

KENNEBEC VALLEY GARDEN CLUB
Tuesday, February 5, 2019
Lithgow Library, State Street, Augusta, Maine

President Ellen Jackson opened the brief meeting at 1:05 PM with 18 members present.

Shelly led the Pledge of Allegiance, Gardener's Collect and Conservation Pledge.

Secretary's minutes of the November meeting were distributed to members electronically and posted on the website. A motion was made to approve minutes as posted, motion carried.

Correspondence was read from Kathleen Marty thanking the Club for this year's decorating of the Blaine House.

Deb Sandler, harp player at Blaine House, contacted Molly thanking her & the Club for inviting her to play again this year.

Treasurer's report was not available.

Reports of the Standing Committees:

Program Committee: Shelly reported she is no longer able to continue as Program Chair and a new chair needs to be chosen to continue the duties of the committee.

Nominating Committee: Ellen announced again she is still waiting for volunteers to step forward for the nominating committee. The committee needs to choose a slate of officers for the next two years which is to be presented at the April meeting.

New Business: Ellen has been asked by GCFM to put together a write up about Hope for the newsletter, she asked if members would share any information with her. Karen will email Ellen what she has. Penny asked that it be emailed to her as well since she will need information to prepare a resolution for Hope and Mary Oatway for the annual meeting.

Ellen reported on behalf of Debbie Sherman that information is needed as soon as possible for the Spring newsletter, email to both Ellen and Debbie.

Ellen announced there is an Art in Bloom at the Portland Museum of Art - February 13-17 if anyone is interested in attending.

Old Business: Ellen gave an update of the Art in Bloom being held February 24 at the Lithgow Library, discussion followed and members then toured the Library.

- Lisa LaGrange, Jellison Antiques, Scott/Jacklyn, Augusta Florist, Lynn LeClair, Petal Pushers, will be donating floral designs, Karen is waiting to hear back from Arilla at Berry & Berry.

- To date, the following members will be providing designs to be placed throughout the Library:
 - Ellen, Tammy Costigan, Sharon Ann Paradis, Rhonda Bolduc, Julie Meagher, Heide Munro, Karen Foster, Shelly and Kathy Landrum
- Ellen will need help with the birch trees at the entrance of the Library, is looking for volunteers.
- Joan Hanscom offered to make tent cards for the art work. She will need members to email her the names of pictures if available, artist, date the art work was done and name of designer. She needs this information as soon as possible, no later than February 20.
- Ann Thomas offered a donation box, it will be labeled and placed on a table outside the conference room.
- After discussion about refreshments, it was suggested that a Refreshment Committee be formed, Nancy Voisine volunteered. Coffee, water, muffins, cookies, brownies, fruit and gluten free items will be available for a minimal charge. The following volunteered to help with refreshments:
 - ✓ Molly, Joan, Wanda, Jane, Julie, Deb Cairns, Penny will help with food.
 - ✓ Karen will provide paper products
 - ✓ Penny will provide tablecloths
- Ellen has been unable to find a speaker to talk about pruning that day. Jason Allarding and Jon Phillips were suggested, Nancy will contact them. Heather Longfellow will check with Joy Longfellow who works at Johnny's Selected Seeds, she works in the seed testing section.
- Karen will work with Lesley about putting an ad in the newspapers, Ellen will send the info to GCFM, Penny will place on KVGC Facebook page, Lithgow will send out to their email group, Friends of Lithgow group and post on their Facebook page.
- Tammy confirmed that Judy Mank is available to play the flute during part of the event and will be paid \$175.
- Ellen will check with Lithgow to see if the club could use the flyer they prepared as a poster. Was suggested to make up 50 posters to distribute.

Meeting adjourned 2:15 PM.

Submitted by,
Shelly Hanson
Secretary