

Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes February 8, 2018

Business Meeting:

Meeting called to order by Vice-President **Kathy Mettler** at 10:40 am. Thank you to hostess **Jan Landry** and co-hostess **Kathleen Owen**.

17 members present.

Welcome to visitor **Melody Stalk**.

Motion made by **Nancy Schank** and voted approved by members present to approve the January 2018 meeting minutes as read.

No treasurer's report as treasurer not present.

Kathy M reports she and **Diane Mettler** are returning their payments from the club for being speakers at meetings. If there are expenses involved when members speak, those would be turned in for reimbursement, but they would not want to be paid for speaking.

Kathy M told us about attending NW Garden Show and how enjoyable it is. **Terry Van Eaton** proposed thinking about getting a bus trip together for members to attend this event as a group for next year.

Unfinished Business:

Geneal Palmer and **Jan** have black pots they collected to donate to Old Goat Farm for recycling. If others have pots to recycle, you can take to OGF.

Members described how their Poinsettias are doing for the Poinsettia challenge. Many have appeared to die or have lost most of their leaves. Some are showing signs of new leaves growing. **Jan Landry** showed us her plant which so far seems to be doing the best as it still has most of the leaves and colored bracts! We will continue to monitor and report on plant progress.

New Business:

Kathy M told us of a Bonsai exhibit and plant sale being held at the Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden, Weyerhaeuser Federal Way Campus April 20-21. Hours are Friday the 20th, 3-5 pm and Saturday the 21st, 9-5. Cost is \$5 for seniors and \$8 general. It would make a good field trip if we are interested.

Hill and Dale District Business:

Sign up sheet for cookies and salad donations was passed for the upcoming District Workshop held April 30th. Each club donates 6 salads that will serve 8-10 people each and 6 dozen cookies. We discussed what theme to use for our basket contribution. We decided on doing a picnic basket theme as suggested by **Nancy Schank**. **Sammie Jo Thirtyacre** has a basket we could use. She will send a picture of what she has. We will start gathering items we want to donate to this project at our March meeting.

Garden Therapy will take place February 28th at Brookdale Courtyard, 4610 6th St. Place, Puyallup, near the Korum YMCA. **Ginny Phillips** and **Mary Bewley** volunteered to attend as each club provides 2 members to attend and help the residents with the project. **Geneal Palmer tells us Linda Evaro** may attend if she is able. Please let us know if there are others interested in attending.

Kathleen Owen still has the dress form from our "Scarlett" project. She plans to replant the succulents into her garden.

Raffle was held for 3 items one of which **Terry Van Eaton** donated- a metal flower sculpture.

Next meeting will be a field trip to the home of orchid specialist **Susie English** on Thursday March 8th. More details to follow.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20.

Lunch was served by our hostesses.

Our speaker, **John Valentine**, did not make it so **Nancy Schank** led a gardening question and answer session. We really appreciate her almost 50 years of expertise! Thank you **Nancy** for filling in.

Members Attending:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Sherry Hanson
4. Anne Hartman
5. Joan Hofer
6. Lisa Hoversten
7. Jan Landry
8. Henry Louie (Louie)
9. Kathy Mettler
10. Kathleen Owen
11. Geneal Palmer
12. Ginny Phillips
13. Paulette Quirie
14. Nancy Schank
15. Sammie Jo Thirtyacre
16. Sharon Van Eaton
17. Terry Van Eaton

Guest:

Melody Stalk

Minutes recorded by Secretary **Ginny Phillips**