



Evergreen Garden Club

WILD IRIS

December, 2015

Holiday Party

Please join us for the December Holiday Party! We'll enjoy a festive meal and in place of a speaker we'll share crafts and play games and get to know one another better.

Holiday Party Craft Table

It's time to gather your craft items for display and sale at our Craft table at the Holiday Party. Any and all items that you have made would be welcome. We all would love to see and enjoy your handiwork. So, please don't be shy. Bring your items in for us all to admire.

EChO Food Bank Donations

This year our Garden Club has decided to give hearty soups (6 grams protein or more) and Jiffy Corn Muffin Mixes to the EChO Food Bank. This is instead of the toilet paper donation we have done in the past. Please bring your cans of soup and muffin mixes to the December 6 Holiday Party and we'll see what kind of tree we can make!

Your EGC Board



Jeff Echter

Next Meeting
Tuesday
December 8, 2015

Bergen Park Firehouse
Social Time 9:00-9:30
Meeting at 9:30 am

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kathleen Ackerman
Marjorie Clinton
Mary Dickhoff
Arlene Fitterer
Irma Wolf

Get well wishes to:
Frances Sorenson
Meredith Bossert

November Program

"Essentials for Your Garden Toolbox" was the subject of Jeff Echter's program this month. Jeff is from Echter's Nursery and Garden Center. We had a most interesting talk/discussion with him on the latest and best tools for your gardening pleasure!

November Program (continued)
Ron Hamilton, owner of Razors Edge
provided on site sharpening of garden tools.



Leslie Jordan is all smiles.

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Ron Hamilton



A very nice photograph of Louise Mounsey



New members, Sharon Haircloth and Louise Heern



Dianna Aldridge tells a funny story of the mysterious pumpkin disappearance at the Traffic Circle.



Diana Donovan and Pam Hinish

Forest Heights Lodge

We will be celebrating holiday time with the boys at Forest Heights Lodge on **Tuesday, December 15 at 3:00pm**. We decided to get the boys amaryllis this year since they grow so fast -- they can literally watch them grow. Tupper "Buzzy" Briggs will be sharing information about bees, and we will also bring a worm farm and talk about those wonderful composting critters.

Peggy and Dale Fetchenhier



Join us in our Enchanted Faerie Forest for the Holiday Walk Dec. 4th
1/2 price studio fees, hot chocolate & cookies all day!
Great selection of paint-your-own pottery.

WeeScapes has a large selection of fairy items for that favorite fairy in your life.

Create a holiday card with Canvas by the Creek

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Evergreen Garden Club Minutes, November 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Susan Blake. Board members present were Gloria Owens, Secretary, Jane Wingquist, Treasurer, Sophia Prado, Tech Officer. Absent: Linda Doty, 1st Vice president; Annell Hoy, 2nd Vice President.

Susan announced that Cindy Gibson was graduating as a Master Gardener today. We congratulated her achievement. Marva Zima introduced our new member, Louise Heern and guest Sharon Faircloth.

Birthdays honored for this month were Carol Gardner, and Karen Belmont.

Secretary Report: Gloria Owens announced minutes were printed in the Wild Iris and asked if there were any corrections. Hearing none the minutes were approved as printed. Gloria also announced get well cards had been sent to Jane Winquest, Annell Hoy, both of whom had been recovering from recent surgeries.

Treasurers Report: Jane Wingquist stated there was no activity last month.

Tech Officer's Report: Sophia announced Paul Luzetski is taking over management of Facebook. Barbara Steger will be in charge of the web site and to continue to post articles and photographs. She also will be in charge of gmail which involves sending emails to all members on items of interest and notices that need to be brought to attention before the Wild Iris is sent out.

Program Report: Lindy Doty is in Nepal for a month and will be back the end of November. No report.

Directory: Annell Hoy is still recovering from back surgery so there is no report on the Directory. Linda fisher has taken over distribution of the directories in case there are persons who still need one.

President

Susan discussed the following: She asked the Hospitality Committee to pass out the sign up sheet for bringing food to the Christmas party. She also reminded folks to bring craft items for sale at the Craft table. 10% of the proceeds will go to the club. There was a discussion as to whether to continue to bring toilet paper for the ECHO tree or not this year. Susan had talked to one of the officers at the food bank and she was given a list of items on their wish list for the XMAS holiday. Linda Fisher, who volunteers there, mentioned they really have a need for 5% Hearty Soups. We all decided and voted on bringing the Hearty soups and boxes of corn bread mix this year instead of the toilet paper which they apparently have an abundance of each holiday season.

Committee Reports:

A guest arrived late to the meeting and donated a cactus plant.

Publicity: No report. However, Pam Hinish mentioned there were a number of pots for sale on the ECHO table. These were donated by a friend whose wife passed away and offered them to the club. Any donations would be given to ECHO.

Historian: No report

Hospitality: Sign up for food for Christmas party.

Natural Resources: No report

Public Garden Coordinator: Lynn Dimmick announced the 6 gardens for the upcoming Garden Tour next spring. . Tour will be on July 16, 2016 rain or shine from 10 am – 3 pm. Adult tickets are \$15. The garden themes are as follows: Organic Garden, Skyline Vista, Mt. Meadow, Hillside Inspiration, Nature's Palette and High Altitude.

Diana Aldridge related a very funny story about the pumpkins she had placed in the Bergen Park Traffic Circle garden. The day after, the pumpkins were missing and she was upset to say the least. But . . . lo and behold, the pumpkins returned the following day all carved with charming faces!

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. and refreshments were served the last half of our meeting included a demonstration by Jeff Echter of Echter's Garden Center who spoke on the latest and best tools from pruning sheers to gloves etc. that were available at the garden center. A very interesting program. Meanwhile, out by the front of the building, we had a man from the Razor's Edge who was there to sharpen our garden tools. He was kept busy most the morning sharpening up our treasures.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gloria Owens, Secretary