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2021 Spring Garden Tour

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 enjoy five lovely homes & gardens
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TOUR PROCEEDS SUPPORT ONGOING CLUB PROJECTS INCLUDING ~ SCHOLARSHIPS, CITY BEAUTIFICATION, AND EDUCATION

Education Update

By Cheryl Koff

It's been a rough year for all of us while coping with COVID-19. But the mood remains upbeat and I look forward to working on future projects. The Therapeutic Gardening projects are still on hold until we get the "ok" to return to the senior facilities. As mentioned in prior newsletters, I was able to drop off plants, soil and "good cheer" to some of our senior facilities we service. Also recently had the opportunity to speak with Anne Schellman and Sheila Rose, UCCE Master Gardener Coordinators, about possible support for our Therapeutic Program. More to come as we get closer to opening up.

I am pleased to report the Modesto Garden Club sponsored an on-line course (Teaching Nature Classroom) for 9 volunteers to work with teachers using the school gardens as the subject. Thank you, Pat Logan for making this happen.

Updates will follow from other Educational Programs when the Modesto Garden Club opens up the general meetings and group gatherings. I appreciate the caution used in scheduling future programs/meetings. In the meantime, stay safe and healthy. Stay tuned!

President's Message

Hello fellow gardeners,

I am happy to learn that most of our members have received both of their virus inoculations,

It was hard to cancel the March General meeting, but it looks like we are on track to be able to have an April meeting. I will let everyone know as soon as I can.

Our annual Spring Garden Tour has been scheduled for April 17, with five homes on historic Magnolia Ave featuring owners such as Royal Robbins, L.M. Morris, and others.

This will probably be the only time members will have access to them. Don't miss out.

We need your support by purchasing and selling tickets to the Tour. This is our most important fundraiser.

The June Luncheon has been cancelled; the good news is that we have already scheduled the Christmas Luncheon for December.

We wish everyone to stay well and see you soon.

Yours in Gardening

DanM



Attention Members:

The Club needs a restatement of articles of Incorporation from our current mutual Benefit Corporation to a Public Benefit Corporation.

This is to facilitate the clubs request for non-profit Property Tax Exemption for Stanislaus County

Dan Yockey, President
MODESTO GARDEN CLUB, INC.

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Spring Garden Tour

By Gerry Yockey

I really think this year is going to be special! We have never had a tour where we stayed on one street. We could not have picked a better street. Magnolia has such a history!! Most of the homes were built in the 1920's. And beautifully done.

I am looking forward to sharing these delightful homes and gardens with you!

The only thing that I need is docents. Patté Williams, who is in charge of docents for the homes would like to hear from you. Since we are unable to have a meeting in March. You can call her at home at 505-3526. As everyone knows we always need docents!!!! We have five homes plus the office. If for some reason you cannot get Patté, call me at 521-5619.

*Tickets are
coming!!!!!!!!!!*

If you want a packet of 10 to sell give me a call or drop by the office on a Wednesday morning for a cup of coffee and pick some up.



*I really want to be a docent at the
Spring Garden Tour....April 17th, 2021*

_____ Name

_____ Phone

*This year the Spring Garden Tour is going to be an incredibly special one.
Because the owners have decided to share the interior of their homes as well
as the gardens, we will need extra docents. A few hours of your time will be a
great donation to the Modesto Garden Club.*

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Patté Williams
1010 Sycamore Ave.
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Spring Garden Tour Docents Needed

Docents, we need docents, we need loads and loads of docents.

Because we won't be having a March general meeting, we found we needed to come up with numerous ways for you to sign up to be a docent.

Please be sure to let Patté know you will be there to fill one of those spots, in the house or in the garden, at one of the homes on the tour.

Contact Patté:

Phone: at 209-505-3526

Email: at email@modestogardenclub.org

Mail: Complete the Docent 2021 form above, fold the page in half, add postage as noted and send it as addressed. You will receive a phone call to schedule your time and location.





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Planters and Groomers

By Gerry Yockey

We are getting closer to the Spring Garden Tour which is the 17th of April and the Snapdragons are getting taller and starting to show life. The pansies are blooming and showing some color. The roses are starting to show life and starting to bud.

The ladies have been working so hard at the garden club office. Mostly it has been clean up with the leaves and anything else that has been blowing in the yard.

I have to give some thank you's to a number of ladies who have brought cookies, cakes, and other delightful desserts to our office. They are Shirley Stewart, Josephine Para, Mary Helen Alonzo, Mary McNicholas, Leah Meedom, Sharon Searls, Judy Crisp and Pat Williams. And I might add, all homemade!!

I hope I have not forgotten anyone. I am sorry if I have.



Civic Affairs

By Dan Yockey

Spring is fast approaching, and the downtown pots are starting to come to life and are showing great color. Not much is happening with the rest of our Club projects so not much to report.

I am planning to eliminate the use of grocery baskets to plant the downtown pots. I want to replace them with four wheeled carts (see photo) if you have one of these and no longer use it, or want it please donate it to the club. Call or text me and I will pick it up.