



DULUTH GARDEN FLOWER SOCIETY

Date 02/02/2015

Recorder Julie Mockler

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| Bookworms Dale Hurst* | Hortus | Morgan Park | Oregon Creek Printha Market Julie Mockler | Upper Cody Community Garden Vermillion |
| Chester Creek James Gittlemeier Susie Darley-Hill | Lake Aire | Mt. Royal | Park Point Pam Griggs | Wild Ones |
| Coffee Creek Joan Barrett* | Lakeview | Normanna | Proctor Hilltop Kathy Hannan | Zenith City Diggers Kathy Collins |
| Duluth Heights | Lake Superior Rose Society | Northern Lights | St. James "Mary" Garden | Guests Jahn Hobbs Cheryl Skaftke Anna White |
| Fredenberg Town Hall Gardeners | Lake Superior Master Gardeners | Northland Orchid Society | Smithville | |
| Gitche Gummee Ann Fink | Longview Kathryn Lenz Peckham | Norton Park | Tischer Creek Tom Kasper* Don Kienholz | * Indicates affiliation with more than one club |
| Hart Haven | | | | |

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| Review July, August, September & November, 2014 minutes | Correction needed to November minutes, Page 3 under Other Business, #1 - New Garden club Category. Wording should be re-worked to say that a motion to approve the Emeritus Garden Club in a first reading should be stated as this is a change to our By-laws. | <p><i>Motion made by Kathy Collins and seconded by Dale Hurst to approve the Emeritus Garden Club with a second reading was approved.</i></p> <p><i>Joan Barrett made the motion to accept the July, August, September and November, 2014 minutes with correction. James Gittlemeier seconded. Minutes approved.</i></p> <p>Make corrections to November minutes. Send minutes to Web Master for posting.</p> | Julie Mockler |
| Treasurer's Report | Balance is \$6,048.93 to date. Expenses for December were mostly for the Christmas Dinner. Deposits in January consisted of Christmas Dinner registrations and club dues. | <i>Joan Barrett made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Pam Griggs seconded.</i> | |

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| Treasurer's Report, cont. | | <i>Motion (to accept Treasurer's Report) passed.</i> | |
| OLD BUSINESS | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Christmas Dinner</u> – Although the Christmas Dinner was enjoyed by all who attended, costs were significantly higher than expected. We expected the \$30.00 registration fee to cover all the costs of the dinner at the Kitchi Gammi club but costs actually were \$52.89 per person. DGFS covered the additional costs but this was not a very good use of our funds. Needless to say, with all the additional costs, we will not be having any of our events there in the future. | | |
| NEW BUSINESS | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>2015 dues</u> – Only eight clubs have paid to date. 16 clubs have not. These need to be sent in as soon as possible to the Treasurer along with the updated club roster. Failure to get the roster in will result in that club not being listed in the 2015 directory. 2. <u>Great Gardening Series</u> – Kick off show will be March 5. Regular series starts on April 9. Duluth Garden flower society has signed up to answer telephones on May 7, 14, 21, and 28. Park Point has volunteered to take May 14 and Proctor Hilltop will work May 21st. Volunteers needed for May 7 and May 28 respectively. 3. <u>Community Gardening Open House</u> – Will be held on Saturday, April 11 at the Community Gardening offices in the Daminano Center from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Opportunity to sign up for garden spots available at this time as well as later during regular office hours. Much info to be provided as well as selling seeds. 4. <u>Master Gardener's Spring Extravaganza</u> – The date is April 18th this year. No information available yet. More to follow. | <p>Send club dues and rosters to as soon possible: Ann Fink 1515 Boulevard Place Duluth, MN 55811</p> <p>Discuss with clubs possibility of covering the May 7th or May 28th Great Gardening telephone bank and let Tom Kasper know which you would prefer.</p> | <p>Treasurers from any clubs with outstanding dues.</p> <p>All DGFS Club presidents</p> |

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| OTHER, cont. | <p>about 1 ½ hours. We could possibly use him at one of our meetings.</p> <p>3. <u>SEEDS Spring Issue deadline</u> – Deadline to get info into the spring issue of SEEDS is February 10. Contact Carol Borich, SEEDS Editor, District 8 Minnesota Horticulture Society, 8113 NE 5th Ave, Chisholm, MN 55719 or email at cjborich@mchsi.com.</p> <p>4. <u>Friends School Plant Sale</u> – May 8-10, 2015 at the Minnesota State Fair Grandstand. They are also requesting volunteers. More information may be viewed at www.FriendsSchoolPlantSale.com.</p> <p>5. <u>Knife River Garden Club looking for speakers</u></p> <p>6. <u>WinterSown.org</u> – Is giving away seeds that have been gathered for a slight donation.</p> <p>7. <u>City of Duluth Parks questionnaire</u> – City Parks members had forwarded a questionnaire to all clubs and were present to talk about what the City could help with. Questions were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you need mulch or other material(s) delivered to your garden site? • Would you benefit by being able to order additional plant material (including annuals and perennials) through the City of Duluth? • Do you have questions or concerns about the current condition of your garden space (i.e., signage, benches, or other amenities)? • Are you interested in learning more about permaculture design and implementing some of those principals into your garden space? | <p>Submit any pertinent garden announcements to SEEDS by February 10.</p> <p>Contact Knife River Garden Club if you have any ideas for speakers for them.</p> <p>Look at the website if interested in their seeds.</p> | <p>Any DGFS Club or committee</p> <p>Any DGFS Club</p> <p>Any interested DGFS member</p> |

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| OTHER, cont. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would you be willing to mix edibles in along with your ornamental? • Are there other ways that the City could better support your garden site? <p>Much discussion ensued on these questions such as who do we call when we want brush or plant material hauled away. She said it would be best if the plant material or garbage was bagged separately and that brush be piled all the same way for easier pick up for them. Contact Cheryl Skafte at (218) 730-4334 or email her at cskafte@duluthmn.gov or contact Don Kienholz. Generally, service requests are carried out on Thursday and Fridays. They have been working very hard to get a process in place so that the requests do not fall through the cracks.</p> <p>8. <u>4th Street Reconstruction Project</u> – This project will have a big impact on the Heritage Garden. Plants may need to be salvaged, statues and benches moved, etc. More conversation to come in the near future.</p> <p>9. <u>100th Anniversary of the Como Park Conservatory (November 14-15, 2015)</u> – Hilltop Garden Club will be sponsoring a bus on November 14. More to follow.</p> | | |
| <p>Next meeting: Monday, March 2, 2015 @ 5:15 p.m. @ Lafayette Rec. Center (3026 Minnesota Ave.)</p> <p>Please email website items to: duluthgardenflowersociety@gmail.com by the <i>Friday</i> following the Monday meeting.</p> | | | |

