

## Dogwood Garden Club Minutes – October 2, 2019

Barbara O'Sullivan welcomed our group of 32 members and guests at the Apple Bistro Cafe. Members enjoyed a lovely meet and greet on the outside patio, complete with warm sunshine and beautiful panoramic views of the area.

Barbara introduced Leroy and Elizabeth Glissman as our guests. Leroy is a very talented local cork crafter, and makes a variety of specialty items out of wine corks and other materials. He demonstrated his tools and techniques, and explained how he constructs each unique and individual piece. Leroy's creations are for sale locally, and he can be contacted at [corkcrafter@yahoo.com](mailto:corkcrafter@yahoo.com) for more information.

Members were served lunch, and Barbara O'Sullivan commenced the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

Denise Simonson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barbara O'Sullivan presented the minutes from the September, 2019 meeting. Marilyn Johnson moved to approve the minutes. Janet Sullivan seconded the motion.

*Treasurer Report* – Denise Simonson reported the September income as \$100, and expenses \$246.09. Current budget balance is \$4,191.903.

### **On-Going Business**

*Sunshine Report* – Jeri Hartmann welcomed Maureen Julian back from her recent surgery; she is doing well. Marilyn Johnson advised that Sylvia Hamblin's son Russell recently had a stem cell transplant, and Sylvia is in Sacramento with him at the Kiwanis House as his caregiver. Sylvia and Russell would welcome text or e-mail messages for encouragement and support.

*Birthday Lunch* – Janet Sullivan announced that the October Birthday Lunch will be held Papa Gianni's in Cameron Park on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Janet if you'd like to attend. Separate checks will be honored.

*November Meeting* – Pat Schoggins reported that the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a Pot Luck Luncheon held at the Pollock Pines Community Church. Members will have a meet and greet from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m., and guest Wendy Stevens will recite poetry. Pot luck dishes will be assigned by first name (A - H Main Dish, I - L Salads, and M - Z Desserts); a reminder e-mail will be sent out. Members are encouraged to bring items to the church food pantry (personal hygiene items, socks, canned food with pull ring tops, etc.). Barbara O'Sullivan e-mailed out a list of suggested donation items recently.

*Holiday Craft Fair* - Norma Ray presented Treasurer Denise Simonson with \$840 collected from the 22 vendors who signed up for the craft fair in November. A total of 28 tables at \$30 per table were reserved, plus 3 complimentary tables for the DGC for Flags and Bake Sale.

- Dates are Friday 11/15/19 from 5 – 9 p.m., and Saturday 11/16/19 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- Volunteers are needed for set up on the 15<sup>th</sup>, raffle sales, tablecloths, and take down and clean up on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Norma circulated a volunteer sign-up sheet at the meeting.
- Carol Game will coordinate the Bake Sale, and will have a sign-up sheet at the November meeting.

*Holiday Luncheon* – Maureen Julian reminded members that the December Luncheon will be held on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Cameron Park Golf Club. Ticket information was available at today's meeting, and an e-mail with all pertinent information will be sent out soon. Members are encouraged to dress in theme colors (blue, white, and silver). There will be an ornament exchange for those who wish to participate.

*New Member Orientation* – Mary Bourn is coordinating a meeting for new and prospective new members only on Wednesday 10/16/19 at the Old School House in Pollock Pines. Invitations have been sent out. Please contact Mary Bourn or Barbara O’Sullivan if any questions.

*Fire House Fundraiser* – Mary Bourn reminded members about the “Fire Stomp” dinner dance, sponsored by the Sierra Springs Fire Council, on Friday, 10/4/19 at the Old School House. There will be raffles and silent auctions for great prizes: Joyce Newman will donate her “Mama Bear” painting (silent auction), and \$20 raffle tickets will be sold for following: Wine Chest with 20 bottles of wine (\$500 value), Yum Yum Tree loaded with restaurant gift cards (\$575 value), and a Beer Wagon loaded with beer (\$250 value). Tickets for the dinner dance are available online at EventBrite. No tickets will be available at the door.

*Donation Meeting* – Barbara O’Sullivan reminded members about the meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Pollock Pines Camino Community Center (Room 2) to discuss donation requests received to date. All input and ideas are welcome. Please RSVP to Barbara by October 14<sup>th</sup>.

*DGC Storage Shed* – Barbara O’Sullivan thanked all parties who are storing DGC belongings at their homes until a new/used storage shed can be purchased. Members interested in donating to the shed fund may send donations to the DGC PO box. Funds may also be held back in the budget at the end of the year for the purchase of a new shed.

*Painting Raffle* – Norma Ray brought Karone Owen’s “The Jade Horse” 1992 mixed media painting to the meeting. As a reminder, tickets will be sold for \$1.00 each at the next couple of meetings, and the painting will be displayed at the Holiday Craft Fair where tickets will also be available. Winner will be announced at a later date.

*Friends of the Library (FOL) Update* – Pat Schoggins spoke about FOL activities for next year, including book sales in May and on Labor Day weekend. Pat thanked Anne Mintmier for keeping the foyer stocked with books. FOL bought two mobile bookcases for \$4,000 that can be moved around to accommodate event needs. Craft programs, weekly story time, and many other programs are provided. New library hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 12 – 4 p.m. FOL will have their annual membership meeting on October 28<sup>th</sup>, serving desserts and tea; DGC members are invited to attend. Pat requested volunteers to clean the outside of the Library: October – Donna Folts, November – Carol Game and Barbara O’Sullivan, December – Pat Schoggins and Norma Ray, January – Sandra Morgan and Jeannie Padgett.

### **New Business**

*Board of Directors* – Nomination/Election for a new Treasurer will be made in November, as Denise Simonson (current Treasurer) and Valerie Laam have agreed to share Secretarial duties. Barbara will remain as President, and Janel Edmiston as Vice-President.

*Stars Night Out* – “Relevance” is the theme of this year’s CEDAPP event to honor a person, organization, or business that has benefitted the community in a big way. All organizations in Pollock Pines are being asked to submit nominations. Barbara O’Sullivan requested members vote to nominate our DGC organization to be considered for this award.

Marilyn Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:06 p.m. Norma Ray seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Laam  
Secretary