

Beacon Garden Club Minutes  
May 24, 2012

Attendance: Cynthia W, David W, Betty Jean W., Suzanne S, Christina O., Maura S, Dee D

**Canning Club** – There was good feedback and attendance at the canning class, collaboration between the Garden Club and Rainier Valley Eats. Financially, the class just broke even after rental fee, and feedback indicated there is room for a higher class fee, so, the next class will be \$15 instead of \$10. The next class is tentatively scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm. An invitation will be sent to previous attendees, and then opened to all.

**Treasurer's report:**

March balance was \$79.50, the canning class broke even, and after the rental for the May meeting, the balance is \$39.50. A discussion was had at the possibility of holding meetings elsewhere. Cynthia and David offered to host the meeting at their house, and as a progressive meeting. . Beginning with business at their house, followed by garden showing /discussion and moving along to Maura's to conclude. The Washington State Federated Garden Club dues run July through June. Susanne will find out if the Beacon Garden Club must follow the same dues schedule.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

**Beacon Hill Festival**

Visit the future path of the Beacon Food Forest, learn about our local urban forest, Lewis Park, all while enjoying fantastic local entertainment brought to us by Beacon Rocks. The festival runs from 10-4 this Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Possible fundraiser**

Betty Jean proposed a fund raiser for the copper Whale weather vane that has fallen off the Garden House roof. Rescue the whale from roof, do a fundraiser to get the whale repaired. Does GC want to sponsor such an event? Make small documentary. Co-sponsor with Rocket? July 29<sup>th</sup> Beacon Rocks?

**“1<sup>st</sup> Annual Anywhere But Seafair Garden Club Caravan”**

A field trip to visit the Jello Mold Farm <http://www.jellomoldfarm.com/welcome.html> and the WSU Discovery Garden, <http://skagit.wsu.edu/mg/discovery-gardens.htm>, both located in the Mr. Vernon area. Picnicking will be included, of course. Susanne will check with Jello Mold Farm on the date. Stay tuned.

**And look way to the future....**

Christina proposed a Harvest soup/movie event on National Food Day Oct 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Check out:**

**Washington State Federated Garden Clubs**

**For local activities, browse here:**

**Greater Seattle District**

**Please feel free to send your ideas or comments for fun Beacon Garden Club events.**

**Next meeting is July 26<sup>th</sup>. Meet at 3312 18<sup>th</sup> Ave S. 7pm.**