

Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2019

Business Meeting:

- Meeting called to order at 10:45 am by President Diane Mettler. Thank you to hostess Crystal Dorsey and co-hostess Sharon Van Eaton.
- 18 members present.
- Welcome to visitor Bryn Williams.
- Motion made by Sharon Aguilar, 2nd by Rosemary Nordstrom and voted approved by the members present to approve the May meeting minutes recorded by Leslee Dunlap.
- Treasurer's report given by Treasurer Lisa Libby. Lisa shared a thank you note received from the Eatonville Daffodil Float Committee for our club's donation to their program.
- Diane Mettler thanked everyone for another successful garden club year. Officers President Diane Mettler, Vice-president Kathy Mettler, Treasurer Lisa Libby, and Secretary Ginny Phillips will continue in their positions for the coming year, but want members to know they are always open to anyone interested in taking a turn in office.

Unfinished Business:

- Thank you to the members who participated in making Memorial Day bouquets for the graves of the soldiers at the Eatonville Cemetery ceremony. We had lots of flowers and greenery brought by members and the 120 bouquets were done in record time. Thank you volunteers Crystal Dorsey, Diane Mettler, Kathy Mettler, Sharon Aguilar, Jane Smith, Kathy Bowman, and Ginny Phillips. Thank you Sharon Aguilar for the use of your "chicken house". It is the perfect setting for this project.
- We all are invited to a Garden Party at the home of Diane Mettler and Chris Bivins on July 27th. Diane passed out invite cards. Contact Diane for more information. There will be no Art In Bloom this year.
- The problem of someone taking plants and rocks from Dogwood Park is hopefully being resolved.

New Business:

- A signup sheet was passed for hosting meetings in the coming year.
- Diane also passed a sheet for us to "vote" on a list of suggested topics for meeting programs for the coming year. We were encouraged to add our own suggestions.
- Signup sheet was passed to attend the District Garden Club Awards picnic on Wednesday June 26th, 11 am. It is at Frontier Park in Graham, picnic shelter #3. Picnic lunch is provided. It is rumored that Dogwood is receiving several rewards this year. We need to turn in the total attending from Dogwood by June 20th. Please contact Diane Mettler at 360-832-1745 or diane@spilledinkstudio.com to sign up.
- Diane discussed the flower hanging baskets in Eatonville. She is wondering about proposing to the Chamber the idea of placing baskets only on every other light pole instead of every pole and making the pots larger for a bigger basket display. We all agreed this might be a good idea. The summer life span of the baskets might benefit from a larger pot and make a prettier display.
- Diane also wonders about the idea of our club volunteering to pot up and maintain a couple of the large ceramic pots in front of businesses around town next year. Maybe we could do a couple of key pots like in front of the Visitor Center, etc. Sammie Jo Thirtyacre volunteered to head this project if this transpires.

Hill and Dale District Business:

- Mary Bewley filled us in on the Pierce County Fair which takes place at Frontier Park in Graham, WA on August 8-11. We will be contacted to sign up for hosting duties in the floral building, working with the children's activities, etc. Diane will send out a sign up sheet to us by email. By volunteering you will receive a free entry ticket and parking pass. It's always fun to greet attendees, do some people watching and help out at the same time. Mary also needs help on August 7th from 1 pm to 7 pm taking entries from the children. You can sign up to come anytime during this time frame to help out.

- Tomorrow, 10 am, painters are needed at the fairgrounds floral building to help paint the decorating boards with the theme of "From the Peninsula to the Mountains". Please attend if you are able to help out.

- Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

- Raffle was held.

- Lunch was served by our hostesses.

Program: Greg Graves, of Old Goat Farm, gave a presentation on edible blossoms in our yards. He gave us a handout and also gave each of us a Nicotiana plant and had other plants for sale. Thank you Greg!

Members Present:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Kathy Carver
4. Crystal Dorsey
5. Linda Evaro
6. Dianne Gonzalez
7. Lisa Libby
8. Diane Mettler
9. Kathy Mettler
10. Rosemary Nordstrom
11. Ginny Phillips
12. Paulette Quirie
13. Nancy Schank
14. Jane Smith
15. Melody Stalk
16. Sammie Jo Thirtyacre
17. Sharon Van Eaton
18. Pam Waring

Guest: Bryn Williams

Minutes recorded by Secretary Ginny Phillips