

## TVG Minutes, February, 2018

Tulip Valley Gardeners met at 5:30 p.m. at the Logan Creek Retirement Community. In attendance: Lynn Grobschmit, Gerry Douglas, Daphne Ruxton, Kathy Hansen, Areatha Leisinger, Marisa Earnst, Denise Nakayama, Val Manuel, Cheri Copley and Kris Gray. A light supper was provided by Marisa, Lynn and Denise.

Shirley Rock, of the NW Fuchsia Society, gave us a most informative presentation, including slides, about hard fuchsias. The club is planning a field trip to Marysville to visit Shirley's garden later in the year.

The minutes of the November 2017 meeting were read and Kathy gave a report on the delivery of snack foods and housekeeping supplies to the YMCA Oasis Teen Shelter. A thank you letter from Sandy Randles was also read.

Val presented the Treasurer's report. The current balance in the TVG bank account is \$2,904.99 and the balance in the EJMG account is \$3,874.40.

TVG received a quarterly rebate of \$12.04 from Fred Meyer. Val encouraged members to log their Fred Meyer Rewards cards into that program. Marisa mentioned that Amazon.com has a SMILE program that is similar. Members who order from Amazon.com are encouraged to sign into that program as well.

There was discussion of next year's wreath sales. Gerry is working on a flyer to send to previous purchasers, inviting them to purchase again this year. Businesses are noticing how TVG's efforts in the EJMG are beautifying the downtown area.

Gerry suggested that TVG join the Downtown Association, in order to promote our efforts in the EJMG.

There was discussion of the progressive dinner in December and the soup and game day in January. It was agreed that we should continue these activities.

Beginning in March, 2018, TVG will meet at Mountain Glenn, as we have outgrown the room at Logan Creek. We will be meeting at Mountain Glenn in March, and also April, May, September, October and November of 2018. We will continue there in February of 2019.

We have decided to hold a spring plant sale this year. It was MSC and carried to join the Farmer's Market on the River Walk. A possible date is May 19. Kris already has flyers made up for that date.

There was discussion of summer meeting sites. Gerry and Sandy will host July and August. June will be a potluck, the site to be determined.

If we have a garage sale this year, it will be the second Saturday in July, possibly at Kris's yard to take advantage of the community garage sale in Skagit Highlands.

We are compiling a list of destination gardens to visit. So far, it includes Bellevue Botanical, Glen Echo, in Bellingham, Van Deusen and QE Garden in BC.

Gerry read a list of upcoming District events:

March 14 is Gala, in Olympia \$40 for tickets

March 19, Chuckanut District Board Meeting at Washington Federal in Burlington. 10:00 a.m.

March 26 and 27, Session II of the Oak Harbor Garden Club Design School

June 5-7. WSFG Convention – Tacoma

Sept. 10 District Board Meeting...same time and place

February 13, 2019 Western Washington Scholarship Dinner - Bellingham

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hansen, TVG Secretary