

**Sand Lake Garden Club
Membership Meeting
Minutes
August 22, 2019**

President Mary Lee Kopache called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: 20 members and guest appearance of Matt Thornton, Director of Admissions for Parker School

Treasurer s Report:

As of 8/22, there is a balance of \$3,839.00 Treasurer Mary Hall stated that there are many SLGC tee shirts available and they are now \$10 apiece.

New business:

Mary Lee brought forward a suggestion to pass out an interest/ skills survey at September's Membership meeting. This could be a way of integrating our new members into the activities of our club.

As a final celebration of the Club's 25th anniversary year, plans are being made to plant a Kousa dogwood tree at Butler Park. Various club members volunteered with helping out with this undertaking. Amy will ask Andy Bulmer for permission to plant the tree while Millie will obtain the tree as well as a water bag and protective wrap. Obie offered to plant the tree and Mary Lee will send an invitation to attend the planting to the Town Board. Pat will be getting a beautification plaque to be placed next to the tree. Becky will put a notice in the Advertiser regarding the date and time of the planting ceremony.

Mary Lee informed the membership of a donation of a 16th century block cut print of a water lily. A big thank you goes out to Judy Blodner for this lovely donation. Plans are for the print to be appraised and sold at a later date. Several suggestions were made as to where to show this print including: Rensselaer Historical society, Friends of Oakwood, Greenbush and Sand Lake's Historical Societies.

Committee reports:

Trips: Rose Dorr reported that there will be a hike at the Corkscrew Trail on September 14th from 1pm to about 3:30 pm. Members can meet at the Sand Lake Library or go directly to the Naps Road entrance. This hike is about 5 miles long on relatively flat land.

Tonight's program consisted of members sharing new garden tools (nut wizard for picking up acorns) to methods of gardening used this year. Julie miller spoke about 12" deep hay gardening.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Meg; Judy seconded it. Meeting ended at 7:09 PM.

Several Board and general membership members provided tonight's refreshments of homemade pies.

**Respectfully submitted,
Janice Berryann, secretary**