

**ILLINOIS DUNESLAND GARDEN CLUB**  
**General Meeting**  
**February 13, 2024**  
**Zion-Benton Public Library, Zion, IL**

The meeting was called to order by President Jackie Kim at 1:00pm. She then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** There were 36 members and 6 guests present at the meeting.

**Guest Speaker:** Jackie Kim introduced our topic-Edible Landscaping our presenter Carolina Lally from the University of Illinois Extension, College of Agricultural, and Consumer.

After the presentation meeting was suspended for refreshments.

**February Birthdays:** Members with February birthdays were invited to stand for acknowledgement:, Doreen Matteson, Paula Reinier, Jan LaBelle, Chris Tollefson-Smith, Carol Awe, Ed Waddle, Gale Dulian and Darlene Robinson.

**Minutes:** The January 9th, 2024 minutes compiled by Jan Labelle were emailed and posted on our website. The required signatures were obtained and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Judy Anderson presented the Treasurer's Report for January will be placed on file.

The ending balance of the savings and checking is \$9857.90.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Sunshine/Glove sales:** April Meyers will be taking over these activities this month. She reported that members, Helen Koetz, Shirley Solberg, Jackie Kim, Barb Redman should be kept in our thoughts and prayers. Member Liz Grulke passed away on February 6th also Member Brenda Perez's sister in law passed away.

April had gloves available for sale.

**New Member Induction:** This will take place at our March 12th meeting.

**Raffle:** Discussion regarding the raffle was had.

**2024 Garden Tour Up-date:** There is a sign-up sheet in the back for volunteers to sit at the gardens. We are still in need of gardens.

**Plant Auction:** There is a sign-up sheet here today for various volunteers to help with organizing tables, plants, runners, auctioneer, and labeling. April Meyers volunteered to be this years auctioneer & Judy Leonard volunteered to keep track of sales. Lets all ensure that we will support Cindy Godbold in chairing this event. Vice president#2 Brenda Perez and the Aprl refreshment committee will take care of the salad/dessert sign-up and table arrangements at The Point Church in Winthrop Harbor. \$100.00 donation to the church will be made at the time of the event.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There is a sympathy card for the family of Liz Grulke.

**Election of 2024-2025 Officer-** We need to have the slate of officers to be sworn in on April 9, 2024 meeting.

**Constitution and Bylaws:** Meeting for revisions took place on November 9th, 2023. Additional revision updates have been reviewed and the last few edits are being made by Rebecca Kinnavy.

**Ribbon Cuting Event at The Zion-Benton Libray:** Chris Tollefson-Smith gave a summary. she thanked all who volunteered to make the seed library a success. 31 of our current active members participated.

**March Speaker:** Presenter from the University of Illinois, College of Agricultural and Consumer with a presentation of **Water-wise Gardening.**

**March Refreshment Committee:** Joyce LoMonoco & Barbara Farrell (Co-Lead's) and members- Elena Lopez, Carol Awe, Taylor Austin and Linda Perreault.

**Thanks to the February Refreshment Committee:** Jill Labelle-Lead and members Barb Alexander, Gale Dulian, Jan Labelle, Barbara Redman and Judy Anderson.

**Reminders:** Be sure to return your name tags before leaving the meeting.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Chris Tollefson-Smith and seconded by Karen Monson. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 3:58 pm.

Judy Leonard-Secretary