



The Redbud

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President's Message

May 2019

What a month we have had! Our plant/bake/yard art was a great success! Thank you to everyone that worked so hard and helped out in so many ways! We made \$3229.81.

Our newsletter is going out a bit early this month as our editor, Chris Hansell, will be enjoying Hawaii and besides our meeting is a week early this month due to Memorial Day. Don't forget we are meeting on Monday, May 20.

Thank you to all our officers that are all continuing for another year: Erin Angulo as President, Mike McGrath and Kelly Warman as Vice Presidents, Susan Pruess as Treasurer and Alice Mork as Secretary.

The installation of officers will be at our June Luncheon on June 10 at Awful Annie's.

Which leads me to the next note – don't forget to sign up for our annual luncheon! The food and service are always wonderful, and Virginia and her crew do a great job of decorating!

Loretta has some unique field trips planned, so be sure to attend!

After the May meeting, we will have a brief board meeting. Please let me know if you have anything for the agenda.

Weeding, weeding, weeding.....

Erin Angulo

President

New Members

Dorothy Young is over 90 years old and lives in Auburn.

Carolyn Hendricks lives in Auburn. Say hello to them when you see them at the next meeting.

This Month's Speaker

Speaker will be Kelly Warman, AGC member and UC Master Gardener. Plant selection, combustibility of Landscape mulch, defensible space will be the topic at our next meeting.

Plant Sale

"Rick wishes to whole-heartedly thank the many people who did such a fantastic job selling plants on the 27th. And a special thank you to the many members who grew plants for us to sell! We made a lot of money despite not getting any large number of plants from any nursery or private, outside grower as we have in recent years." Rick also says that he heard many compliments during the sale and again after the day was over about the nice variety of things we had for sale, both inside and outside!" Rick Krach

Field Trip – Loretta McGrath

May Field Trip - Our May field trip will be on the same day as the Golden Foothills District Garden Party, both events are in Garden Valley. It's a twofer!

The Golden Gecko Garden Center

Thursday - May 16 at 10:00 a.m.
4665 Marshall Road
Garden Valley

You may recall that Trey, the owner of the Golden Gecko Garden Center, was our guest speaker a few months ago. The garden center and apiary is located in Garden Valley and carries organic fertilizer, sprays, naturally grown plants, vegetables and fruits. Their plants are suited for foothill and mountain gardening.

If you'd like to carpool please contact Loretta McGrath at zgal55@gmail.com for a yet to be decided location where we'll meet. (Depends on how many folks go and where they'll be coming from.)

Golden Foothills District Garden Party

Thursday, May 16, 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.
4421 Sweetbriar Lane, Garden Valley
RSVP nblonski@gmail.com or 530-333-1335
Potluck luncheon and tour of over 8,000 roses

Upcoming Events

AGC INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

Awful Annie's

June 10, at 11:30 am

\$20 per person includes tax and tip

There will be a sign up sheet at the May meeting. We really need a good turnout for this luncheon. Awful Annie's provides us with their back dining room without an additional charge and they are always very accommodating. So come eat and socialize with each other. Since we do not have meetings in July and August, most of us will not see each other until the September 23rd meeting.

Hostesses: Virginia Rowley, Ruth Peterhans, and Billie True

The MAY 20th meeting's refreshment theme is "EVERYTHING STRAWBERRY."
I'm sure we'll have some delicious goodies to share.

UC Master Gardener of Placer County

34th Annual Mother's Day Garden Tour

Sunday, May 12, 10 am to 4 pm

Tour seven unique gardens in Loomis, Rocklin and Granite Bay. Tickets and directions are available at Easley's in Auburn and Green Acres Nursery in Rocklin and Roseville.

Dawn Gardens – Mother's Day Weekend Open Garden

Dawn Gardens will be open on both days on Mother's Day weekend Saturday, May 11 from 9 am – 5 pm and Sunday, May 12 from 12 noon to 5 pm. Bring your Mother and your kids and grand kids to enjoy the flowers and a walk through the 8 acre garden with 5 ponds and 2 miles of paths. No RSVP is required and no fee is charged but I will have a Donation box available for people who want to help with maintenance of the garden. There will be donuts, scones, cookies and coffee available. A golf cart is available for those who have difficulty walking. The address is 14446 Perimeter Rd., Grass Valley.

Barry Fiesen, Dawn Landscaping, Inc. 510 385-5139

Horton Iris Garden

7440 King Road, Loomis, Open April-May only, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday 10am-5 pm. Located in Loomis and very easy to find, this iris farm includes about 1200 varieties of irises to see in bloom and purchase.

More information at hortonirisgarden.com.

Bloomtastic at Maple Rock Gardens

Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

100 Clark Tunnel Road, Penryn

\$10 adults, children under 12 free

Tickets are available online www.maplerockgardens.com or at the event

Maple Rock Gardens is a 30-acre estate containing multiple themed garden rooms, one of the largest garden railroads in Northern California and almost 4 acres of bountiful farm lands. Enjoy a self-guided tour along meandering paths leading to each of the garden rooms ranging from Japanese style settings to a formal English garden room full of fragrant and delicate blooms. Maple Rock Gardens is affiliated with High-Hand Nursery in Loomis and is only open a few times a year. This place is absolutely stunning, don't miss it!

Bywater Hollow Lavender Farm

Open Saturdays & Sundays (Free!)

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

May 11 - June 30

5950 Mount Vernon Road in Lincoln, on the border of Auburn

This beautiful 13.5 acre property located along the Placer County Wine Trail, and near to the hiking trails of Hidden Falls Regional Park, is the private residence of the Bunz Family. (Yes, Dan Bunz, a former San Francisco 49er). The lavender fields and farm shop are open to the public on weekends. U-pick is offered where guests can select and cut their own lavender bouquets to purchase. Snacks and refreshments prepared with culinary lavender are also available for purchase. Beautiful grounds to stroll and features a gigantic, scenic pond.

April's inspiration:

Inspirational William Wordsworth's poem "Daffodils"

I wandered lonely as a cloud That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing
in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-
ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in
sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee;
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company:
I gazed - and gazed - but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the
daffodils.

AGC Garden Club Meeting Minutes April 22, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM by Erin Angulo, President.

There were 43 in attendance.

The Inspiration from Wordsworth's "I Wandered Lonely as A Cloud" was read by Rick Krach.

The March minutes were accepted as written.

Susan Pruess, Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$7162.53. The increase reflected dues paid.

Julie Wiseman asked when dues were due. They are due March 1 and, to be included in the yearbook, members must be paid by July 15.

Committee Reports:

Field Trips: Loretta McGrath reminded us of the trip and demo at Golden Pond on Wednesday. There are lots of things happening this month so check the newsletter. Among this month's happenings: Horton's Iris Farm, The Master Gardener's Mother's Day Garden Tour May 12. Also, Maple Rock will be open the same day. The District Garden Party is May 16 in Garden Valley from 11-1PM, car pool because there is limited parking. In June we be going to Garden Valley again to Trey Pitsenberg's Nursery.

Hospitality: Virginia Rowley - Today's refreshments provided by Lynn Fagundes and Diane Berg. The cake by Costco. Today the garden club is 85 years old and in 1934 men could only be associate members, gas was 10 cents a gallon and you could buy a house for \$4,000! Our end of the year luncheon at Awful Annie's on June 10, \$20 payable by next month's meeting.

Membership: Carlos Angulo announced we have a new member, Carolyn Hendricks. Kathy Petri asks us to make sure names and email addresses are correct on the sign-in sheet which will be used for the yearbook.

Plant Sale: Rick Krach sent a sign-up sheet around for Saturday's jobs at the sale. Ellie reminded us to clean-up our plants for the sale. Gene said to spray paint out the plant name on the container to avoid confusion and to label the plants including color of blossom if known. Grocery bags are needed for the bake sale. Claire has put publicity in the Auburn Journal. Erin asked us all to put notices in our social media posts.

Sunshine: Debbie Arlington says Claudia Duncan appreciates the cards. The Auburn mayor has been invited to the plant sale. Erin welcomed Saul Wiseman who hasn't been here for a while and also Kathy Petri who is back after breaking her hip.

Edibles: Dave Faoro - Feed onions with a low nitrogen fertilizer like fish emulsion every 10 days until they form bulbs, cut back or stop watering when they start to flop over. When 25% or more flop dig them all up and put in the shade (not sun!) to dry off. When all the tops brown, cut them off and store with air circulation.

Julie Wiseman has been getting Anjou Pears at Grocery Outlet labeled from *Washington!* She

says they are really good after ripening on the windowsill.

Diane Berg says to make sure to pick up peach leaf curl leaves that drop as the virus spreads from infected soil and make sure you discard them and do not put in compost pile.

Use traps for codling moths on apples.

Horticulture: Claire Gumz - Feed Citrus in pots monthly. She has noticed a big change using organic citrus food. Using cottonseed meal on azaleas that weren't blooming last year helped them to bloom this year. She recommends liquid seaweed spray combined with fish emulsion on peach leaf curl plants.

Claire suggested we save plastic trays from fast foods to use as plant trays and also for growing sedums.

Julie Wiseman brought a beautiful rhododendron and reminded us to plant them and azaleas high, an inch above grade. She also brought iris confuse and a purple bacopa planted with nasturtium in a pot. She says the bacopa will bloom for 3 months if kept on the dry-side, over watering will kill, it at the least cause it not to bloom.

Rich Krach brought plants that will be blooming in his yard today at lunch after the meeting where we will also see his pet donkey and the goslings that just hatched this morning.

Gene Goldsmith brought a Melianthus major, Honeybush which he said is covered with white fly when watered but with no water does fine. He says the real show is the seed pods after the blossom which are square-shaped and yellow. He also brought an easily propagated fuchsia and 3 echiums which are really more temperate plants which have towering flower stalks. They are biennials and can reseed.

Old Business:

Erin called for nominations from the floor. There were none. The current board was voted in for the next year. Installation will be at the luncheon in June. Mike McGrath will take over for Erin who will be in Seattle for her parents 60th wedding anniversary.

New Business:

Master Gardener's: Kortne Phillips - There were over 900 at the Garden Faire! Virginia Rowley and Edie Kardie have attended every one of the 34 Master Gardener's Mother's Day Garden Tours and to honor them, Kortne will award them free tickets to this year's tour. The least the rest of us can do is to buy ticket for the tour as well! Tickets will go on sale Friday, \$20 and available at Eisley's Nursery.

The meeting was adjourned for refreshments at 10:20AM

Erin introduced our guests for the 85th Anniversary celebration, the new District Representative for the coming year Nina Blonski (hostess of the upcoming Garden Party) and current District Representative Ann Wallace.

Today's Presentation by Greg Grimm from Gold Country Wildlife. Alice Mork, Secretary

