

Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes January 12, 2017

Business Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 10:40 am by President **Diane Mettler**. Thank you to hostess **Ginny Phillips** and co-hostesses **Anne Hartman** and **Geneal Palmer**.

17 members present. Welcome to new member **Sherry Hanson** who joined today.

Motion made by **Lisa Libby**, 2nd by **Rosie Trujillo** and voted by members present to approve the December minutes.

Treasurer's report given by treasurer **Lisa Libby**.

Unfinished Business:

Club booklets were handed out to those still needing them including new member. Please let Diane know if you have not received yours yet.

Mary Bewley thanked members who attended former treasurer **Ilse Trujillo's** memorial service. She passed out special bookmarks with **Ilse's** picture and packets of forget-me-not seeds in her memory.

Diane is in the process of ordering the sign for **Vera Byrd's** Dogwood Tree which the club planted at the community center. Cost is approximately \$140, which comes out of the memorial fund for **Vera**.

New Business:

Celene Ryan gave out brochures about an upcoming watercolor class she will be giving. They will be held on Wednesdays beginning January 18th through February 15 at the American Legion Hall in Mineral from 10am - noon. Cost is \$150 for 5 weeks. Contact **Celene** at 360-492-3222 or jceleneryan@hotmail.com if you are interested.

Time to start thinking about potting up plants and considering other ideas for the club May Day plant sale May 5th. Be thinking about raffle ideas. We all agreed the use of colored dots on sticks in the plants with a master list of prices was very helpful. We need more dots for the dollar priced plants, we ran out last year.

Sign-up sheet passed for upcoming orchid field trip on Thursday March 23rd. We will be going to the home of a friend of **Diane's** in Tacoma.

The NW Flower and Garden Show will be taking place February 22-26th at the convention center. Go to gardenshow.com for further info. Tickets are on sale now and are cheaper bought prior to the show. You can purchase them online or even at Costco.

Rosie Trujillo informed us she will be leaving the club at the end of this year and will be joining Root and Bloom. It has become too difficult to travel this far from Olympia for meetings. She will continue to attend meetings with us until June. She encouraged us to make more horticulture and design entries in the District meetings. Our club needs to have more participation in this area. She also reminded us that **Mary Bewley** can't do it all, we need to help her out by taking part more.

Hill and Dale District New Business:

Mary Bewley reminded us of upcoming dates to remember for district events:

3-28.....District meeting at the Masonic Center, 306 134th St S, Tacoma. Cost is \$15 which includes lunch. Horticulture entries 9am, meeting at 10am. This meeting our club is responsible for taking entries for the flower show and assisting the judges.

3-29.....District Workshop held at the Masonic Center. Our club is responsible for providing 6 salads and 6 doz cookies. We will do a sign up in February,. We will again put together a basket to be raffled off as a district fundraiser. Our theme of chocolate and wine was popular

last year so we will go with that idea again. **Paulette Quirie** volunteered to provide the wine, **Lisa** has a basket, other donations can be given to **Diane** at our next meetings.

Meeting fee collected.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

Raffle held.

Lunch served by our hostesses.

Program: Pierce County Master Gardener **Rita Butler** did a presentation on keeping interest in our gardens year round with suggestions for plants that will work well in our area.

Members attending:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Sherry Hanson
4. Anne Hartman
5. Joan Hofer
6. Lisa Libby
7. Louie(Henry Louie)
8. Diane Mettler
9. Kathy Mettler
10. Geneal Palmer
11. Ginny Phillips
12. Paulette Quirie
13. Celene Ryan
14. Nancy Schank
15. Sheri Slayton
16. Rosie Trujillo
17. Sharon Van Eaton

Guest: Kris, daughter of speaker Rita Butler.