



# DULUTH GARDEN FLOWER SOCIETY

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Recorder: Lisa Jefferson

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

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| <b>Review minutes of 03/04/2013</b>                  | Remove Lake Superior Garden Club, Lower Chester Creek, and Upper Cody Community Garden as they have disbanded or are no longer DGFS members. Remove one 'm' from Gitche Gummee.  | <i>Joan Barrett motioned to accept the minutes with corrections. Ann Fink seconded. Minutes were approved</i> | Lisa Jefferson     |
| <b>Treasurer's Report</b>                            | Balance \$8,515.59. 8th District Scholarship fund - 500.00. Lake Superior Web Design - 375.00. Holding 2,500 Tomato Man donation (not included in balance).  | <i>Tom Black motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report. Diane Gould seconded. Report was approved.</i>        |                    |
| <b><u>OLD BUSINESS</u><br/>March Winter Seminars</b> | Tom Kasper thanked Bookworms for doing a great job of hosting. Only about 15 people attended and there was discussion on whether a flower society is interested in the topics of fruit trees and vegetables. Tom suggested either not doing the seminar next year or changing the content and doing more marketing. Jan LeBard said the Fairlawn talks were very well attended. They charge a fee and work through the museum for marketing. |   |                    |

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| <p><b><u>NEW BUSINESS</u></b><br/> <b>Great Gardening Show</b></p>    | <p>The Great Gardening Show starts it's regular season on Thursday, April 4th on PBS. Tom Kasper asked for garden clubs to answer phones at the station on May 2, 9, 16, and 23. They need about four to five people from 6:15 to 7:30 pm per night. PBS will have a Great Gardening booth at the Home &amp; Builder's Show from April 3-7 at the D.E.C.C. Tom Kasper and Bob Olen will be there answering questions from 6-8 pm on Wednesday.</p>   | <p><i>Answer phones for the Great Gardening Show in May. Contact Tom Kasper at <a href="mailto:tskasper@charter.net">tskasper@charter.net</a></i></p>   | <p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p> |
| <p><b>2013 Dues are due</b></p>                                       | <p>Dues are needed from Wild Ones and Northern Lights</p>  | <p><i>Get dues and rosters to Ann Fink, DGFS Treasurer.</i></p>   | <p>Club treasurers</p>                            |
| <p><b>Spring Luncheon</b><br/>                     May 11</p>         | <p>At the Edgewater conference center. Nationally known speaker, Melinda Myers, will speak on "Garden Renovations on a Budget". DGFS will purchase copies of her three most popular books for resale and signing by the author. Tom Kasper said we need a good attendance on this event, at least 100 people, and asked that members get the word out. Printha Markert suggested putting it in the calendar of Congdon Neighborhood magazine. Julie Mockler ordered Tulip name tags and stationary for the programs. Lisa Jefferson will add the names and text.</p> | <p><i>Tell your gardening friends about this great event and get your reservations in by May 4, 2013</i></p>  | <p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p> |
| <p><b>Plant Sale</b><br/>                     May 25</p>              | <p>Therese Presley has 12 clubs signed up. Tom Kasper was approached by a non-profit group asking if they could have a spot at the sale and the group approved.</p>  | <p><i>Contact Therese Presley at 724-6747 if your club wants a spot at the sale</i></p>   | <p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p> |
| <p><b>Tomato Man Project</b><br/>                     June 4 or 5</p> | <p>The \$2,500 donated by Carla Bloomberg of At Sara's Table will be used to buy 1 gallon containers and planting mix. People are needed to help students transplant at the schools. There was discussion on continuing DGFS support. Ann Fink read part of the DGFS mission statement regarding promoting and educating in the art of horticulture. Tom Kasper asked if DGFS would pay for waterproof stickers with the donators names or logos and simple instructions on them to go on the pots. Tom estimated that 4,000 stickers would cost about \$300.</p>    | <p><i>Contact Tom Kasper at <a href="mailto:tskasper@charter.net">tskasper@charter.net</a> to volunteer to help transplant. He will coordinate with the schools.</i></p> <p><i>Diane Gould motioned to have the society pay for stickers. Dale Hurst seconded. Motion was passed.</i></p> | <p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p> |

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| <p><b><u>NEW BUSINESS, cont.</u></b><br/> <b>Grants</b></p> | <p>Grants will be available for club beautification projects. Tom Kasper would like applications submitted by May 1. Application forms will be sent out with the minutes again.</p>  | <p><i>Submit grant applications to Tom Kasper by May 1</i></p>  | <p>Club presidents</p>                            |
| <p><b>Secret Garden Tour</b><br/>           July 20</p>     | <p>Tom Kasper has at least 2 gardens signed up and will try to get four to five more so let him know if you know of a willing tour-worthy garden in Duluth or Superior. He has reserved two buses and would like discussion on if the society wants to have buses or just the self-guided tour. Tom hopes to have flyers at the May meeting.</p> | <p><i>Contact Tom Kasper with potential gardens to tour</i></p> | <p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p> |
| <p><b>Flower Show</b><br/>           July 26</p>            | <p>At the Radisson. There needs to be more discussion on how to increase participation and attendance. Joan Barrett suggested a banner in the skywalk. Julie Mockler suggested getting it mentioned in Northern Gardener. Therese Presley suggested 'chatting it up' at the Spring Luncheon and on Great Gardening.</p>                          |   |   |
| <p><b>Harvest Festivals</b><br/>           Fall</p>         | <p>More information to follow</p>  |   |   |
| <p><b>Christmas Dinner</b><br/>           December 2</p>    | <p>At the Kitchi Gammi Club. A club will be needed to chair the dinner.</p>  |   |   |
| <p><b>Web Site</b></p>                                      | <p>Ann Fink reported that the new web site is under construction and the society is trying to get the domain name under club ownership in at least three officer's names rather than one individual's ownership so it can be kept by the society when officers change.</p>   |   |   |
| <p><b>Logo Design</b></p>                                   | <p>Lisa Jefferson passed around the new logo - a cleaned up version of the old round logo.</p>   |   |   |

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| <p><b><u>NEW BUSINESS, cont.</u></b><br/> <b>Mission Statement</b></p>  | <p>Tom Kasper asked for discussion on the Mission Statement (see "ARTICLE II: PURPOSE" on the By-laws page in the Club directory) and if it is still applicable to today's society, especially the part about "preservation of native trees, flowers, and birds". Dale Hurst felt that the founding members crafted the statement with a lot of thought and that it should be respected. Tom Kasper thought it might not be the original statement and that it may have been changed in the 1990's. The group asked Tom to find out if it had been changed and if so, to see what the original statement was before there will be further discussion of changing the statement again.</p> |        |                    |
| <p><b><u>OTHER</u></b><br/> <b>WLSSD Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Sale</b><br/>                     May 18</p>                               | <p>Susie Darley-Hill brought in and passed around flyers for the WLSSD Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Truckload Sale on May 18 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Compost Bins will be \$45 and Rain Barrels will be \$55. The sale will be ONE DAY ONLY at Lake Superior College at 2101 Trinity Road in Duluth.</p>  |        |                    |
|   | <p>Ann Fink motioned to adjourn the meeting. Joan Barrett seconded. Meeting was adjourned.</p>  |        |                    |
| <p><b>Next Meeting:</b> May 6, 2013<br/>                     Monday @ 5:15 pm at Grant Community Center at 11th St. &amp; 9th Ave. East</p> |   |        |                    |