

Bookworms Pam Ellison	Hart Haven Barb Munic*	Lake Superior Master Gardeners	Norton Park	Tischer Creek Tom Kasper*
Chester Creek Sheryl Lind James Gittemeier	Hortus Bruce Berg	Longview Judyth Babst	Oregon Creek Printha Markert Julie Mockler	Upper Cody Community Garden
Duluth Heights	Lake Aire	Morgan Park Amy Johnson*	Park Point Diane Gould	Vermillion
Fredenberg Town Hall Gardeners Karin Cummings Marjorie Salker	Lakeview	Mt. Royal	Proctor Hilltop	Wild Ones
Gitche Gumme Ann Fink	Lake Superior Rose Society	Normanna Eileen Asperheim	SMDC Wellness	Zenith City Diggers Bob Norstrom
		Northern Lights	Smithville Ray Picconato	
		Northland Orchid Society Clayton Oslund*		

* Indicates affiliation with more than one club

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
Review minutes of 10/05/09	Correction noted on Page 1 under first action item. Change Bo Norstrom to Bob Norstrom.	<i>Ann Fink made the motion with Diane Gould seconding to accept the 10/05/09 minutes with the one correction as presented. Minutes approved.</i> Make correction to 10/05/09 minutes and forward to Web master.	Julie Mockler
Treasurer's Report	Not much activity during the month. Two checks @ \$20.00 each for gas reimbursement for the Gardens on Display contest. Current balance is \$8,440.07.	<i>Printha Markert made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Bob Norstrom seconded. Treasurer's Report accepted.</i>	
OLD BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Rose Garden winterizing</u> – Over two dozen volunteers helped bury the roses. Garden is in need of bags of leaves to put on the beds. <u>Heritage Garden Clean Up</u> – Has been completed. 	Drop off any bags of leaves at the Rose Garden to help protect the plants this winter.	Any DGFS member

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NEW BUSINESS	<p>1. <u>Christmas Dinner</u> – No club volunteered so there will be no Christmas Dinner this year. Suggestion was made that we check into the Top of the Harbor at the Radisson to see about holding our next meeting there and ordering off the menu. Next meeting is December 7. Cocktails could be at 5:15 with dinner at 6:00. Would be a good chance to view Bentleyville at Bayfront Park.</p> <p>2. <u>Spring Luncheon 2010</u> – Mt. Royal Garden Club to host. No one present from that club to report.</p> <p>3. <u>Bentleyville at Bayfront</u>. – Volunteers are still needed to help with set up. Looking for help on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week (11/03 and 11/04) and on Saturday and Sunday. Weekend set up hours are from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Display will run from 11/27/09 to 01/02/10. Viewing is free, however, donations will also be taken.</p> <p>Volunteers also needed to staff areas during December. Hours open are 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 40 people per day are needed to staff this. Check the web site for volunteer opportunities.</p> <p>Short discussion on parking took place. There will be shuttles from most hotel/motels in the Canal Park area. Trains from Fitgers will be shuttling people from there for a couple of dollars.</p> <p>4. <u>Funding Donations</u> – We still need to make some decisions on how we want to spend out our treasury. No ideas were sent in so brainstorming took place. Biggest guideline should be that what we pick should be garden related.</p> <p>Some suggestions were: Continue giving to scholarships</p>	<p>Contact Top of the Harbor to see about scheduling next DGFS meeting. Send out email with more finalized details.</p> <p>Google Bentleyville for official website to see volunteer opportunities.</p>	<p>Sheryl Lind</p> <p>Any interested DGFS member</p>

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NEW BUSINESS	<p>Chester Creek Gardens to help in the construction of raised beds. Challenge Home Depot and Menards to match our funds. Bayfront Visions will be giving Chester Creek Garden \$5,000. New beds will cost around \$10,000. Suggestion was made that we give them up to \$5,000.</p> <p>Give money to Community Garden organization as they are experiencing funding cuts as well.</p> <p>Organize some sort of spring planting event to tie in with Harvest Festivals. Discussed that this is what the Tomato Express already does.</p> <p>Help clubs go green with their plots.</p> <p>Suggestion was made that stipulations be placed on the monies (i.e. show matches, etc.) More discussion to take place in January.</p> <p>5. <u>Winter Seminars</u> – Discussion on whether we should do winter seminars to generate money. Do we want to invest in some multi media equipment for presentations?</p>	<p><i>Ann Fink made the motion with Ray Picconato seconding to give \$500.00 to the 8th District toward their scholarship fund. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Put expenditure of treasury on the January agenda.</p>	Tom Kasper
OTHER	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Bulbs</u> – Home Depot has slashed the price of their bulbs but they have not been selling well. We will probably get donation of bulbs by December meeting. 2. <u>Flower Show winnings</u> – Four envelopes still needed to be given out. 3. <u>DGFS Scrapbook</u> – The DGFS historian requests that all clubs set aside any articles related to DGFS activities and either send them to her or bring them to DGFS meetings for her. She does not get the newspaper and would like to include these in the scrapbook 	<p>Send any DGFS related articles to: Amy Johnson 8629 Beverly St. Duluth, MN 55808</p>	Any DGFS member
<p>Next meeting: Monday, December 7, 2009 @ 5:15 p.m. @ Top of the Harbor, Radisson Hotel</p>			

