

PEW GARDEN CLUB MINUTES

MONDAY, 3RD AUGUST 2026 2:00PM

NEXT MEETING MONDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER 2:00PM *****

COMMITTEE REPORTS • Treasurer: Cindy Palermo – this year's budget allocation is \$400 • •Publicity: Hilltopper – Merlin Chancellor, •Website - Lynn Thomas • Secretary - Lynne Widdison, Roger Frichette, •Librarian - Helen Doherty • Programs - Merlin Chancellor •Field Trips - Robin Green, Shevaun Teegarden, Cheri Carry

Well we had to start the meeting with ice cream and cake festivities in honor of Merlin's birthday. He has done so much to keep this garden group alive and interesting so it was a pleasure to celebrate him. Thanks to all for the refreshments: Lynne, Katie, Teri and Nancy with additional help on birthday decor from Lynn and Sheila. Many hands made for a great celebration.

Merlin created a wonderful game for all to participate in by matching up plants with their various pods, and seeds, pictures of butterflies that we had to match with their live former caterpillar selves. This not only tested our knowledge (or guesswork) , but was educational as Merlin also provided details on all the components. The layout of all these items took a lot of thought and trouble. Thank you Merlin for such a fun way of enriching our experience.

Upcoming Events:

September 14th - Herb Field will talk about insects

October 5th - San Diego Vector Control will talk about rat and mice problems

*November 2nd - PEW Craft Workshop - Plant cuttings and soap making

December 7th - 3rd Annual Holiday Tea Party

Note: 5th and 6th September Balboa Park is having a Plumeria Show.

*PEW Craft Fair participation: It's not too early to start seedlings and growing cuttings for donation to the November PEW Craft Fair. Think about unusual containers for your plant donations. We will need boxes of various sizes for customers to transport their purchases, so if you have or receive anything in a box, please think about saving it. We will also consider the possibility of additional soap making sessions to either sell at the craft show or keep for personal use. A sign-up sheet for personnel volunteers to man our booth will be passed around closer to the time.

Just a clarification from the premeeting agenda email. The dues mentioned were for the Community Gardeners annual plot dues.