

KENNEBEC VALLEY GARDEN CLUB
Tuesday, August 6, 2018

Viles House, 71 Stone Street, Augusta, Maine

President Ellen Jackson opened the meeting at 1:00 PM with 14 members present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deb Cairns, followed by the Gardener's Collect and Conservation Pledge by Ann Thomas

Ellen then introduced speaker Peggy Moore from Moore Manor Lavender Farm in Newport. Peggy gave a presentation on their lavender farm.

Secretary's minutes of the June 5th meeting were distributed to members electronically and posted on the website. Ann Thomas made a motion to approve as posted, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was not available.

Reports of the Standing Committees:

Birds and Wildflowers: Debbie Sherman reported on the annual loon count, they are holding their own and reported there are 3 babies on Maranacook Lake. She reminded members they are endangered and for all to respect their space. She also advised that boaters, propellers, eagles and snapping turtles are very dangerous predators to them.

Debbie also suggested a kayaking outing in September.

Shelly reported that she has two Monarch caterpillars that are now in the chrysalis stage and waiting to hatch into butterflies.

Unfinished Business:

KVGC 90th Birthday Celebration Update:

Ellen reported that the KVGC 90th birthday is scheduled for the October 2 meeting at 1:00 PM at the Viles Arboretum.

A planning meeting has been scheduled for **Sunday, August 26 at 1:00 PM at the Viles Arboretum**. Members are encouraged to attend this planning meeting. At the June meeting Laura Boyett volunteered to make a birthday cake for this event.

Windsor Fair: Ellen reported for Karen Foster that set up for the Windsor Fair Display will be Friday, August 24 from 10:00 to 12:00 at the Exhibition Hall. She would like to encourage members to participate and anything that can be provided will be appreciated. This year's theme is "Garden Tools and More", all about managing a garden in pots and boxes plus tools for the

job. She is looking for stackable empty pots and random plants to pop here and there among the implements, tools, etc. Any questions, contact Karen, 622-2930.

New Business:

Ellen reported that program speakers have been chosen and the new 2018-2019 yearbook is being finalized and will be available at the September 11 meeting.

Ellen is waiting to hear back from Barbara at the Blaine House with the exact dates for the planning meeting, decorating and tea and will let members know as soon as possible to start planning.

Ellen will take the reservations for the tea/social and Ann Thomas will do the invitations.

She would like to have a Garden Tour in July of 2019, with a maximum of six gardens on the tour and possibly in the Hallowell area. Laura Boyett has volunteered to have her garden on the tour. Need to have a committee formed.

Ellen mentioned a possible field trip to Endless Summer Dahlia Farm in Camden with lunch at the Waterfront and then visit the Farm. Possible dates are September 1, 2 or 3, she will send out an email.

Longfellow's is not having a Fall Festival this year but has offered KVGC table space at their Craft Fair on October 13th - 10:00 AM to 4:00PM for a soup sale. KVGC would be the only food vendor there and would be a good fund raiser for the club. She will follow up with an email and discussion at the September meeting. Penny Pray along with Molly Wickwire have agreed to co-chair.

Hostesses for the meeting were Molly Wickwire, Heide Munro and Ellen.

Next meeting will be September 11th at 1:00 - "Whimsical Garden Art" - New England Ornate Metals, Winslow

Meeting adjourned 3:00 PM.

Submitted by,
Shelly Hanson
Secretary