

**Dogwood Garden Club**  
**January 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

**Business Meeting:**

- Meeting called to order at 10:40 by President **Diane Mettler**.
- Thank you to hostess **Diane Mettler** and co-hostess **Kathy Mettler**.
- 19 members present.
- Motion by **Diane Mettler** and seconded by **Sharon Aguilar** to approve December minutes as read by members in email and at meeting today.
- Treasurer's report given by **Ilse Trujillo**.
- **Unfinished Business:**
  - Club booklets are being made for members needing them: **Sharon Burlingame, Linda Evaro** and **Anne Norman**.
- **New Business:**
  - **Diane Mettler** informed us of changes in the Garden Tour. She will not be taking part in this event this year and instead will be heading up a new event with Terry Van Eaton called "Art in the Garden". It is thought it will be held the 2nd weekend in July at the Van Eaton's property and will include booths, vendors, sculptures, plants and a garden party the evening before. **Diane** proposes we combine our planned Mini Garden Event with this "Art in the Garden" event. Our planned speaker, Janit Cabro, would speak at this time on miniature gardens. Proceeds would be split between Dogwood Garden Club and Family Center Community Food Bank. The grant we have applied for and have not yet heard from, could be used for this event. **Rosie Trujillo** requests a flyer be produced which she could distribute at District and State events. **Diane** will be needing volunteers for planning and working this event.
  - Discussed **Kathleen Owen's** suggestion to decorate old or new mailboxes for sale at the May plant sale and/or July "Art in the Garden" event. She has checked on cost of new boxes at approximately \$14, but may be able to get a discount. Old donated boxes would be appreciated. We would have a workshop for decorating. **Sharon Aguilar** suggested the use of her "chicken house" for this purpose.
  - A reminder of our plant sale in May at the high school by **Mary Bewley**. Start to think about dividing and planting up things to sell. Kids like things in small containers for Mothers Day.
  - The **Root and Bloom Garden Club** has invited us to attend their March 17h meeting at the Community Center at Portland Ave and 99th St in Tacoma. Their speaker will be Sue Goetz and she will do a presentation on "Color and Texture in the Garden". They will need us to **RSVP** by March 1st and we will get a head count at our next meeting in February of those planning on attending.
  - A motion was made by **Ginny Phillips** and seconded by **Rosie Trujillo** for members to mark their own participation for attending meetings and events in our

- own individual Garden Club Books.
- **Rosie Trujillo** handed out copies of “The Legend of the Dogwood” to members.
- **Anne Hartman** gave out information on solar animal repellents for the garden.
- **Hill and Dale District Business:**
  - Northwest Flower and Garden Show is February 5th-9th.
  - March 10th is the date for the Gala held in Everett reported by **Rosie**. The fee to attend is \$35 and includes lunch and the design program. This is a fundraiser for the Headquarters House.
  - **Mary Bewley** reported on annual Workshop to be held on April 29th. Hill and Dale District hosts this event and Dogwood Garden Club is in charge of the kitchen for this meeting. All clubs donate salads and cookies. Sign-up sheet available at a future meeting. It will be held at the Puyallup Elks Club. Any members volunteering will receive free admission.
  - **Mary** reminds us of the Pierce County Fair in Graham on the 2nd weekend in August. The theme is Barnyard Dynasty. Sharon Burlingame suggested using an oriental/Asian theme to go along with the dynasty. Keep this in mind as Mary will need our help in decorating and working at the fair.
- \$2 Meeting fee collected.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:30.
- Raffle
- Lunch and dessert served by our hostesses.
- Birthday card passed around for signing for Doris Yuckert, Sunshine person for Hill and Dale district...85th birthday
- Speaker Master Gardener **John Valentine** presented a program on Water Drainage and the Geology of our area.

Minutes recorded by **Ginny Phillips**, Secretary.