

The Redbud

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President's Message

Happy April Garden Club Members,

Our club year is quickly coming to an end. This month we will have elections for next year's officers, and thanks to Claudia, who called everyone by herself as nominating chairman, the slate is full. Erin Angulo has volunteered to be President, Barbara Tellman, Vice President, in charge of monthly speakers, Lynne Fagundes, secretary, and Susan Pruess, treasurer. Of course, nominations will still be open from the floor and anyone can run, as well as these candidates.

Also, Claudia Duncan has offered to have the after-meeting lunch this month at her home. She lives close to the church at 1805 Arroyo Dr. This is off from Shirland Track Rd., which is off from Maidu. I know there is some chance of rain predicted but let's not let it interfere like it did in March, when only a few people got together for lunch!

So, saving the most important until last, I hope all of you who are in town will be joining us on Saturday for our FANTASTIC PLANT SALE! It being our only fundraiser of the year, we need everyone to come and spend a lot of money! Think of it like this: a couple of club members have often suggested that we just ask members to make donations instead of going to all the work of selling plants. Well, come to the sale and make those "donations" by buying everything that we have. Each year we take home innumerable, unsold plants; so maybe you can help by buying more than you need. Buy all kinds of stuff to give away. Let's not take anything home this year!

See you on Saturday,

- Rick Krach, President

This Month's Speaker

Nicole Harrison is a Master gardener in Placer County. She will talk about 'Trees and the Drought'.

Field Trip

This is a reminder that we have a field trip coming up Thursday, May 5 to the UCCE Master Gardeners of El Dorado County, Sherwood Demonstration garden at Folsom College, Placerville campus. The address is 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville, CA. The master Gardener's will give us a personal tour of the demonstration garden starting at 10 am. Please bring your lunch since there is an area we can eat our lunch at the garden. Go down to the end of the road and park in the lot on the left. There is a \$2 parking charge. The gardens are at the end of Campus Drive.

If you need a ride, we are meeting at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church and leaving at 9 am. If you would be able to drive some people, please let me know via email or phone.

Also, we will be visiting the Front Yard Nursery in Placerville, about three miles from the college, after the demonstration garden tour and lunch. Front Yard nursery is a very nice nursery and has lots of plants to view. Since it is their busy season, there will be no personal garden tour, but it is worth seeing. Front Yard Nursery is at 5801 Mother Lode Dr., Placerville.

The master gardeners and I will need a head count since they are providing the tour people.

Chris Hansell, AGC field tours

foothillrose@gmail.com or 530 878-7350.

April/May Calendar

April 23	Annual Plant Sale, Bethlehem Church, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
April 25	Club meeting, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1279 High Street, Auburn, 9:00am
April 25	AGC Board Meeting, following regular club meeting
May 5	Field Trip to Sherwood Demonstration Garden, Placerville
May 23	Club meeting, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1279 High Street, Auburn, 9:00am

Next meeting: Monday, April 25

Annual Plant Sale

Our annual plant sale takes place at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 9 a.m. –1 p.m. Volunteering to work at this event is a great opportunity for all members, new or long-time, to become acquainted with other members, help the club, learn, and have fun while doing it! Please be assured –**no experience is necessary!** Each new volunteer will work with an experienced one and get plenty of direction. Here are the areas and times where you can help:

<u>Date</u>		<u>Description & Location</u>
Sat., 4/23	6:15 a.m.	Meet at church and help put up signs at various locations
Sat., 4/23	6:30 a.m.	Help set up canopies, string tape, etc., in parking lot
Sat. 4/23	6:30 a.m.	Unload and help organize plants in parking lot (with direction)
Sat., 4/23	9a.m.-1p.m.	Taggers (count plants for cashiers) at sale, each to work 2-hour shifts (great for new members!)

All plants for the sale are donated, so pot up those plants now, bake your cookies, tell your friends, and come to the sale!

If you are donating plants, please bring them to the church from 7-8 a.m. on Saturday morning, 4/23. No outdoor plants may be delivered on Friday. If you have plants and cannot deliver them, please call Richard Huntley at 530-823-8087.

If you are bringing more than 2 – 3 of a specific plant, please send the botanical name (including variety) for our “Book of Plants”. Send to Peggy Beltramo at pbeltramo@calwisp.com

For bake sale and indoor plants only:

Last year, all cookies and brownies sold; all small loaves sold, so bake the small ones please. Cookies and brownies sell best in small quantities, no more than 12 small, or six medium to a package, and cupcakes in quantities of six; flavors (lemon, strawberry, chocolate) sell better than white. Please package in clear bags or boxes, label each item, and indicate nuts or no nuts.

We will be at the church on Friday, 4/22 from 11-2 to receive any items for the bake or crafts sale, indoor plants, and food items for the volunteers. If you are unable to deliver on Friday, please bring on Saturday by 8 a.m. **We are unable to store any outdoor plants in the church on Friday.**

There will be another signup table for all of the above, near the food table, at this month’s meeting.

We can’t stress enough how valuable all of you are as members, and how important it is for you to become involved, while especially enjoying being in the Auburn Garden Club. If you have any questions about any of the above, please feel free to call me (Karen) at 530-823-3409, or email me at tchosull@inreach.com.

All proceeds from this sale to benefit the Auburn Garden Club Grants Program.

**Please get involved - no experience necessary!
Thank You!**

Auburn Garden Club Minutes

March 28, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by President Rick Krach. Other officers present were Vice President Erin Angulo and Treasurer Susan Pruess. There were 45 members and 2 guests present. Rick led us in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by two short inspirations read by Lorene Accurso. Susan reported an ending check book balance of \$6,118.82.

Old Business: Saul Wiseman is still waiting to see the Blue Star Memorial being kept in Truckee. Rick gave members an explanation and meaning of Blue Star Memorials.

Claudia Duncan reported the following members will run for office in the upcoming 2016-2017 elections: President: Erin Angulo, Vice President: Barbara Tellman, Treasurer: Susan Pruess, Secretary: Lynne Fagundes.

Rick reported on the bus trip to San Francisco Flower and Garden Show and visit to Dawn Gardens.

A brief description of Sue Bennett's gardening for children was given by Rick.

New Business and Announcements: Golden Pond Water Plants will be opening for the season on April 2nd.

Folsom Garden Club will hold a tour of six gardens Saturday & Sunday, April 30th and May 1st.

The pros and cons of our club holding a home tour as another means of fundraising was brought up by Rick and discussed.

Kortne Phillips reported on the upcoming Garden Fair on April 2nd, to be held at the Auburn Fairgrounds from 10 to 3. Among the activities will be a silent auction, speakers, vendors, and a food truck. Admission is \$5.00

The 31st Annual Master Gardeners Mothers Day Tour will be held on Sunday May 8th from 10 - 4. Tickets may be purchased for \$20 at Eisley's Nursery, or Green Acres Nursery.

There will be a tour of six gardens in Los Lagos with proceeds going to the Placer County Food Bank on May 1st. Tickets may be purchased at Placer County Food Bank.org. No price was given.

Richard Huntley told us of the following events:

Saturday, April 9, the Roseville Utility Exploration Center will hold an intermediate compost class from 8:30 to 10:30.

Saturday, April 16, The Roseville Utility Exploration Center will celebrate Earth Day, with many booths and vendors. Event is open to the public.

April 24, Nevada County Home and Garden Show will hold 'A Square Foot Garden' Workshop from 12:00 to 1:30.

April 30, Placer Nature Center will celebrate their 25th anniversary from 10:00 to 3:00. Compost workshops will be held all day.

Today's lunch will be at Placer Nature Center followed by a trip to Chris Hansell's home.

Committee Reports:

Chris Hansell, Field Trips: Thursday, May 5, we will visit Sherwood Demonstration Gardens and Front Yard Nursery, both in Placerville.

Bring a lunch and meet at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 9 a.m.

Carlos Angulo, Membership: As of today 38 members have paid their dues.

Virginia Rowley, Hospitality: Diane Berg, Chris Hansell, Sandy Parks and Mary Sutton were thanked for providing today's snacks.

Richard Huntley, Plant Sale: Members were provided an overview of what still needs to be done for our upcoming April 23rd plant sale.

Karen Sullivan, Indoor Sales: Food and indoor items, no outside plants, may be brought in on Friday April 22, from 11 to 2:00.

Chris Richter is available to pick up larger items. Call to arrange.

Sandy Slaton will call with instructions for those who signed up for cashiering.

Saul Wiseman, Propagation: We will be shown how to do vegetative propagation of tomatoes and take tip cuttings of other plants. Meet at Saul's home, Thursday, April 14 at 10:00a.m.

Claire Gumz, Sunshine: Claire showed us the cards she creates and sends to members.

The meeting was adjourned for a break.

Due to illness, today's speaker, Baldo Villegas, Entomologist and Rosarian was cancelled.

In his place we had opportunity for a longer horticultural time and much general discussion.

Eleanor Cadiente, for
Secretary Lynne Fagundes