

Dogwood Garden Club



Bloomin' News

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow DGCers:

We have **eleven** new members as of January 1, 2018! I think that must be some kind of record! I would like to wish a big hearty welcome to these new members - Donna Barrese, Kathy Babcock, JC Lewis, Jan Slominski, Joani Vanderpool, Julie Miller, Nancy Jones, Nancy Rushing, Robin Milner, Valerie Laam and our newest member Alyssa Sandoval. I am looking forward to getting to know each of you and to having you share with us and the community your special talents. I would also like to thank the club members who recruited these new members. Spreading the word about what a great organization we are and increasing our membership will in turn make us an even greater organization with the ability to do more for our community while having fun! With all the new members, I encourage everyone to wear their name badges.

As I was going through the roster looking at all the new members, I also noticed that there are three ladies who have been members since before the turn of the century. These members are Bunny Minkin, Joy Heine and Barbara Thomas who has been a member since 1988! Although we don't get to see these ladies very often any more, they are still with us as lifetime members and in our thoughts.

Thank you Pat Schoggins for coming up with the idea and hosting our meeting at Gekkeiken Saki Brewery in Folsom. We learned everything you'd ever want to know about saki and the making of it and got to taste some very tasty beverages! Lunch at Visconti's was excellent. The food was great and it was nice having a room with doors we could close for our meeting.

I hope to see a good many of you at our next meeting at Carol Game's home. In the meantime, enjoy the snow/rain! Summer will be here soon enough.

Norma Ray

Attachment: Minutes from the March meeting

April 4th Potluck and meeting at Carol Game's house featuring a craft session from our very own Lorraine Mumm and cupcake decorating by Maureen and Marilu.

From Carol - the particulars for the potluck: If your last name begins with A through H bring dessert, I - P will bring some type of salad or appetizer and Q through Z a main dish. I have 2 raffle prizes. One is a box with different lavenders and the other is a basket for gardening. Remember to bring a folding chair. I will provide drinks + dinnerware and silverware. Thanks, Carol



Maureen & Marilu will be providing dessert, Cupcakes, decorated by them; a quick demonstration will be given on the 4 designs using the same decorator tip. You will also have the opportunity, hands-on, to try techniques.

Wednesday, April 11th - Birthday lunch. Janet Sullivan will coordinate. Carol Game, Choral Engstrom, Darlene Grosz, JC Lewis, Joyce Harris, Ken Brown, Maureen Julian, and Teresa Burroughs will celebrate.

Monday, April 16th - 10:30 - Christmas Party Meeting at Gold Ridge Lodge. Mary Bourn is coordinating.

May 2nd Meeting will be held at the High Sierra Iris Farm. Jeri Hartman is coordinating.

Other upcoming activities:

Early May: Clean up and planting at Sly Park Campground Entrance. This is being coordinated by Carol Game, Barbara O'Sullivan and Marilyn Johnson. I believe they have a good group signed up and ready to help.

Early June(?): DGC Garage Sale. Carol Game is coordinating. They are looking into having it in the El Dorado Savings Bank parking lot but the Community Center lot is available if that doesn't work out.

Thursday, June 21st: Barn Quilt Trail Tour. This is being coordinated by Norma Ray. The tour is currently full but if you are interested in going, I'd be happy to put you on the waiting list. The tour will begin at 9:30 and end around 5 so be prepared for a full day!