



# DULUTH GARDEN FLOWER SOCIETY

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Recorder: Lisa Jefferson

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<b>Bookworms</b>	<b>Gitche Gumee</b> Ann Fink Bob Norstrom* Sue Beeman	<b>Lakeshore Botanical Gardens</b>	<b>Northern Lights</b>	<b>Smithville</b> Tom Black
<b>Chester Creek</b> James Gittemeier	<b>Hart Haven</b>	<b>Lakeview</b> Marice Dougherty	<b>Northland Orchid Society</b>	<b>Tischer Creek</b>
<b>Coffee Creek</b>	<b>Hortus</b>	<b>Longview</b>	<b>Oregon Creek</b> Julie Mockler	<b>Upper Cody Community Garden</b>
<b>Duluth Heights</b> Reggie Phillips	<b>Lake Aire</b>	<b>Morgan Park</b>	<b>Park Point</b> Diane Gould	<b>Wild Ones</b>
<b>Essentia Wellness</b>	<b>Lake Superior Rose Society</b> Margaret Anderson	<b>Mt. Royal</b>	<b>Proctor Hilltop</b>	<b>Zenith City Diggers</b> Therese Presley Peder Nelson Lisa Jefferson
<b>Fredenberg Town Hall Gardeners</b>	<b>Lake Superior Master Gardeners</b>	<b>Normanna</b>	<b>St. James "Mary" Garden</b>	

*\*Indicates affiliation with more than one club*

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
<b>Review minutes of 06/03/13</b>	No corrections.	<i>Julie Mockler motioned to accept the minutes. Peder Nelson seconded. Minutes were approved.</i>	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Balance \$6,557.78. Expenses: Engwalls for Radisson planters -185.34; Paper Hog - MM -12.25, Luncheon -47.69, web cards -55.00; Ann Fink plastic tote -4.32; Lake Superior Web Design maintenance contract -540.00; Engwalls for Radisson planters -16.16, 169.18; Dale Hurst for Radisson garden -87.28. Receipts: Secret Garden Tour +2,080.00. Tomato Man - 2500.00 that was donated is kept in DGFS account. Balance: \$537.78. Expenses: Bfg. Supply pots -901.14; Engwalls -80.82; Kunst for soil -980.00	<i>Diane Gould motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Julie Mockler seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.</i>	

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<p><b><u>OLD BUSINESS</u></b>  <b>Planted Containers</b></p>	<p>The city containers were planted in June. James Gittemeier said it was very wet and cold. Bob Norstrom said it took an hour and a half instead of the usual 45 minutes due to wet conditions. James reported that the city will be redesigning the Downtown streetscape, possibly by 2016, and suggests that DGFS may want to be involved with planning. The contact person is Darlene Marshall with the Greater Downtown Council. James can't be the liason as he is already involved with the street design but will keep DGFS apprised of any new developments. VP Therese Presley will also talk to president Tom Kasper.</p>		
<p><b>Tomato Man</b></p>	<p>DGFS members helped transplant tomato plants to give to school children May 31st and the first week of June. Members reported there were still a lot of problems and inconsistancies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some groups got bags of dirt but some got a big pile of dirt dumped on the lawn which got very heavy in the rain and there was a lot left over to deal with.</li> <li>Some plants were too tall and broke - Smithville was 20 plants short because of this. Some plants were very short.</li> <li>One gallon pots may be too heavy for small kids.</li> <li>Some groups didn't have enough plastic bags.</li> <li>Some schools didn't seem to have been very involved in planning and weren't prepared.</li> </ul> <p>Suggestions were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Therese Presley suggests we start planning in February.</li> <li>Marice Dougherty suggested one DGFS member coordinate with one representative at each school.</li> <li>James Gittemeier and Peder Nelson suggested having a Tomato Man committee member come to our August meeting for feedback.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Therese Presley will ask Tom Kasper about having a Tomato Man committee member come to August meeting.</i></p>	

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<p><b>OLD BUSINESS, cont.</b>  <b>Grant Recreation Center</b></p>	<p>DGFS officers did some garden cleanup and planting on the grounds after the June 3rd meeting. Ann Fink made sure the pulled weeds were picked up later and worked another two hours on her own.</p>		
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b>  <b>Treasurer</b></p>	<p>Treasurer Ann Fink resigned for three weeks in June but thankfully is now back. If anyone wants to take on trying to get non-profit status for DGFS, contact Ann.</p>		
<p><b>Update on Grants</b></p>	<p>Diane Gould reported that Park Point has used their grant to install a sprinkler system.</p>		
<p><b>Secret Garden Tour</b>                      July 20</p>	<p>Tom needs one more private garden. Two buses are lined up. Ann Fink said that 44 bus tickets and 34 map tickets have been mailed so far. <i>Ticket orders need to be in by Friday, July 12.</i> Paulette Wyman is coordinating volunteers to work in the gardens. Bob Norstrom is looking to borrow some large coffee percolators and water jugs. Bob and Tom will pick up cookies.</p>	<p><i>Contact Tom Kasper if you know of a garden, 576-2445.                      Contact Bob Norstrom if you have a coffee percolator or jug, 724-0735.                      Contact Paulette Wyman to volunteer, 722-4575.                      Spread the word and go on the tour!                      Mail in ticket orders by July 12th.</i></p>	<p>Club presidents                       All interested parties</p>
<p><b>Flower Show</b>                      July 26</p>	<p>At the Radisson. Chairman Peder Nelson had the printed booklets brought in and handed out to clubs. He will work on advertising with a flyer/poster, item in Superior Telegram and/or DNT, and VisitDuluth. Margaret Anderson has a list of judges. This event will be up during the same weekend as the Tall Ships. Bring entries Thursday, July 25th from 4 - 8 pm, or Friday, July 26th from 7 - 10 am.</p>	<p><i>Contact Peder Nelson to volunteer or for more info, 341-8154.                       Bring in your specimens and arrangements.</i></p>	<p>Club presidents</p>
<p><b>Harvest Festivals</b>                      September</p>	<p>Followup to the Tomato Man project. Will be discussed at the August meeting, hopefully with a Tomato Man committee member present.</p>		

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<p><b><u>NEW BUSINESS, cont.</u></b>  <b>Christmas Dinner</b>                      December 2</p>	<p>At the Kitchi Gammi Club. Music provided by the Downbeats.</p>	<p><i>A club is needed to chair. See the Downbeats at <a href="http://www.downbeatsmn.com">www.downbeatsmn.com</a></i></p>	<p>Club presidents and all interested parties</p>
<p><b><u>OTHER</u></b>  <b>Rose Fest and Rose Show</b>                      July 13</p>	<p>Margaret Anderson brought flyers for the LSRS double event.                      1) Rose Fest 2013 at Leif Erickson Rose Garden from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Tours, talks, and lots of info on roses.                      2) Rose Show 2013 at Valentini's next door. You don't have to be an LSRS member to enter your <u>named</u> varieties. There will be gift certificates and beautiful crystal as prizes. Open to the public 12 noon to 3:30 pm. Both events are free and open to the public.</p>	<p><i>Go to <a href="http://www.lsrtduluth.org">www.lsrtduluth.org</a> for more information</i></p>	<p>All interested parties</p>
<p><b>Website cards</b></p>	<p>Ann Fink handed out business card size website cards for clubs to pass out at garden events to promote the website.</p>		
<p><b>Next Meeting:</b> August 5, 2013                      Monday @ 5:15 pm at Grant Community Center at 11th St. &amp; 9th Ave. East   <b>Please email website items to:</b>  <a href="mailto:duluthgardenflowersociety@gmail.com">duluthgardenflowersociety@gmail.com</a>                      by the <i>Friday</i> following the Monday meeting.</p>	<p>Please send any garden related articles, tours, sales, talks, classes, etc. to the DGFS email (left) for the website.</p>		