

# BEAUTIFICATION SCHEDULE

~Sandy Davidson, Beautification Chair

## Bella Cleanup at the Fountain

led by Tish Camp and Linda Frame  
 Thursday, June 4 3-4 pm  
 "war on weeds", please bring your best weeding tools.

## Naples Plaza Median

thanks to Ginny Clark and volunteers for deadheading and weeding this spring

## Second St. Containers

Debbie Tebrich  
 it's warming up - the containers need water, please



Jacob Keaton - LBUSD, Todd Dileo - Neff Construction & Sandy Davidson "assessing the damage" during Naples School construction.

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~Thank you to all who submitted photos, articles and information! ~

# BEAUTIFICATION CONTINUES!

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The capable **Linda Frame** takes over as **Beautification Chair** in June. Sandy Davidson will remain involved with the construction at Naples School as it (hopefully) concludes in time for school to open.



Maureen Schultz cleans out weeds around a Pepper Tree.

Working the roses on Naples Plaza were Ginny Clark, Lynne Clarke, Jeanie Krauss, Lynette Sewell, Susan Townsend, Laura Conte, and Ester Duran.

# NAPLES SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

~Sandy Davidson, Beautification Chair

Construction is proceeding at a furious pace at Naples School. At a meeting with NIGC, LBUSD, and Neff Construction, a pledge was made to restore all plants removed or damaged by construction. A new sod lawn will be installed and the restoration will be performed and paid for by Neff Construction. Efforts will focus on the Main building and the Auditorium. Entrances were redone and large ramps installed at both buildings so planting was removed. Neff Construction has been easy to work with. The project manager Todd completely understands anything "green".

Compliments go to Debbie Tebrich, Dawn Doeve, and NIGC volunteers who kept the landscape around the school library in fine shape. Their gardening made a statement to the construction crews of how the plants were valued, there was never a lunch bag or Coke can tossed in the landscape.



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## WELCOME NIGC BOARD!

~Barbara Jordon & Sandy Davidson, NIGC Past Presidents

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our biennial NIGC Board election was held on-line this year. Two items requiring separate votes were (1) to elect the new slate of officers for 2020-2022 and (2) to ratify the actions of our Board for 2019-2020. Sixty seven of our eighty nine active members responded with a unanimous yes vote for each item on the ballot. A special thanks and appreciation to all who participated. **Nothing can stop our NIGC from moving forward! Congratulations to our new officers!**

## ROSE {DUCKY RILEY} CASWELL: PRESIDENT

Lucky Ducky was fortunate enough to have been born and raised in Naples and has lived all but two years in the same place she now calls home. She worked for a shipping company at the Port of LA for eighteen years and there met and married husband Bill. For the last twenty-three years she has worked as a property manager. Ducky has one daughter, Michelle, an attorney, who lives with her family in Santa Monica. Ducky joined the NIGC in 1990 and served as Co-Chair of the Flower Show with Nancy Tinsley for many years. She loves gardening, photography, painting, reading, and time with her family. A little-known fact about Ducky is that she spent her senior year living on Catalina Island and graduated from Avalon High School.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



This has been the fastest two years of my life and the most fun! I want to thank all of you for your help and support during my term as president of the Garden Club. We have accomplished a lot. We planted **Pepper Trees** and **cleaned up La Bella Fontana Park**. We planted new **Palm Trees at Naples School** and replaced an **Olive Tree** in the **Naples Plaza median**. I am so grateful for the opportunity to get to know so many of you better. I look forward to the restoration of our annual **Flower Show, Arbor Day, May Day, Plant Sale** and **June luncheon**. Thank you all and remember to keep

 *"Harmony in the Garden"*  
~Marianne

### NIGC IS OFFICIAL !

NIGC volunteer attorney, Bill Davidson, secured the use of **"NIGC"** as an official name following the steps and newspaper publishing mandated by the California Secretary of State. **Feel free to write it on your checks or use it in minutes or in a logo. It officially belongs to us now.**



## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS 2020

**Michelle Johnson** (\$1,500.00) is a single woman caring for her grandparents full time.

**Thomas Ascanio** (\$1,000.00) is a naturalized citizen who works two jobs full time.

**Christopher Georgner** (\$750.00) overcame cancer returning as a full time student.

**Shawn Stone** (\$500.00) who is a returning student pursuing a career in horticulture.

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## NIGC SCHOLARSHIPS 2020

~Lynne Misajon, Scholarship Chair

It feels like the world has ground to a halt, yet the Naples Islands Garden Club Scholarship Awards will still be awarded! Long Beach City College professors have adapted to online teaching without skipping a beat. No classes were lost and instructors are doing all they can to ensure teaching will continue. Like true professionals, they hunkered down, worked overtime catching up with the intricacy of on-screen education and turned in scholarship recommendations on time.

The college received 950 aid applications - the largest number ever recorded. Our club received seven applications. With the assistance of our amazing NIGC Board Members at a Zoom video conference, we awarded four students with sizeable scholarships. This was not an easy task but with Marianne's leadership and our hard working women we were successful in awarding \$3, 750.00 to students identified in the sidebar.

I am very honored to be part of a Club that, even in the toughest of times, is committed to following through and helping hard working students in need with Scholarship funds.

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## DEBORAH SMITH: RECORDING SECRETARY

Deborah was born in Boyertown, Pennsylvania and moved to Southern California in 1990 on a job transfer as a broker/manager with Charles Schwab. She met her husband to be, Bill, through mutual friends. After retiring from investments, she became a Realtor in the South Bay where she and Bill lived. They moved to Long Beach in 2015 and she joined the NIGC in 2018. Deborah loves the Garden Club, traveling and playing cards and dominos with friends. She serves on the Board of Directors for Footlighters at Musical Theater West. Ask her about the weeks she spent in Northern British Columbia, in -40-degree weather, exploring the idea of homesteading many years ago! They had to take a dogsled to get to the nearest town!



## MEMBERS STEP UP TO SERVE ON THE NIGC BOARD

Incoming President Ducky Caswell has appointed **Susan Bell** as Parliamentarian. She has also appointed Chairs of Standing Committees as follows: Publication, **Kay Bailey**; Community Liaison, jointly **Marilyn Bittle** and **Marianne Huntley**; Beautification, **Linda Frame**; Fundraising, **Becky Jones**; Member Activities, **Lynette Sewell**; and Scholarship, **Lynne Misajon**. Past President, **Marianne Huntley**, is also a member of the Board.

## NIGC MEMBERSHIP

~Lynne Clarke, Membership Chair



Thank you to everyone who "rounded up" when paying their dues for 2020/21. The additional donations have come to \$670! Remember dues are delinquent as of June 1, so please put your check in the mail or in my mailbox as soon as possible. Thank you!

## POP UP PLANT SALE CONTRIBUTES TO NIGC & COMMUNITY

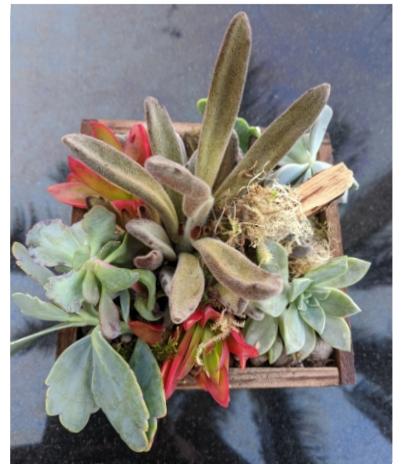


NIGC member Debbie Tebrich volunteered time, talent and resources to parlay the cancelled Plant Sale into an opportunity. From her canal front patio, Debbie sold succulent arrangements and garden decor to passers by and Garden Club members. Funds received from these sales will support NIGC and the Naples Community.

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The NIGC Board held a virtual meeting via "Zoom" in April.



An arrangement by **Debbie Tebrich** is one of many for sale.

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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

**Debbie Tebrich**  
June 1

**Ducky Caswell**  
June 7

**Tina Everson**  
June 7

**Arlene Svlich**  
June 9

**Lynn Danielson**  
June 13

**Ginny Clark**  
June 16

**Margaret Dineen-Kern**  
June 19

**Shirley Knopf**  
June 22

**Lauren Mintie**  
June 22

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

**Martha Griffin**  
July 1

**Deborah Clawson**  
July 3

**Susan Bell**  
July 15

**Maureen Schultz**  
July 16

**Dolores Montoya**  
July 18

**Lisa Mauck**  
July 22

**Dorothy Thomas**  
July 22

**Sally Schmidt**  
July 25

**Judy Trossen**  
July 26

**Betty Hercus**  
July 27

**Cathy Black-Smith**  
July 29

**Patti Clark**  
July 31

## MAY DAY FILLED WITH BLOOMS! 📷



L-R: Gate arrangement by **Lauren Mintie**. Beautiful bouquet by **Ann Devlin - Snyder** to an appreciative neighbor.



**Eileen Ryan**

**Wendi Vodhanel**



L-R: Patio table by **Debbie Smith**. Thoughtful bouquet by **Barbie Litterst**.



L-R: Door by **Marta Griffin**. Gate by **Kay Bailey**.



**Lynne Misajon**

**Pam McCredie**

**Sandy Davidson**



**Joyce Levinson**

**Dee Mattern**

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

**Susie Armstrong**  
Aug 1

**Diane Lacey**  
Aug 2

**Lynette Jordan**  
Aug 4

**Julie Jones**  
Aug 5

**Norma Kober**  
Aug 5

**Judy Powell**  
Aug 5

**Tamara Achauer**  
Aug 7

**Kay Berg**  
Aug 11

**Collette Anderson**  
Aug 12

**Barbara Case**  
Aug 13

**Edie Graber**  
Aug 14

**Debbie Ball**  
Aug 15

**Kristie Nairne**  
Aug 15

**Dale Stenzel**  
Aug 15

**Marjy Horton**  
Aug 21

**Trish Schooley**  
Aug 21

**Ania Sullivan**  
Aug 21

**Sharon Civalleri**  
Aug 27

**Kathie Hamme**  
Aug 28

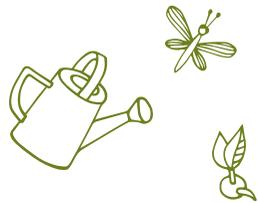
**Maureen Poe**  
Aug 28

**Ruth Saa**  
Aug 30

**Sumera Wacker**  
Aug 30



Dawn Doeve



### DAWN DOEVE: TREASURER

Born at St. Francis Hospital in Lynwood and raised in Seal Beach, Dawn majored in anthropology at UCSB and UC Santa Cruz. Dawn's career was in accounting and inventory management, lucky for us. She has a daughter married to a USNAVY Seabee whose family has lived all over the world. Dawn is a skilled gardener who sows seeds and uses cuttings to propagate plants. Joining the Garden Club in 2016, she has been a Naples School gardener for 4 years, she Chaired Arbor Day, worked on the Awards section of the Flower Show, and volunteered at the Plant Boutique.

I asked her "what don't we know about you" and she replied, "I own a Mini-Cooper but I really like to ride fast motorcycles and sports cars, preferably convertibles, singing classic rock songs as I do".



**NIGC BOARD INSTALLATION LUNCHEON  
has been rescheduled for September 2020!**

Please watch for more information coming in the "Island Poppy"



Ann Devlin-Snyder

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### ANN DEVLIN-SNYDER: CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Ann is a mid-western girl who grew up outside Chicago in Wilmette, Illinois. She and her four children moved to Southern California in 1976 where she married Dr. Leo Devlin. Together they raised a blended family of five children. He passed away in 2004. She moved to Naples in 2013 when she married her husband Ross. Ann joined NIGC in 2016. She is an artist who enjoys painting, gardening, golf, reading, bridge, and spending time with her grandchildren. She is Co-Chair of our Flower Show and stepped up as a new member to fill an empty spot on our Board of Directors in 2018. Ann spent many years as a family crisis counselor in Orange Co. and was implemental in helping her brother start Sierra Tucson's family program. A little-known fact about her is that she ran a successful clothing boutique with her sister, Pat, in Wilmette, Illinois from 1974 to 1977.

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### PAM MCCREDIE 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT, PROGRAMS

Born and raised in Pasadena, Pam attended Redlands University where she met Don, her husband. With both Undergraduate and Masters degrees in Speech Pathology, she worked as a therapist in preschool through high school in Hemet where they raised their two, now adult, children. They bought their home on The Colonnade in 2014 and did an extensive remodel. Pam loves travel, gardening (her garden is charming), cooking, seasonal decorating, and "some forms of exercise". She joined the Garden Club five years ago. She is a Bella gardener, Co-Chaired the Fall Fundraiser for three years, and, as Member Activities Chair, Chaired the Travel Committee and helped with Excursions.

Not many members know that Pam has "trodden the boards" since she was a child. Her first role was Snow White. She also played the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz, and sang a tricky solo, "Pick a Little" in Music Man.



### LYNNE CLARKE, 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT, MEMBERSHIP

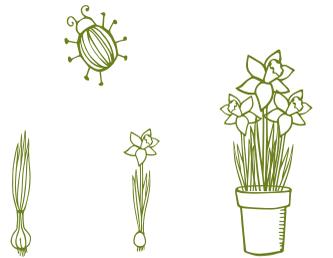
Lynne was raised in Long Island, NY, attending the Latin American Institute as a French and Spanish major to pursue her interest in foreign languages. She has two children and loves to travel and polish her language skills. She is active in East Long Beach Neighborhood Watch (walking in alleys with Katie Row) and is a savvy participant in local issues of all types. Lynne joined the garden club in 2012 and was Plant Boutique Chair for two years, worked as a Bella and at the Naples Plaza median, staffed the NIGC Christmas Luncheon and served two years as Second V-P, Membership.

A little-known fact is that she and her sister married brothers, her sister met Tom's brother through Lynne. To straighten me out, she explained "My sister is also my sister-in-law".

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Pam McCredie



Lynne Clarke

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