

Dogwood Garden Club

Minutes – June 5, 2019

Barbara O'Sullivan welcomed the group of 39 members and guests at the beautiful home of Choral Engstrom at "Raccoon Hollow" in Camino. Members enjoyed a delightful meet and greet on the deck amid beautiful roses varieties in vases, flower gardens, and a pond. Thanks to Choral and Carol McBride for co-hosting this lovely event!

Denise Simonson led members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barbara O'Sullivan presented the minutes from the May 2019 meeting. Janet Sullivan moved to approve the minutes. Judi Coupar seconded the motion.

Treasurer Report – Denise Simonson reported the current budget balance as \$2,976.53. Funds were increased due to the sale of flags and Pat Schoggins' dog biscuits.

Welcome Guests – The following guests were introduced by members:

Choral Engstrom – Husband Rich Engstrom and Robin Stanley
Mary Bourn – Mary Lou Katon and Dede Mello
Carol McBride – Husband Doug McBride
Julie Miller – Jeannie Padgett and Sherrie Tindell
Lorraine Mumm – Daughter -in-law Buffie Mumm

Membership - New Member badges and welcome gifts of clay pots and seed packets were presented to Cathy Staller, Karen Fryxell, and Laura Llamas.

New Business

July Meeting – Marlene Wheldon will host the July meeting at her home for a tour of her garden and discussion about plants that do well in Pollock Pines, followed by a picnic and fellowship. Information will be e-mailed to all members.

Sunshine Report – Jeri Hartman reported that Judy Jackson's husband Bob passed away recently. Judy would welcome cards and phone calls.

Birthday Lunch – Janet Sullivan announced that the June Birthday Lunch will be held at the Apple Bistro Café on Wednesday, June 12th. RSVP to Janet if you'd like to attend. Seating will be outside in the shade, and separate checks honored.

Fundraising

Crafts – Pat Schoggins reported that in addition to books, 3 flags and 8 bags of dog biscuits were sold at the May 24th FOL book sale at Safeway. The flags are being painted with regular outside house paint now to ensure more durability. The dog biscuits are all natural, made with whole wheat flour, oatmeal, peanut butter, and chicken broth.

Library - Pat requested volunteers to help with the monthly cleaning at the Pollock Pines Library. Jean Jay and Leslie Sinclair volunteered for the month of August, still need volunteers for September. Please contact Pat to help out with this much needed task to keep our library looking beautiful!

Wagon Train Event - Denise Simonson reported that the DGC booth "Flags and Floats" will offer both flags and root beer and creamsicle floats on Friday, June 7th. Please contact Denise if you are available to help in the booth during the day.

Rummage Sale - Will be held at the El Dorado Savings Bank on PET on Saturday, June 15th, in conjunction with the Flea Market. Barbara O'Sullivan passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers. Need all shifts covered, including set up and take down. Volunteers need to arrive by 6:30 a.m. to set up tables and pop ups for shade. Tami will tag and price clothing items. Valerie and Steve Laam will take leftover items to Hospice. Denis O'Sullivan will cashier. Bring clothes and any other donations by 7:00 a.m. Call Carol Game if you need to pick up items. Hoping to net at least \$1,000 this year!

Raffle – Mary Bourn coordinated the raffle sales for a patriotic themed basket, graciously donated by Ginger DeGregory and won by Tami Lee.

Guest Speaker - Melissa Cowan, owner/designer from Placerville Flowers on Main sent her employee Kerry Dolan to speak to the group about the commercial rose industry. Kerry shared the fascinating history behind red roses, and the shop's "I'm a California Rose" campaign to focus on buying and selling only locally and seasonally grown flowers. Kerry graciously brought a bucket full of gorgeous flower wraps, and used our left over raffle tickets to select lucky bouquet winners. Thanks to Melissa and Kerry for this delightful experience!

Lea Snowden moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m. Carol McBride seconded the motion.

Fresh Mex catered a wonderful Fiesta lunch following the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Laam
Secretary/Membership