

SAVE THE DATE !
EXCURSION

January 10, 2018
Sunnylands,
Annenberg Estates,
Rancho Mirage.



Sunnyland's gardens, inspired by van Gogh's painting Olive Trees, were designed by landscape architect, James Burnett, FASLA



Posing for visitors in the Sunnylands Gardens, June 2014.



L-R: Lynn Shober, Pam McCredie and Debbie Tebrich maneuvered through the breakfast crowd encouraging sales from the plant boutique.



L-R: Charlotte Morrison, President Barbara Jordon and Sandy Davidson



L-R: Plant preparations the day before: Patricia Fuquay, Marianne Huntley, Margaret Dineen-Kern, Ginny Clark, Barbara Jordon, Lynne Clarke, Sandy Davidson and Debbie Tebrich.



L-R: Ann Devlin Snyder, Dawn Doeve, and Nancy Pinckert



L-R: Julie Taboada, Linda Silver, a couple purchasing, Debbie Tebrich.

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NIGC PLANT BOUTIQUE AT
NIA PANCAKE BREAKFAST 2017

The Plant Boutique was a great success thanks to all who helped. We couldn't have done it without all the amazing donations and purchases from our members and neighbors. The day was filled with lots of fun, laughs and wonderful energy. We look forward to next year's boutique!

~Lynne Clarke and Debbie Tebrich
NIGC Plant Boutique Co-Chairs



L-R: Patricia Fuquay, President, Barbara Jordon, Patty Williams, Susie Armstrong, Meredith Medanich, Plant Boutique Chair - Lynne Clarke, and Ann Devlin Snyder.



L-R: Judi McCall, Lauren Bennett, Dee Mattern, Susan Townsend.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy September everyone and welcome to another fun filled, exciting year for our garden club! I hope everyone has had a relaxing summer and is now eager to jump back into our projects and programs to keep our islands beautiful. All the new chairpersons are in place for each committee and I've asked them to request a member from each one to be their co-chair. It always makes a job easier if a friend steps up when we need some help or have to miss a meeting or event. Please consider becoming a co-chair on your favorite committee? One new chairperson, Sumera Wacker has agreed to manage our web site. She is already updating our pictures, activities and projects on the site as well as adding a meeting and event calendar for your reference. Please take time to log on to www.naplesislandsgardenclub.com. The members' only password is located in the front of your roster.

"Gardening is an Instrument of Grace" ~ Barbara

GENERAL MEETING

Monday
September 11, 2017
1:00 pm
Program:

"Colorful Hearty Plants
for your Garden".

Enthusiastic and adorable
Dahlia Brunner returns from
Roger's Gardens offering tips
to make your garden
spectacular.

Door Hostess:
Lynette Sewell
Flowers: Lisa Mauck
Refreshments: Kay Berg,
Lisa Mauck, Norma Kober,
Cindy Murphy,
Lynn Danielson

MILES RETIRES

Miles Redman, longtime custodian at Naples School, retired in June. The chair of our Naples School Arbor Day event, Lynn Shober, who also chairs the Third Tuesday beautification project at the school, presented Miles with a card and gift. Lynn thanked him for his cheerful work each spring for Arbor Day and our monthly beautification project at the school.



L-R: Lynn Shober thanks retiring custodian of Naples School, Miles Redman, for all his assistance to our club over the years.



L-R: Dawn Doeve and Kristie Nairne plant milkweed.

MILKWEED HELPS BUTTERFLIES

~Sandra Davidson, Past NIGC President

If you have noticed Monarch butterflies, which many think are the most beautiful butterflies in Naples this summer, it is not a fluke. There has been an awareness on the part of our members and Naples gardeners that the beauties are in decline and that planting, Asclepias, an American milkweed, hosts and feeds the Monarchs in their growth cycles.

In spring, Monarchs fly north from their central Mexico winter site and lay their eggs on the plants. They hatch into caterpillars which munch on the milkweed. When grown, the caterpillars spin chrysalises, fuzzy cocoons, and,voila! change into butterflies. They linger on the milkweed for a few hours and then off they go floating on the sea breezes.

Barbie Barker Litterst and Jan Dark are two members with a good number of plants. The Bellas have planted milkweed around the flagpole at the fountain, and the Naples School NIGC member gardeners planted Asclepias by the kindergarten gate. The plants are sturdy, love sunshine, need water and can be cut back in the winter.

Plant one next spring!



Monarch butterfly photo in her garden taken by Barbie Litterst.



Monarch on milkweed at La Bella taken by Sandy Davidson.

*In search of my
mother's garden,
I found my own.*
~Alice Walker



Save your plastic plant
containers and recycle as
an on-going
NIGC fundraiser!

Bring no smaller than
1 gallon sized pots to
every General Meeting
and they will be returned
to nurseries for money!



44TH ANNUAL JUNE LUNCHEON

“Celebrate Flag Day the Garden Club Way” was all about red, white & blue!

Eighty-eight members and guests enjoyed a festive luncheon at Old Ranch Country Club. Marianne Huntley presided over the event, Edie Graber inspired us with a delightful poem, and Marilyn Bittle led the group in a patriotic sing-a-long. Ladies dined on a delicious lunch of Morgan Chicken Salad with a fresh fruit tart for dessert. There were many wonderful hats and judges decided on these winners bestowing garden flags as the prizes!

Most Colorful:
Priscilla Lane

Most Creative:
Pat Nielson

Most Elegant:
Loretta Luskin

Most Humorous:
Lynn Danielson

Best Theme:
Meredith Medanich



L-R: The June Luncheon committee: Carolyn Doughty, Marianne Huntley, Lisa Mauck, Chair of the event; Wendi Vodhanel, Edie Graber, Pam McCredie and Kristie Nairne.



L-R: Announcing hat winners are judges, Julie Taboada, Judy Taylor and Linda Silver.



L-R: Reservation chair, Sharon Civalieri, checks in guests with assistants Lynn Danielson and Shirley Knopf.



L-R: Hat winners. **CONGRATULATIONS!** Loretta Luskin, Meredith Medanich, Pat Nielson, Lynn Danielson and Priscilla Lane.



L-R: Ann Devlin Snyder, Lynn Little and Lauren Bennett.



L-R: Lisa Mauck, and Pam McCredie



L-R: standing back row, Arlene Tolle, Susie Armstrong, Kay Bailey, Trish Schooley, and Tish Camp. Seated L-R: Susan Bell, Sandy Davidson and Meredith Medanich.



In the spirit of red, white and blue are: L-R: Edie Graber, Rosanne O'Brien and Julie Taboada.



Kristie Naire stands by welcome sign that was designed by her.



L-R: Sharon Ghraeeb, Jeanie Miller and Marilyn Bittle.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Linda Pillsbury
September 1
Carol Mehler
September 6
Lynne Misajon
September 9
Lynn Gesner
September 11
Nancy Merrill
September 13
Claire Forbes
September 14
Helen Roelfsema
September 16
Nancy Pinckert
September 18
Rose Nason
September 21
Dee Mattern
September 21
Terry Marte-Greco
September 22
Kay Bailey
September 24
Cathy Ridder
September 27



Bed of stunning Allium in the grounds of Kew Gardens, taken by Trish Schooley while in London for the Chelsea Flower Show.

BRIDGE RESULTS

The winners of this year's
Bridge Marathon

1st Place
**Nancee Tinsley &
Ducky Caswell**
2nd Place
**Shirley Knopf &
Lynn Danielson**
3rd Place
**Anita Padgett &
Ania Sullivan**

The winners for the day were:

1st Place - **Ducky Caswell**
2nd Place- **Shirley Knopf**

We had sixteen players with four tables of bridge and an amazing and gorgeously presented, delicious luncheon. It was a day filled with camaraderie and **FUN!**

~Jeannie Hughes, Chair

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A NEW MEMBER'S DISCOVERY

Love Naples' public spaces? Thank NIGC! Having recently become a member, I discovered the Naples' Islands Garden Club continues to be a vibrant advocate of many civic beautification projects in our Naples Islands neighborhood.

Back as far as 1976, members pulled weeds, picked up alley trash and maintained the landscape at La Bella Fontana di Napoli. Work on our beloved fountain park continues to this day: we advocate for fountain repairs, assist with landscaping and have recently contributed to the uplighting of the olive trees. We maintain the landscape with efforts throughout the year supplementing the city's labor. We even presented the park with a new bench!

Beyond the Fountain, we designed and currently maintain the median on Naples Plaza. We positioned terra cotta pots with succulents in the Naples Islands business district.

With LBUSD help, NIGC has been restoring the original Naples School landscape design. Together with students and dignitaries we annually celebrate Arbor Day with a planting ceremony in memory of deceased NIGC members and members' family.

In the mid 80s, when the city's Trees on the Bay were threatened, we raised funds to help maintain the trees. The city now undertakes the continuation of this wonderful Holiday tradition.

In addition to Bunco, Bridge and brunch, there is so much more to the Naples Islands Garden Club. Looking around our neighborhood, I am proud to be a member! ~Nancy Pinckert {NIGC January 2017}



Planting on 2nd St., Naples Island is a NIGC Beautification project. {2011}



"La Bella" park has been a NIGC project from the Club's beginning.

LA BELLA SUMMER CLEAN UP

During its June Clean Up of the Naples Fountain, NIGC planted milkweed at the flagpole to increase the Monarch habitat in Naples.



L-R: Dawn Doeve, Sandy Davidson and Lynn Shober plant milkweed at the base of the flag pole.



L-R: Edie Graber and Pam McCredie

NIGC WINS STATE AWARDS IN 2017!



Holding awards won by Naples Islands Garden Club are:
L-R: Orange County District Director, **Bette Langford**; NIGC Board Member **Trish Schooley**; Past Presidents of OCD, **Annie Hall Bosche** and **Launa Gould**. Awards meeting was held at the lovely Sherman Gardens in Costa Mesa with members from other Orange County Garden Clubs in attendance.

NIGC won awards in June at the State Convention again this year!

1st Place: **Roster**

3rd Place: **Programs for the year.**

1st Place: **won by Trish Schooley**

for a Collection of five Botanical photographs

Two Honorable Mentions: **by Trish for Single Botanic Garden photographs.**

Blue Ribbon Award:

Certificate of Achievement for Club Community involvement.

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BOARD MEETING

**Monday
September 25th, 2017
2:30 p.m.
Hostess:
Marianne Huntley
Co-hostess:
Sandy Davidson**

BUNCO BABES

**Swing into a
September Bunco of
FUN!**

at
**Lisa Mauck's
140 Ravenna**

Bring \$5 in singles,
"Treasure" in a bag

**6:45 p.m. social
7:00 p.m. games begin**

**Please call Jeanie Miller
to attend!
562.433.0566**



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