

**ILLINOIS DUNESLAND GARDEN CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
March 8, 2016
Zion Benton Library**

The meeting was called to order by President Fran Isaac. She then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 57 members and 5 guests.

1st Vice-President Joni Marlowe introduced our Speaker Renee Kallianis. She spoke on "Vegetables-When You Have a Garden You Have a Future". A Question and Answer followed her presentation.

BUSINESS MEETING

Roll Call: Fran reminded members to sign the attendance roster at the welcome table. She also informed the members if they did not receive a yearbook, to see April Meyers.

Birthdays: March birthdays were announced which included Linda Adamek, Claire Erickson, Jill LaBelle, Susan Morgan, Joyce Patterson, Elizabeth Perez, Ingrid Tjader and JoNancy Warren.

Minutes: The Minutes were sent out by email and posted on our website. A copy of the minutes is also available at the information tables. Fran announced some changes to the February Minutes. A motion was made by Marty Butler and seconded to accept the changes to the minutes and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cheri Florczyk read the treasurer's report with a final balance of \$7,761.42.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine: Helen Koetz reported no cards were sent out since the last meeting.

Garden Gloves: Garden Gloves are available for sale by Helen today after the meeting.

Activities: April Meyers reported there were no trips planned at this time. She reminded everyone the Orchid Show at the Chicago Botanic Garden would continue through the weekend. Also the Chicago Flower & Garden Show at Navy Pier will be from March 12th-20th, 2016 which is always a great visit.

Workshops: Beth Dermody reported there were no workshops planned at this time, but she is working on some ideas.

OLD BUSINESS

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee announced the slate of officers for the 2016-2017 year. Barb Redman read the slate of officers who were:

- ✓ **President** – April Meyers and Gail Dulian
- ✓ **1st Vice-President** – Donna Saalfeld and Wendy Driver
- ✓ **2nd Vice-President** – Carol Behm and Ludwina Homer
- ✓ **Secretary** – Mary Otahal and Joyce Lomonaco
- ✓ **Treasurer** – Cheri Florczyk
- ✓ **Under Treasurer** – Barbara Redman
- ✓ **Parliamentary Advisor** – Karen Monsen and Marty Butler

made a motion on behalf of the Nominating Committee to accept the slate of officers. Fran accepted the proposed slate of officers. The members voted and accepted the slate of officers for the 2016-2017 year. The new officers will be inducted at the June Garden Club Meeting. Fran thanked the Nominating Committee of Barb Redman, Judy Anderson, Carol Bufton, Shirley Mintern and Donna Saalfeld for their service.

President Fran Isaac also reminded the members there were still committee heads that were needed for the 2016-2017 year. Those empty committee chairs will be filled by the elected Co-Presidents if there are no volunteers. The unfilled Chairs are: Photography, Publicity, Callers, Activities and shared Garden Tours. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table.

Spring Into Gardening: Fran reminded the members of the Kenosha County Extension event "Spring Into Gardening" in Paddock Lake. Those that will attend will help set up a table on behalf of our Garden Club.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Meeting: Fran announced a Board Meeting would be held at El Lago on March 22nd at 11:00 am.

Plant Auction: Fran announced the Plant Auction is our May General Meeting. Fran asked when you are dividing your plants this spring, please collect plants for the Plant Auction. Kathy Knutell is the Chairperson for the Plant Auction.

Tip of the Month: Beth Dermody showed the members several ways to how to use egg cartons in unusual ways, a holder for your garbage can and said many more ideas were available on Pinterest.

Give Aways: Fran announced there are some tables with numerous garden giveaways. Please taken anything you like.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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

March Refreshment Committee: Fran thanked the March Refreshment Committee. Those were: Lead Nancy Wick; Greeter Connie Allen; Members: Linda Adamek, Susan Morgan, Sandra Nichols, Joyce Patterson, Susan Poyer and Liz Spanraft.

April Refreshment Committee: Fran announced the April Refreshment Committee would be: Lead _____; Greeter Pauline Kilger; Members: Naomi Friedrich, Marge Leable, Judy Sims, Judy Stalder, Ingrid Tjader and Linda Waynick. She asked the committee to choose a new lead since the member in that position had resigned from the club.

April Speaker: Fran announced the speaker for the April Meeting would be Sue Obry who wil speak on "Spice Up Your Cooking With Herbs".

A Motion was made by Marty Butler and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

April Meyers,
Secretary