

## PEW GARDEN CLUB MINUTES

MONDAY July 1, 2024 2:00 P.M.

NEXT MEETING – Monday August 5 at 2 p.m.

### Committee Reports

**Treasurer** – Cindy Palermo – this year's budget allocation is the same as last - \$420.

**Publicity** – Hilltopper – Merlin Chancellor

PEW website – Lynn Thomas

**Secretary** - Lynne Widdison, Roger Frichette **Librarian** – Helen Doherty

**Programs** – Merlin Chancellor **Field Trips** – Robin Green, Cheri Carry, Shevan Teagarden

**New members** – none at this meeting

### BUSINESS MEETING

**Field Trips** – one possibility is **Leo Castillo Ranch State Park**. Free 90 minute tours are available on the second Friday of each month. We will try to set up a visit on either Aug. 9 or Sept. 13.

**News** – our initial request to expand the community garden area was turned down; no reason given. Merlin will continue to pursue the idea. Demand is high for additional space.

And, the garden adds so much to the overall ambiance of the par

**Changing of the guard** – Please give your thanks to **Alice Eads** for doing such a nice job as GC secretary ever since it started 3 years ago this month. And, give a hearty welcome to **Lynne Widdison** taking on the awesome responsibility as the new secretary.

**Garden Recognition Award** – the first award was given to Erika Swimmer, Space #2. Thanks to Patty and Sally for recommending the garden. Erika just moved in last December and was pleased almost to tears to receive the card and the reward for her hard work.

### Future speakers

**August – Neil Teagarden** – Taking care of your garden tools.

**September** – A second visit from **Master Gardener Dawn Standke** who informed and entertained us so well last month.

**October – Master Gardener Cindy Bruckes** – edible landscape and poisonous plants

## **Events**

**July 4 – Community garden street party from 6 to 9 p.m.** To set up, tables and chairs are needed. Merlin is coordinating. Bring finger food if you plan to attend. Contact him for details.

## **Mulch**

**July 13, Saturday** – Free mulch from San Pasqual Valley Soils. Featuring Nature's Fines – go to the website for more information.

**Free Mushroom mulch** - Tuesday through Saturday each week from 8 to 2 pm – free mulch from Mountain Meadows Mushroom Farm.

**Amending your soil** – Use equal parts Miracle Grow or something similar, peat moss, and mushroom mulch.. Fertilize every 30 days during the growing season.

Monday July 8 - **Ann will have a one woman art show** in the community center from 2 to 4. Please RSVP to Ann ([annkreile@gmail.com](mailto:annkreile@gmail.com)) or Roger ([srf2437@gmail.com](mailto:srf2437@gmail.com)).