

JARDINEROS de PLACITAS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 11, 2017

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

The first order of business was the presentation of Outstanding Service Award 2016 by Kathy Bruch to Karen Cox with tribute by Shirley Ericson.

Diane Shepard introduced the speaker for today's program, Kevin Bladergroen, owner and chef of Blades' Bistro. Chef Kevin shared the story of his evolution of cooking in his early years to the present, and Chefs that have influenced him along the way. He and his wife, Anja, spent many years in Europe until finding "The space" that became Blade's Bistro in Placitas.

Break

President Bruch thanked the Greeters: Barbara Hill and Clardel Walker.

President Bruch also thanked the Refreshment Committee: Janet Schmidly, Kathleen Levine, Erin Height, and Judy Gajkowski with support from Refreshment Chair Vicki Kimmel.

The induction of officers and introduction of 2017 Board of Directors was delayed until next meeting due to illness of Susan Arreola.

Ellen Baker, Co-Chair of Membership Committee introduced New Members: Janet Tyler Johnson, Mel Bailey, Kristina Sullivan, Ruth Clark and Mark Dyslin.

Business

Minutes: Recording Secretary Dorothy Coelho 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 written.

Correspondence: Elaine Carey read a thank you note from Nancy Hawks for our contributions on Blessings Day. They received 231 turkeys, and 240 toys.

Treasurer: Treasurer Ivona McCrary stated \$XXXXX in the bank at the end of 2016. We came in \$XXX under budget.

Committee Reports

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz reported that her committee will be meeting in early February.

Community Service: Diane Schuler reported there is a change in process of working with the schools. There will be no coats and school supplies this year. The collections schedule is in the Year Book. Diapers and wipes were identified as a need and is new for this year. Each school now has a liaison so we can understand the specific needs that each school has. Nancy Hawks was recognized and thanked for her work. Community Service Coordinator Jacque Moise spoke on collection for February. **Constitution & Bylaws:** Nothing to report

History: Cathryne Richards said she is working on 2016.

Membership: Ellen reported we have 182 members and introduced new members Mel Bailey, Mark Dyslin and Ruth Clark

Nomination: Jennise Phillips asked members to join if interested

Programs: Ellen McMahon reported next month will be Deb Gullo speaking on Yoga

Refreshments: Vickie Kimmel stated new members will be contacted soon to participate

Website: Deborah Gullo asked membership to send her information on Interest Groups etc. Deborah also asked to please let her know if anyone is not receiving email.

Yearbook: Nothing to report

Announcements

President Kathy encouraged the use of the website, go to calendar, next meeting and information will pop up. We can expect to receive email blasts. Flyers and notices are on The Table.

Happy Dollars

There were 10 Happy Dollars. President Kathy reminded that Happy Dollars are for personal life events. Three upcoming House Concerts at the home of Kristie and Doug Doll, January 14, January 27 and January 28.

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

Respectfully submitted on January 14, 2017

Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho

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February 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:36 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Cathryne Richards presented the 2016 history book, "Life is Beautiful", to Kathy Bruch. Cathryne also presented a book to The Club, and one as a gift for Judy Blinn, in recognition of her years of service. The Book for Judy will be available in the reception hall for members to sign. The cost of the history book is \$45 if members would like to buy one.

Installation of Officers: Officers Kathy Bruch (President), Ellen McMahon (Vice President), Dorothy Coelho (Recording Secretary), Elaine Carey (Corresponding Secretary) were installed by Susan Arreola for the year 2017. Each responded to a question by Susan and was presented with a rose.

Program: Ellen McMahon introduced Deborah Gullo whose program was titled OM My Yoga! Benefits of Yoga and A Simple Chair-Based Sequence meant to Rejuvenate and Relax. Deborah spoke of the history of Yoga going back 5,000 years to the present. Taking yoga classes can help wake up the body and bring body, breath and mind into balance. Deborah teaches classes of varying levels, and led our group through a simple seated yoga sequence. For more information, go to yogacrossroads.com.

Break

Harriet Neal announced highway clean up of mile marker 5 to 6 is scheduled for February 18 at 9 a.m. Breakfast will follow the clean-up at the Placitas Café.

Community Service: Jacque Moise announced that the school collection brought in \$363 in cash and \$265 in checks. There was a wonderful assortment of the requested school supplies. Many thanks were given to the coordinators: Susan Fullas, Maria Adang, Nancy Hawks, Kathy Hays and Stephany Wilson.

Diane Schuler announced there will be no collection the month of March. St. Vincent de Paul Cash for Food will be in April.

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz reported that the committee will be meeting February 21 at 10 a.m. in the library. Pam Buethe will be the meal coordinator, and Kathy Joiner will be sending cards. It was reported that Nancy Lanzilla broke her foot and a card was sent.

Minutes: Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho 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.

Membership: Ellen Baker introduced new member Margaret Bruch.

Programs: Ellen McMahon announced that Kate Nelson from New Mexico Magazine will be presenting in March.

Refreshments: Vicky Kimmel reported that an alternative is being considered to avoid using the stairs. She is looking for some kind of a cart on wheels that can be locked so supplies can be securely stored.

Happy Dollars: There was one Happy Dollar.

Announcements

President Kathy announced a reminder that School Board Elections were on February 7.

Kathy also stated that The Club is working toward the use of sustainable products. There will be no more Styrofoam cups; we will be using paper cups for both cold and hot beverages.

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho Recording Secretary

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March 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:41 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Program: Karen Cox introduced Kate Nelson of the New Mexico Magazine which is the oldest monthly regional magazine in the country. Kate, a Placitas resident, was a very dynamic speaker and informed the group that the only revenue for the magazine came from subscriptions. The magazine's main purpose is to write in-depth articles about people, places and the history of New Mexico that encourages tourism both from within the state and from around the country. The magazine encourages free-lance writers and photographers to submit articles and photos so the magazine always stays fresh and interesting for the readers. The magazine has also started a pilot program within the schools where they work closely with specific teachers and give magazines to every child in the class to use for developing skills in writing, history, photography, etc. We all enjoyed Kate's presentation very much.

Break:

Kathy Bruch thanked the refreshment committee comprised of Maria Adang, Jacque Moise, Kriste Doll and Barbara Pacente for their wonderful goodies.

Greeters were Kathy Hayes and Nancy Ullery.

Members were reminded to pick up their membership books if they have not already done so.

Elaine Carey confirmed that the minutes from the February meeting were approved. She also read a thank you letter Jardineros had received from Judy Blinn, our former web master, thanking us for the 2016 history book, and from Karen Cox for the gift card after receiving the Outstanding Service Award for 2016.

Treasurer's Report: Ivona McCrary reported that Jardineros is in the black.

Community Service: The collection for April will be cash for food for St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz stated that Jardineros would be donating to 12 local service providers this year including:

Paws and Stripes

Peanut Butter & Jelly

Rebuilding Together Sandoval County

Seed 2 Need

Placitas Community Library (Nora Timmons Children's Program Coordinator)

Valle del Sol

Placitas Artist Series

Casa Rosa Food Pantry

Our Lady of Sorrows

Haven House

KUPR

Placitas Animal Rescue via Sunrise Veterinary Services

We could present an adjusted budget later since we do have some extra money. The proposed budget passed unanimously.

Pam Buehe was thanked for organizing meals for members who were sick.

Kathy Joyner was recognized for sending out cards to members in need.

School drive: Bernalillo Elementary School received school supplies in the form of \$100 credit in ten dollar increments and glasses for a child. Bernalillo Middle School received 75 thumb drives per their request. Placitas Elementary School received gardening and greenhouse supplies that they need. Algodones Elementary School received school supplies they asked for. The collection for schools in February will be the only collection for the schools this year.

April Program: Gardening presented by Jericho Nursery

Membership: We currently have 183 members. We have two new members, Courtney Lewis and Ellen Castrone

Upcoming Community Events: "Alice in Wonderland" presented by Placitas Elementary School March 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Placitas Garden Tour Sunday May 21. Tickets are available at the Placitas Community Library. Proceeds benefit the Master Gardeners program

Adjournment: President Kathy Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Carey, Corresponding Secretary

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April 5, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:37 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Program: Susanne Dominguez coordinated today's program, Gardening in New Mexico, presented by Jennifer Hobson. Jennifer is the co-owner of Jericho Nursery, along with her husband Rick. The speaker was introduced by Ellen McMahon in Susanne's absence. Jennifer opened her presentation discussing the challenging soil found in Placitas. It contains lots of rock material from small to large in size. We also have wildlife issues, particularly deer and rabbits, which present great challenges to our Placitas gardens. Jennifer brought handouts including "Rabbit & Deer Resistant Plants" which is available on their website, www.jerichonursery.com, as well as a publication by the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority entitled Xeriscaping The Complete How-To Guide. Jennifer's program included such topics as how frequently to water, the importance of compost, how to use root wash and root stimulator and the importance of knowing when our gardens get sun. It was a lively presentation followed by questions relevant to our gardening issues.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked the Refreshment Committee: Judith Austin, Ginny Davis, Nancy Hawks and Georgia Edminster.

President Bruch also thanked our greeters: Patt Cain and Janet Schmidly.

BUSINESS

President Bruch commented on what an awesome program we had just had and a reminder that Jericho Nursery is located on Alameda and 4th. She also said that Jennifer offered to do topic specific presentations for us in the future.

Minutes: Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho 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: Elaine Carey reported that a thank you note was written to our March speaker.

Collection: Joan Chamier and Judith Austin coordinated this April collection for St. Vincent de Paul. They passed the basket around one more time in case someone hadn't had an opportunity to make their donation. Cash for Food will be discussed in greater detail in the Treasurer's report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diane Schuler update: Pam Buethe reported that volunteers are needed to bake 3 dozen cookies for the Memorial Service for Diane. The service is scheduled for April 23rd at 1:00 p.m. at French's Mortuary on Wyoming, with a reception to follow at close of service. There may be changes to this depending on the number of people attending. President Kathy said there will be a blast e-mail sent out to update us on any changes.

Placitas Chamber of Commerce: Jennise Phillips announced that on Thursday April 20th the Chamber will host a Meet and Greet. There will be food, entertainment and door prizes so invite your neighbors and join the festivities.

Las Placitas Presbyterian Church: Karen Cox announced that the church is looking for a Sunday morning care giver. The pay is \$10.00 per hour with a \$25.00 minimum. If you are interested and want to apply please see Delfina in the office. A background check will be performed on all applicants.

Guests: President Kathy introduced guests: Joan Chuoning, who will be joining, Rick and Claire Foster and Lynn Marchi, who was President of Jardineros in 1994.

President Kathy welcomed new member Marni Ahlstedt!

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary reported that we started out the year with \$xxx in the bank. \$xxx has been paid for rent. \$xxx was collected for St. Vincent de Paul. Cash for food equates to \$xxx worth of groceries!

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz shared that \$xxx worth of checks has been written by Ivona and will be going out on Monday. Judy also reported that she has received a couple of requests by new organizations that will be taken under consideration.

Upcoming Events:

Garden tour is in one month

The library Book, Bake and Plant sale is on April 22

The Studio Tour will be after our next meeting in May

The Dolls are hosting another house concert

Refreshments: Vicky Kimmel reported that the church has moved the refreshment supplies to the main floor! No more stairs!

Happy Dollars: There were 6 Happy Dollars

ADJOURNED: President Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:37 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Program: The Buzz on Bees, the Life of Bees and the Beekeeper. Ellen McMahon sponsored today's program and introduced the speakers, Ellen Castrone and Jorge Silva-Banuelos. Ms. Castrone opened the program with a little history of their beekeeping endeavors which began in Washington DC. They started in 2012 with two hives on the rooftop of their home, which unfortunately, didn't survive the winter. They moved to New Mexico and settled in Placitas in 2014 bringing with them their interest in bees and beekeeping. They discussed bee biology, reviewing the Queen, worker bees and drones, and their role each plays in the hive. They also reviewed different types of hives used by beekeepers as well as threats faced by bees such as pests and chemical pesticides. Handouts were provided with resources and links. It was a most interesting presentation followed by questions relevant to local bees and beekeeping.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked the Greeters: Gale Fisher and Dianna Stone.

President Bruch also thanked the Refreshments Committee: Shirley Ericson, Linda Lockett, Ann Galindo and Ruth Clark. (Shirley Ericson was unable to attend today)

BUSINESS

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

Correspondence: In Elaine Carey's absence, Dorothy Coelho read thank you notes from Algodones Elementary, St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, and Placitas Elementary. Miss Amanda Gurule from Algodones Elementary wrote a special note in Loving Memory of Diane Schuler which was read by Susan Fullas.

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary reported that \$XXX allocated for giving has been spent. Name tag revenue is up and our balance is \$XXX. Balance sheet attached to minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Carol Ninkovich welcomed guests Roxanne Westdyk, Sandy Jacober, Deborah White, Lee Bumgarner, Ken Grimes and Timothy Falb. New member Joan Chewing, a previous member of Jardineros de Placitas was introduced and welcomed.

Financial Review: Karen Cox, Rose Gardiner and Barbara Hill reviewed the financial statements of Jardineros de Placitas, which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2016, and the related statements of income and expenses. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to the organization's financial data and making inquiries of the Treasurer. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Audit Committee Conclusion: Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be presented correctly. Document stating the above attached to minutes.

Highway Cleanup: Harriet Neal announced the next cleanup scheduled for May 27, 2017.

Collection: No May collection

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Placitas Studio Tour: Reminder this event will be occurring Mother's Day weekend.

Placitas Garden Tour: Reminder the Garden Tour will be on Sunday, May 21. Brochures are on "the table".

House Party: A free house party, in celebration of the release of Spencer Day's record, will be held at the home of Doug and Kristie Doll on June 3rd. More information can be found on "the table".

Show Your Stuff: Ellen McMahon asks that those interested in participating sign up for the event. The sign-up sheet is on "the table".

Diane Schuler's Memorial: The Board will determine distribution of monies received, in memoriam of Diane, at the May 22 Board Meeting. We are not soliciting but are acting only as a collection spot. President Kathy also thanked Kathy Hays, Ellen McMahon and Pam Buethe for their help with set up as well as those who provided refreshments.

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz reports that all donation checks have been mailed.

Happy Dollars: There were five happy dollars.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 7, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:31 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Program: Susanne Dominguez coordinated today's program, "The Pilot with the Magic Hat" presented by Mr. Bill Martin. Mr. Martin explained his role in the dramatic hair raising rescue of 33 South Vietnamese POW's. He was a Navy aviator for 16 years with the Sea wolf. Mr. Martin was a helicopter training officer and also a public relations officer for the Navy/Marines. He flew 325 combat missions. We were shown a slideshow and videos of his magic acts with the children of Vietnam and combat missions. We thoroughly enjoyed his lively presentation. The program was also sponsored by the New Mexico Humanities Council.

BREAK

President Bruch thanked our greeters: Diane Kessler and Darlene Beeson.

President Bruch also thanked the Refreshment Committee: Jennise Phillips, Eleanor Jugle, Margaret McHenney, Maxine Breland and Linda Heath.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Elaine Carey, on behalf of Recording Secretary Dorothy Coelho, announced that the May minutes were posted on the website and asked if there were any additions or corrections. The May minutes were approved as written.

Correspondence: Elaine Carey reported that two thank you notes were sent for the monetary gifts given to Jardineros in memory of Diane Schuler.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary gave a detailed report of Jardineros' finances. We continue to do well.

Membership: We added one new member this past month, Lee Baumgarner. Several guests are attending today.

Collections: Tina Thomas and Jill Kennedy collected baby items and money to be shared among several local charities.

Website: We are now working with Go Daddy. This change will provide more space for messages and photos.

History: Cathryne Richards reminded us of the availability of the 2017 Jardineros picture album.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events:

Ellen McMahon reminded everyone of the sign-up sheet for the Fourth of July float decorating. She also reminded us that the “Strut Your Stuff” sign-up is available and to invite friends and neighbors to the August meeting.

Happy Dollars: Several Happy Dollars were collected.

ADJOURNED: President Kathy Bruch adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Carey, Corresponding Secretary

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 5, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Ellen McMahon, in President Kathy Bruch's absence, at 9:40 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Program: Law Enforcement in Territorial New Mexico. In the absence of sponsor Diane Shepard, Vice President Ellen McMahon introduced today's speaker, award winning writer and New Mexico historian, Don Bullis. Mr. Bullis opened his presentation with a discussion of how our state was viewed by those in the East as a "wild and woolly" place, plagued with violence and without law and order. This observation contributed to New Mexico being the territory that waited the longest, to that time, to be admitted to the Union. New Mexico finally achieved statehood on January 6, 1912. Mr. Bullis entertained us with quips and stories about Marshalls, Sheriffs, Constables as well as the Lincoln County War. It was an entertaining presentation with interesting questions to follow.

BREAK

Vice President McMahon thanked the Greeters: Mary Lou Skelton and Karen Cox.

Vice President McMahon also thanked the Refreshments Committee: Lisa Rossi, Sue Overley, Judy Labovitz, and Erica Wendel-Oglesby.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho announced 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: Elaine Carey reported that no new correspondence was received.

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary was not in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Ellen McMahon reported there were no new members to welcome.

Community Service: No collection for July. The collection for August will be for Haven House.

Recognition: Vice President Ellen gave a shout out to Mary Boatright, Betty Temple, Rose Gardiner and Nancy Kellum-Rose for decorating the July 4th Parade float.

NEW BUSINESS

Constitution and By-Laws: Susan Arreola reported there is a proposed change to our By-Laws that will allow for electronic voting of officers. The Board feels this process will provide all members with the opportunity to vote and voting privacy. Susan thanked her committee members: Linda Suydam, Chris Daul, Judith Austin, Leslie Schwartz and Stephany Wilson. The written proposal will be in both the minutes of this meeting and the President's August message so all members can read it. This proposed change to the by-laws will be voted on next month. See attachment Article VI: Officers, Their Election and Terms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President Ellen reminded members that next month will be a busy time for Jardineros. The August meeting is Show Your Stuff and there will be a collection for Haven House. We will also be voting on the new By-Laws electronic voting proposal. Please plan your schedule so you can attend the August meeting!

Jennise Phillips announced that she has about 20 "Placitas: Where the stars come out at night" t-shirts available for purchase at a cost of \$20.00 each.

Happy Dollars: There were fourteen happy dollars.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS, THEIR ELECTION AND TERMS

Section 2. Election and Terms. The officers shall be elected for a term of one year by a majority of votes submitted by members electronically. The Nominating Committee shall submit a slate of nominees at the September regular meeting. Members may submit additional nominations by email to the Chair of the Nominating Committee for one week following the September meeting. The Chair of the Nominating Committee shall submit names of all candidates to the Webmaster who shall prepare the electronic ballot. Electronic voting shall be open on the website from September 20 to 30. The elected officers shall be announced at the October regular meeting. Officers shall be installed at the January meeting.

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August 2, 2017

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

President Kathy extended a thank you to the artists and crafts persons for their participation in Show Your Stuff today. A big thank you was extended to the coordinators; Ellen McMahon and Mary Carey.

New member Patricia Kelliher was introduced. Mary Clark was also introduced as a visiting guest.

Thank you to the greeters today: Margaret Bruch and Diane Stropp

Thank you to Refreshments committee: Geri Verble, Susan Arreola, Nadine Burton, Joan Lucero and Lee Bumgarner.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho 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.

Correspondence: For Elaine Carey, Ivona McCrary read a beautiful card received from Craig Schuler with a generous gift to the Jardineros de Placitas. Craig specified that he would like the memorial donation, in memory of his late wife, Diane Schuler, be designated to Community Service where Diane served with great love and dedication.

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary reported that we started out the month with \$XXXX, and received more donations in the amount of \$XXX bringing our ending cash balance to \$XXXX. See profit and loss statement attached.

NEW BUSINESS

Vote on change to Constitution and Bylaws:

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The Chair of the Nominating Committee shall submit names of all candidates to the Webmaster who shall prepare the electronic ballot. Electronic voting shall be open on the website from September 20 to 30. The elected officers shall be announced at the October regular meeting. Officers shall be installed at the January meeting.

Susan Arreola reported that benefits to electronic voting are the following:

1. It allows for more private voting
2. All members can vote
3. It is a more modern way to elect officers

Test ballots will be sent to the Board first, followed by test ballots to the membership.

Motion: Linda Suydam: I move that we accept the amendment to the bylaws as stated.

Second: Rose Gardiner

Vote: We have a quorum and the motion is approved by 2/3 of the membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Kathy made some announcements:

1. Sign up sheets for committees will be out on the table in September and October. Maybe now is a good time to consider chairing a committee.
2. The Nominating Committee will present the slate of officers at the September Regular Meeting.
3. The collection for August is for Haven House. The basket is being passed if you'd like to donate.
- 4.. August trash pick up sign up sheet is on "The Table".
5. The church is holding a work shop on Building with Community. The brochure is on "The Table".

6. Patt Cain fell and broke her hip while she was in Santa Fe. She is in Christus St. Vincent Hospital in Santa Fe. We can contact her by email.

7. Mercia reported that the Healthy Living Interest Group is going to Sunrise Spring Spa and Resort for a tour and lunch on August 25th. There are a few spaces available so let Mercia know if you'd like to go.

8. United World College has 45 students that need homes while they are studying here in NM.

Program: Show Your Stuff

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

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September 6, 2017

Program

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

Program: Chris Daul (Paula Norris was unable to attend) introduced Mayor Jack Torres of Bernalillo. Mayor Torres was first elected to office in 2010 and reelected ever since. His goals and the goals of his office are to build the Community, while honoring traditions and historical values. His presentation focused on “What’s Happening in Bernalillo”. The progress of new businesses; Fire Department granted to hire 4 new fire fighters; road work from the bridge to Casino on 550; the Senior Center; and, the Martha Liebert Public Library to name a few.

Break

President Kathy Bruch thanked the Greeters: Nancy D. Smith and Nancy Yates

Kathy also thanked the Refreshments Committee: Mary Boatright, Linda Lockett, Rebecca Pulford, Dianne Stropp, and Tina Thomas.

Ellen Baker announced there were no new members.

Business

Jennise Phillips, Chair of the current nominating committee and members, Shirley Ericson (absent), Connie Goodwin, Erin Height and Geri Verble; introduced the nominees for the 2018 Officers:

President - Linda Suydam
Vice President - Kay Smith
Recording Secretary - Susan Brown
Corresponding Secretary- Courtney Lewis
Treasurer - Dianne Stropp

Jennise Phillips, also introduced the 2019 Nominating Committee Members:

Jennise Phillips, Chair
Shirley Ericson
Rose Gardiner
Pat Quick
Clardel Walker

Kathy reminded everyone that electronic voting will be open from September 20 thru September 30th. Any suggestions for write in officers need to be submitted to Jennise one week from today. The test email sent to over 200 members went very smoothly with 109 replies.

Kathy announced that Deborah Gullo, Webmaster, will be moving to Florida and we are recruiting for a new webmaster. Please contact Kathy or Deborah if you are interested or know a member who might be.

Committee Reports

Ivona McCrary handed out a Proposed 2018 budget which will be discussed and voted on at the Board Meeting, Monday, 9/11 at 10 a.m. at Placitas Library. Membership will discuss and vote on the proposed/revised budget at the October meeting.

Minutes: Rose Gardiner (filling in for Dorothy Coelho and Elaine Carey) and Kathy Bruch announced 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: Judy Labovitz in Elaine Carey's absence announced we received thank you notes from the following organizations for our donations to them; Our Lady of Sorrows, Rebuilding Together Sandoval County, Casa Rosa, PB&J, Paws & Stripes.

Community Services announced Casa Rosa, Cash for Food, will be October's collection.

Announcements

Kathy called for everyone's attention to the Sign-up Sheets for committees and Interest Groups were on the table. They will be on the table at next month's meeting also.

We will be collecting dues for 2018 at the October meeting.

ESCA annual meeting is on September 23rd, 2-4 p.m. at Anasazi Winery.

Art Under Glass, reception at the Placitas Library will be on Friday, September 8th.

Bernalillo Farmers Market is every Friday at Rotary Park in Bernalillo.

Diane Shepard has a very exciting program scheduled for next month. Come and learn from various demonstration tables.

Happy Dollars were shared and our meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Gardiner, Past President

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OCTOBER 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch, at 9:33 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

President Kathy opened the meeting reviewing how our Roundtable Mini-Workshops program was to run today. See attached for content.

President Kathy thanked the Refreshments Committee: Nancy Kellum-Rose, Lonna Trosclair, Kay Smith, Linda Novy-Doll, and Kathy Hays.

President Kathy also thanked the greeters today: Susan Craycraft and Claudia Moraga.

BUSINESS

Minutes: Recording Secretary, Dorothy Coelho 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.

Membership: Ellen Baker introduced new member Chuck Smith. She also introduced three guests.

Correspondence: Elaine Carey reported that a thank you from Haven House had been received.

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary asked for a **Motion** to accept the budget as approved by the Board and presented to the membership in September. Judy Labovitz responded with I make a **Motion** as stated. The motion was **seconded** by Carol Ninkovich. The vote approving the 2018 budget was unanimous.

Refreshments: Vicky Kimmel announced that she has started an Emergency Refreshments sign-up sheet. Members on this list will only be called upon if someone on the committee for that month is unable to participate. Vicky also thanked all who have helped this year and last year.

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz reported that she had received a thank you note from Patt Cain expressing how much she appreciated the card and the meals.

Nominating Committee: Jennise Phillips shared the new Slate of Officers:

President: Linda Suydam

Vice President: Kay Smith

Treasurer: Dianne Stropp

Recording Secretary: Susan Brown

Corresponding Secretary: Courtney Lewis

Jennise announced nominees for the 2018 Nominating Committee:

Chair: Jennise Phillips

Clardel Walker

Shirley Erickson

Pat Quick

Rose Gardiner

Kathy Bruch

President Kathy made a **Motion** that the Nominating Committee members be approved as submitted. **Seconded** by Dorothy Coelho. The vote on the Nominating Committee passed.

Community Service: Jill Kennedy reported that her committee had met and the collections for next year have been decided. Jill thanked all who have donated this year. There will be no collection for November. December we will be collecting toys and art supplies, books, cash and gift cards. If we wish to donate to Casa Rosa today, please see Elaine Carey, Ellen Baker or Jill Kennedy.

Noche Encantada: Jennise Phillips reported that this year we will be enjoying a country western themed Holiday Hoedown at El Zocolo in Bernalillo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Kathy announcements:

1. Committee sign up sheets are on the table.
2. Interest group sign up sheets are also on the table.
3. Membership dues are being collected for 2018.

4. A basket is circulating for Casa Rosa collection.
5. Refreshment Committee sign up sheet is also on the table. It is in the bylaws that all active members are required participate in this committee, so please sign up.
6. President Kathy announced that on October 14th there will be a service for Elaine Slusher who passed away recently. The service will be at 3:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. If you wish to bring finger food, please arrive at 2:30 p.m. There will be a reception following the service. Elaine was a long time member and was President in 1977.
7. President Kathy asked Nancy Hawks to update us on Blessings Day. Nancy shared that we are receiving names of those in need and T&T will help with the turkeys again this year. We will also have a Christmas Holiday collection of toys and books for the children. If anyone is interested in helping a family, please speak with Nancy.
8. President Kathy announced that the program for November will be Those Amazing Naturalists Who Explored the Southwestern US at the Turn of the Century with author David Schmidly.
9. Clardel Walker announced that the Tamalewood Divas are in need of a chair for 2018. That Interest Group meets the 4th Thursday of the month.
10. Harriet Neal announced there will be a trash pick up in November. The date of the pick up will be announced.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

October 4, 2017 Jardineros Mini Workshops

How to Identify Your Fall Risks & What You Can Do to Improve Your Balance (Upper Room)

Pat Thorpe, Physical Therapist

Personal Digital Security (Church Library)

Jon Ghahate

We all have a variety of digital devices. We use them daily for their convenience in communicating with others and our entertainment, through access to the Internet. However, with this convenience and accessibility comes the potential for hacking, scams, and ID theft. A brief introduction in what you can do to protect your devices and personal information.

Easy Napkin Folding

Janet Schmidly

PNM

Energy Saving Tips for Your Home That Will Make a Difference!

Shannon Jackson

Plants of Placitas: Poisonous or Peculiar?

Sandy Pilcher

We live in an interesting high desert environment in Placitas. If you have been tending your landscape or just hiking in your neighborhood or the open space this growing season, you may have come across some plants that appear to be unique. These plants may look beautiful along the roadside, but should you cultivate them for your landscape, or take care to remove them? Are these plants safe for your family, your livestock and pets? I will present plant specimens, photos and descriptions of some of these plants that you have seen, or may not have noticed yet. Bring your own samples and photos, and I will try to identify them.

October 4, 2017 Jardineros Mini Workshops

Presto Pesto

Erica Wendel-Oglesby

Learn Basil Basics for planting, harvesting, using, freezing, and more in this fun and informative workshop.

Easy Flower Arranging

Danielle Pacheco- Albertsons Flower Shop

Learn to Use Your Kitchen Knives and Cutting Tools

Diane Herrera Shepard, Chef

Bow Tying

Cathryne Richards

Perfect the 3-Loop Bow! Take one home! What fun!

How to Make Delicious Crepes

(Church Kitchen)

Rich Reif

JARDINEROS de PLACITAS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 1, 2017

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

The meeting opened with an announcement from Jennise Phillips. Diane Stropp has resigned from the position of Treasurer for 2018. The new nominee is Jean Roberts who has graciously stepped up. President Kathy reported that we will again be voting electronically and we should expect to receive an electronic ballot shortly. The results will be announced to membership in December.

Connie Goodwin sponsored and introduced David Schmidly, our speaker for today. Dr. Schmidly has an Undergraduate and PhD in Zoology. He was President of UNM, Oklahoma State University and Texas Tech, and has written numerous publications. Today's presentation was titled Those Amazing Naturalists Who Explored the Southwestern US at the Turn of the Century. His talk covered 1885 – 1940 the Gilded Age and Progressive Era of the US, as well as the Roaring 20's and the Depression. He spoke of people such as Gifford Pinchot, Teddy Roosevelt, John Muir and Clinton Hart Merriam, who was the first Chief of the Biological Survey, as well as Vernon Bailey, who was considered the leading Naturalist in the United States. It was an interesting and informative presentation with good questions to follow.

BREAK

President Kathy thanked the Refreshment Committee for their creative display. Thank you to Diane Shepard, Pat Thorpe, Joan Chewning, Harriet Neal and Ruth Clark for your hard work!

President Kathy also thanked our greeters today: Cindy Wiesner and Janet Schmidly.

BUSINESS

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

Correspondence: Elaine Carey reported that she would be sending out a thank you note to Whiting Coffee who donated the coffee for our break today.

Treasurer: Ivona McCrary reported that we are doing well financially, which means we will have more to donate in 2018.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benevolence: Judy Labovitz had nothing to report.

Community Service: Jill Kennedy thanked all for our generous donation to Casa Rosa. We will be collecting toys, books and cash for gift cards for age groups toddlers to adolescence of needy families. We will be collecting for Blessings Day turkeys as well. The turkey price is \$14.00 this year, and are provided by T&T in Bernalillo. Nancy Hawkes reported that last year we had 140 families. This year we have 106 families. We can adopt a family if we'd like, providing gifts for the children. If anyone would like to make a cash donation, make your check to St. Vincent de Paul.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adopt a Highway will be November 11th. Meet at mile marker 5 at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy breakfast to follow at the Placitas Cafe.

Jennise Phillips reminded us of Noche Encantada. The Holiday Hoedown will be held at El Zocolo in Bernalillo December 9th at 6:00 p.m. Dress for the occasion will be casual country. The cost is \$50 per person. There will be good food, dancing and a good time with friends.

Karen Cox announced that a part time, 20 hours per week position is opening at the church. If you are interested contact the church. Pastor Drew's email is pastor@lasplacitaschurch.org.

Ivona McCrary announced that the church kids youth group are raising money for a retreat at Ghost Ranch. The Book and Bake sale at the library will accept bread that is home made and will split the sale of the bread proceeds with the church for the retreat.

Clardel announced that the Tamalewood Divas is still in need of a Chair. The Divas meet the 4th Thursday of the month for lunch and a movie. If someone doesn't step up the Interest Group will be dissolved.

There were 16 Happy Dollars.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary

JARDINEROS DE PLACITAS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 6, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bruch at 9:45 a.m. at Las Placitas Presbyterian Church.

Holiday Party was held on Wednesday, December 6th, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

BUSINESS

A short business meeting was held from 9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

President Katherine Bruch thanked our Program Committee, Officers and Committee chairs for the wonderful refreshments.

Greeters Erin Height and Tina Thomas were also thanked for their help today.

The Results of our ballot for Treasurer was shared with membership: the incoming Treasurer will be Jean Roberts. Inductions for 2018 officers will be at the January meeting.

Diane Schuler was recognized as our Outstanding Service Award Winner. Her husband, Craig Gribbs, was in attendance and received a memory book commemorating Diane's time with us in Placitas. This lovely memento was created by Cathryne Richards. The recognition shared by Jill Kennedy in memory of Diane was written by Leslie Schwartz and will be in our 2018 Yearbook.

Membership was also appraised of the outdoor classroom that is being created at Algodones Elementary School. Funds from a gift in Diane's name and additional dollars approved from Community Service will provide outdoor seating and a plaque at the school.

Members were reminded of the upcoming Noche Encantada. The evening party is open to all Jardineros members and anyone interested is advised to contact Jennise Phillips as space is still available. This end of year gathering is an opportunity to celebrate our friendships with other members and enjoy a great night out with food, music and fun.

Blessings Day items were collected at the meeting. Members brought unwrapped toys, art supplies, books for young adults and children and donated cash for gift cards. Members were informed that they could come help wrap the gifts on Saturday at the Mission Church in Placitas. This effort was coordinated by Nancy Hawks with assistance from several Community Service Members.

A safe, happy and healthy holiday season was wished to all members.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Coelho, Recording Secretary