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Presidents' Message

Sharon Dunn and Janet Sperber



Hello Gardening Friends!! We were going to say that fall is here and it's the best time to plant but apparently we're still experiencing rising temps, so I guess we'll have to wait just a little bit more for Mother Nature's cooperation. However, we can *still* enjoy pumpkin season and perhaps even *pretend we're driving over a covered bridge in Vermont with its glorious array of showy autumn hues!!!*



At the general meeting we thoroughly enjoyed being educated about our coyote neighbors and received tips on how we can best coexist with these 'wiley' creatures. For pet owners the information was particularly relevant and we thank Janice Munson and Dave Dodge for their very informative presentation and Pat Martin for arranging such an insightful meeting.



Wiley Coyote

Nancy Cangiano spoke about La Sala in terms of starting a new group of helpers. Nancy has taken on the organizing tasks and group schedules and for years has found it to be a fulfilling project, however, as time marches on she and several helpers are ready to hand over the reins to a new and perhaps more agile generation. The commitment is only **1 to 1 ½ hours per month** so, if interested, please contact Nancy!

After the Holiday Luncheon our next big event is the April Member's Only Stroll in the Gardens and with a show of hands at our last meeting about seven of you showed an interest in helping with the event. We are looking for a chairperson and committee, gardens to view and docents to assist at the event. Please contact me, Janet Sperber, if you are interested in helping to plan the stroll or are interested in showing your garden.

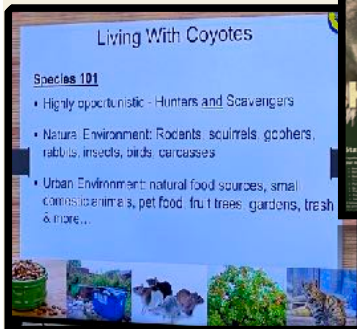
Our VP of Programs, Pat Martin, will be giving you the information about our October trip to Wellburn Gourd Farm so be sure to make note of the details.



Sharon & Janet

PROGRAMS

By Pat Martin



I have only heard great things about the presentation made by our guest speakers from Wildlife Watch at our September meeting. Janice Munson and Dave Dodge shared their insights into our interactions with wild animals indigenous to this area, their major emphasis being the coyote. A great big thank you to them for their wise advise, complete with photos and video.

The field trip to the truly-amazing Welburn Gourd Farm in Fallbrook is set for October 17th, and we will meet at 9:30 AM in the dirt parking strip on San Juan Creek Rd. across from the golf club parking lot. It's not too late to sign up so please let me know by October 9th if you are interested in joining us for this fun outing. And I'm still seeking one additional driver for this event, so call me (949-584-0436) if you are available.



Our November craft is set for the November 21st meeting at the golf club. There is a \$5.00 supplies fee for participating, due the day of the meeting. Please contact me at the above # if you wish to be included and you didn't previously sign up at the September meeting. You will need to supply a white pumpkin or gourd to decorate. Foraged

ferns, fall leaves, decoupage and varathane spray will be provided, but if you have (freshly cut) beautiful, delicately-leafed foliage in your yard, bring it along to make your craft unique to you and your garden. I'd suggest you bring an old pie tin or something large enough to rest your project on and to use as a carrying device for when you leave with your still-wet project.



*So again, contact me (949-584-0436) by November 1st if you did not sign up previously at the September meeting; **this is so we have enough supplies for all that are interested in participating!***



Upcoming Events:

- 10/17. Field Trip- Welburn Gourd Farm 9:30 AM in Fallbrook, CA
- 11/21. Fall Pumpkin/Gourd Decorating 10:00 AM @ GC
- 12/12. Holiday Brunch & Reindeer Games 10:00 AM @ GC

* GC ~ SJC Golf Club



MEMBERSHIP
By Jeannette Pease

Thanks to all members who have rejoined for the next year. We are now 64 gardeners strong. I appreciate all your responses as I can now provide an updated roster which you will find attached to the newsletter.



Hey Folks~ Our September Lottery drew \$82.00 and **Teress Weber** won \$41.00 . . . the next winner could be **YOU** !!!!!



LA SALA

By Nancy Cangiano



Our trees are losing their beautiful blossoms and getting ready for a show of colorful leaves as they prepare for winter. The vines on both inside and outside areas are still showing off their colorful flowers.

Two of us took some of the clippings from the pink trumpet vines home to enjoy in a vase for a few days. It's always fun to extend their showiness when we can.



We planted a variety of new succulents in the blue pots near the reflecting pond and trimmed the sansevieria. However, not enough workers showed up last month to do a thorough-enough job. *Our MOU with the city allows either party to withdraw from our contract and unfortunately I'm afraid it's beginning to feel as though this is the time to consider this option!*

** It's such a nice feeling to be able to help others and it's especially gratifying when you get a thank you as gracious as the notes we received this month.*

The San Clemente Military Outreach was very appreciative of the donation we made to their young military families in need of various supplies and needs over and above what the military provides.

Two young horticulture students at Saddleback were awarded our scholarships. Their thank you notes were very detailed and indicated how much our contributions meant to them as they continue their studies. One included a delightful drawing as well as a packet of special seeds as a remembrance.



* A note from our Treasurer, Nancy Cangiano



San Juan Capistrano Garden Club

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Holiday Brunch

and Reindeer Games

Monday, December 12, 2022—10 a.m.

San Juan Hill Golf Course



With a Surprise Guest Appearance



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