

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



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# Halloween meeting on October 12th at 7 pm

Community park in Celina.

Members are encouraged to bring their dogs, and dress them up for Halloween.

The park is in the 200 block of Dartmoor in Celina.

There is a large pavilion that members can meet under.

Shari Degan, will provide us with directions when it gets closer to the meeting.







#### DFWMGRC MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2021 - K-9 PRO DOG TRAINING & DOCK DIVING

The meeting was called to order at 8:11pm by President, Lesley Pettengill. Members present werethe following: Teresa McKenna, Susan Beckman, Gary Beckman, Ann Horton, Debra Allen, Michael Ball, Jon Boede, and Margery Cannon. Board members present: Lesley Pettengill and Nancy DuBois. There were no visitors.

It was agreed to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting.

Lesley reported that the Specialty Show on Thursday, July 8th, 2021 was a big success. Thank you to all who volunteered to help make it a success.

Lesley is working with "Painting with a Twist" in Rockwall, TX (right off I-30) for a future meeting/event. This would be held in the evening from 7-10pm and hopefully not on a Wednesday. Several people asked if it could be scheduled earlier in the evening and that will be considered once those interested are polled to see if earlier is a possibility. There will also be a quick meeting. "Painting with a Twist" will ask for a photo of your dog that you want to paint. They make a sketch of this to help guide participants with the painting. Five people are needed to book the event and the club will help to subsidize the \$57 charge. Teresa McKenna and Lesley Pettengill expressed interest of those in attendance. Please reach out to Lesley @wildflowertexas2000@yahoo.com if you are interested.

Vice President: Shari Degan is currently recovering from hand surgery and was unable to attend the meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: Kathy Felix sent word that there are no new potential members for consideration at this time.

Treasurer: Donna Gulledge had nothing new to report

Recording Secretary: Barbara Brown was unable to attend and asked Nancy DuBois to take minutes in her absence.

With no new business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:15pm by Ann Horton and seconded by Susan Beckman

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy DuBois for Barbara Brown, Recording Secretary

## **CURRENT APPLICANTS**

Claudie and Marlo Grayson

" Grace N Goldens "

Van Alstyne TX

The following Board positions will be open for the listed Terms

VICE PRESIDENT 2022/2023

RECORDING SECRETARY 2022/2023

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY 2022/2023

BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE 2022/2023 (Nancy's position)

If you would be interested in serving on the Board, please reach out to any current Board Member.

# **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT 2021/2022

Lesley Pettengill

VICE-PRESIDENT 2020/2021

Shari Degan

TREASURER 2021/2022

Donna Gulledge

RECORDING SECRETARY 2020/2021

Barbara Brown

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY 2020/2021

Kathy Felix

BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE 2021/2022

Kris Evans

BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE 2020/2021

Nancy DuBois

On Wednesday, August 4, 2021, Maurice Durrell Thompson, Jr. passed away at the age of 72.

Maurice was born on August 8, 1948 in Jonestown, MS to Maurice Durrell Thompson, Sr. and Ethelene Roberts Thompson. He grew up in Paris, TX and graduated from Paris High School in 1966. He received his bachelors degree in music education from East Texas State University in Commerce in 1970 and continued his studies at ETSU receiving his masters degree in music in 1972. He taught in the Dallas Independent School District for a couple of years before moving to Austin to work on his doctorate in organ at The University of Texas. In November of 1980 he relocated to Dallas where he met and fell in love with his life partner of 40 years Patrick Harden.

Maurice was a gifted musician who especially enjoyed accompanying and directing choirs. He started his professional church music career at the age of 15 in Paris, Tx and continued working as a choir director and organist for 50 years, retiring in 2015. He was accompanist for the chorale during his time at ETSU and later was accompanist for the Turtle Creek Chorale in Dallas. During their eight years with the TCC Maurice and Patrick made many life-long friends.

Maurice played the organ with passion and gusto. Listening to him play there was never any doubt that he loved what he was doing. He loved to crank it up.

Maurice worked as a technical writer for many years and later was a partner in the company Integrated Documentation where he served as chief financial officer.

During his time at East Texas State University Maurice took great pleasure in participating in the Pi Psi Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity. Maurice, Sr often accused his son of majoring in fraternity. Maurice remained connected to many of his fraternity brothers throughout his life.

With a ready smile and a quick wit Maurice made friends easily and was loved my many who will miss his warmth and humor.

Maurice was preceded in death by his father, Maurice Sr, and his mother, Ethelene. He is survived by his husband Patrick, his aunt, Camille Lummus, and her daughters Danita Hughes and Tommie Barrett whom he considered his sisters, and many more cousins. Maurice also was grateful for the love and support of goddaughter Megan Weiler Crigger.

Funeral services will take place at a later date at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Rockwall, TX and Sparkman-Hillcrest in Dallas. Donations in Maurice's memory may be made to The American Cancer Society, The American Heart Association, or your local pet rescue organization.

