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President's Corner | Jeanne Isbell



Hello Garden Club Members,

Fall is officially here. The decorations and activities for Halloween and Thanksgiving are a favorite time of the year

for many.

I am writing this before our October meeting as we are leaving the 8th of October for an 18-day trip to Europe, both land and cruising. I am hoping to take some photos of the flower market in Nice for our newsletter.

DeAnna has a very interesting program for our November meeting. **Tom Ponce**, Director of Operations Support, will present initiatives taken by Republic Services, a waste disposal company, to protect our environment and help in times of natural disaster.

An example of their leadership is their Polymer Centers in Las Vegas and Indianapolis, which up-cycles plastic into recycled resins ready to use in sustainable packaging. In its first year, the center produced enough resin material to make 300 million water bottles.

Wishing you all a Happy Halloween.

See you on November 3rd.

Jeanne

For
the November 3rd, 2025, Meeting
Deadline to Sign up or Cancel is:

Wednesday, October 29th, 2025, by Noon
RSVP via Email or Text:
susansalembier14@gmail.com
or 602-743-9133

If you have pre-paid, you must cancel, or
your account will be charged.

Pay by Check, Cash or Zelle
(sgcTreasurer100@gmail com)

\$39 per lunch incl tax & tip

Thought for the Day

"The garden is a soft place to land when the world feels heavy."

Mark Your Calendar

November 14, 2025

Blue Star Memorial Dedication
Silly Mountain Park, Apache Junction, AZ
Sponsored by Gold Canyon Garden Club

November 18, 2025

SGC Trip to Berridge Nursery Christmas
Market – 10:30 am
4647 E Camelback Road, Phoenix, AZ
Lunch at "The Henry" to follow

November 22-23, 2025

Chrysanthemum Society Flower Show
AFGC Standard Flower Show
Valley Garden Center
1809 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ

November Birthdays



Happy Birthday Diane!!

Diane Davis

November 30

Attention Floral Designers!

Two flower shows are planned in early 2026 by Arizona Garden Clubs.

The Tucson Garden Club will host a Small Standard Flower Show on March 14-15, 2026. For details, contact **Sheila Parcel** at slparcel@gmail.com.



On March 21-22, 2026, The Desert Designers Garden Club is planning a Flower show to be held at Boyce-Thompson Arboretum in Superior, Arizona.

For information on this show, contact **Carol Parrott** at caparrott21@hotmail.com.

These are wonderful opportunities to display your floral design talent or to enjoy the work of others. Both shows will be open to the public.

Meeting Minutes | Joan Yagoda

McCormick Ranch Golf Club
October 6, 2025



Meeting was called to order at noon by **Jeanne Isbell**, President.

Christine Morgan, Betty McMichael, Lenda Sundene, MJ Sobota and Judy Kennedy all have birthdays in October. Best wishes to all!

Helen Griller gave the Moment of Gratitude.

The beautiful flower-filled pumpkin tablescapes were crafted by **Jeanne Isbell's** daughters, **Jill Hoffelder** and **Jan Carteaux**.

DeAnna Twigg introduced **Carol Parrott** who gave a stunning presentation describing in pictures and words her volunteer experiences during the summers at Zion National Park. She volunteers in the Seed Department. Carol gave us an in-depth look into gathering seeds, making them ready for planting and then the actual planting, placing and growing. As an added bonus, she discussed the incredible Condors who frequent Zion. Her message for us is: If you get an opportunity to volunteer in a National Park, do it!

Minutes of May's meeting were approved following a motion by **Helen Griller**, seconded by **Judy Kennedy**.

Susan Salembier presented the Treasurer's Report. **Diane Davis** made a motion to approve the budget, **Jen Donovan** seconded and the motion was adopted. **Karon Quigg** was unable to attend the meeting so Susan passed the Plant a Tree donation jar.



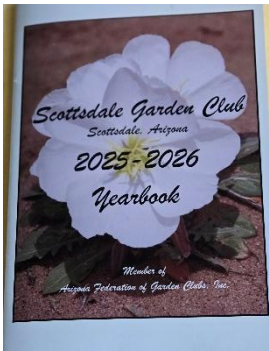
Christine Wolff introduced **Linda Eggink**. Linda was inducted as a new member. Welcome, Linda!

Aurien Preiss discussed her Youth Gardening Project. Her previous elementary school is now self-sufficient. This is wonderful news! They loved the gardening project and are now running it themselves. Aurien is spearheading a gardening project in a new school. Redfield Elementary is the fortunate recipient of Aurien’s talent and hard work. She is looking for donations of plants and seeds, and volunteers to assist.

Design Moment was presented by **Rea Heesch**. She encouraged us to hang flowers upside down in the garage to dry them for future use in arrangements. She also suggested keeping your most-used tools in a bag so they are easily accessible

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25PM.

Yearbook 2025-2026 Distribution



Distribution of the Scottsdale Garden Club Yearbook began at the October meeting. The Yearbook editor this year is **Judy Kennedy**; its

cover features a photograph contributed by **Bill Isbell**.

Treasurer’s Report |
Susan Salembier



STARTING BALANCES (06/01/25)
Checking/Savings \$4,321.85 / \$879.10

INCOME
Dues 60.00
TOTAL INCOME 60.00 / 0.03

EXPENSES
Fundraiser Expenses 506.00
AFGC Dues 400.00
Memorial Donations 50.00
Website 243.38
Yearbook Printing 175.12
Corresponding Sec 43.31
TOTAL EXPENSES 1417.81 / 0.00

ENDING BALANCES (09/30/2025)
Checking/Savings \$2,964.04 / \$879.13
CD \$6,428.24



Gallery | *Photographs Contributed by Jamie Dick, Susan Salembier, and Jeanne Isbell*



Members Attending the October Meeting





Susan Salembier & Chris Wolff



Diane Davis & Jamie Dick



Centerpieces Created by Jill Hoffelder & Jan Carteaux, Jeanne Isbell's Daughters

Rain Lilies in Jeanne Isbell's Garden

