

Arlington Garden Club Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Judy Ness at 11:23 am.

Minutes September general meeting minutes were accepted as presented in the Scoop.
Financial Barbara Lindberg presented the financial report. It was accepted as presented.

Checking Bal as of 10/8.....\$4,000.84
Cash on hand.....200.00
Savings.....4,000.52
Total of check-cash-savings \$8,201.36

If you agreed to get a certificate for the Joy of Giving Tree, the cutoff date is October 31st.

Please hand out Bookmarks and sell Raffle Tickets to your friends and neighbors.

President's remarks

- + There is a signup sheet for Biochar if you want to purchase. It will be available at the Holiday Garden Sale. Make your checks payable to AGC.
- + The club has received a donation of two pallets of potting soil from Rite Aid in Stanwood, thanks to our member Terry Marsh. This soil will be available for potting plants for the Plant Sale and for the various gardens the club maintains.
- + The garden club is donating to the Arlington Arts Council Dinner Auction: a wine barrel planter donated to us by E&E Lumber in Marysville, four bags of potting soil donated by Rite Aid, a \$25 gift certificate donated by Sunnyside Nursery, and an additional \$25 gift certificate from us.

Committee Reports

Membership We welcome our new members Patricia Buchanan who is joining today and Candy Goetz who joined last month. We now have 108 members. We also welcome guests Becky Willson from Oso and Sandy Schumacher from Camano Island. Sandy is a Master Gardener and a friend of Meg Jacobson.

Activities **Girls Night Out at Skagit Valley Gardens**, November 15, 5 pm to 7pm. Tickets are \$5. If you wish to attend contact Sharon Dittenberger.

Holiday Garden **Cork Workshop #2** Thursday, October 18, at 10:00, at the Utility Building (where the Board Meeting is held). Bring a hot glue gun and craft paint. We'll be making grape cluster ornaments.

Bookmark Distribution & Raffle Ticket Sale at Ace Hardware, Saturday November 3, 8:00 – 4:00

Planning meetings for Holiday Garden: Friday's at 10:00 at Judy Ness's home: October 12, October 26, and November 9.

Cutting evergreens for wreaths and arrangements at Connie Gronning's Thursday, November 8, at 10:00.

Potluck, decorating wreaths and making small arrangements on Wednesday, November 14, 10:00 – 2:00, at the Boys and Girls Club.

Volunteers for the day of the Bazaar: Wear your apron and park in the far east end of the parking lot.

Holiday Lunch **Monday December 10, 11:30 at Wild Rose Bistro.** Please sign up and pay in advance \$20, now or at the November meeting, or by December 1. There will be a voluntary \$15 gift exchange.

Community Service

Committee Reports

The Mayor's Garden committee is planting bulbs today after the meeting.

The Blue Star Memorial on November 9 and 10 at 2:00 - will do clean up and bulb planting before Veterans Day on the 11th.

The Evergreen District Meeting is on October 18 from 10:00 to 2:00.

Old Business

Tina Wilson has been working on the website adding **photos of member's gardens**. You will find these photos on the Member Page.

New Business

Welcome back to Kitty Fitch. She has been busy making **projects with seeds** for the Holiday Garden next month and the Plant Sale in May. Bring seeds from your garden to the next meeting.

History Committee: The club has many bins and scrap books full of past news articles and events that the garden club has been mentioned in or sponsored. The club needs a committee that will meet over the year to scan and organize these documents. Laura Lane is interested in helping with this project. If you have a scanner at home and would like to help please talk to Laura.

June Fling: Linda Wallitner will partner with Ann Ostrander to learn the ropes for the June Fling this year in preparation to take over this event the following year.

This n' That

Judy walked around the meeting room showing the table arrangements brought by the members.

Mike Conner brought a bird house with a succulent covered roof.

Guyce Lafavour brought flowers from her garden.

Anne Brenaman brought roses and beauty berries.

Carol Jacques brought a fall theme arrangement.

Sharon Dittenberger brought fall mums in a pumpkin decoration.

Nita Dew brought an arrangement of heavenly bamboo and little cloth pumpkins.

Libby Adams won a raffle at Sunnyside Nursery 70th Anniversary celebration last weekend.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Chris Nielsen/Secretary