March 2, 2023 Member Meeting Rescheduled from February 23, 2023 (due to snow storm)

A big thank you to Rose Dorr and Eileen VanOort for this month's refreshments.

Sally Perry thanked Master Gardener Denise Maurer for her Presentation on "Colorful Companions" in the garden. It was a delightful program and very informative.

Door Prizes were awarded to Sally Lawrence, Kathy Popp, Eileen Van Oort and Cathy Welling.

Business Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM.

Treasurer's Report – Hollis McEvilly

- o Balance as of 3/2/23 \$6,906.04
- o Form 990N has been filed
- Final budget will be presented in April for a vote

Rose Dorr spoke about the Garden Faire which is now a "go" on Saturday, May 20, 2023. Rose has agreed to be the Event Coordinator but has asked for someone else to help her. Rose simplified the list of tasks and passed around a signup sheet. Some tasks are already in the works.

- Perennials will once again be purchased wholesale through Behn's Nursery.
- M & K nurseries will be asked to be our supplier for annuals again this year.
- Sally Perry has contacted Kiwanis and reserved their tent for May 20th.
- The Salem Methodist Church will be contacted regarding reserving the site for the event.
- The Master Gardeners will be collaborating with us again at the Garden Faire. Bob Sherwood reported that they are planning to have a refurbished tool sale again, in addition to garden décor.

• There will be a couple of potting nights for seedlings started by Pat Mulligan and any other members who have started plants. Pat has asked for 4" square pots which have been washed and bleached for planting.

Sally spoke about all the knowledge that the members have from past plant sales, and how everyone always comes together when needed. A lot of ideas were shared about

- Should vendors be included
- Used Book table
- Selling garden club t-shirts and sweatshirts
- Selling used garden décor items
- Raffle item ideas
- Bake Sale
- Catalog of pictures of plants we are selling

All of these items and more will be discussed at length at our March 23, 2023 meeting.

Sally announced there is a vacancy for President, as she is now Vice President.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 23, 2023. Guest speaker: Ornithologist and Columbia-Greene County Coop Ext. Master Gardener Dr. Kathryn Schneider, author of *Birding the Hudson Valley* will present "Birding 101" which covers the fundamentals of birding.

Russ Gettig made a motion to adjourn meeting @ 8:10 PM, seconded by Judy Kasianczuk.

Respectively submitted, Hollis McEvilly