ILLINOIS DUNESLAND GARDEN CLUB GENERAL MEETING November 10, 2015 Zion-Benton Public Library, Zion, IL

The meeting was called to order by President Fran Isaac. She then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 54 members and Fran introduced 4 guests.

1st Vice-President Joni Marlowe introduced our Speaker Ellen Powell who spoke about "Orchids Galore-Everything You Wanted to Know about Orchids". Question and Answer followed her presentation.

BUSINESS MEETING

Roll Call: President Fran Isaac reminded members to sign the attendance roster at the welcome table and look at the information tables at the back of the room. Fran also informed the members if they did not receive a yearbook, to see April Meyers.

Birthdays: November birthdays were Bonnie Lolmaugh, Lori Coady, Judy Leonard, Jean Studebaker and Judy Jensen and each was given a Chrysanthemum crown at the meeting.

Minutes: A Motion was made by Shirley Solberg and seconded to approve the Minutes. The minutes were approved. A copy of the minutes was available at the information tables.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cheri Florczyk read the treasurer's report with a final balance of \$7,888.42. Since there were no changes, the treasurer's report was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine: Helen Koetz reported get well cards were sent to Judy Sims, Elizabeth Perez and Jill LaBelle (husband heart surgery. Condolences were sent to Shirley Mintern and Dolly Flesher's families.

Garden Gloves: Garden gloves were available for sale by Helen after the meeting.

Workshops:

Fran reminded everyone a Zentangle workshop would be presented after this meeting. Fran also reminded everyone there was a Centerpiece Workshop following the December Luncheon. She also reported there were no other workshops planned at this time, but workshops may be scheduled for the spring.

Activities: April Meyers reported members should check out the Christmas Displays at the Chicago Botanic Garden. Also there is an Orchid Show in February through March at the Chicago Botanic Garden. No other trips were planned at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

December Meeting: President Fran Isaac reported she would not be at the December General Meeting and 1st Vice-President Joni Marlowe would be in charge of the meeting. Fran also reminded the members the December General Meeting would be our Christmas Luncheon to be held at Shepherd's Crook Golf Club starting at 12:00 pm. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$15.00. The Centerpiece Workshop is to follow the luncheon with a cost of \$15.00. Fran requested payment for the Luncheon and Workshop needed to be pay our Treasurer Cheri Florczyk by December 1st.

Cookie Exchange: Fran reported there would be a Cookie Exchange at the December Luncheon. Those participating needed to bring as many cookies as you would like to trade with a recipe. Platters would be provided. Sandi Shea requested cookie recipes be emailed to her for the web page.

Tip of the Month: Due to Beth Dermody being absent there was no tip of the month.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring into Gardening: President Fran Isaac asked if the members would like to have a table at the March "Spring Into Gardening" event at Paddock Lake, Wisconsin, we participated at last year. Members needed to sign up for the event in January, 2016. General agreement was to participate with a table. **Mentoring:** Fran requested members try to get together as groups to discuss how they can best help each area after the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEGEMENTS

Give Away: Ruth Hens brought some gardening items that members could take home.

Reminders: Fran reminded everyone to please turn in their name tags in the box at the exit doors.

November Refreshment Committee: Fran thanked the November Refreshment Committee. Those were: Lead Liz Grulke; Greeter Sandy Lanners; Members Judy Anderson, Glenda Clark, Caryn Dupon, Ruth Hens, Sandra Inglis and Elizabeth Perez.

December Refreshment Committee: Fran announced the December Refreshment Committee would be: Lead Shirley Mintern; Greeter Joyce Patterson; Members Joyce Ciyou, Marilyn Hall, Joni Marlowe, Anne Miller and Cheri Neal.

A Motion was made by Sandi Shea and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

April Meyers, Secretary