

APRIL 2012



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Happy Spring! I am exceedingly pleased to report that the St. Patrick's Day dinner party was a smashing success! We had a big turnout with nearly seventy members and guests in attendance. We enjoyed a traditional Irish dinner, enhanced with Irish whiskey and live accordion music from *All Things Accordion*.

Credit goes to **Dottie McHugh** and her team including **Kathleen Anderson, Page Fenston, Darlene Hartman and Sima Talai**, who created a festive environment for the evening. Special thanks to **Dan McHugh** for gamely pitching in to lend muscle power to the project. Thank you all!

Our March program **Green School Gardens** was wonderful and informative. We didn't know that every school in the city can have a garden if they chose to. We took a walk over to the West Portal Elementary School to experience first hand the lovely gardens created by the young students here. Many thanks to **Sally Kipper** for organizing this event and provided the nourishing refreshments. Thanks to **Darlene Hartman**, our horticulture chair, for sharing her beautiful succulents and her thoughts on how to grow a succulent garden. Flowers credit goes to **Nancy Hagosian** and **Anna Bolechowski**.

Parliamentarian **Sima Talai** convened the nominating committee in February to select a slate of officers and directors for the September 2012 – June 2013 Garden Club term. The committee consisted of two members from the board (**Kathe Farrell** and **Helen Scholten**), two members from the membership at large (**Teresa Callan** and **Trish Hurt**), and a fifth member selected by those four (**Anna Bolechowski**). Their recommendations are:

<i>President:</i>	Yen Bachmeier
<i>Vice President:</i>	Sally Kipper
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Kathleen Farrell
<i>Recording Secretary:</i>	Pansy Waller
<i>Financial Secretary:</i>	Donna Earhart
<i>Corresponding Secretary:</i>	Ann Impett
<i>Parliamentarian:</i>	Sima Talai
<i>Auditor:</i>	Helen Scholten
<i>Directors:</i>	Clorinda Aldrich, Nancy Hagosian, Mary Hanson, Eva Monroe, Marica Salma

Thanks to **Kathe Farrell** for chairing the committee. Please join us at the April 16th General Meeting and vote to elect the FHGC officers for the incoming fiscal year.

--Yen Bachmeier

Meetings and Events

Monday, April 2 – Board Meeting

- 10:00 AM Coffee time – Hosted by **Clorinda Aldrich** at the clubhouse
- 10:30 AM Meeting – Board and Standing Chairs

Monday, April 16 – General Meeting & Program: The Gardens of Alcatraz

- 01:00 PM Social
- 01:30 PM General Meeting
- 02:00 PM Presentation by **Shelagh Fritz** – Project Manager/Horticulturist, the Garden Conservancy
- 03:00 PM Refreshments – hosted by **Kathleen Anderson** and **Eva Monroe**

Saturday, April 21 – Spring Fling Community Service (See revised flyer for dates of donations)

- 01:30 – 04:30 PM Swap & Share – Women clothing and fashion jewelry
- Note that there will be no refreshments at this event. We need “clean fingers” while handling clothes.

NOTES:

Upcoming events:

5/21 – Strawberry Social and new officers installation for 2012-2013 term year (Please note date changed from 5/14)

The Forest Hill Garden Club's Spring Community Service

"Spring Fling"

"Spring Fling" is coming for the women of Forest Hill on Saturday, April 21, 2012 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Forest Hill Clubhouse. It is a private clothing and costume jewelry "swap and share" event for Forest Hill women who donate up to five outfits of women's clothing or costume jewelry. Whatever items we do not *swap* with each other on April 21st, we will *share* with charity.

REQUESTED DONATIONS

Outfits [each piece of the outfit must be delivered clean on a hanger] may include:

1. Blouses
2. Sweaters
3. Skirts
4. Pants
5. Dresses
6. Coats and jackets
7. Scarves
8. Purses (no hanger necessary)

Costume jewelry [each piece must be delivered clean in a clear Ziploc bag] may include:

1. Earrings
2. Necklaces
3. Bracelets
4. Pins (sorry, no rings)

DONATION PERIOD

Donations will be received during a two week period, Sunday, April 1st through Sunday, April 15th at four locations. Please contact one of the following volunteers, before delivering your clothing items (clean and on individual hangers) and costume jewelry (each item clean in a clear Ziploc bag) to:

1. Amy @ 301 Magellan – contact @ 564.7055 or
2. Katie @ 241 Montalvo – contact @ 665.5140 or
3. Yen @ 240 Montalvo – contact @ yen@insightcc.com or
4. Kathe@ 200 Montalvo – contact @ 681.2876 (until April 10th)



APRIL 21st EVENT

The "Spring Fling" on April 21st from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. is open to all women who reside in Forest Hill and have donated up to five outfits of women's clothing or pieces of costume jewelry during the donation period. Please join us on the 21st and select as many as five, individual items to take home and enjoy!

CONTACT: Amy Quirk @ 564-7055