



Los Alamos Master Gardeners

Meeting Minutes

Date: August 1, 2019
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Majorie Selden's home; White Rock, NM
Meeting Facilitator: Carolyn Mangeng, President

REPORTS

Minutes

Laurie Walker moved that the minutes for the 5/3/19 meeting be approved as written.
Christine Hipp seconded the motion. All Approved.

Treasurer, Laurie Walker

Income and Balance

There were two events during the Summer that brought in funds: 1) the Demo Garden Fair Plant Sale, which brought in \$1,757.40; and 2) the Iris Sale, which brought in \$1,846.00. Less the to-date expenses of \$1,517.84, the Association has a balance of \$6,028.22.

The NMSU-required annual treasurer's report for July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 has been submitted.

Extension Agent, Carlos Valdez

Welcome to Eduardo Servin

At the beginning of the meeting, Carlos introduced Eduardo, who is the new State Manager of the Master Gardener Program. Eduardo took a few minutes to introduce himself and talk about his hopes for the State MG Program. We all welcome him to his new position and look forward to working with him

Carolyn asked whether the Santa Fe Master Gardeners had in fact separated from the State Master Gardener Program, and Eduardo stated that there was still an affiliated MG organization in Santa Fe, in addition to a non-affiliated group.

Los Alamos County Fair, August 8-10

- Carlos has enough volunteers for setting up, etc.
- He encouraged everyone to submit horticultural entries! This is a really good year for fruit, and we've had good rain, so plants are looking very good. Encourage your friends and neighbors to also enter!
- The following weblink has all the information needed for entering exhibits:
<https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/losalamos/fair.html>
- Kimberli Tanner will work with Carlos to provide botanical and common names for the specimens from the Demo Garden displayed around the exhibit space.

State Master Gardener Conference 2020

Bernalillo County is hosting the 2020 State Master Gardener Conference in Albuquerque. A call for Speakers has been emailed (see Attachment 1). If you have suggestions, please submit them to the contact provided on the email attachment in August.



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Carlos reminded the members that Los Alamos County hosted the first State Master Gardener Conference.

Demo Garden, Denise George Maintenance

Sanding and Staining

The Casita, Pergola Benches, and Sensory Garden Planter Boxes were sanded and stained. Denise sends many thanks to Carolyn Mangeng, Peggy Reneau, and Christine Hipp for working diligently to get this necessary maintenance task completed before the Garden Fair!

Walkway from Pergola to Casita

The concrete pour occurred as scheduled and we now have a major improvement completed in the garden! Again, many, many thanks to those who persevered in getting this project completed and assisted on the big day! It's taken several years to complete, but the end result is definitely worth the delays and efforts. See Attachment 2 for photos.

Casita Clean-out and Re-organization

On June 28th, Denise George, Carlos Valdez, Melissa Theesfeld, and Peggy Reneau cleaned out and re-organized the Casita. Everyone is thrilled with the major improvements! This was a big accomplishment and Denise offered many, many thanks to Carlos, Melissa, and Peggy for their great work on this project! (See Attachment 3.)

Moon Garden, Carlos Valdez

Carlos confirmed that the utility locates had been re-performed and that the next activity was to coordinate with the County to schedule removal of the shrubbery. He will work on this after the County Fair is over. Melissa asked that she and Judy be informed of when this work is scheduled so they could be present.

Martha's Orchard Design Meeting

Denise requested confirmation of members still interested in serving on a Committee to design Martha's Orchard. Members who previously signed up to be on the Committee are listed in the Demo Garden Leads on the final page of the minutes.

A meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 9/14, 10:00 a.m., at Martha's Orchard in the Demo Garden.

Work Parties

A work party is scheduled for 8/17, 8:30-noon-ish. In the meantime, if you have time to work in the garden, please help with deadheading and weeding. Look for an email from Denise with a list of tasks.



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Web Page Design/Maintenance

Updates to the plant database is a continuing effort. Please take photos of plants that are missing in the database, or are new to your garden and send them to Denise for loading into the database. Also, let her know if plants that are listed in the database are no longer in the Demo Garden and she will remove it.

Programs

September – Tiffany Pegoda, Vermicomposting

We still need programs for October and November (and 2020). Ideas were discussed and will be considered. If you have ideas for programs, please contact Dena Brent.

Old Business

Demo Garden Fair 2019, Denise George

On June 8th, the LAMG hosted their biennial Garden Fair, and Denise reported that it was a success! Congratulations and uncountable thanks go out to all the members who worked so diligently to make this year's event such a marvelous success! These accolades are extended to all who worked on the publicity for the event, potting/starting plants for the plant sale, endlessly working on getting the Demo Garden ready, set-up and break-down on the day of the event, giving tours, talking to visitors at garden areas, and greeting visitors at the sign-in table. It was a magnificent day!

New this year was walking tours of the garden given by NMSU Extension Urban Specialist, Marisa Thompson. Everyone loved them! A special thanks is extended to Marisa.

Thank You to:

- Denise George – for planning and coordinating the event.
- Denise George – for planning and managing the logistics of preparing the Demo Garden.
- Doris Thielemann – for being the Publicity Chair.
- Shari Foley – for being the Plant Sale Chair.
- Christine Hipp – for planning the Children's Activities.
- Garden Leads – for talking to visitors as they walked through the garden.
- Carlos Valdez – for giving talks to visitors.
- Marisa Thompson – for giving walking tours of the garden.
- Bob Walker and Denise George – for capturing the event in beautiful photos.
- Angela Prada – Extension Office Admin who did all the publishing of the brochure, flyers, etc.
- Everyone else – for filling in wherever there was a need.

See Attachment 4 for thanks from Carolyn and Shari, and photos.



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Lessons Learned:

- Consider having sign-in tables at both ends of the garden. There were only about 90 people who signed in, but Denise is sure there were more people present. Perhaps include a sign-in at the plant sale area?
- Consider how to get people from the plant sale over to the garden.
- Re-structure the mini-lectures. Having them scheduled doesn't seem to be working.
- Consider how to attract more children.

Santa Fe Botanical Garden Field Trip, Coleen Meyer

On Friday, July 26th, several members toured the Santa Fe Botanical Gardens. The LAMG's last trip to the Santa Fe Botanical Garden was in July of 2017, when the gardens were relatively new. We saw quite a change on this year's trip. Plants and trees were more mature, offering shade and lush groupings. And many new plants have been added to fill in the groupings and along the paths. Like our Demo Garden, they have some categorization to their groupings with a cacti section, natives, common local plants (though not necessarily native), etc. Our docent, Ken, has been volunteering at the garden since its opening, and was a wealth of information and stories. The rotating sculpture show was a bonus, with samples from 3 artists located along the trails. Everyone enjoyed the visit.

See Attachment 5 for photos. Photos will also be posted to the LAMG webpage.

After the tour, several enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Museum Hill café.

Thanks to Coleen for organizing this field trip!

Iris Sale, Christine Hipp

Christine's friend, Elaine Santantonio, decided to dig up her iris bed and re-plant it. As many will recall, several years ago Elaine invited the Master Gardeners to her home to see the irises when they were in bloom, and it was a glorious sight! Well, we were the beneficiaries of her re-design and were able to take as many rhizomes as we wanted for a fundraiser. Christine organized everything, and on Saturday, July 27th, several members coordinated and hosted the LAMG Iris Sale (see Attachment 6). Amazingly, the iris rhizomes were all separated by color/type and included an image of the iris above each collection of rhizomes for buyers' inspiration. The fundraiser was hugely successful! Thanks to Christine for arranging this opportunity and to Michelle Berkebile, Doris Thielemann, Laurie Walker, Marjorie Selden, Carlos Valdez, and Elaine & Michael Santantonio for their participation in making it a success!

Of course, none of this would have been possible without Elaine's generosity! Elaine also donated a significant number of plants to the plant sale in June. The Member's



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wanted to thank her for these marvelous contributions, and decided to give her a \$100.00 gift certificate to the Blue Moon restaurant in Los Alamos.

ACTIONS:

Demo Garden Irrigation

Carlos and Kimberli will coordinate getting the irrigation needs taken care of. Some of it will be completed by Oasis Landscaping during the Fall of 2019.

Orchard Garden Design

Denise scheduled a Committee meeting at the Demo Garden for September 14.

New Business

Garden Tour 2020, Christine Hipp

Christine took names of those members present at the meeting who would like to be on the Garden Tour Committee. If you were not at the meeting and would like to be on the Committee, please contact Christine.

There was discussion about garden recommendations and Christine will begin contacting gardeners to inquire whether they would like to be on the tour. Additionally, she will post an announcement on the LAMG Facebook page to see if anyone wants to volunteer.

She is planning for the Committee to tour candidate gardens in August.

Honoring Contributors to LAMG

There was discussion about honoring contributors to the LAMG (e.g., Elaine Santantonio). It was suggested that we begin a Friends of the Garden status. It was decided that it would be further examined and a formal proposal would be made at a future meeting.

PROGRAM

Everyone enjoyed a perfect evening for viewing Marjorie's beautiful gardens against the spectacular backdrop of the Rio Grande Canyon!

The meeting concluded at 8:30 p.m.

Attending: See Attachment 7

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Location: Pajarito Room, Fuller Lodge; Los Alamos, NM

Program: Vermicomposting, Tiffany Pegoda

Respectfully Submitted,
Kimberli Tanner, Secretary



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Our MISSION

- ❖ To promote knowledgeable, effective, and safe horticultural and gardening practices in furtherance of New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service; and
- ❖ To promote goodwill in our community by participating in horticultural and educational service projects.

LAMG Officers

<i>President</i>	*Carolyn Mangeng
<i>Vice President / Programs</i>	Dena Brent
<i>Treasurer</i>	Laurie Walker
<i>Secretary</i>	Kimberli Tanner
<i>Publicity</i>	Doris Thielemann
<i>Web Page</i>	Cathe Ragsdale
<i>Social Media</i>	Christine Hipp

* Temporarily filled. Seeking permanent volunteer.

LA County Extension Agent Carlos Valdez

Demo Garden Leads

Overall	Denise George												
Hope Garden													
Blue/White Garden	Denise George												
Dwarf Conifers Garden	Denise George Carolyn Mangeng												
Butterfly Garden	Shari Foley												
Penstemon Garden	Christine Hipp Michelle Berkebile												
Groundcovers Garden	Pallis Papin												
Roses	Dena Brent												
Arbor Entrance Gardens													
East (Moonlight Garden)	Judy Magelssen Melissa Theesfeld												
West	Laurie Walker												
Shade Garden	Laurie Walker												
Industrial Strength Garden	Denise George												
Perennial Mound Garden	Nancy Nunnolley Bev Cooper												
Gramma Grass Circle Garden	Carlos Valdez												
Cactus Garden	Pam Burke												
Oasis Garden	John Huang Kimberli Tanner												
Ornamental Grass Garden	Linnea Poretti												
Crabapple Lane	Vacant												
Artemesia Garden	Marjorie Selden												
Upright Rock Garden	Marjorie Selden												
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Sensory Gardens													
Sight	Kok-Heong McNaughton												
Touch	Vacant												
Taste	Denise George												
Fragrance	Kimberli Tanner												
Emoji Garden	Peggy Reneau												
Casita Gardens													
Lavendar Garden	Kimberli Tanner												
East and South Lawn Borders	Peggy Reneau												
Herb Gardens	Kimberli Tanner												
Raspberry/Vegetable Gardens	Quinn Abfalterer												

From: 'Carolyn Mangeng' via Los Alamos Master Gardeners <LAMG@googlegroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2019 2:47 PM
To: lamg@googlegroups.com
Subject: [LAMG] Speakers for State Conference 2020

IF you have some suggestions for topics or speakers for next year's State MG Conference, please send them to Carlos and myself in time to pass them along next month!

Begin forwarded message:

From: Eduardo Servin <servin@nmsu.edu>
Subject: **State Conference 2020**
Date: July 23, 2019 at 8:10:55 AM MDT

Good morning everyone, I have been asked to forward the following message from the steering committee of the next state conference " invite each of the state MG organizations to submit topics and speakers". If anyone has any ideas for topics and or speakers please forward your suggestions to Kristin Thompson. They must be forwarded by August. Have a good day and see some of you soon.

kmichael444@outlook.com

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2020 Speaker and Agenda Committee Chair

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New Walkway from Pergola to Casita
May 31, 2019



Preparing



Pouring

New Walkway from Pergola to Casita
May 31, 2019



Smoothing



Satin Smooth

New Walkway from Pergola to Casita
May 31, 2019



Curing



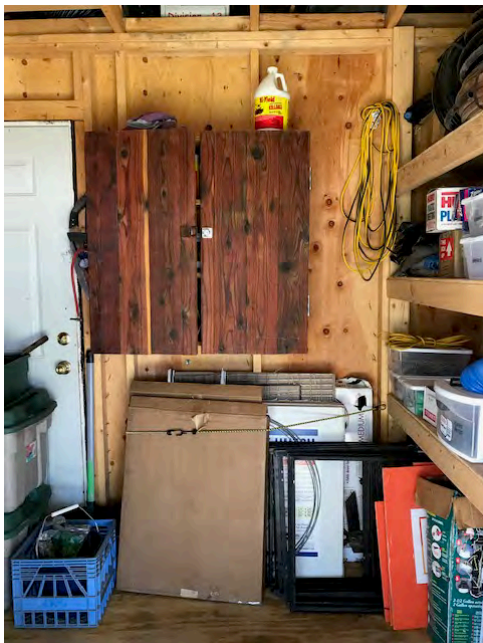
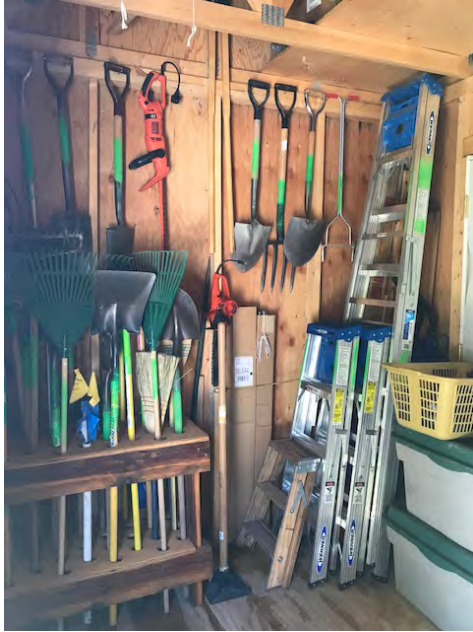
Complete ... Job Well Done! 😊

From: ["Denise George" via Los Alamos Master Gardeners](#)
To: [master gardeners](#)
Subject: [LAMG] Clean casita photos
Date: Friday, June 28, 2019 6:24:24 PM

Our hard working crew, cheered on by Ruby, Melissa's pup, performed an amazing transformation of our casita.

Everything was sorted, organized, labeled when necessary.

Now we just need the cooperation of our members. Please: if you take something out, put it back where you find it. If you add something label it and place in an appropriate location.





Garden Fair 2019

Saturday, June 8th

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Events:

- Garden Tours
- Plant Sale-Garden and Indoor Plants
- Children's Activities

Mini-Lectures & Clinic:

"Bloom or Bust"

Continuous Flower Power

Marisa Thompson, NMSU Extension Horticulture Specialist

Time: 9:00 am

"Friend or Foe" New Insect & Disease Arrivals in the County

Carlos Valdez, Horticulture Agent

Time: 10:00 am

"Awesome Annuals" – Adding Seasonal Punch

Marisa Thompson, NMSU Extension Horticulture Specialist

Time: 11:00 am

Children's Program:

"Growing with Grassheads"

Fun for all ages!

Garden History

The Demonstration Garden is a Public Educational Garden started in 1990 by the Los Alamos County Cooperative Extension Service and PRIDE Committee. It was adopted by the Los Alamos Master Gardeners' Association (LAMG) in 1995.

LAMG maintains the Garden with support from Los Alamos County Parks Division, grants, and memorial donations. The Garden is located at the southeast corner of Oppenheimer Drive and Central Avenue.

Extension Master Gardeners

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Volunteer and Contact

For more information about becoming a volunteer please contact Carlos Valdez at (505) 662-2656 or email at losalamos@nmsu.edu.



Los Alamos Extension Master Gardeners are Volunteers of the Los Alamos Cooperative Extension Service (505) 662-2656

losalamos@nmsu.edu

<http://losalamoextension.nmsu.edu>

Los Alamos Master Gardeners
Present:

A GARDEN FAIR

June 8th 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Los Alamos Demo Garden

Central & Oppenheimer across from Mesa
Public Library



The Demonstration Garden is maintained by the Los Alamos Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Department



Los Alamos Master Gardener Demo Garden

A Garden Fair June 8th 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Many plants in the Demo Garden have identification numbers. They can be searched by number or Garden Area Demonstration Garden.

If you are a person in need of special services, call 505-662-2656 by May 25th, 2019
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From: ["Carolyn Mangeng" via Los Alamos Master Gardeners](#)
To: lamg@googlegroups.com
Subject: [LAMG] Garden Fair thanks!
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2019 2:06:43 PM

Thanks to all of you who worked so hard to make this Garden Fair a success - all of you who weeded, planted, trimmed, posted fresh signage and otherwise spiffed up the Demo Garden, all of you who were docents this morning, everyone who grew plants for the sale, everyone who helped with the plant sale, everyone who helped with the publicity, the sidewalk team, ...whew! What an team effort! A special thanks to Shari for organizing the plant sale, to Doris for organizing the publicity, and to Deniece for getting us all into the Demo Garden to bring it up to such a beautiful condition that Lee Builta said the Demo Garden was looking the best he'd ever seen!

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From: mangenc via Los Alamos Master Gardeners
To: lamg@googlegroups.com
Subject: [LAMG] More thanks for help on Garden Fair
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2019 10:33:54 PM

In my breathless email thanking everyone for their support of the Garden Fair today, I completely neglected to mention all the help, all the construction and maintenance work, and overall leadership from our fearless Extension Agent Carlos!!! And lots and lots of help from Angela who, among other administrative tasks, produced all our brochures and posters. Thank you both!

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From: lamg@googlegroups.com on behalf of [Shari Foley](#)
To: [Los Alamos Master Gardeners](#)
Subject: [LAMG] Plant sale
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2019 1:52:50 PM

Hello Master Gardeners,

I just want to say “ Thank You!” to everyone who grew plants and helped with the plant sale this morning. We could not have done it without each and every one of you! We are waiting on Laurie to give us the final count of how much money we took in.

Again, thank you all!

Shari Foley

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Iris Sale

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Saturday, July 27th – 9 to noon

A unique opportunity to purchase iris rhizomes from a local
White Rock garden with award winning iris

only at

Demo Garden in Los Alamos

Garden next to Ashley Pond

\$1 per Rhizome



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Meeting Date: August 1, 2019

NAME	SIGNATURE
1 Quinn Abfalterer	
2 Michelle Berkebile	<i>Michelle Berkebile</i>
3 Dena Brent	<i>Dena Brent</i>
4 Jeanne Bridge	
5 Betsy Comly	
6 Bev Cooper	
7 Martin Cooper	
8 Susie Duncan	
9 Rebecca Eaton	<i>Rebecca Eaton</i>
10 Shari Foley	
11 Christine Hipp	
12 Laurie Hixson	
13 John Huang	
14 Chelsea Johnston	
15 Lena Lopatina	
16 Pat McCarty	<i>Pat McCarty</i>
17 Kok-Heone McNaughton	<i>Kok-Heone McNaughton</i>
18 Judy Magelssen	<i>Judy Magelssen</i>
19 Carolyn Mangeng	
20 Robin Martin	
21 Caroline Mason	



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	NAME		SIGNATURE
22	Coleen	Meyer	<i>Coleen Meyer</i>
23	Pallas	Papin	<i>Pallas Papin</i>
24	Catherine	Ragsdale	
25	Peggy	Reneau	<i>Peggy Reneau</i>
26	Vicki	Ricketts	
27	Kelly	Shea	
28	Kimberli	Tanner	<i>Kimberli Tanner</i>
29	Melissa	Theesfeld	<i>Melissa Theesfeld</i>
30	Doris	Thielemann	
31	Thomas	Trujillo	
32	Carlos	Valdez	
33	Laurie	Walker	<i>Laurie Walker</i>
34	Robert	Walker	<i>Robert Walker</i>
35	Kathy	Wilson	

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Lifetime Members

	NAME		SIGNATURE
1	Lee	Builta	
2	Rosmarie	Frederickson	
3	Denise	George	<i>D. George</i>
4	Ronalie	Moss	
5	Nancy	Nunnelley	
6	Marjorie	Selden	<i>Marjorie Selden</i>



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Lifetime Members

	NAME	SIGNATURE
7	Cathy Strong	
8	Bo West	
9	Mary Zemach	

New Members

	NAME	SIGNATURE

Visitors

	NAME