



Los Alamos Master Gardeners

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 6, 2018
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Nambe Room, Fuller Lodge; Los Alamos, NM
Meeting Facilitator: Laurie Walker, Treasurer

REPORTS

Minutes

Peggy Reneau moved that the August meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Denise George seconded the motion. All approved.

Treasurer, Laurie Walker

The current balance is \$3,518.09.

Extension Agent, Carlos Valdez

- Extension Office Administrative Assistant – a new administrative assistant is expected to be in place by October 1.
- Extension Office Move – the County will be re-locating the Extension Office by March 2019.

Demo Garden, Denise George

- Water hydrant at the SW corner of the Casita
The hydrant at this location is no longer working, as the lever does not rise when the handle is raised. Denise will coordinate a repair with the County by Spring 2019.
- Trash receptacle pick-ups
Denise has observed that the trash pick-ups in the receptacles placed in the garden are not picked up frequently enough to prevent them becoming overfilled. She will communicate this with the County and attempt to obtain a more frequent pick-up.
- Installation of Garden signs
Carlos has determined that it will take 2 people to manage the power auger for digging holes for the signage posts. He's looking for a second set of strong shoulders to assist him. If you know someone or are interested, please contact him.
- Work Parties
Formal work parties are not scheduled for September; however, Denise encourages members to volunteer 1 hour towards general weeding this month. The monsoon rains have the garden looking very nice, and the weeds have loved the rain too.

Web Design/Social Media

It was recommended that the minutes be made available on the website for reference. Denise George will look in to this.

Old Business

LA County Fair

- Member assistance for next year: Carlos asked the members for assistance with next year's fair to:
 - Revise the horticultural exhibits listing in the exhibits brochure in order to have it be more reflective of current gardening/landscaping practices.



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- Provide plant names (scientific and common) for the cuttings from the Demo Garden that are included as specimens in the display area.
- CONGRATULATIONS!! Many, many congratulations to Denise George, who received the Best of the Best award in horticulture for her Indigo Cherry Drop tomatos. See Attachment 1 for photos and more information about this tomato variety.

New Business

LAMG Financial Practices, Laurie Walker

Resultant of the NM Master Gardener Program re-structuring, LAMG needs to update the financial practices. The following topics were discussed:

- Fiscal Year
In an effort to place LAMG in alignment with the NMSU Master Gardeners Program fiscal year (FY), LAMG will shift the FY from a calendar year (January 1 through December 31) TO an academic year (July 1 through June 30).

Details regarding the impact of this shift will be provided at future meetings or via email communication.

- Bank Account Signatories
After discussion, Doris Thielemann moved that signatories on the LAMG bank account include the Association Treasurer, President, and the Los Alamos County Agricultural Extension Agent. Pallas Papin seconded the motion. All approved.

The individuals who currently fill those positions, and thereby would have signatory authority on the bank account are:

Treasurer: Laurie Walker
President: Carolyn Mangeng
LA County Agricultural Extension Agent: Carlos Valdez

PROGRAM

State Master Gardener Conference Report

Denise George, Doris Thielemann, Pat McCarty, Nancy Nunnelley, and Michelle Berkebile reported on their experiences at the State Master Gardener Conference in Albuquerque. Overall, the impression was that it was well-run, the food and venue was good, and the tours were very interesting. Several members enjoyed the classes on bees and shared fascinating facts from the classes. Another very interesting class discussed horticultural practices of the Native Americans. Also of interest was the class on edible landscaping.

A booklet of the classes and events from the Conference was circulated. Additionally, Denise placed information from the class on bees that she attended on the members' page of the LAMG webpage. The website url is: lamgonline.org. Contact Denise for the password to access the member page. Also, Doris shared a book she purchased: *The Bees in Your Backyard*; Joseph S. Wilson & Olivia Messinger Carril.



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The meeting concluded at 8:30 p.m.

Attending: See Attachment 2

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, 10/4/2018

Location: Nambe Room, Fuller Lodge; Los Alamos

Program: The Horticultural Legacy of George Kelly, Christine Hipp

Respectfully Submitted,
Kimberli Tanner, Secretary

The minutes for the September 6, 2018 General Meeting of the Los Alamos Master Gardeners Association were approved as written, as follows:

_____ moved the minutes be approved as written.

_____ seconded the motion.

All approved.

Carolyn Mangeng, President

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

* Temporarily filled. Seeking permanent volunteers.

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	Judy Magelssen
	Melissa Theesfeld
West	Laurie Walker
Shade Garden	Laurie Walker
Industrial Strength Garden	Denise George
Perennial Mound Garden	Nancy Nunnelley
	Bev Cooper
Gamma Grass Circle Garden	Carlos Valdez
Cactus Garden	Pam Burke
Oasis Garden	John Huang
	Kimberli Tanner
Ornamental Grass Garden	Linnea Poretti
Crabapple Lane	Melissa Theesfeld
	Judy Magelssen
Artemesia Garden	Marjorie Selden
Upright Rock Garden	Marjorie Selden
Martha's Orchard	Committee: Carlos Valdez
	Denise George
	Lena Lopatina
	Kimberli Tanner
Pergola Gardens	Doris Thielemann
Sensory Gardens	
Sight	Vacant
Touch	Vacant
Taste	Denise George
Fragrance	Kimberli Tanner
Casita Gardens	
Lavendar Garden	Kimberli Tanner
East and South Lawn Borders	Kelly Shea
Herb Gardens	Kimberli Tanner
Raspberry/Vegetable Gardens	Quinn Abfaltrer

Description from Johnny's Selected Seed Catalog*INDIGO CHERRY DROPS TOMATO*

Improved Indigo type.

Indigo Cherry Drops has the same striking, dark-blue anthocyanin coloration and red flesh, but the plant habit is much improved; instead of the small semi-determinate growth habit of Indigo Rose, Indigo Cherry Drops is a vigorous indeterminate. Yield and flavor are much improved, with larger clusters of 1-2 oz. fruit. Indeterminate.

Description from Burpee Catalog**Indigo[™] Cherry Drops**

Stunning cocktail cherry tomato.

Nutritious and novel tomatoes are exceptionally high in anthocyanins for healthy eating. Great taste and beautiful fruit. New Cherry Drops is a stunning cocktail cherry tomato that produces purple and black fruit with rosy undersides and a deep red flesh. Produces huge yields - under ideal growing conditions, there can be over 500 per plant!



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Meeting Roster

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	NAME	SIGNATURE
1	Quinn Abfalterer	
2	Karen Bailey	
3	Andy Baumer	
4	Elizabeth Bennett	
5	Michelle Berkebile	<i>M Berkebile</i>
6	Dena Brent	<i>Dena Brent</i>
7	Jeanne Bridge	
8	Lee Builta	
9	Pam Burke	
10	Bev Cooper	
11	Martin Cooper	
12	Robert Dryja	
13	Shannon Flynn	
14	Shari Foley	<i>Shari Foley</i>
15	Charles Forest	
16	Nancy Forest	
17	Barbara Fox	
18	Rosmarie Frederickson	
19	Denise George	<i>D George</i>
20	Cathy Grastataro	
	PAT MCCARTHY	<i>Pat McCarthy</i>



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NAME	SIGNATURE
21 Christine Hipp	
22 John Huang	
23 Lena Lopatina	
24 Kok-Heone McNaughton	<i>Kok-Heone McNaughton</i>
25 Judy Magelssen	
26 Carolyn Mangeng	
27 Robin Martin	
28 Coleen Meyer	<i>Coleen Meyer</i>
29 Ronalie Moss	
30 Nancy Nunnolley	<i>Nancy Nunnolley</i>
31 Pallas Papin	<i>Pallas Papin</i>
32 Linnea Poretti ←	<i>← moved to Minnesota</i>
33 Catherine Ragsdale	
34 Peggy Reneau	<i>Peggy Reneau</i>
35 Vicki Ricketts	
36 Marjorie Selden	
37 Kelly Shea	
38 Cathy Strong	
39 Fran Stovall	
40 Kimberli Tanner	<i>Kimberli Tanner</i>
41 Melissa Theesfeld	



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NAME		SIGNATURE
42	Doris Thielemann	<i>Doris Thielemann</i>
43	Carlos Valdez	<i>Carlos Valdez</i>
44	Laurie Walker	<i>Laurie Walker</i>
45	Robert Walker	<i>Robert Walker</i>
46	Kathy Wilson	
47	Bo West	
48	Joyce Wolff	
49	Mary Zemach	

New Members

NAME	SIGNATURE

Visitors

NAME	SIGNATURE