

**PAPILLION GARDEN CLUB**  
**March 12, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President, Mike Williams, at 7:01 pm. Mike welcomed 5 guests and 1 new member. 47 members were in attendance.

Mike introduced the evening's speaker, Dan Parcel of Kaw Valley Greenhouses. Holly Edmonds assisted him with the presentation on several plant choices available at their locations---Crossroads Mall and 144<sup>th</sup> and Center. The Kaw Valley presenters gave 5-yard art items for raffle. John Peterson re-gifted the Cat that he won.

February 12, 2019 Minutes were read with 2 amendments. The Spring Garden Conference in Council Bluffs is on March 30<sup>th</sup> not 31<sup>st</sup>, and Joslyn Castle lecture series April dates were unconfirmed. Mike Williams stated he would confirm the dates and inform Club members.

Minutes approved as amended

Treasurer reported that we have \$2816.81 in the bank. Dues are to be paid by 3/31.

**Committee Reports:**

We still need one more home for the Garden Walk July 9<sup>th</sup> to make a total of three garden locations. Sandi Gable and Mike Williams offered to host, respectively, the other two locations.

The Ad Hoc Committee on the City's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will attend the Foundation Meeting to get more info on the City's plans.

**New Business:**

A motion to increase Speaker fees to \$50 was approved.

Mike Williams reported that the Asian Jumping Worm (a new pest) is on its way.

Sharon Whalen opened discussion on the beneficial nature of snakes in the garden. Mike Williams concurred.

Cathy Goodman and Joyce Stranglen presented a copy of the Master Gardeners' Garden and Research Journal, which is available for \$17.

Mary Munshaw advised that the Sump Library wants to start a Seed Library and would like to connect with the Garden Club in this effort. Mike Williams will pursue with Sump to determine the role it would like the Club to play.

Sharon Whalen opened discussion re use of pesticide signs on front lawns being too small. Gary Peterson offered that the Nebraska Department of Agriculture regulates pesticide use. Mike will research and send out information on whom to contact re pesticide application concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Following the meeting, a number of Club members signed up for a 29 May bus tour to area garden-related venues.

Submitted by Judy Liberty