

Dogwood Garden Club
February 13, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Business meeting:

Meeting called to order at 10:35 by President **Diane Mettler**.

Thank you to hostess **Kathy Mettler** and co-hostess **Diane Mettler**.

16 members present and one guest, **Nancy Schenk**.

January minutes approved as read in email and at meeting today.

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

Kudos to **Sharon Aguilar** for good reporting on behalf of our club in the **Echo** Newsletter.

Thanks Sharon.

Unfinished business:

Club booklets were given to members missing them.

Sign up sheet passed for March 17th Root and Bloom meeting we were invited to attend, we will turn in RSVP by March 1st.

A reminder to be potting up offerings for our May Day Plant sale and District plant sale.

Sharon Aguilar brought 3 pots for members to use for planting.

New Business:

Member **Linda Evaro** recently had back surgery. Our Sunshine Lady **Helen Neighbor** will be sending her a card from the club.

An offer was extended to us from James O'Keefe, Water Resource Program Associate, WSU Extension Office, to make a presentation to our club in the future. They will tentatively be in Eatonville Feb 28th and March 5th. 253-376-0199. Our guest, **Nancy** pointed out that WSU has rain garden test gardens available to visit at their facility in Puyallup.

Change of venue for our April Club Meeting. It will be held at member **Jan Landry's** home. We will have a seed exchange and John Valentine will again speak to us.

Diane and Kathy Mettler, and Kathleen Owen attended the N.W. Flower and Garden Show Feb 5-9th. The Specialty Nursery Guide, W. Wash. Edition, was given to members.

Kathleen told us about an event called Sorticulture which is free and will be held in Everett June 6-8th. Looks like a great event. **Kathleen** also informed us of a garden tour on Whidbey Island June 28th.

A reminder to call mid March to sign up for compost to be given out at the Ostrom Mushroom Farm.

Lisa Libby reported how wonderful the Salal and Oregon Grape jelly she received in our December gift exchange was. It was made by **Sharon Aguilar**.

Kathy Mettler demonstrated and recommended a plug in "Thermo cube". She uses this in her greenhouse. It is available at Del's.

Hill and Dale District Business:

Rosie Trujillo reminds us of the Gala to be held March 10th. Fee to attend is \$35 and there will be a speaker from Florida.

Rosie Trujillo reminded us of the District meeting to be held March 25th at the Dryer Masonic Center. Susan Goetz will be the morning speaker, followed by John Thom, a designer. Please try to attend and enter our flowers, greens and designs. All entries give credit to our club and you may even win a ribbon!

The annual Workshop is coming up on April 29th at the Puyallup Elks. Garden Club members from all over the state attend this workshop. **Rosie** reminds us that Dogwood Garden Club is responsible for donating 6 salads(enough for 10 servings each) and 6 dozen homemade cookies. We are also in charge of the kitchen and will be passing a sign-up sheet at our March meeting.

\$2 meeting fee was collected.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Raffle

Lunch and dessert served by our hostesses.

Speaker **Greg Graves** was unable to attend. **Diane Mettler** gave his presentation on topiaries. Rosie brought an Ivy plant and Diane demonstrated trimming and training it to a wire form.

Minutes recorded by **Ginny Phillips**, Secretary