



San Diego Chapter Newsletter

August 2016



August 26-28th, 2016
Festival of Fruit in San Luis Obispo
Edible Landscape
From Apples to Zapotas
 CalPoly San Luis Obispo

From the Co-Chairs

As most of you know, the month of August brings the annual Festival of Fruit! With that, our regular August meeting will be cancelled so our members can focus their efforts on getting up to San Luis Obispo and enjoying what our friends in the Central Coast have put together! We can't wait to see all your wonderful photos and swap experiences. While you're there, make sure you check out the farmer's market, we have it on pretty good authority its not to be missed. For more information, make sure you visit the website at <http://festivaloffruit.org>.

For those of you unable to attend this year's FoF, please be sure to come out Saturday, August 27 at the Bancroft Propagation site – 3845 Spring Dr. Spring Valley, CA beginning at 10 a.m. In addition to our usual tasks – cleaning up the area, replanting, and what not, we'll have a few other fun activities, so make sure you join us.

David Sohn has once again agreed to give his knife sharpening class – this is certainly one you need to attend. Mark your calendar for October 29 at our Bancroft Propagation location - 3845 Spring Dr. Spring Valley, CA 91977, beginning at 11 a.m. In addition to teaching us the finer points of keeping our tools razor sharp, Dave will offer some tools of the trade for sale. Because of this, we do ask that you RSVP for the class to co-chair@crfgsandiego.org so we can make sure enough for everyone is procured and available for purchase.

August also means we're closer to the end of the year and need look toward 2017 and the selection of the new Executive Committee – Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Not to be missed, we are in urgent need of a Membership Committee Chair. As stated in the Chapter's Standard Operating Procedures and Rules (SOP&R) the current Executive Committee initiate the creation of the Nominating Committee prior to the October monthly meeting. There will be a call from the floor at the September general meeting for volunteers for the Nominating Com-

mittee, and at that time we will outline the committees that have been in "hibernation". The proposed candidates will be nominated at the October general meeting, and voted into office at the November general meeting. Please consider volunteering on the Nominating Committee! Let us know of your interest to do so by emailing co-chair@crfgsandiego.org or speaking with one of the current members of the current Executive Committee.

Another very exciting upcoming event – the annual volunteer appreciation dinner. We're still in the planning stages but mark your calendar for September 24, stay tuned to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CRFGSanDiego>) and look for an E-Blast soon with more details!

Speaking of volunteers, there's still plenty of opportunities for you to volunteer your time to help make this club better. Remember, our organization is only as good as those involved make it. We have several committees that need staffing and we could always use assistance during the meetings. From setting up the tasting table to breaking down and cleaning up at the end of a meeting, we need you! Contact any member of the Executive Committee or email co-chair@crfgsandiego.org and we'd be thrilled to put your talents to good use.

And finally – there's some exciting changes coming to the opportunity table. The Executive Committee has decided to expand the offerings available to some lucky winners! In addition to all the lovely plant material donated by our members or sourced from the Bancroft Propagation site, starting with the September meeting, we'll include some non-plant material items. Think along the lines of grafting knives, shears, sharpening tools and the like. Remember, you can't win unless you play so after seeing what's available, make sure you purchase a few tickets to the opportunity table.

See everyone in September and have a safe and wonderful time at the Festival of Fruit!

Propagation Meeting

The Bancroft Propagation Meeting will hold its regular monthly meeting, Saturday, August 27 (the Saturday following the regular monthly meeting) at the Bancroft Site, 3845 Spring Dr, Spring Valley, CA 91977 beginning at 10 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting

1st Wednesday of every month

Balboa Park, Room 104

6pm-9pm

This meeting is open to all members to attend and participate.

Treasurer's report

Laurie Wasserman

Beginning Balance: 20339.91

Expenses

Fruit for N. County Picnic	55.93
Honorarium	150.00
Tasting Table	147.93
Membership	13.26
Mango Fandango	59.76
Nametags for members	88.00
Honorarium (replacement)	75.00
	\$589.88

Income

Opportunity Table	72.00
Fruit Jar	9.00
Nametags for members	88.00
Del Mar Fair	350.00
Void check	75.00
	\$594.00

Ending balance: 20263.18

When you need to purchase items from Amazon.com, please remember to first go to our website, crfgsandiego.org, and click on the 'Amazon Smile'. You will automatically be directed to Amazon.com. The Chapter will receive a monthly commission from these Amazon purchases, which will continue to help us further our mission and goals for the Club! Thanks!

June 29, 2016

CRFG San Diego Executive Meeting Minutes

Commence at 7 pm

Board Present: Benjamin Cossel, Gregg Hansen, Jennifer Fitzpatrick, Kelsey Cossel, Laurie Wasserman, Priya Kanakha

Attendees: Jim Neitzel

Laurie brought up the topic of San Diego Botanical Garden subscription renewal. Everyone agreed the \$40 renewal fee was beneficial for the chapter.

The topic of cost reimbursements for propagation committee purchases was discussed. Among the suggestions the use of prepaid credit card appeared suitable considering account security and expense tracking involved. As the expenses were approved Laurie as Treasurer can top-up the prepaid card balance to associated purchases.

Laurie mentioned the Finance Committee has not been active for a few weeks, and may need reorganization.

Jim to follow with Ben K about the Cuyamaca scholarship recipients.

According to the SOPR there are 14 committees with several of them not active. Among the committees the membership, and propagation need the most attention. Usage of Sign Up Genius for monthly events was discussed. Some of the other suggestions considered were including a 5 minute Propagation review during the monthly general meetings; create a survey in order to gain insight to what members want to get from participation in club activities.

The Club Recognition Dinner was discussed. The current plan is to host the dinner at the Bancroft center on September 24, 2016 to coincide with the monthly Propagation meeting.

Jim suggested different resources to buy mangoes for August general meeting Mango social. Couple of possible resources were Dave Archer, and Pacific Fruit Stall.

Kelsey discussed the option to purchase new table cloths and metal sporks for the tasting tables.

Ben C. to send an eblast to all members to check if there are any outstanding mango orders from 2014 yet to be fulfilled.

Opportunity table purchase limits were discussed.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 pm

Mission Statement
 "To encourage and foster public and scientific interest, research, education in and the preservation of rare fruit plants that have edible seeds, fruits, leaves, stems or roots and are not commonly grown commercially. The furtherance and encouragement of these activities shall be for the benefit of the public rather than commercial interests." From: www.crfgsandiego.org

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Upcoming Events — At a Glance	
See website for details http://crfgsandiego.org/events.htm	
8/26 – 8/28	Festival of Fruit in San Luis Obispo The Year of Edible Landscaping: Apples to Zapotas
8/27 10am – 1pm	Propagation meeting Bancroft Site
9/7 – 6pm	Executive Committee Meeting Room 104 Casa del Prado
9/10 – 9am	San Diego Botanic Garden Volunteer Contact June Andersen
9/16 – 7pm	North San Diego County Chapter Permaculture with Peter Ash
9/24 9am – 1pm	Propagation meeting Bancroft Site
9/28 – 7pm	San Diego Chapter Topic TBD
10/29 11am – 1pm	Knife sharpening class with David Sohn Bancroft Propagation Location



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