



**DULUTH GARDEN
FLOWER SOCIETY**

Date: 03/03/2014

Recorder: Lisa Jefferson

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Bookworms	Gitche Gumee Ann Fink	Lakeshore Botanical Gardens	Northern Lights	Smithville
Chester Creek Susie Darley-Hill	Hart Haven	Lakeview	Northland Orchid Society	Tischer Creek Tom Kasper
Coffee Creek Joan Barrett*	Hortus	Longview	Oregon Creek Julie Mockler Printha Markert	Upper Cody Community Garden
Duluth Heights	Lake Aire	Morgan Park	Park Point Diane Gould	Wild Ones
Essentia Wellness	Lake Superior Rose Society	Mt. Royal	Proctor Hilltop Kathy Hannan	Zenith City Diggers Lisa Jefferson Bob Norstrom*
Fredenberg Town Hall Gardeners	Lake Superior Master Gardeners	Normanna	St. James "Mary" Garden	<i>*Indicates affiliation with more than one club</i>

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
Review minutes of 02/03/14		<i>Joan Barrett motioned to accept the minutes. Diane Gould seconded. Minutes were approved.</i>	
Treasurer's Report	<u>Balance</u> \$4,861.86. <u>Expenses:</u> 500 to 8th District Scholarship Fund; 10.17 to Richard Smith for GoDaddy domain name. Receipts: 537.78 Balance of Tomato Man money to cover Ravin & Associates for new ribbons.		

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<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>	No old business		
<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> Secretary Position	Lisa Jefferson will be resigning as DGFS Secretary as of the March meeting so a new secretary will be needed. A list of the secretary's duties will be emailed along with the March minutes.	<i>Consider taking the position of DGFS Secretary. Email duluthgardenflowersociety@gmail.com if interested.</i>	Club Presidents
Spring Gardening Event Tentative date April 16	Kathy Hannan talked to Deb Shubat at the UMD Greenhouse and determined that it won't work due to space constraints, etc. Tom Kasper talked to Jenny Madole about using the state of the art East HS greenhouse and will try to schedule an Open House type event there for mid April. There is no charge but DGFS could make a donation. DGFS will supply beverages and clubs are asked to bring a plate of cookies or bars.		Tom Kasper
8th District Spring Luncheon May 10th	Held at Valentinis in Chisholm. Wildflower expert Susan Kolsted will be the speaker. Tom Kasper and Bob Norstrom will carpool up. Flyers will be emailed and on website		
Great Gardening Spring show fundraiser March 13 Regular Season begins April 10	The 12th season with Tom Kasper and Bob Olen will begin with the 1 1/2 hour kickoff show March 13 at 7:00 pm. Garden clubs will be needed to answer phones - 3 to 4 people - on May 22 and 29.	<i>Watch the show, call in questions, and volunteer to answer phones by contacting Tom Kasper.</i>	Club Presidents
Beautification Grants	After discussion it was agreed to cap the total for grants at \$1,500. Grant application forms will be available at the April meeting and go up on the website. Grants will be awarded in May. Maximum grants per club is \$400.		

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<p><u>NEW BUSINESS, cont.</u> Home Show April 2-6</p>	<p>PBS and Great Gardening will have a booth. They will record questions at the Home Show then show them and provide answers at the following Great Gardening show on April 10.</p>		
<p>Tomato Man</p>	<p>Tom Kasper felt there was not much follow through from the tomato plants given out in June to the Harvest Festivals in September. There was discussion as to focusing on other programs such as the gardens many schools now have and on the Harvest Festivals. Tom Kasper asked for further discussion on the Society's role at future meetings.</p>	<p><i>Clubs discuss the Tomato Man Project and bring feedback</i></p>	<p>Club Presidents</p>
<p>19th Annual Plant Sale May 24th</p>	<p>The Plant Sale will be held in the Rose Garden Parking lot as usual. A chairperson is needed. The date may be pushed back due to weather.</p>	<p><i>Volunteer as chairperson or a helper</i></p>	<p>Club Presidents</p>
<p>Secret Garden Tour July 19</p>	<p>Tom Kasper has at least two gardens lined up and asked for discussion on not have buses since twice as many people do the self-guided tour. Ann Fink suggested a committee take over coordinating buses. She also suggested we do a questionnaire this year to determine interest. Flyers will be ready in April.</p>		
<p>Flower Show August 1</p>	<p>Tom Kasper has scheduled the Radisson for the Flower Show and thinks there will not be any major events conflicting with the show. A chairperson is needed.</p>	<p><i>Volunteer as chairperson or a helper</i></p>	<p>Club Presidents</p>

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<p>OTHER Spring Extravaganza April 12</p>	<p>From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Hermantown High School. This year's theme will be "All Things Bees". Register online on the St. Louis County website.</p>		
<p>PBS Spring Garden Tour to Bayfield, WI mid to late May</p>	<p>Tickets should be available on the Great Gardening kick-off show on March 13. Tom Kasper was not sure of the exact date yet.</p>		
<p>WLSSD Composter and Rainbarrel Sale May 17</p>	<p>At Lake Superior College from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.</p>		
<p>Next Meeting: April 7, 2014 Monday @ 5:15 pm at Grant Community Center at 11th St. & 9th Ave. East Please email website items to: duluthgardenflowersociety@gmail.com by the <i>Friday</i> following the Monday meeting.</p>			