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Presidents'Message

Sharon Dunn and Janet Sperber



We had a fun and interesting visit to the Great Park Farm and Food Lab in Irvine and were escorted and educated by our landscape architect guide. He provided many facts and took and answered questions enabling us to broaden our knowledge of the environment in respect to how, what and where to plant. We had a pretty good turnout and were glad to greet our friends and a few new members on such a clear and sunny day.

We hoped to bring you up to date on the <u>April Stroll in the Garden</u> but we were unable to form a full committee, therefore, we have cancelled our long-standing event of many years. We will go dark in April but we will resume our schedule in May. <u>We thank the following people for their willingness to have their gardens on the stroll~ Marianne Taylor, Pat Linville, Mike Masciorini, Mike's neighbor and Pat Kenner. Thank you, as well, to those of you who volunteered to be involved; it's much appreciated!</u>

We will be "in house" for our February meeting on Tool Maintenance so please look for details from our VP of Programs, Pat Martin, and note that each member may bring one tool to be sharpened.

Happy Valentine's Day to all !!



Sharon & Janet

PROGRAMS

By Pat Martin

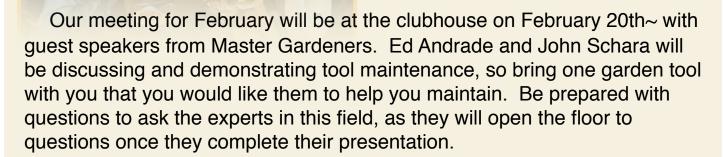
A great time was had by all that attended the recent field trip to the Farm and Food

Lab in Irvine.

Nathan was an excellent host and tour guide, and we

all learned a great deal about sustainable gardening. Several ladies went home with cuttings or seedlings to begin their spring gardens. We had a great turnout; I'm so glad we had so many participants to learn about the wonderful resources available to us at the Great Park in Irvine.





March will once again be a field trip; this month we will be carpooling to Rancho Los Alamitos Historic Ranch and Gardens. The date is set for Thursday, March 23rd~ a sign up sheet will be at the front table at the February meeting. So- be sure to sign up... and let me know if you are available to drive that day and how many people you can take along in your vehicle.





Our two new members are Cathy Reed and Lyn Rollison and they have increased our membership to sixty-five.

<u>Cathy Reed</u> is a friend and neighbor of Janet Sperber and she has long been interested in gardening.

Lyn Rollison writes "I have worked for Goin' Native for the past two years working on two parks and one veg garden, and I led a garden club at church along with a craft club. I've lived in San Juan for 30 years and love our community, and I'm looking forward to joining the SJC Garden Club!"

As Membership Chairlady, I would appreciate it if everyone would check the attached roster for errors in their entry. Please inform me of any mistakes you find via my email jeannetteepease@gmail.com. Thank you for your help in keeping the roster accurate and up-to-date!!





"Perhaps our members would be interested in this...." Pat Kenner

Saturday February 11th 10am to 2 pm Irvine Great Park Farm Food Lab Plant cutting / Anything Garden related exchange. Bring old gardening books, pipes, tubing, whatever you are no longer using that someone else could use.

All participants get 5 of 3 gallon black nursery pots with one filled with good potting soil. And one white food grade bucket with lid. We will also have a number of free seed packets.

Bring cuttings of plants that others can use, make sure the groups of cuttings are proper labeled so people will know what they are. Typical propagation methods are Grafting, Cutting planted in soil, Seeds

We will also be having a grafting demonstration followed by a hands on opportunity Meet others interested in gardening. Get rid of Gardening stuff you no longer need other may use.

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