



July 2024 Newsletter

From the President

What is the Leader Board?

Hello,

You may have heard the term "Leader Board" (LB) at a meeting or two, but do you know what the LB is? The LB is a group of people that get together to work 'behind the scenes' to bring all of the moving parts of running the Garden Club together.

The LB meetings are one of the reasons I decided to run for President. I had been to a few LB meetings in the past as the Scholarship Committee Chair and I liked what I saw. The meetings are lively and they are productive. We laugh and have FUN. We have discussions about any topic, event, speaker, trip etc. that is on the horizon. We explore any concern from a variety of angles, and then vote on how we want to move forward. Do we always agree 100% on our next move? No, of course not. But everyone gets to state their opinion and that is considered by the entire LB.

We make long-range plans. For example, we noticed the meeting room is getting crowded. How can we make room for additional people? Speakers are lined-up months in advance. Planning for the Member Only Event starts a year before it happens so that we ensure we have a place to hold the event. Our goal is to have a wellorganized club that holds fun, interesting meetings and events that our members enjoy. The LB has six elected members (President, Vice President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer), plus a variable number of 'members-atlarge.'

The members-at-large bring additional depth, experience and new ideas to the meetings.

They MAY chair an outside committee or event, but this isn't a requirement for the position.

The LB meets once a month on the Friday before the general membership meeting.

Garden Club members are always welcome to come to a meeting. Please contact me directly if you are interested in seeing the LB in action for yourself. We are truly open to any idea you may have.

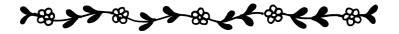
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Our July 17th meeting is at the FG Community Church. Membership meeting begins at 9am **July's** speaker is **Lucas Hollman**, He talks about Winter Color





The Member Only Event

"A Taste of the Garden" September 18 (regular meeting day) Cumberland State Park Doors open at 11:00 A.M.

Come one come all for fellowship, lunch, shopping, prizes, and a stroll in the Park!

Sign up sheets and details at our July and August meetings. It is members only. Want to bring your buddies? Have them join our great Garden Club!

Questions? Contact Deb Boyle (chairperson) text 847-924-2112

Want to be part of our team? Text Deb Boyle at 847-924-2112

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Look what I dug up by Nathy Hill

The Most Surprising Uses Of Hydrogen Peroxide In The Garden

It can be used to clean, bleach and sterilize. It also has antimicrobial properties which makes it useful in your garden too!

Prevents Root Rot

In order to prevent suffocation of roots, water the plant with a mixture consisting 3% hydrogen peroxide and 1 quart water.

Hydrogen will create an excess amount of oxygen in soil that can be used by plants for survival from lack of air. Do not allow the top layer or two inches to dry out after this mix is applied until you are ready to resume watering your plant again.

Boosts Seed Germination

There are several benefits of using hydrogen peroxide when planting seeds which include reducing germination time and increasing the amount that sprouts for each seed.

To use this method, dip the seeds in a 3% solution for 30 minutes before planting them as usual.

Destroys Mold and Mildew

With one extra oxygen molecule, hydrogen peroxide is able to kill mold and mildew. Add 10 tablespoons of 3%-6% in a liter of water for an effective spray bottle mixture that can be applied on plants every day until the fungus disappears.

Keeps Pests and Insects Away

Hydrogen peroxide also serves as a pesticide. To use it, mix equal parts water and 3% hydrogen peroxide in a spray bottle.

Use this mixture to kill pests both on plants or fruits/vegetables that may harbor bacteria.

Prevents and Controls Bacterial Rot

The main cause of bacterial infections on plant tissues is cuts and bruises. But sometimes insects can spread the disease too. These bacterial infections cause fruit, flower buds, bulbs, and tubers to rot into a liquid mush that will destroy your crops if you don't take action soon enough!

Spray the plants with hydrogen peroxide solution to protect them from infection.

Apply this chemical mixture directly onto fresh tree branches or spray it after pruning for maximum protection against bacteria exposure during storage as well!

Preserves Fruits and Vegetables

After harvesting, spray a mixture of 1 tablespoon hydrogen peroxide and ½ cup water over fruits and vegetables to preserve them.

This will prevent wilting by preventing the oxidation process that causes it.

The fruit or vegetable can be kept for longer periods in the refrigerator when treated with this solution!

For more information check out the following link: https://gardeningsoul.com/uses-hydrogen-peroxide-in-garden/



Remember to bring your Garden Club badge to receive your 20% off on plants



Who to call if you have questions about:

General Information: President: Susan Borghi, (916) 203-9178

Membership: David Dean, (503) 928-1867

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Sharing Table: Deb Boyle, (847) 924-2112

Hospitality: Ali Reader, (815) 353-1997

Submissions for publication in this newsletter should be emailed to Peggy Mitchell at pamitch23@comcast.net by the 30th of each

month.

Leader Board Meeting - Friday before General Meeting - 9:00 am

General Meeting - 3rd Wednesday of month - 521 Snead Drive - 9:30 am

Coffee & Socializing - 9:00 am - Bring your own coffee mug

September - off site meeting - December - no meeting

Web site - fggardenclub.com email - fggardenclub@gmail.com

Attachments: June