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President's Message

March 2019

Happy Spring everyone!

As I am writing this it is the beginning of March and STILL raining. I know we need the rain, but I really miss the sun and warmer temps! I am missing getting my hands in the dirt, planting and just enjoying the garden.

Our chicks are almost fully feathered and getting close to going outside. They will love getting to spread their wings and eat fresh grass and weeds.

Our plant sale is just around the corner. This is a complete club project. Please sign up and join us on Saturday, April 27. We always have a great turn out and money we raise provide grants to our local nonprofits. It is a lot of fun as well!

Thank you to our current board – Susan Pruess, Alice Mork, Mike McGrath, Kelly Warman and myself. All are willing to continue on the board for next year! Of course, ALL positions are open for other nominees! We will vote in May and the installation will be in June.

See you at the end of month!

Erin Angulo, President

Next meeting: Monday, March 25 at 9:00 am.

New Members

Please welcome: Jery Cunningham off Grass Valley. Sherry Murphy of Auburn, and Gary Peterson of Meadow Vista.

Membership Dues

Membership is \$25 and due March 1st. New this year, we accept credit cards for membership payments, plus a \$0.68 convenience fee.

This Month's Speaker

March- Robert Littlepage is a landscape architect living and working in northern California. He worked a number of years with the United States Forest Service conducting rare plant and timber surveys and regularly hikes and photographs the mountains of California and Nevada. Location: Auburn CA. Contact: <http://www.californiaschoolofgardendesign.com/about/>

Field Trips – Loretta McGrath

Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery

Tuesday, March 12 at 10:00 am
2140 Chase Drive, Rancho Cordova
at Soil Born Farms near Hagan Park

Join us for a tour of this nursery operated entirely by volunteers from the Sacramento Valley Chapter of the California Native Plant Society. The nursery features demonstration gardens that are small sized landscapes that show how to effectively use native plants in your own landscapes.

If you would like to carpool, please meet at the church back parking lot at 8:50 am. We will leave promptly at 9:00.

Upcoming Events

Plant Sale – Saturday, April 27

"Rick Krach wants to remind all of us that the plant sale will be here before we know it, the last Saturday of April. He has mentioned it at our meetings, but maybe you've not been there; so please pot up any errant plants in your yard which you can spare. When cleaning your property you'll probably come across extra plants which you can give away. Rick has lots of pots, potting soil, and compost at his home, so please call him to get some for yourself. Also, if you didn't have a chance to sign up for work on April 27 between 6 am and noon, please remember to do that at our March meeting. Thanks" Rick. See more about plant sale in minutes.

UC Master Gardeners – Annual Garden Faire

UC Master Gardeners of Placer County are holding their 4th Annual Garden Faire, April 13, 10 AM to 3 PM in Roseville at the Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Drive, Roseville. Free Admission. It promises to be a great event.

Talks by experts: Vegetable Gardening by Kevini Marini, Master Gardener and Composter. The Future of Water by Robert Littlepage, Landscape Architect. Pollinators and Native Plants by Tora Rocha, founder Pollinator Posse.

Things to see and do: Hands-on demonstrations. Information by Master Gardeners. Composting advice. Info on bees, butterflies and chickens. Succulents to plant. Garden art and plants for sale. Crafts for kids. Food trucks. Door prizes.

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Dawn Gardens

“You are invited to view Dawn Gardens on March 16, 2019 from 9 AM to 5 PM. You are welcome to walk around the 8 acres of gardens and see the 50,000 daffodils, 1,500 Anemone Blanda and 1,000 Grape Hyacinths. You are welcome to enjoy the coffee, scones, and donuts as you walk around. A golf cart is available to give rides to people who have difficult walking.” The address is 14446 Perimeter Rd., Grass Valley.
Barry Friesan, Dawn Landscaping.

Master Gardener News

Also the Master Gardener Hot Line for gardening questions operates all year round so gardeners can call, email, or come in with their questions and a Master Gardener will research and answer your questions... Call 530-889-7388 Tues-Wed-Thurs 9 am to noon to talk to a Master Gardener...there is a live person during those hours, but if they are busy and you get the answering machine leave your name and number and they will call you back.

· Online: http://pcmg.ucanr.org/Got_Questions. Complete the online form and a Master Gardener will respond by phone or email.

· Visit 11477 E. Avenue (DeWitt Center,) Auburn. Master Gardeners are on site during the hours listed above for calls. Bring in a sample for diagnosis (preferably in a sealed plastic bag) or drop off your sample Mon-Fri 8 am to 5 pm.

Inspirational:

Advice from a Tree

Stand tall and proud
Sink your roots into the earth
Be content with your natural beauty
Go out on a limb
Drink plenty of water
Remember your roots and ... Enjoy the view

Auburn Garden Club Minutes
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Auburn CA.
February 25, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Erin Angulo, President at 9am

There were 42 members and 3 guests present.

After the pledge of allegiance inspirational quotes were read by Rick Krach.

The January 2018 minutes were approved as written.

Susan Pruess, Treasurer reported we are on budget with a check book balance of \$6,628.48.

New C.G.C.I. cards are now available.

Committee Reports:

Field Trips:

Loretta McGrath: Our next field trip will be to Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery in Rancho Cordova on March 12th at 10am.

Rick Krach: Dawn Gardens daffodil open house will be Saturday, March 16th.

Julie Wiseman: The Sacramento Perennial Plant Club will again be holding its annual sale at McKinley Park, Sacramento, Saturday, March 23rd.

Hospitality:

Virginia Rowley: Today's refreshments were brought by Charlene Daniel, Sandy Slaton, Gail Fisher, Edie Karde and Susan Pruess.

The annual installation luncheon will be held at Awful Annies in Auburn on Monday June 10th at 11:30.

April will be the 85th anniversary of The Auburn Garden Club. The meeting will be themed on that time period.

Members are still needed to sign up to bring food for workers on the day of our plant sale.

Membership: Carlos Angulo: Annual dues of \$25.00 are now due.

Plant Sale: Rick Krach: Everything is on track for our sale. Rick has obtained soil from Soil Brokers at 1/2 price. Come by Ricks to pick it up. He also has compost to offer to members.

Sandy Slaton: Taggers are needed. An explanation of taggers and cashiers was given.

Meredith Worley: What is needed for inside sales.

Rick Krach: Plants need to be tagged with a name and as much information as will fit on the plant tag. Unknown plants may be brought to our April meeting for I.D.

Elly Cadiente: Master Gardeners were asked for help in sharing information about our sale.
Erin Angulo: There will be no half price at the end of sale as we have had in the past.
Flyers are now available.

Sunshine: Debbie Arlington: There were no announcements this month.

Edibles: Dave Faoro: Discussion and demonstration of the Kratky method of hydrophobic growing. No electricity, air stones or pumps are needed. Dave passed around the gopher traps he has had success with. They may be ordered from www.Traplineproducts.com/onlinestore.html. Anyone needing more information is welcome to contact Dave.

Horticulture: Claire Gumz: One bouquet of blooming flowers plus Red and Yellow Twig Dogwood and leaves of Japanese Photinia was brought in by Rick Krach. Claire showed us two of her favorite catalogues. One Green World, Portland OR, [www One Green World.com](http://www.OneGreenWorld.com). This catalogue has unusual fruiting plants. Musser Forests, Indiana, Pennsylvania, [www musserforests.com](http://www.musserforests.com)

This catalogue features unusual trees that will grow in our climate.

Old Business:

Nominations committee: Erin Angulo: All present officers have agreed to stay for another year.

New Business:

Master Gardeners: Kortne Phillips: The Garden Faire will be held at the Maidu Community Center on Saturday, April 13th from 10 to 3. There will be plants, art, information tables, speakers and a food truck. The Master Gardeners 31st annual garden tour will be held on Sunday May 31st. The tour will include 7 gardens.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 for refreshments.

Today's presentation will be by Trey Pitsenberger from Golden Gecko Nursery in Garden Valley. He will keep us up to date on what is going on in the nursery business.
Eleanor Cadiente for Alice Mork, Secretary

Inspirational from the February meeting

William Kent, "Garden as though you will live forever."

Marcus Tullius Cicero, "If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need."
H. Jackson Brown, Jr., "Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get."

Voltaire, "We must cultivate our own garden. When man was put in the garden of Eden he was put there so that he should work, which proves that man was not born to rest."

Alfred Austin, " The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body, but the soul."

Liberty Hyde Bailey, "A garden requires patient labor and attention. Plants do not grow merely to satisfy ambitions or to fulfill good intentions. They thrive because someone expended effort of them."

Gertrude Jekyll, "A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust."

Claude Monet, "My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece."

Abraham Lincoln, "When the world wearies and society fails to satisfy, there is always the garden."

Allan Armitage, "Gardening simply does not allow one to be mentally old, because too many hopes and dreams are yet to be realized."

Cake served at the last garden club meeting and brought by Elly Cadiente.

Mandarin Orange Cake

Oven 350 degrees approx. 50 minutes

13 X 9 pan

1/2 recipe works well approx, 25 = 35 minutes

7 X 11 pan

2 cups flour

2 cups sugar. (I used 1 1/2 cups)

2 tsp. Baking soda

2 Eggs

2 tsp Vanilla

2 Small cans undrained mandarin oranges

Dash salt

1/2 cup nuts

Combine all ingredients except oranges

Add the oranges and their juice last.

Pour into greased pan. Bake as stated above

Cool before frosting

Frosting

1/2 cup brown sugar

1 cup whipping cream (1/2 pt.)

1 tsp. Vanilla

Beat ingredients together until they are thick enough to spread.

Cut cake then individually top with frosting.