



CLUB AWARD ENTRY FORM

Annual Reporting January 1-December 31, 2017

Program Title: Conservation – Community Service Projects
Name of GFWC Special Programs, Community Service Program or Advancement Area Program

Club Name Somis Thursday Club *Number of Members: 44
*as stated in current CFWC Yearbook

Chairman Jansi Sauer Phone _____ AREA B

District: Tierra Adorada District E-mail _____

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Begin here with Club description including location, type of community, and club years in Federation & followed by Header and Narrative for each project.

For over 150 years the Somis Thursday Club has been an important part of the cultural life of the small rural town of Somis, maintaining a clubhouse which is a key historical landmark of the community. Built in 1895 as the first Somis school, it became the clubhouse in 1924. The club draws members from Somis and the nearby communities of Camarillo, Oxnard and Simi Valley.

Project #1: Clubhouse: Ventura County Historic Landmark #85
 Volunteer Hours 735 \$ 22,726 In Kind \$ 1,600

Somis Thursday Club is a wooden painted building that is listed on the Ventura County Historical Register (#85). We feel a serious mission to ensure that building endures as it was intended to promote the arts and education for our community.

Rental of the building provides most of our income. The majority of our building is taken up with a large wooden floor perfect for dancing, and many dance classes are held in it. With a stage, kitchen, storage room, office and four bathrooms, as well as the exterior, there is much to maintain on this old structure. In the recent past, we replaced the roof, painted the entire exterior, and upgraded the electrical and plumbing systems. All the windows are new, though keeping with the historical appearance of the building.

Large parts of both the front and back yards have been converted to drought resistant plantings with attractive landscaping. With the berms and plantings, a stone bench, and Little Free Library, the yard is attractive and earns many compliments from members and the neighbors.

Our rental coordinator is also the maintenance chairman and donates many hours to prepare contacts, show the building, coordinate the times to let renters in and lock up again, as well as placing rental ads on line. Her efforts are also included under Volunteer Hours.

Project #2: Penny Pines
Volunteer Hours 15 \$ 215 In Kind \$ 10

Penny Pines, or Pennies for Pines, is an ongoing appeal for donations with which we pay for an acre of national forest to be replanted. 2017 celebrates our 29th consecutive contribution to this worthy cause. This is a designated project; monies are collected from members and dispensed through the club treasury.

Totals:
Volunteer Hours: 750 Dollars Donated: \$ 22,941 In Kind: \$ 1,610