

Dogwood Garden Club



Bloomin' News

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow DGCers:

What a grand beginning to 2018. The potluck was well attended by both members and plates of wonderful food. Thanks you Mary, Marilu, Teresa, Joyce and the others who helped with decorating, set up and break down. A special thanks to Carol Velek who is not a member but contributed her skills to putting together the raffle basket. I was very happy to see so many guests who became new members and look forward to getting to know them and encouraging their contributions to the club.

Our members continue to influence our community in so many ways. Marilyn Johnson and many other members help with Friends of the Library's fundraising contributions that not only provide books but much needed computer access to the public. The Super Seniors, lead by Maureen Julian, is providing our older citizens with activities, socializing and information. The local fire safe council's board includes Maureen and myself. Through the PPCFSC efforts, Pollock Pines and Camino are now Firewise communities. There are many more member contributions with the Community Center, local churches, schools and other organization. If you are looking for something to do, there's a world of opportunities out there!

I will end by saying thanks to all of you for your gung ho attitude and look forward to a fabulous year!

Norma Ray

Attachments:

Minutes from the February meeting
Gekkeikan Sake Brewery History and Philosophy
Budget recap for 2017
Calendar of meetings and extracurricular activities
List of activity leaders

Our March 7th Meeting will be at Gekkeikan Sake Brewery- Please see my separate attachment about Gekkeikan's History and Philosophy.

This will be a fun and unusual meeting.

If you would like to carpool, meet at the CVS parking lot, opposite O'Reilly Auto Parts, in the area facing Pony Express Trail. We will **leave by 9:30am** to meet in their parking lot by **10:15am**. Our tour begins at **10:30am** and the tasting room immediately following. The building is surrounded by a large beautiful Koi Pond.

Directions from CVS: Hwy 50 West to Folsom, exit 25 onto Prairie City Rd., turn right onto Prairie City, in about 1 mile, after you cross Blue Ravine, it becomes Sibley St. Gekkeikan is on the left at 1136 Sibley St. Folsom.

Lunch:

We will leave the brewery by 12pm for our **12:15pm** lunch reservation at **Visconti's Ristorante 2700 E. Bidwell #700, Folsom, CA. 916-983-5181**

Directions to the restaurant:

Turn right out of the parking lot onto Sibley ST., in 400ft turn left onto Levy Rd. In 1/2 mile, turn right onto Riley St.; in 1.2 miles turn left onto Oak Ave. Pkwy. In .3 miles turn right onto E. Bidwell St., in .6 miles turn left onto Scholar Way; then in .2 miles turn right onto Cavitt Dr. Visconti's will be 800 ft. on your right. (it is up from Land Ocean and B.J's Brewhouse.

I will ask Marilyn Johnson to send a reminder email by Feb.26th and will need confirmation of your attendance for the tour and lunch by March 1st.

Looking forward to seeing you in March. - Pat Schoggins

March 14th Birthday Lunch - Janet Sullivan - California Cafe, Placerville. Birthdays include Janet Sullivan, Lorraine Mumm (who's celebrating a special birthday!) and Robin Milner (new member).

April 4th Potluck and meeting at Carol Game's house featuring a question and answer session with a Master Gardener and a quick craft session from our very own Lorraine Mumm. More information to follow.