

Dogwood Garden Club February 12, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Business Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 10:45 by President **Diane Mettler**.

Thanks to our Hostess, **Lynne Smith**.

15 members present.

Welcome to 3 guests: **Terry** and **Sharon Van Eaton** and **Geneal Palmer**.

January minutes motioned approved by **Kathy Mettler** and seconded by **Mary Bewley**.

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

Member **Helen Neighbor** is moving from the area. **Kathy Mettler** has picked up houseplants from her for our members and has them with her today to chose from. A card was passed by **Mary** and signed by all to send to Helen.

New Business:

Mary Bewley reports the Junior Garden Club, at the Eatonville Elementary school, which our club sponsors, led by **Kathy Bowman**, will be starting up again March 20th. She is requesting we donate the following for use by the group in making Mother's Day gifts:

- Excess small plants that they can divide
- Empty hanging baskets, with hangers if possible
- Rotisserie chicken type containers for starting seeds in

If you are able to donate any of these, please call **Mary** to drop them off to her: **253-973-5948**.

Diane is planning on our club doing the Dogwood Park clean up in April. Date to be announced. We are hoping **Nancy Schank** will be up to advising us on what shrubs are in need of pruning or removing.

Keep in mind to save plants to donate for our May Day plant sale May 1st.

Art In Bloom will be held July 25th at the Van Eaton property. Anyone interested in helping on this project and who has any ideas, please let Diane know. **Terrie Van Eaton** suggested to have potted plants for sale. **Sharon Aguilar** suggested old wooden spoons be labeled with plant names to sell as garden markers. **Diane** suggested old used broom handles to be labeled with plant names for sale as plant stakes. **Diane** also suggested planting flowers this spring for use as cutting flowers at the Art In Bloom event.

Sharon Aguilar suggested making an honorary certificate for **Judy Hills**, as she donated many spider plants to our May Day sale last year. **Diane** will see to this.

Hill and Dale District Business:

Rosie Trujillo reports the District Board meeting will be held on February 24th. the next District meeting will be held on March 24th at the Dryers Masonic Center in Tacoma, 306 134th St S. It would be great if we have lots of club attendance along with many horticulture and design entries. each entry earns points for our club. There will be morning and afternoon programs and lunch provided or you can bring your own lunch for a lesser cost to attend..

Rosie also reminded us of the upcoming annual District workshop to be held April 30th at the Dryer Masonic Center. There will sign up sheets passed at our next meetings for these events.

Our next meeting will be at the Windmill Gardens in Sumner, info to follow soon.

\$2 meeting fee collected.

Raffle held.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45.

Lunch served by our hostess.

Program: Topic: Hydroponics given by Master Gardener **John Valentine**. **John** gave us a hand out on Hydroponic Basics: a different kind of water garden. Many thanks to **John** for another really informative and interesting presentation.

Members Present:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. CeaCea Bicknell
3. Mary Bewley
4. Sharon Burlingame
5. Linda Evaro
6. Anne Hartman
7. Joan Hofer
8. Diane Mettler
9. Kathy Mettler
10. Ginny Phillips
11. Sheryll Slayton
12. Lynne Smith
13. Georgia Stiefel
14. Ilse Trujillo
15. Rosie Trujillo

Guests:

Geneal Palmer
Terry and Sharon Van Eaton

Minutes recorded by Secretary **Ginny Phillips**.