

SUN CITY WEST DESERT GARDEN CLUB
MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-President called the meeting to order in RH Johnson Social Hall East at 9:00 AM. There were 77 members present, and 6 guests.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Karen Anderson's report, as of December 31, 2023, stated December Sales of \$4,215.00, with 51% by credit card. Checking Account balance is \$35,166.62. Total cash on hand \$35,366.62. True Value December bill of \$409.71. 2023 Year End Compliance Validation was done on our Credit Card terminal and transactions and we passed. December Bank Statement and True Value Statement received and are confirmed to be correct for our final year end reports. The Annual CR7 Financial Report will be completed by February 10, 2024 or before as required. Karen gave her notice of her one year retirement date of December 31, 2024. A volunteer will be needed for the Treasurer's board position.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Secretary read minutes of last Member Meeting December 12, 2023. They were approved.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS: Eight new club members were welcomed.

CHARITABLE GIFTS: Bob Bass of the Sun City West Community Fund, John Drake of St. Mary's Food Bank, Teresa Brown of the Sun City West Foundation and Amy Tekulve of the Valley View Food Bank were on hand to thank the Garden Club for the December donations in the amount of \$1000.00 to each non-profit, and to educate our members on their missions here in the Southwest Valley.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

2024 PROJECTED BUDGET: Committee members Karen Anderson, LiAnn Hathaway, Julia Miller and Dave Wiegand are developing a budget for 2024. There is a projected increase in sales, and more money spent on expenses.

VOLUNTEERING: Teri Klyzek, co-leader with Laura Webb for the Plant Sales Crew made a presentation wearing a Plant Sale poster board sign encouraging members to sign up to volunteer at the plant sales.

Upcoming Events: Sandy Warmuth of the Social Committee reported on upcoming club events of the February 22, 2024 Luncheon at 11:00 a.m., Garden Walk on March 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., and Field Trip scheduled for April 15, 2024. Mary Beth Kunze of the Educational Outreach Committee spoke on the club's participation at the Auto Restoration Club Car Show on February 10, 2024. Volunteers are needed. There will be a New Member

Orientation on January 22, 2024 in the greenhouse. The program for the February Membership Meeting will be Ikebana presented by Sue Schmidt.

PROGRAM: Jim Consolloy of the Desert Garden Club gave a presentation on the native and non-native plants of the Sonoran Desert. Helen Shadowens assisted Jim in the presentation.

DOOR PRIZES: Sandy Warmuth led drawings of dish gardens made in the greenhouse. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Thomas, Co-Secretary