



Beyond the Garden Gate

Elk Grove Garden Club

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MONTHLY MEETING

October 13, 2022

Gil Albiani Recreation Center

8830 Sharkey Avenue, Elk Grove

Continental Breakfast 10 am

Meeting 10:30 am



MaryLee Trimmer 10/14

Rhinda Sharples 10/15

Editors:

Silvia Boggs

Olinda Cortez

Miridae Mobile Nursery

Presented by

Grace Amico

We are excited to welcome Miridae for this month's program on Butterfly Plants and More. Don't forget to bring cash, checks or a credit card for a fun shopping experience.

Miridae's purpose is to strengthen the connection between people, native plants, and wildlife. Beginning as a restoration landscaping company in 2015, Miridae has grown into three branches: design-build, outreach, and STEM education and research. The Mobile Nursery leads our community outreach and sales branch, traveling to neighborhoods, businesses, and more in the greater Sacramento area. Through the Mobile Nursery we can speak directly to community members and bring a variety of native plants right to people's neighborhoods.



Message from the President

Mary Adams-Wiley

We opened our 2022-23 year by hosting a presentation by Rebecca Sweet at a special meeting with the Gardeners of the Grove and the River Valley Garden Club. Our official photographer, Donna Williams, took photos, and they appear on EGGC's Facebook page. The other two clubs have expressed interest in doing something similar again, and perhaps one of them will take the lead in the future.

We have 4 new members; 2 joined at the September meeting and we added 2 more just a couple of days ago. See page 4. Membership now is at 52. Our cap is 58 so we are getting close to full.

In an effort to simplify our process for refreshments at meetings and control costs in this inflationary time, we will launch a pilot program for the year with the October 13 meeting. This includes a change in format. **We will begin at 10 am with a half hour to pick up a name tag, enjoy a continental breakfast, visit with friends and meet the new members. The program will begin at 10:30 am as usual, and end with a business session.**

There will be plenty of time to visit afterwards or go out to lunch with your friends. See page 4 to find the name of the hostess this time, and her team members. Claudia Horn is the new Special Assistant to the President coordinating this program. She is the first person the new hostesses should call for planning advice and suggestions for incorporating our new mantra of simple and inexpensive.

Nancy Baldwin plans to pass out the **new** yearbooks at the meeting. If you cannot attend you may ask a friend to pick up your copy for you.

The Fundraising Taskforce recently had their planning meeting and there are notes in the next column about what they need from the membership in order to significantly increase funds for a college scholarship administered by Cosumnes River College. Also see the flyer produced by Jan Fetler — on page 3.

The Book Club meeting is on Tuesday, October 18 at 2 pm (a new time) is at the home of Mary Adams-Wiley. The Book is Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer. You do not have to have read the book in order to attend. Everyone is welcome, and food will be served.

We would like more suggestions for a name for this group. Send your ideas to Mary Adams-Wiley.



Help Wanted!

The Fundraising Taskforce is looking for members with new regiffable items or gently used ones that can be donated in the categories of tag sale, silent auction or raffle. Examples of what you may find to pass along are: baskets, holiday decor including tree ornaments, home and garden decor, practically anything related to gardening including small tools, plants, and seed packets, kitchenware, vases, picture frames, books (gardening books or cookbooks only). and puzzles or games. But don't be limited by what we have had in the past. Bring any items appropriate for holiday gift giving or especially useful, attractive or prized. No white elephants please! *

Deliver your items to Mary Adams-Wiley's house on October 27 between 9:30 am and 5:30 pm. Or schedule an appointment on a different date by calling her at 925 200-3250. Volunteers will start grouping and tagging items on October 29.

If you are part of the Botanical Arts and Crafts Group submitting handmade items, call Claudia Horn, 916 212-8240 for when to deliver them to her house.

Help Wanted!

The Fundraising Taskforce is looking for members with connections to businesses in Elk Grove who can solicit gift cards or items for our November 10 event. Also needed are members with a little spare time to work from a prepared list of potential donors. An event flyer, solicitation letter and contributor receipt will be provided along with a little free advice on the best places to try.

* Fun Fact — The term, "white elephant" refers to an extravagant but burdensome gift that cannot be easily disposed of, based on the legend of the King of Siam gifting rare albino elephants to courtiers who had displeased him, that they might be ruined by the animals upkeep costs.

The Elk Grove Garden Club
invites you and your friends!

Scholarship Fundraiser

Thursday, November 10, 10 am till 1 pm

Gil Albani Recreation Center
8830 Sharkey Avenue, Elk Grove

Botanical arts, crafts and more from
creative artists and crafters

Raffle, silent auction, tag sale

Complimentary continental breakfast

Place orders for homemade holiday cookies

Questions? Mary Adams-Wiley
cell/text 925 200-3250
adamswiley@me.com

Cash or
Check only





Succulent Pumpkin Workshop

Submitted by Vivian Sellers

The workshop date was changed to Saturday, October 15 and the location is now the Poppy Room at Wackford Complex on Bruceville.

I hope all of you have had success growing your succulents for this project. **I will need them by our meeting on October 13.**

The succulents don't need to be rooted; in fact we will be cutting off the roots, leaving a 2-3 inch stem. You can just walk around your yard, clip or pull some and put them in a bag. If you are not going to be at the meeting, you can drop them off at my house before the 13th.

I will need to borrow glue guns for the class. Just put your name on the glue gun and bring it to the meeting. I will get the glue gun back to you.

And last but not least, I need a few helpers. Margrethe Reed and Susan Muckey have already volunteered, but I could use more. The class is from 10 am to 12 pm, but we should be there by 9 am to set up and will have some cleanup when the class is over.

Give me a call at 916-753-9850 and let me know if you have succulents, glue gun and/or can help.



Learn to Paint a Mandala

Come join Susan Muckey at the Wackford Complex, Poppy Room on Saturday, November 5th for a mandala rock painting class from 10 am to 12 pm. You will learn the basics of dot painting and special techniques such as walking the dots and swooshing.

Call 916-405-5600 to enroll or go to: yourcsd.com to enroll online. You must open an account to register online. The cost of the class is \$35.00. All supplies are included as well as a set of tools for you to keep.

This class is given to support the CSD scholarship program.

Wellcome to New Members

We are so pleased that Susan Horton and Wanda Singer joined our club at the September meeting. They were in time to be included in the directory that is part of the yearbook.

Sue and Guy Bloyed, our first couple members, just missed getting into the yearbook, but their contact information follows. Home address is 3362 Marina Cove Circle, Elk Grove 95758. Sue's cell is 916 479-6122, she prefers to be contacted by email, susanhobbs8@icloud.com, Guy's cell is 916 687-1766, and that is his preferred form of communication.

Reminder — In the September newsletter we asked that members save 15-16 ounce tin cans for the Petal Connection to wrap in burlap and make into floral arrangements for community members in hospice. Please keep saving, and plan to bring them to the December meeting.

The hostess for the October meeting is Ana Weekley. Team members are: Mary Gress, Diane McPherson, Susan Muckey, Maureen Slocum, and Margrethe Reed

