

Greetings Jardineros!

Our November meeting date has moved and I hope most of you caught the previous message and are looking forward to our special substitute program. As you may recall Don Bullis could not be rescheduled and has now moved to our 2017 calendar. Our program will be presented by Drew Henry, pastor at the Las Placitas Presbyterian Church, promises no sermon. The program will be "Healing the Heart of Democracy." Observations, experiences and how this campaign has affected him and organizations he is involved in and the need for healing and perspective.

I hope you will take this opportunity to attend. We also have a business meeting that includes voting on our budget for 2017 which was presented at last month's meeting by treasurer, Ivona McCrary.

Refreshments Committee this month will include Winne Hoeksema, Harriet Neal, Jim Neal and Sue Ortiz with the support of committee chair Vicky Kimmel. Our greeters for November are Sandy Pilcher & Nancy Yates! Thanks to Darlene Beeson for help with membership collection, so look for her to pay your dues. Special thanks to Gale Fisher and Sharon Stone for supporting this effort in October.

Community Service is busy as always and still collecting checks for turkeys, they are \$16.00 again this year. Checks can be made out to St Vincent de Paul or you can head down to Bernalillo grocery and make a purchase. The families will really appreciate your support. Jill Kennedy & Diane Schuler will fill us in on the number of coats that were purchased with the generous cash donations received in October. We also have one last Adopt A Highway event, so come out and help keep the community clean and inviting! Start time is 9:00 a.m. on November 12th, meet at Mile Marker 5.

Our December collection is for toys, books and art/craft supplies for school age children. We make such a difference in our community with these generous gifts and have such a great time selecting something special for those less fortunate. There are over 135 kids for blessing day with 80 being 13 and older. Books for older kids (young adult) would be a great option.

Cathryne Richards is offering an opportunity for a new photo in next year's yearbook. Last chance for 2017!

Webmaster, Deborah Gullo has sent a couple of messages this month so if you did not get one perhaps we have an email address error or some other technical challenge to overcome. Please let me know.

Yearbook work is beginning and thanks once again to our own Jennise Phillips for leading this effort. Committee chairs should be sending all relevant information her way.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Kathy