

ILLINOIS DUNESLAND GARDEN CLUB GENERAL MEETING

May 10, 2016

Shiloh Senior Center, Zion, IL

The meeting was called to order by President Fran Isaac. She led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 67 members and 8 visitors. The program for the day was the Plant Auction.

BUSINESS MEETING

Roll Call: Fran reminded members to sign the attendance roster at the welcome table.

Birthdays: May birthdays were announced which included Connie Reynolds, Glenda Clark and Cheri Neal.

Minutes: The May Minutes were sent out by email and posted on our website. A copy of the Minutes was also available at the information table.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cheri Florczyk read the Treasurer's Report. The total amount in both the saving and checking account was \$7,218.56. A motion was made by Shirley Solberg and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and the motion passed. Dues for the 2016-2017 year are now due and needs to be paid by June 30, 2016. Any dues paid after that date will be increased from \$15.00 to \$20.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine: Helen Koetz reported cards were sent to Ellen Buntrock (hip) and Susan Poyer (cancer).

Garden Gloves: Helen Koetz reported gloves were available for purchase after the meeting.

Activities: April Meyers informed the members that Helen Koetz and Darlene Robinson were going to be co-chairs for the 2016-2017 year. Helen informed the members there would be a trip to T&R Landscaping on Thursday, May 19th at 10:00AM. Anyone interested should meet at T&R Landscaping for a tour of their facility.

Workshops: Beth Dermody announced there is a sign-up sheet for a painted vase workshop on Tuesday, May 17th at 9:00am at April Meyers' house. Beth also

announced there would be future workshops for concrete stepping stones (summer) and concrete leaves (September).

Scholarships: Doreen Matteson announced Zion-Benton High School did not have any candidates that met our criteria for our scholarship, therefore we would not be giving out the scholarship this year. The Executive Board would look into alternative schools or programs for the future.

OLD BUSINESS

Pot Luck: Fran reminded everyone there was a salad and dessert pot luck right after the meeting followed by the plant auction. Fran announced the line-up for the buffet tables. Each table had a number and it would follow that order. Chaplain Anne Miller was asked to say the blessing.

Plant Auction: The plant auction would follow the pot luck at approximately 1:00pm. Each place at your table had a procedure and rules sheet to follow for bidding. When you arrived you should have gotten an auction number for bidding. Before you leave the auction you will need to pay our Treasurer Cheri Florczyk for all your plants. Cheri is seated at the right of the back exit. Fran thanked Kathy Knutell for organizing the plant auction and everyone who donated plants for the sale. The plant auction is one of the club's biggest fund raisers.

June Tea: Fran reminded the members that the June Meeting is the last meeting of the 2015-2016 year and would be held at the Shiloh Senior Center on Tuesday, June 14th at 1:00pm. This is also our June Tea where our members can dress up for an old-fashioned tea and when we introduce and install our new board members. Pictures for the 2016-2017 yearbook will be taken as well. The June Refreshment Committee will be trying something different and will offer a buffet instead of the individual table service. Adopt-A-Table sponsors will still be used and those wishing to sponsor a table be asked to talk to Fran. Fran announced there would be a June Tea committee meeting on Tuesday, May 31st at 12:30pm at El Lago Restaurant following the executive board meeting.

Garden Walk: Beth Dermody reminded the members of the Saturday, July 9th Garden Walk. She announced there will be 7 gardens on the walk this year. She is in need of more volunteers to sit at the gardens and there is a sign-up sheet at the information table. Volunteers will sit from either 9:00am-12:00pm or 12:00pm-2:00pm. All volunteers need to meet at the Zion Library prior to going to their assignments. Fran announced there is also a Raffle at the Library and donations for the Raffle are needed. Please contact Darlene Robinson about any donation items.

Logo Wear: Sandi Shea reminded the members logo wear was still available for purchase. Contact her with your order.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Committee: Fran announced a Budget Committee needed to be organized. The Treasurer and Under-Treasurer are already on the committee. Two Executive Officers and one general member needed to volunteer. Joni Marlowe, Judy Leonard and Donna Saalfeld volunteered.

Audit Committee: Fran requested volunteers to be on the Audit Committee to audit our Treasurer books. Linda Janicki and Dolores Mink volunteered.

Tip of the Month: Beth Dermody demonstrated and explained the uses for a garden knife-digger which has one side serrated and inch ruler markers. The knives are great for general garden jobs and bulb planting. The type she showed was the Sun Joe Hori-Hori Gardening Knife, but there are several varieties on the market.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Reminders: Fran announced there were free giveaways of pots and other garden items outside the doors of the facility. Please take anything you want. Please also remember to leave your name tag in the box at the exit door before you leave.

Executive Board Meeting: Fran announced a joint board meeting would be held on Tuesday, May 31st at 11:00am at the El Lago Restaurant.

May Refreshment Committee: Fran thanked the May Refreshment Committee. The committee was: Lead Bonnie Lolmaugh; Greeter Jean Studebaker; Members Sylvia Adams, Carol Bufton, Barbara Farrell, Jo Galassini, Judy Leonard and Donna Saalfeld.

June Refreshment Committee: Fran announced the June Refreshment Committee would be: Lead Deborah Rogers; Greeter Doris Saenim; Members Sonia Bedrosian, Kathy Knutell, Karen Monsen, Fran Isaac, Barbara Meyer, Taylor Austin, Barbara Redman, Gale Dulian, Wendy Driver and Linda Janicki.

A Motion was made by Darleen Robinson and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

April Meyers,
Secretary