

PEW GARDEN CLUB MINUTES

MONDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2026 2:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 2nd MARCH, at 2 p.m.

Committee Reports

Treasurer – Cindy Palermo – this year's budget allocation is \$400

Publicity – Hilltopper – Merlin Chancellor **PEW website** – Lynn Thomas

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

Programs – Merlin Chancellor **Field Trips** – Shevaun Teagarden

BUSINESS MEETING

Notes:

Sweet Valentine's Day treats were provided by Robin Greene and Katie Leslie, most delicious and certainly satisfied our sweet teeth. Thank you to both.

We viewed an interesting video/slide show from Vallecitos Water District on the joy of sustainable gardening, featuring our very own Ann Kreille and her artistic contributions to the Water District's garden. Click to view it yourself: https://youtu.be/P8c4nUc_lKY?si=5eF8kEYQu2ukKAOf

Merlin answered many questions about garden pests and various treatments and advised us that free mulch and compost may be obtained from La Moree Rd. (just West of Sandy Lane) in San Marcos, open Friday through Sunday - sunrise through sunset. You will need to take your own equipment, i.e. shovels and bags. He also reminded us that the annual fee for a Community Garden Plot is only \$20 and is due July 1st each year. The fees help provide tools and items for the use at our Community Garden and are kept in the shed.

Upcoming field trips or events:

April 22nd, 2026 Earth Day. Location: PEW Community Garden, celebration of Earth Day, more details to follow.

May 23rd, 2026 Field Trip. Location Jack's Pond for a ranger-guided tour about bees, butterflies and beyond. We will meet at the clubhouse at 8:30 am and carpool.

Future ideas include garden tours of our PEW residents' personal gardens; please submit your name, or suggestions of anyone you know, who would like a visit from the garden club.

One side note, we were able to reschedule our speaker Kathryn Blankenship who couldn't make the February meeting. She will join us for our April 6th meeting.