

Down the Garden Path

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Mountain Gardeners Newsletter

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Minutes of the Mountain Gardener's Luncheon Meeting June 13th, 2023

The meeting was called to order by president Janet Ellison at 1.33 PM.

Janet thanked our hostess Robin Preuss and coordinators Betsy Norman, Bonnie Barnes, and Leslie Reynolds

MINUTES:- A motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting was made by Julie and seconded by Bonnie. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:-Leslie reported a bank balance of \$9,711.17

This includes the gross proceeds from the Plant Sale.

Gross proceeds were \$2,776. Expenses were \$412.00. Net proceeds were \$2,063.44. It was a cool, cloudy day and the crowd was half as big as usual.

REMINDERS:-Janet reminded members to pick up their yearbooks

SUNSHINE:-Bonnie sent a card to Loretta Menkes.

WATERING AND WEEDING:- Don't forget to do this on your assigned weeks!

Judy Phelon sent out the schedule.

Arrange to swap with someone if you cannot do your week.

FGCV Annual Meeting was held at Phyllo Ridge Farm in Charlotte. Janet, Judy, Becky, and Wendy went. New officers were elected. Member Judy Reed was elected second vice president.

SCHOLARSHIP:- Our scholarship was awarded to Harwood senior Amy Cook. She will be attending UVM and plans to major in nutrition and food science. while at Harwood she was active in many extra curricular activities including the Farm to School Mentor Program.

AWARDS:- Jane Hobart applied for these very successfully. She thanked Wendy who helping her enormously.

We received the following honors:-

An ongoing project that has merit - Senior lunch tables - Sue Stoehr

Newsletter - Sandra Reilly

Yearbook - Rita LaRocca and Val Hale

Sponsoring others in the field - Scholarship - Robin Preuss and Jane Hobart

Conservation - Penny Pines - Val Hale

Golden Trowel - Wendy McDonough

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PLANT SALE:- Thank you to chairpersons, Jane Macan, Hilary Mooney, Andrea Henderson, and Robin Preuss for their hard work. Thank you to Judy Phelon for once again graciously hosting our potting sessions. We presented Judy with a gift certificate.

FGVT is planning a Coastal Maine Botanical Garden Tour for their summer 2024 trip.

NEXT MEETING:- Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 11th. **Please note the date in the yearbook is wrong.** We will visit Bill Noble's gardens in Norwich, VT. It will take 1 hour, 11 minutes to get there. Cost is \$10.00 per person.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jane and seconded by Robin. The meeting was adjourned at 1.58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Valerie Hale

PLANT SALE 2023

Our Plant Sale was not as busy as in past years. We did have some great customers, there were people who were new to the Valley and ready to start their own perennial gardens. It was fun helping them pick out plants and give them advice of their care. We had babies and dogs to make things a little more interesting. I was unable to stay until the end of the sale but at 11AM we still had a large amount of Lady's Mantle, Orange Daylilies, Monkshood and Siberian iris. Leftover plants were picked up and will be potted in my garden. There were not that many left. Thanks goes to the many hard workers who made the sale possible. They include; Jane Macan, Jane Hobart, Hilary Mooney, Andrea Henderson and Robin Preuss. A big thank you to Judy Phelon for the use of her yard and barns!

Looking ahead to next year we already have suggestions for improving the sale and choice of plants from Julie Murray. She has offered to help with the 2024 Sale. More information to follow soon.

PS MY Computer is giving me problems so I can't put in any pictures. I have to get some help from my Computer Savvy sons!