



Bookworms	Gitche Gummee	Lake Superior Master Gardeners Jan LeBard	Northern Lights	St. James "Mary" Garden
Carlton County Master Gardeners	Hart Haven	Longview	Northland Orchid Society	Smithville
Chester Creek Susie Darley-Hill	Hortus Charlene Shimmin	Morgan Park Amy Johnson*	Oregon Creek Julie Mockler*	Tischer Creek Tom Kasper Linda Troolin
Duluth Heights	Lake Aire Ginny Snarski	Mt. Royal Taire Sullin	Park Point Diane Gould	Wild Ones
Emeritus Joan Barrett	Lakeview	Normanna	Proctor Hilltop Kathy Hannan	Zenith City Diggers Kathy Collins
Fredenberg Town Hall Gardeners	Lake Superior Rose Society			

* Indicates affiliation with more than one club

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
Review minutes of 02/01/16	No corrections or additions noted by those present.	<i>Joan Barrett made the motion with Kathy Hannan seconding to accept the 02/01/16 minutes as presented. Minutes approved.</i> Post approved minutes on web page.	Julie Mockler
Treasurer's Report	Unchanged from last month. \$6,982.59 balance.		
OLD BUSINESS	None		

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<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>1. <u>Spring Luncheon</u> – Set for May 7. \$20.00 per person. Two flyers were passed around for review to determine which version is the best. Mt. Royal and Tischer Creek are collaborating on the planning of this event. Seven members met. Because we are already planning on having our Christmas dinner at Greysolon Ballroom, they starting looking for other venues. Most have been booked already; however, the Radisson had an opening. It was determined that the theme for the luncheon will be “Planting Seeds of Kindness”. Seed packets have been purchased that will be used in the table decorations. WLSSD was suggested as another place to get seed packets. Ellie Dryer has agree to collect the registration forms and fees. A letter has been drafted and was passed around for review to send to businesses for donations. The plan is to have this out by April 7. Letters are to be sent to mostly Duluth businesses. Suggestion was made the Byrne’s in Zim be included as they always contributed a door prize.</p> <p>Name tags have been designed. It was suggested that non-gardening items be donated to the country store as they sell better than any gardening items. It was also suggested that we think about where we would like to go next year and book so that we have a greater selection. Discussed the reservation fee that most places now charge and how it is hard to have that money out for reservation fees.</p> <p>2. <u>Treasurer position</u> – A person is still needed to volunteer to act as Duluth Garden Flower Society Treasurer.</p> <p>3. <u>2016 Dues and Rosters</u> – Dues and Rosters for 2016 are now due from all clubs intending to join Duluth Garden Flower Society. Since we do not have a Treasurer, send dues and rosters to</p>	<p>Bring copies of the registration form to the April meeting. (Approximately 50 colored)</p> <p>Pick up gift from Byrne’s</p> <p>Get seed packets from WLSSD for the Spring Luncheon</p> <p>Encourage someone for your club to volunteer to be Treasurer</p>	<p>Linda Troolin</p> <p>Diane Gould</p> <p>Susie Darley-Hill</p> <p>Club presidents</p>

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<p>NEW BUSINESS, cont.</p>	<p>Julie Mockler, 427 N. 41st Ave. E., Duluth, MN 55804 by the end of March.</p> <p>4. <u>Grants</u> – \$1,600.00 has been voted on by the membership and is available. One grant application was received at this meeting. Applications are due in by the May Duluth Garden Flower Society meeting. Would like to make presentations to recipients at the Spring Luncheon.</p> <p>5. <u>Great Gardening</u> – Season 15 of Great Gardening will kick off Thursday, March 10 with an hour and a half special. There will be a live show at the Home Show so a request was made that if you are going to attend the Home Show anyway to please attend and be in the audience for this broadcast. We are signed up to answer phones for four evenings: May 5, 12, 19 and 26. Clubs have already signed up to cover these times.</p> <p>6. <u>Plant Sale</u> – May 28, 2016. James Gittemeier is coordinating. If interested in participating, please contact James at jgittemeier@ardc.org or 218-728-1836.</p> <p>7. <u>21st Annual Secret Garden Tour</u> – We are trying a new date of the week this year to see if we can up the participation numbers. It will be held Thursday, July 21. Tom Kasper is working on getting some new gardens that have never been seen before but he would also like suggestions from the membership.</p> <p>8. <u>Fairy Garden Festival</u> – We have had previous discussion about creating a new event in order to help spark new interest in joining a garden club. Having a Fairy Garden Festival might be something that could help us out as Fairy Gardens are a hot ticket right now. The gardens would have to be transportable to the event site. Demonstrations could be done at the event as well</p>	<p>Send 2016 dues and rosters in as soon as possible (end of March)</p> <p>Submit grant applications by the May DGFS meeting</p> <p>Contact James Gittemeier to sign up to participate in the Plant Sale</p> <p>Contact Tom Kasper with any gardens that might be good to include on this year's Secret Garden Tour</p>	<p>Club Treasurers</p> <p>Any interested clubs</p> <p>Any interested clubs</p> <p>Any DGFS member</p>

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NEW BUSINESS, cont.	<p>as viewing. Perhaps we could get Channel 8 involved. We are thinking of holding in a park so we need to reserve as soon as possible. Volunteers requested to serve on a Fairy Garden Planning Committee.</p>	<p>Check with club membership for volunteers to serve on committee</p> <p>Serve on Fairy Garden committee</p> <p>Check with person she knows to provide a demonstration</p>	<p>Club Presidents</p> <p>Kathy Collins</p> <p>Taire Sullin</p>
OTHER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Historical Scrapbook</u> – To date, the person who is currently taking care of the Historical Scrapbook has not been able to do so on a regular basis as she is extremely busy. She brought in a suggestion how what we could do instead as she felt the price was comparable to what traditional scrapbooking is. Electronic images of articles and pictures could be submitted to our site and a book could be produced by submitting to Shutterfly or Wahlgreens. It was felt that Shutterfly had a better end product. Sample books were passed around for review. More discussion to follow. 2. <u>8th District Representative from Duluth needed</u> – Dale Hurst has had to resign from her participation with the 8th District. They are currently looking for someone from Duluth who could fill this role. It was noted that Martha Ritter from Lake Aire will be on the 8th District Scholarship Selection Committee. 3. <u>Moorish Room reservation</u> – Since we have decided to secure the Moorish room for the Holiday Dinner, it was asked if the deposit had been sent in. They have been contacted but no money has been sent to date. 4. <u>Spring Luncheon date change for next year</u> – Short discussion on changing the date for the Spring Luncheon for next because of weather, etc. More discussion in future. 	<p>Contact Tom Kasper if interested in filling the 8th District representative role</p>	<p>Any interested DGFS member</p>

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<p>Next meeting: Monday, April 3, 2016 @ 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>			

