreath! Most don't need to be hung upside down, just in dry location.