

Dogwood Garden Club
Meeting Minutes April 11, 2013

BUSINESS MEETING:

- Meeting called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Mary Bewley at her home. Thank you to Mary and Debbie for hosting.
- 16 members were present.
- **March minutes** were approved as posted on the website and read at meeting.
- **Treasurer's report** was presented by Mary. Same as March plus \$22 deposit from last meeting.
 - Annual dues of \$10 are now being collected.
 - The following members paid dues at this meeting: CeaCea, Ginger, Kathleen, Darlene, Leslee, Kathy, Sharon A., Betty, Sharon B., Helen, Rosie, and Mary.
- **Roll was taken of all members present.** The members decided we will take roll at each meeting to continue to help new members get to know everyone.
- **Chairman Reports:**
 - *Dogwood Park spring clean up* is next Tuesday, April 16th at 9:30 a.m., rain or shine! Donuts and Coffee will be available at break. State DOT will pick up debris.
 - *Plant Sale May 3.* Set up 8-9 a.m. Continue potting up plants to sell, we will have cellophane, plant covers and ribbon there to decorate some for children to buy for mother's day.
 - *Arbor Day* – Mary represented our club there to plant a bareroot flowering cherry tree donated by the Hill and Dale District to Pierce County parks and Recreation at Frontier Park in Graham.
- **Unfinished Business:**
 - Helping town of Eatonville with plants; Post Office welcomes any help we can provide watering. There is no outdoor faucet so we need to take gallon jugs of water whenever we pick up our mail and water the beds.
 - Rosie reminded us we should have permanent name tags for all club members since this is a district garden club requirement for meetings. Members expressed concern that we wouldn't remember to take them to meetings. It was suggested we keep name tags with Rosie or another club member who attends district meetings regularly. Discussion tabled until May meeting.
- **New Business:**
 - Ann H. suggested fundraiser, the Magnificent Mutts event each April at the Graham Fairgrounds, booths are rented for \$20 and clubs or individuals can sell goods. Tabled for discussion in 2013-14 year.
- **Hill & Dale District Business:**
 - **Hill and Dale District workshop "Fusion"** April 30th at Rainier View Church on Spanaway Loop Road. Members signed up to bring salad or cookies:
 - Salads: Rosie, Sharon A. , Kathleen Owen, Darlene Broadhurst, Kathy Mettler and Mary.
 - Cookies: Rosie, Anne Norman, Debbie Price.

- **National Garden Club convention** is May 23-26 – this is our one opportunity to attend a National convention here in Washington state! Agenda is online at www.gardenclub.org. Crown bees will be available for sale.
 - **State convention** is June 11-13 in Silverdale. Room rates, programs etc were discussed.
- **Upcoming Events for our club:** (Thank you Mary for compiling this calendar!)
 - April 13th – Spring Sale at Chase gardens. This is our chance to get a Trillium for the shade garden!
 - April 13/14 – Old Goat Farm is open!
 - April 16th – Dogwood park work day rain or shine.
 - April 27th – Hill and Dale District Plant sale. Donate a few and save most for our club plant sale May Day!
 - April 27th – Baptist church in Eatonville perennial plant exchange. 9- 12 a.m. Bring a plant and take a plant – no money!
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 - May 3rd – Dogwood Plant Sale 9-3 at the Eatonville HS small gym. Need LOTS of plants – please label them. Bring them 8-9 a.m. This is our one club money making event.
 - May 9th – Next meeting, trip to Velcor Gardens with sack lunch.
 - May 26th – Memorial Day bouquet making at Sharon Aguilar’s chicken house. 4-6 p.m. Bring greens (salal) and red, white or blue flowers.
 - May 28th – District meeting and flower show at Masonic Hall in Parkland. Come and enjoy the programs and lunch, all for \$12.
- Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.
 - Raffle
 - Lunch; sack lunch plus fruit and dessert by hostesses.
 - Program: Irene Reed, Master Gardener, presented a program on Deer resistant planting and techniques for keeping Deer out of our gardens.