

HESPERIA GARDEN CLUB

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER, 2016

The object of the *Hesperia Garden Club* is to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening. We are a community of people of all ages who wish to learn, do and grow. Come grow with us.

Membership is open to those interested in gardening and many related topics. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month (excluding the months of July and August) at 1:00 p.m. at the Percy Bakker Community Center, 9333 E Avenue, which is just south of Main Street in Hesperia. For more information, call Debra Ann Peterson at 760-403-6888. For any Facebook fans, the Hesperia Garden Club has its very own Facebook page. Look us up.

AT OUR MEETINGS...We have Club tee shirts and aprons for sale, \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Our History Table is set up near the Ways and Means table at the back of the room. You may pick up any Newsletters from previous months that are on the table. There are photo books from past years that are fun to look at and items/articles that may be of interest to you. The collection buckets for used postage stamps benefiting Boys Town, Pop tops collected to benefit Ronald McDonald House in Loma Linda, and Labels for Education to benefit Juniper Elementary School, are all located on the History Table. Cal Herbold donates plants and garden-related items for our Opportunity Table. For a small contribution you will have an opportunity to win something. And, be sure to check out the Ways and Means Table that sells fun items and lots of plants.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fall is my favorite time of the year. I am not sure if it is the leaves changing color and falling or the clear, crisp days. I have a lot of trees which equals a lot of leaves so my compost bins will be happy as there will be plenty of leaves to fill them.

The District meeting was so much fun. Desert Crossroads put on an awesome event and with our California State President, Sue Bennett, giving the presentation it made for a wonderful morning. They had so many plants and goodies for sale there was something for everyone.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our two new members and to two members who rejoined our Club.

Income from our September meeting was:

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| Aprons | \$20.00 |
| Ways and Means | \$18.25 |
| Opportunity | \$60.00 |
| Member Dues | \$60.00 |
| Centerpieces | \$66.00 (Dedicated to plaques for Beautification projects) |
| Penny Pines | \$23.47 |

We had 4 guests and 46 members attend the September meeting.

November brings us the Home & Garden Show and there will be a report made at our November meeting. We will be doing the sweet rolls for the Veterans at the Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday, November 11th. Please come on out and support our troops. We will be at Hesperia Lake Park at 10:00 a.m. for set-up with the ceremony starting at 11:00 a.m.

For those of you that are crafty, you can start getting ready for our Christmas Boutique that will be held at our December meeting. I know we have some mighty talented people in our Club and we have a lot of members who love to buy unique gifts for their friends and family. A sign-up sheet for sellers will be available at our November meeting.

Respectfully yours,

Terry Sampson

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

In every gardener there is a child who believes in the seed fairy.

Robert Brault

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2016 REGULAR MEETING

President Terry Sampson opened the meeting at 12:58 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ginny Kight gave the Inspiration. Our guests stood and introduced themselves. Opportunity tickets were handed out to our members who have a birthday in October. The September 13 Minutes were approved as read. Our Treasurer, Gail LaPointe, said that we have \$3,438.63 in our treasury and

\$65.56 in Penny Pines. Betty Roberts audited the books for the 2015-2016 garden club year and they were in order.

Our members planted 2 trees since our last meeting. The centerpieces decorating our tables today will be raffled off as a fund raiser and the money will go toward plaques for our Hesperia Garden Club beautification projects. Jose Chavez said the Peach Lady has peaches available and to see him if you would like more information.

Committee Reports: Pat Kriske is the Chairman at Large for the Committees. Claudia Marsh is the Chairman for stamps and she mailed in the stamps that she had been accumulating and received a nice letter back from Boys Town of America thanking us for the stamps. Colleen Ferguson has been working with Lime Street School and Hesperia Jr. High. Colleen thanked Mary Ann Norton and her grandson for their help and said she would welcome more volunteers.

We discussed if we wanted to move up our meeting time but it was decided to leave it at 1:00 p.m.

Terry reminded our members who had not already picked up their membership packets to please pick them up from Maureen Barrale.

We were urged to put our planned field trip to Casa Romantica on our calendars, April 13, 2017.

The National Park Service held a contest for photos taken at any national park. There were 196 entries and from those entries 30 were selected to be displayed at the Fall National Garden Club meeting. And from those 30 our very own President Terry Sampson took 3rd place for her photo taken in the Grand Canyon.

Desert Crossroads Garden Club will be hosting the District meeting on October 13. Sue Bennett, President of CGCI will be attending and the Clubs usually make a donation to the President's Project. Elisabeth Tufo made a motion that we donate \$50.00 to the President's Project. S/c.

We will have a booth at the Home & Garden Show but it will be more low-key than our usual fundraiser in the Spring. We will set up on November 3 and there is a sign-up sheet for members willing to work at the Show on November 4, 5 and 6.

The Veterans Day Ceremony will be held on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11:00 a.m. We will have clean-up day on November 9. Terry will buy flowers for the display and after the Ceremony they will be raffled off to those members who worked for more than an hour. The Ceremony takes place at

Hesperia Lake. Drive along the driveway by the field and look for a group of chairs that have been set up. Our set up starts at 10:00 a.m.

The Hospitality Crew in November will be Judy Barajas, Sharon Strickland, Barb Chow, Nancy Andrus and Patricia Kriske.

Ted Benson stood and urged us all to vote. Linda West said she is working with the League of Woman Voters and has voter registration cards available.

Terry introduced our speaker, Jim Hill, who spoke about Squash for Friends. The Opportunity was held, the centerpieces were raffled off and the meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Laverne Hileman
Secretary

HOSPITALITY CREW FOR DECEMBER

Eileen Shaw, Clemencia Pena, Donna Davis, Fanny Pascual, Judy Zissler and Clara Petrosky

HOSPITALITY CREW FOR JANUARY

Patricia Kriske, Renee Hahn, Brandi Shuggard, Jose, Cindy and JoJo Chavez

REMEMBER THE VETERANS DAY CEREMONY...on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11:00 a.m. at Hesperia Lake. Our set-up of the canopy etc. starts at 10 a.m.

VETERANS DAY

On November 11th, 1921, an unknown American soldier from World War 1 was buried in Arlington National Cemetery, in recognition of WW1 veterans and in conjunction with the timing of cessation of hostilities at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918. President Warren Harding requested that: “All...citizens... indulge in a period of silent thanks to God for these...valorous lives and of supplication for His Divine mercy...on our beloved country.” Inscribed on the Tomb are the words: “Here lies in honored glory an American soldier known but to God.” The day became known as “Armistice Day”. In 1954, Congress, wanting to recognize the sacrifice of veterans since WW1, proposed to change Armistice Day to Veterans Day in their honor. President Dwight D. Eisenhower, former Supreme Commander in WW1, signed the legislation.

To honor those veterans who sacrificed all, an Army honor guard from the 3rd U. S. Infantry (The Old Guard) keeps day and night vigil at Arlington. At 11 a.m. each November 11, a combined color guard representing all military service branches executes “Present Arms” at the tomb for the laying of a wreath by the president. This is followed by “Taps”.

The Defense Department has totaled one measure of the price of liberty –almost 1.2 million members of our fighting forces have died while in service to our country since the American Revolution; 1.4 million have been wounded. The numbers, of course, offer no reckoning of the inestimable value of these individual citizens’ lives, and the sacrifices borne by their families. But we do know their sacrifices defended a precious gift handed down to us –the liberties we cherish. Every day – but especially each November 11 – let us always hold our veterans and their families in our hearts.

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS TO YOUR YEARBOOK

Josie Arias, 15586 Juniper St., Hesperia, CA 92345, 760-947-1914, Birthday 11/15

Annie Charles, 16515 Pine St., Hesperia, CA 92345, 760-523-6026, Birthday 7/29

Joanie Pierce, 19066 Cedar Dr., Apple Valley, CA 92308, 760-503-1951, Birthday 1/18

Margaret Smith, 10162 Shangri La Ave., Hesperia, CA 92345, 760-948-1778, Birthday 9/14

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PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS IN YOUR YEARBOOK

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