

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 7, 2016**

The very brief meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:30 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

The first order of business was the vote to accept the 2017 Budget. Ivona McCrary motion to accept the 2017 Budget. Nadine Burton second to the motion. Motion accepted.

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the November minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The November minutes were approved as written.

President Bruch announced that Karen Cox was awarded the Outstanding Service Award. Due to illness Karen was unable to attend the meeting today. Karen will be presented her award at the January 2017 regular meeting.

Larry Verble was given a card and gift today for his audio/video contribution to the club at the regular monthly meetings.

President Bruch thanked the Board of Directors and Program Committee Members for the Holiday Celebration array of food and drink.

Kathy also thanked the greeters Deborah Gullo and Harriet Neal.

60 books and many toys were collected today for school-age children. Turkeys were also purchased for Blessings Day. The coordinators for this effort: Judy Gajkowski, Annie Gross, Sue Overley and Linda Suydam.

Membership Chair Sharon Sanfelippo introduced new Members Doug and Christy Doll. Membership stands at 204.

Benevolence Chair Judy Labovitz read a thank you note from the Executive Director of PB&J.

Webmaster Deborah Gullo requested updates and/or changes from Interest Group Chairs.

Adjourned: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on December 7, 2016

Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:45 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. A quorum was not present. The vote on the 2017 Budget will be taken at the December 2016 meeting.

Karen Cox introduced the speaker for today's program Drew Henry, Pastor of the Las Placitas Presbyterian Church who spoke about healing the heart of democracy.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked the Refreshment Committee: Winnie Hoeksema, Harriet Neal and Jim Neal with support from Refreshment Chair Vicki Kimmel.

President Bruch also thanked our Greeters: Sandy Pilcher and Nancy Yates also, Darlene Beeson for her help with the membership collection. Special thanks to Gale Fisher and Dianna Stone for supporting this effort in October.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the October minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The October minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary stated a beginning balance of \$X.XX
Expenses: \$X.XX Income: \$X.XX
Ending Balance for the month of October, 2016: \$X.XX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Service: Co-Chair Diane Schuler thanked the membership for their generosity this past year. From the October collection Suzanne Neri distributed 97 coats to the three elementary schools in the Bernalillo School District. Geri Verble and Sue Ortiz shopped many stores to purchase good quality coats at low prices. The school representatives who accepted the coats at Algodones, Bernalillo and Placitas schools expressed their gratitude to all who contributed to this effort.

Community Service is still collecting checks for turkeys. They are \$16.00 a piece

and checks can be made out to St. Vincent de Paul or you can purchase turkeys at T&T Grocery in Bernalillo.

There is one more Adopt-a-Highway pick up scheduled for November 12th. at 9:00 a.m. meeting at Mile Marker 5 on Rte. 165.

The December collection is comprised of new unwrapped toys, books, arts and craft supplies, all for school age children. Young adult books can be included. There are 339 children and 135 families for Blessing Day this year.

Membership: Membership Co-Chair Dorothy Coelho introduced new member Christina Sullivan. Membership count stands at 203.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President Ellen McMahon stated we would again opt for small bites/appetizers for the December Meeting/ Christmas Party which would follow a brief monthly meeting.

President Bruch suggested contacting her if you are not receiving the messages from the Webmaster.

Kathy also reminded the Committee Chairs to forward all relevant information to Yearbook Chair Jennise Phillips before the November 15, 2016 deadline. Kathy also thanked Webmaster Deborah Gullo for entering this info into the 2017 master calendar.

Noche Encantada Chair Linda Suydam reminded the membership to sign up for the Jardineros Christmas Party at Prairie Star Restaurant on December 17, 2016. The tickets are \$65.00 a piece. This is a great way to dress up, socialize, enjoy a festive meal and dance to a live band.

HAPPY DOLLARS

There were no happy dollars today.

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on November 11, 2016

Recording Secretary, Kathleen Levine

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:40 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. A quorum was present.

Election of Officers: Nominating Chair Pam Buethe introduced the 2017 slate of nominated Officers for the membership vote.

Elected by a majority of the membership:

President Kathy Bruch

Vice President Ellen McMahon

Recording Secretary Dorothy Coelho

Corresponding Secretary Elaine Carey

Treasurer Ivona McCrary

The 2017 Nominating Committee was also voted in: Geri Verble, Connie Goodwin, Shirley Ericson, Jennise Phillips and Erin Height. Kathy Bruch motion to accept this committee. Jill Kennedy second to the motion. The 2017 Nominating Committee elected.

Bylaws Chair Rose Gardiner presented the proposal to change the club's bylaws by adding: Article II: Purpose to indicate that we are structured under Internal Revenue code (c)(7). Motion to amend Jill Kennedy. Second to the motion Cathryne Richards. Proposal accepted.

Ellen McMahon introduced our speaker Judith Phillips, designer, teacher and author who spoke about our desert environment and what to do with it.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked the Greeters: Erin Height and Mary Lou Skelton

Kathy also thanked the Refreshment Committee: Ginny Davis, Nancy Kellum-Rose, Jennise Phillips, Elissa Chandon and Stephany Wilson.

President Bruch also reminded members the sign up sheets for the Committees were on the table in the hall and encouraged everyone's participation.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the September minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The September minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary stated a beginning balance of \$X.xx
Expenses: \$X.xx Income: \$X.xx
Ending Balance for the month of September, 2016: \$X.xx

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating: Pam Buethe, Chair of the Committee, expressed her thanks to the members of the committee Margaret Bolshezy, Melinda Petersen, Judy Labovitz and Susan McWilliam.

Membership: Co-chair Sharon Sanfelippo introduced and welcomed two new members who joined today. Eleanor Jugle and Margaret McHenney. There were also 3 guests today. Co-chair Dorothy Coelho stated the membership count stands at 203.

Community Service: Co-chair Jill Kennedy had several members hold up the quilts made by Jardineros members and friends of Jardineros. There were 29 quilts in all. President Bruch had a special thank you and round of applause for the coordinators of this project Maris Mason and Jo Anne Fredrikson. Also included in this mention of appreciation are the non-members who also contributed their time and expertise. Coats were collected for the elementary schools today. The coordinators for this collection were Jill Kennedy, Suzanne Neri, Tina Thomas and Geri Verble. The December collection will be unwrapped new toys, books, and art supplies. Nancy Hawks explained how Blessings Day began and stated \$16.00 is the cost of each turkey. Checks can be made out to St. Vincent de Paul Society. The last Adopt-a-Highway is scheduled for November. Date to follow.

BUDGET

Treasurer Ivona McCrary presented the 2017 budget. An extended discussion followed with questions which were answered by President Bruch to the satisfaction of the membership. (See attached budget sheets)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Suydam, Chair of **Noche Encantada** announced December 17, 2016 as the date of the Christmas Party at Prairie Star Restaurant encouraging the membership to join in the fun. A delicious menu, dancing and a great opportunity to dress up and socialize.

HAPPY DOLLARS

There were 7 Happy Dollars today.

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on October 5, 2016

Recording Secretary, Kathleen Levine

JARDINEROS DE PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:35 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

A quorum was present.

President Kathy Bruch welcomed members to the annual “Show Your Stuff” members’ arts & crafts show. She reminded members to sign up for 2017 committees and announced that the Budget Committee meeting, open to all members, will be held on Oct. 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at Placitas Community Library. The 2017 Budget will be presented at the October meeting.

The slate of 2017 officers will be presented by the Nominating Committee today and will be voted on at the October meeting.

President Kathy Bruch thanked our **Greeters:** Pam Buethe and Connie Goodwin

Kathy also thanked the **Refreshments Committee:** Barbara Otter, Erin Height, Sue Overley, and Maria Pozo Hymphreys.

Kathy reminded members that 2017 membership dues of \$60.00 are due by November 15. Cathryne Richards is available to do photo retakes for the Yearbook after the October and November meetings.

Request for nominations for outstanding service award are to be sent to Kathy, The nomination should include a brief bio and reason for nomination of the member.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola announced on behalf of Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine that the August minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The August minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola acknowledged receipt of thank-you letters sent by KUPR Radio and Paws and Stripes expressing gratitude for our Benevolence contributions.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary announced a beginning balance of \$xxx; expenses of \$xxx; income of \$xxx; and an ending balance of \$xxx

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating: Pam Buethe, Chair of the committee, expressed thanks to members of the committee Margaret Bolshazy, Melinda Petersen, Judy Labovitz, and Susan McWilliam. The nominations for officers for 2017 are as follows:

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary
Corresponding Secretary: Elaine Carey
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Coelho
Vice President: Ellen McMahon
President: Kathy Bruch

The slate of officers will be voted on at the October meeting. Any addition nominations from the floor will be entertained at that time.

Pam also indicated that the slate for the 2017 Nominating Committee are Geri Verble, Connie Goodwin, Shirley Ericson, Jennise Phillips, and Erin Height.

Constitution and Bylaws: Rose Gardner presented a proposed change to the club's bylaws by adding an additional sentence to Article II: PURPOSE to indicate that according to our IRS designation we are structured as a 501 (c) 7 organization. We are structured under Internal Revenue code 501(c)(7).

Membership: Dorothy Coelho announced that two new members joined today. Several guests were also in attendance. Membership stands at 199.

Community Service: Co-Chair Jill Kennedy reminded members that the next Highway Clean-up is scheduled for November and urged members to sign up.

The Winter Wear collection for school-age children will be conducted at the October meeting.

Haven House quilting project quilts will be displayed at the October meeting.

Program: The committee recently met and is finalizing the schedule of programs for 2017.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Karen Cox announced three Placitas Community Library events:

September Paper exhibit and Sept. 9 artists' reception

September 11 play and fundraiser event

September 24 Music at Sunset picnic

Additional information on these events is available on the PCL website

Happy Dollars

There were seven Happy Dollars today.

Adjourned: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted on September 7, 2016

Susan Arreola

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 3, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:35 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. A quorum was present.

Karen Cox introduced the program "Listen to the Sound of Music" presented by the Members of Placitas Artist Series. Club members were entertained with a short string recital by the "Camp Shirt Quartet" and by pianist Deborah Hanna.

A preview of the upcoming schedule was given by Anne Hays Egan.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our Greeters: Cindy Wiesner and Pat Quick. Kathy also thanked the Refreshment Committee: Patt Cain, Barbara Hill, Ivona McCrary, Bruce Price and Kathleen Levine with considerable help from Refreshment Chair Vicki Kimmel.

Membership: Chair Dorothy Coelho introduced new member Jacque Moise and two guests in attendance today. Membership count is 194.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the July minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The July minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona Mccrory announced a beginning balance of \$xxx

Income: \$xxx Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of July 2016: \$xxx

Correspondence: Benevolence Chair Judy Labovitz, in lieu of Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola, acknowledged receipt of six thank you notes as follows: Nora Timmons, Children's Program Coordinator at Placitas Community Library thanked us and said the donation would be used to support their summer reading program.

Susannah Burke, Executive Director of PB&J said the donation was designated towards the therapeutic preschool at their Bernalillo location.

10 members of the Paws and Stripes team signed a note thanking us for the donation which will be used for training purposes.

Kurt R Sheppard, President and CEO of Valle del Sol stated the donation would

be used for monthly client outings in the community.

Joan Fenicle of KUPR 99.9 FM wrote that our gift allowed them to complete the installation of a professional broadcast board in the studio and interfacing it to the phone.

They can now interact with listeners on the air.

Jerry Saxton, President of Rebuilding Together Sandoval County stated our donation will help with home renovations for their clients.

Community Service: Pam Buethe, along with Judith Austin, coordinators for this month's collection stated that 46 backpacks and close to \$xxx were collected today.

Algodones requested earphones, but need to have them all the same so part of the money collected will be used for that purpose.

October's collection will be for coats, mittens and hats.

Adopt-a-Highway pick up is scheduled for August 20, 2016. Participants to meet at mile marker 5 at 8:00a.m.

The first meeting for the Quilts project is August 25, 2016 with Maris Mason hosting.

Volunteers will pick out fabric and cut it into squares. The second meeting will consist of putting the quilts together and will be announced at a later date. People with sewing experience are needed.

Announcements: Nominating Committee Chair Pam Buethe announced the committee, Susan McWilliams, Melinda Petersen, Judy Labovitz and Margaret Bolshazy will meet on August 22, 2016 at Pam's home. If anyone has a person to nominate for any position on the Board of Directors, please contact Pam before their meeting date.

Susan Fullas stated she and Sue Overley will be stepping down as coordinators for the reading programs at Algodones and Placitas Elementary schools.

If anyone is interested or considering volunteering, please contact the Principals and or teachers at each of the respective schools. Susan will send out school schedules if requested.

Rose Gardiner, coordinator along with Barbara Hill of the "Show Your Stuff" program in September stated they now have 19 participants and to spread the word around that all are welcome.

Again the September program is "Show Your Stuff", coordinated by Rose Gardiner and Barbara Hill.

The Greeters are Rich Burton and Karen Cox

Refreshments provided by Nadine Burton, Erin Height, Sue Overley, Barbara Otter and Maria Humphreys.

Happy Dollars: There were 17 Happy Dollars today.

Adjourned: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on August 4, 2016

Recording Secretary, Kathleen Levine

JARDINEROS DE PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
JULY 6, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ellen McMahon at 9:40 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church. President Kathy Bruch is away.

A quorum was present.

Ellen McMahon introduced our Speaker Bill Kennedy. Bill detailed wilderness preparedness and survival tips. He and his New Mexico Search and Rescue associate, Mark Wright, spoke about search and rescue training, certification, operations, and missions.

BREAK

Vice-President Ellen McMahon thanked our **Greeters:** Ginny Daul and Karen Cox.

Ellen also thanked the **Refreshments Committee:** Ellen Baker, Mary Carey, Linda Suydam, and Pat Sporn.

Ellen McMahon acknowledged the passing of our dear friend and member Liz Allotta and thanked members of Liz's Jardineros book group (Libro Sin Nombre) for providing meals for the family.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola announced on behalf of Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine that the June minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The June minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola displayed a thank-you scroll sent by Valle del Sol. She announced that several thank you letters have been received for our Benevolence contributions. These will be presented by Benevolence Chair Judy Labovitz at the August meeting.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary announced a beginning balance of \$xxx

Income: \$x Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of June, 2016 was \$6,387.61

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Dorothy Coelho announced that two new members, Maria Adang and Dawn Vaughn, joined today. They were both introduced along with each of the 10 guests in attendance. Membership stands at 190.

Community Service: Co-Chair Jill Kennedy reminded members that the next Highway Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, August 20.

The August "Back-to-School" collection will have special requests including copy paper and colored paper. These will be noted in the August President's Message to the membership. Dates and locations for the Haven House quilting project chaired by Joanne Frederickson and Maris Mason will be announced soon.

Website: An update will be provided at the August meeting. Members requested that the Announcements page be reinitiated promptly. Others indicated that there are numerous errors and mistakes currently on the website. It was suggested that members contact the webmaster directly to report any such incorrect information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fourth of July Parade: Mary Boatright and her Committee were thanked for their great float decorations and enthusiastic participation in the Fourth of July Parade.

Placitas Artist Series: PAS will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday, August 14. More information is available on The Table.

August Program: Placitas Artist Series will present "Listen to the Sound of Music" presented by members of the Placitas Artist Series.

Program Coordinator: Karen Cox

Greeters: Cindy Wiesner and _____

Refreshments: Patt Cain, Barbara Hill, Kathleen Levine, and Ivona McCrary

Happy Dollars

There were seven Happy Dollars today.

Adjourned: Vice-President McMahan adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted on July 7, 2016

Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:40 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

A quorum was present.

Pam Buehe introduced our Speaker Susan Arreola. Susan took the membership on a "Southwest Postcard Journey". Susan's talk was entertaining as well as enlightening, sharing the different aspects and history of postcard collecting.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our **Greeters:** Darlene Beeson and Suzanne Neri. Kathy also thanked our **Refreshment Committee:** Karen Cox, Shirley Ericson, Joan Lucero, Melinda Petersen and Diane Stropp.

Membership: Darlene Beeson noted there were 5 guests today.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the April and May minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The April and May minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary reported a Beginning Balance of \$xxx
Income: \$xxx Expenses: 0

Ending Balance for the month of May, 2016 was \$xxx

Correspondence: Benevolence Chair Judy Labovitz stated there were 5 thank you notes: Richard Reif, President of the Placitas Artist Series, our donation was used to help with their outreach programs.

Ari Herring Executive Director and David Whitely Development Director for the Rio Grande Food Project, our donation helped to provide food for vulnerable individuals and families.

Marian Frear, Director Placitas Community Library, our donation was used for story hours, lively programs and how-to workshops for the youth in Placitas.

Roberta Radosevich Executive Director Haven House, our donation was used to provide shelter, advocacy and supportive services.

Sally Curro Chair of Casa Rosa, our donation was used for their Client Emergency Fund.

Treasurer: Awaiting report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benevolence: Chair Judy Labovitz stated letters were sent to 12 organizations and there were 5 thank you responses. (See above in correspondence).

Community Service: Co-Chair Jill Kennedy stated \$xxx was collected for the St. Vincent de Paul Society today. Also, she and Co-Chair Diane Schuler would be contacting the schools for their lists of needed school supplies.

Coordinators for today's collection: Jill Kennedy and Suzanne Neri.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4th. of July Parade volunteers should meet at the Placitas Heights sign at 9:30 a.m.

Mary Boatright is the Parade Chair and contact person for the parade.

ES-CA - The Annual Community Meeting will take place at the Anasazi Fields Winery on Saturday, June 25th. from 2-4pm. Guest Speakers: Valerie Espinoza and Danita Burns. www.es-ca.org

Leslie Schwartz will be the chair of a new Interest Group called Cultural Diversity.

It will be a discussion group and will also include an activity.

Question: Should Jardineros de Placitas become a member of the Placitas

Chamber of Commerce? Advantages to this move would be developing community relations and it would be a link to other organizations in the area.

The Placitas Artists Series will have a benefit for the PAS Endowment Fund on

Sunday, August 14, 2016 featuring Conductor Leonard Slatkin and Composer

Cindy McTee. Q&A and performance from 3-5pm, ticket price \$50.00 and a Private Reception from 5-7pm, ticket price \$75.00. There will also be a silent auction.

The July program Speaker is Bill Kennedy of Search and Rescue who has a program titled "Don't be Wild in the Wilderness". It concerns wilderness preparedness and the handling of emergencies.

The Coordinator is Ellen McMahon.

The Greeters are Linda Suydam and Ginny Daul.

The Refreshment Committee: Ellen Baker, Mary Carey, Pat Sporn and Linda Suydam.

Happy Dollars

There were 15 Happy Dollars today.

Adjourned: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on June 8, 2016

Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
MAY 4, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:35 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

A quorum was present.

Ellen McMahon introduced our Speaker Ann Lerner, the representative for the Albuquerque Film Company. Ms. Lerner regaled the membership with her stories of interactions with the movie and television industry insiders doing business here in New Mexico and related just how New Mexico became one of the top areas for movie and television production.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our Greeters: Elaine Carey and Geri Verble. Kathy also thanked our Refreshment Committee: Darlene Beeson, Lynn Koch, Lisa Rossi and Diane Schuler.

Membership: Co-Chair Sharon Sanfellipo stated there were 6 visitors today and introduced new members Nancy Smith, Judith Hambrick and Diane Stropp. Co-Chair Dorothy Coelho stated the membership count now stands at 189.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the April minutes were not posted as yet and stated she would send anyone interested a copy of the April minutes. Cathryne Richards requested a copy.

Correspondance: Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola read a thank you note from Roberta Radosevich the Executive Director of Haven House thanking the Jardineros membership for our generosity. Also, Ms. Amanda from Algodones Elementary School thanked us for our participation in the reading program there.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary reported a Beginning Balance of \$xxx
Income: \$xxx Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of April, 2016 is \$xxx

Ivona also read off the names of the recipients of the Benevolence donations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Service: Co-Chair Diane Schuler thanked the membership for their generosity to Haven House with cash gifts of \$300.00, and \$200.00 of gift cards. Diane also mentioned that there would be a cash donation in June for St. Vincent de Paul and that checks needed to be made out to St. Vincent de Paul and not Jardineros de Placitas.

Diane also reminded the group that Adopt-a-Highway would be meeting again at Mile Marker 5 at 8 a.m. on May 14, 2016

Historian Nadine Burton presented the 2015 History Book to President Bruch

ANNOUNCEMENTS/HAPPY DOLLARS

There were 25 Happy Dollars today that include announcements for local events in Placitas.

The 19th Annual Placitas Studio Tour will be held May 7-8, 2016 from 10am-5pm.

Download the 2016 brochure and studio map at placitasstudiotour.com

Many of our members are opening their doors for this tour.

The Placitas Garden Tour will be held on Saturday May 14, 2016 from 9am-4pm.

The tickets are \$10.00 and may be purchased on the day of the tour or beforehand from select area merchants. The net profits will benefit the Sandoval Master Gardener projects and the Placitas Community Library. placitasgardentour.com

Also, a big thank you is being sent out to all those who contributed to the successful book/bake/plant sale at the Placitas Community Library.

Judy Labovitz announced that the Flea Market will be up and running with a start date of May 28, 2016.

Natalie Searl's husband Clint remains in the ICU after heart surgery and the flu.

Well wishes are sent his way for a complete recovery.

President Bruch announced that Phase 1 of our website will be launched within 2 days.

Kathy asked that the Interest Group Chairs go to their respective pages to proof the text.

Even though Deborah Gullo is not a full-time Webmaster she has already spent 80 hours updating the site into a new format of digital records. History will be archived. The barrier encountered in her efforts has been the transfer of the logo. It was designed for print, not digital. There is lots of storage and Interest Groups will have autonomy for updating etc. This is a big job since there were over 150 pages. We can look forward to a whole new streamlined website. Thanks and appreciation were extended to Deborah. The club also acknowledges again and thanks Judy Blinn for her dedication as our Webmaster extraordinaire for 12 years.

The June program will be "Southwest Postcard Journey, the History and Collecting of Postcards from the Late 1800's to the 1960's." Our Speaker

will be our Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola. Coordinator: Pam Buethe
The Greeters are Darlene Beeson and Suzanne Neri.
The Refreshment Committee: Karen Cox, Shirley Ericson, Joan Lucero and Melinda Petersen.

THE JUNE MEETING HAS BEEN CHANGED TO JUNE 8, 2016

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted May 5, 2016

Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 6, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:35 a.m.
at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church

A quorum was present.

Wendy Wilkins introduced our Speaker Dr. Paul Bosland who is the Regents professor of horticulture and is known as the "Chileman." He leads the chile breeding and genetics research program at the New Mexico State University campus at Las Cruces and told us "almost" everything we ever wanted to know about Chiles in an educational and entertaining way.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our **Greeters:** Gale Fisher and Melinda Petersen. Kathy also thanked our **Refreshment Committee:** Susan Craycraft, Karen Shatar, Joann MacKenzie and Kay Smith.

Membership: Dorothy Coelho introduced new member Janice Mccrary and noted there were three guests today.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the March minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The March minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: There were three thank you notes read by Correspondence Secretary Susan Arreola. They were sent by Erin Height for the meals provided while she recuperated from surgery, Nancy Hawks for the Blessings Day donations and The Treasurer of Casa Rosa Sally Caro for the Food Bank contributions.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary reported a Beginning Balance of \$xxx

Income: \$xxx Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of March, 2016 was \$xxx

Ivona McCrary discussed the payments that would be made in the coming month for our Benevolence donations and our commitment to LPPC for use of the church space. The check for our donation toward the purchase of shades for the church would also be submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benevolence: Chair Judy Labovitz called for a vote on the proposed Benevolence donations. The donations for 2016 were approved by membership.

Community Service: Chair Diane Schuler stated that \$500.00 was collected today at the meeting for Haven House along with many personal items and supplies. The coordinators for the collection were Diane Schuler and Judy Labovitz.

Audit: Chairs Barbara Hill and Rose Gardiner stated that they completed a review of the 2015 financial statements. Based on that review they were not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be presented correctly.

Karen Cox was thanked for her professionalism and contributions to the Club in her capacity as Treasurer for the past four years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rose Gardiner noted that the sign-up sheets for September's "Show Your Stuff" program were provided today. This is a program that includes neighbors and friends. President Bruch introduced Deborah Gullo the new **Webmaster**. Ms. Gullo mentioned that the website will look a little different and asked for our patience while changes are being made. She is hopeful that the new website changes will be easy to navigate. She will notify President Bruch when she is ready to launch the site. Adopt-a-Highway sign-up sheets are available. The next pick up will be May 14, 2016.

HAPPY DOLLARS

There were 13 Happy Dollars today.

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on April 6, 2016

Kathleen Levine, Recording Secretary

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:48 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

A quorum was present.

Barbara Hill introduced our Speaker Bianca Harle who spoke of her trip down the Amazon and the spiritual rewards derived from that experience.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our Greeters: Susan Craycraft and Clardel Walker. Kathy also thanked our Refreshment Committee: Maxine Breland, Nancy Hawks, Claudia Moraga, Lin Robinson and Erica Wendel-Oglesby.

Membership Co-Chair Dorothy Coelho introduced new members Karen Melody Shatar and Bruce Price and noted there was one new guest present.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the February minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The February minutes were approved as written.

Correspondance: There was none.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary reported a beginning balance of \$xxx

Income: \$xxx Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of February \$xxx

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benevolence: Chair Judy Labovitz presented the proposed Benevolence donations to the membership present at the meeting and noted that these donations would be voted on at the April meeting.

Community Service: Chair Diane Schuler stated she has received the list of Haven House needs. The list is posted on the website. (See attached)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are a number of yearbooks left for pick up. They will again be available at the April meeting on the Greeter's desk.

Nancy Ullery informed the group that Diane Shepard will be teaching cooking classes at the church. The cost is \$50.00 per class with 100% of proceeds going to benefit the Bernalillo Adult Literacy Program.

Readers are needed this month at Placitas Elementary School. If you are able to help please contact Sue Overley.

Webmaster Kathy announced today that Judy Blinn will be moving out of state and asked the members present to put out the call for a new webmaster. Judy instituted the Webmaster position in 2004, and the committee became part of the Board in 2007. At present Judy Blinn holds the record as the longest member on the Standing Committee of the Jardineros Board of Directors.

Mercia Bailey announced a special speaker at her next Money Matters Meeting urging anyone interested to attend.

The December motion to add a change to the Bylaws has been withdrawn.

The 2015 accomplishments were gaining the use of the church's AV system, thank you very much Larry Verble for operating the equipment every month, and the purchase of shades for the church windows enabling members to better view programs.

There is a conflict regarding the June Jardineros meeting due to the church becoming a voting precinct.

THE JUNE 1, 2016 MEETING WILL BE CHANGED TO JUNE 8, 2016.

The collection in April will be for Haven House. See the list of needed items on the website. Coordinators: Judy Labovitz and Diane Schuler.

The April program will be Chiles Chiles Chiles, the speaker is Paul Bosland and will be coordinated by Wendy Wilkins.

The Greeters are Melinda Petersen and Gale Fisher.

The refreshment committee is Susan Craycraft, Jo Kobler, Joann MacKenzie and Kay Smith.

HAPPY DOLLARS: There were 8 Happy Dollars today.

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on March 3, 2016

Kathleen Levine, Recording Secretary

**JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 3, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:40am at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

A quorum was present.

Kathleen Levine introduced our Speaker Bennie "Yellowman" Nelson who spoke of Native American culture and how that is represented in his art, family life and his religion.

BREAK

Distribution of Yearbooks at the break and again after the meeting as necessary.

President Bruch thanked the Coordinators Elaine Carey and Pat Sporn for the Casa Rosa cash for food collection which ended up being \$600.00.

Installation of Officers: Kathleen Levine continues as Recording Secretary and Ivona Mccrary is the new Treasurer.

President Bruch thanked our **Greeters**: Patt Cain and Paula Norris. Kathy also thanked our **Refreshment Committee**: Pam Buethe, Elaine Carey, Annie Gross and Suzanne Neri.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary Kathleen Levine announced that the January minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The January minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: There was none.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona Mccrary reported a beginning balance of \$xxx

Income: \$xxx Expenses: \$xxx

Ending Balance for the month of January, 2016: \$xxx

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benevolence: Out of the 15 letters sent out we have received accepting responses for 13 of them.

Community Service: Co-Chairs Jill Kennedy and Diane Schuler thanked the group for their generosity today in giving to the Casa Rosa collection.

Adopt-a-Highway Chair Georgia Edminster stated the next collection will be on Saturday February 20, 2016 at 9:00am. Breakfast afterwards at the Cafe.

Membership: Co-Chair Dorothy Coelho stated there were now 182 members. Co-Chair Sharon Sanfelippo introduced new member Sally Skelley and stated there were 6 guests today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Magazines were donated to the local elementary schools and there is a need for 11x18 sized paper. We are listening to teachers requests.

March Refreshments will be coordinated by Maxine Breland, Nancy Hawks, Claudia Moraga and Lin Robinson.

Greeters will be Susan Craycraft and Clardel Walker

There will be no collection in March

HAPPY DOLLARS: There were 18 very happy dollars today.

ADJOURNED:

President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:34am

Respectfully submitted on February 3, 2016

Kathleen Levine
Recording Secretary

MINUTES

Jardineros de Placitas

January 13, 2016

Las Placitas Presbyterian Church

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by President Kathy Bruch who welcomed members. A quorum was present.

January 2016 Program: Getting to Know Us. Members of Jardineros de Placitas explained the purpose, structure, and workings of our organization.

Installation of Officers: Officers Kathy Bruch (President), Ellen McMahon (Vice President), and Susan Arreola (Corresponding Secretary) were installed by Rose Gardner as officers for 2016. Each responded to a question by Rose. Kathleen Levine (Recording Secretary) and Ivona McCrary (Treasurer) were absent and will be installed at a future meeting.

Pam Buethe discussed the history of the Club's interest groups and presented her newly drafted flyer, which will be available on the website.

Kathy Bruch explained the duties of the Recording Secretary to take minutes of the monthly meetings and the quarterly Board meetings.

Past Treasurer Karen Cox filled in for Ivona McCrary to explain the role of the Treasurer in preparing the annual budget, dispersing funds, collecting membership dues, and preparing a statement of account for all regular meetings.

Past President Rose Gardiner spoke about the position. It is a Board position that provides continuity from the previous to the current Board.

Each of the chairs/co-chairs of the club's standing committees, as follows, spoke about their roles and duties:

- Benevolence: Judy Labovitz supported by Pat Quick explained about donations and services provided by their committee. They will meet with members of the Benevolence Committee on February 16 to discuss the Club's donations to organization serving the Placitas/Sandoval County area. Recommendations will be presented to the membership in March and voted on in April.
- Community Service: Jill Kennedy and Diane Schuler spoke about their duties in coordinating bimonthly collections; overseeing the quilting project for Haven House, the Adopt-A-Highway Program, and school reading program; and addressing special projects and community needs.
- Constitution & Bylaws: Rose Gardiner quizzed members on questions related to the Club's bylaws and standing policies. It was emphasized that all members are expected to participate as hosts for monthly meetings, openings for interest groups are filled on a first-come basis from waiting lists, and all club-related contracts require Board approval.

- History: Cathryne Richards discussed her role in compiling the annual History Book and the move to digital format.
- Nominating: Pam Buethe identified the membership of her committee and spoke of the timing for selection of new officers. It was clarified that recent changes to the requirements for serving on the Nominating Committee will go into effect in 2017.
- Programs: Ellen McMahon announced that one of her responsibilities as Vice President is to lead the Program Committee. She said how fantastic the committee was in assembling this year's meeting programs. She welcomes suggestions for 2017.
- Refreshments: Vicky Kimmel explained that she will contact the refreshment committee lead each month to go over all procedures. Kathy Bruch added that new members will be encouraged to participate in refreshment committees as a way to quickly get involved in the Club.
- Website: Judy Blinn was applauded by the membership for her thorough, efficient, and expedient administration of our website.
- Yearbook: Jennise Phillips announced that the 2016 membership yearbook was complete and would be distributed during the break. The cost for additional yearbooks is \$5.00. She asked members to check that their information is correct, presented the new "Little People" section, and thanked Barbara Rosner for her work in the cover design.
- Membership: Dorothy Coelho & Sharon Sanfelippo detailed their duties, which include, in part, maintaining the membership, new member, and attendance databases; welcoming members and guests; coordinating with the Yearbook Committee; organizing monthly greeters; and keeping the membership apprised of the total membership count, which presently stands at 177.

The duties of the Non-Board Committee Chairs were presented as follows:

- Audit: Barbara Hill spoke about the audit process as a means of reporting to the membership that all finances are correct and properly noted. Karen Cox will take over as the 2016 auditor.
- July 4th Parade: Kathy Bruch announced that Mary Boatright will again coordinate the annual parade.
- Member Profiles: Kathy Bruch explained the evolution of member profiles from interviews to self-selecting/online submissions. Member profiles are voluntary and are coordinated by Kathleen Levine.

Break-Distribution of Yearbooks (and again after meeting as necessary)

Kathy Bruch reminded members that the information in the Yearbook is private and for the personal use of members only.

A brief business meeting was held.

Kathy Bruch thanked Greeters: Rose Gardiner & Barbara Hill

Kathy Bruch thanked this month's Refreshments Committee-Judy Gajkowski, Rozanne Hakala, Nancy Ullery & our new refreshment chair Vicky Kimmel.

Recording Secretary: Susan Arreola, on behalf of Kathleen Levine, announced that the December minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The December minutes were approved as submitted.

Corresponding Secretary: Susan Arreola read thank you notes from Nancy Hawks and the Blessing Way Committee for the donation of turkey dinners and from Paws & Stripes thanking us for our support. She also showed artwork (wreath and handmade cards) presented to us from the "New Beginnings" of Valle del Sol PSR Group. Our organization's donated Benevolence funds were used in purchasing the art supplies.

Treasurer: Karen Cox presented the statement of account as follows:

Beginning balance of \$xxx

Income of \$xxx

Expenses of \$xxx

Ending balance for the month of December, 2015 of \$xxx

Membership: Sharon Sanfelippo welcomed guests Charlie Althoff, Daksha Patel, Sally Skelley, Diane Masencup and introduced new members Pat Thorpe and Sue Moorehead.

Kathy Bruch announced the February program: Meet Native American Bennie Nelson aka Yellowman
<http://yellowmanfineart.com/links.html>

Speaker: Bennie Nelson-artist, speaker and actor

Coordinator: Kathleen Levine

February Collection: Casa Rosa, cash for food

Coordinators: Elaine Carey and Pat Sporn

Refreshments Committee for February will consist of the following members:

Pam Buethe

Elaine Carey

Annie Gross

Suzanne Neri

Greeters will be Patt Cain & Paula Norris

There were 11 Happy Dollar announcements. Kathy Bruch encouraged members to send general interest information to the webmaster to be included in the Announcements or on the Bulletin Board. She also acknowledged the updated "Who We Are" brochure done by Lin Robinson available on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Corresponding Secretary Susan Arreola for Kathleen Levine