

Along Azalea Row

By Martha Gray

It's now ready! The new Azalea Garden Club yearbook. It contains the proposed activities of the club from July of this year until July, 1952. If you wonder how and when you can get your copy, just put the question confidentially to your secretary-treasurer when you step up to pay your annual dues. But more of this later on. First off, the ones who compiled this little booklet must be given recognition. Mrs. Warren Smith, our new vice-president and program chairman, so genially took on this responsibility and was assisted in the arduous task by Ruth Bathiany, Mrs. W. H. Hibbard and Mrs. Will Crissey. They did a fine job of it, and the rest of us can now read and anticipate an interesting year of meetings ahead of us.

Our August meeting is scheduled for this week, Thursday, Aug. 9. We will again deviate from the regular indoor meeting. This time Mrs. Robert Swan has opened her garden to garden club members and their friends, where some musical selections have been promised to us by Mrs. Curzon MacKenzie. Tea will be served by Mrs. Harry Lockland, Mrs. G. O. Jacobson and Mrs. Albert Joy.

Plans have been laid for more than just a tea and musical, however. We will also have the privilege of viewing the Otto Turley garden on Hwy 101, just across from Winchuck Village, where we will foregather about 2. Here

"Goals for Gardeners" are demonstrated in the unique rock garden where rocks, cacti, and seedlings in multiform varieties are harmoniously arranged to blend together in a delightful color scheme. A small lily pool and flowers of the August season will also be of interest.

On leaving the Turley gardens, we will drive to the bulb farm of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Struebing. The landscaping around this neat, well-planned garden was done by Paul DeBlock, well-known landscape architect. Here garden club members can make good use of pencil and paper for notes on basic landscaping. Continuing along this road toward the ocean will bring us to the Swan garden. These grounds were one of the first to be landscaped in this area by Paul DeBlock and have become a distinguishing landmark. The plantings are all well established now and a great deal can be learned through an afternoon's visit there among the flowers and shrubs.

Last month four Brookings gardens were visited by members. The Warren Smith and Archie Anderson places both demonstrated to the group what basic landscaping practices and finished gardens can be along the ocean front. The W. L. Crissey residence, situated between these new homes, has long been surrounded by beautiful and unusual plantings which have been a contributing factor in publicizing this area as "The Home of Winter Flowers."

A small circular lawn placed at the base of tall evergreens, completely edged with flowers and low growing shrubs is a practical as well as attractive plan for an informal garden. Last month our tour terminated at just such a place at the home of Mrs. Roy Weideman. A pot luck luncheon in this pleasant out-door setting created a friendly informal "why don't we do this more often" feeling. Mrs. Weideman's enthusiasm for beach combing infected the whole group by the time she had finished her talk on "Beach Lure." As a matter of fact, we had the Garden Club treasury overflowing with wealth from the proceeds to be derived from the sale of driftwood containers, shell novelties, and items of such like, to those unfortunate inhabitants of inland cities. Our heads cleared rather suddenly when we realized it would take a good deal of covered space to store it up and a transportation problem to get it to the outside markets. This doesn't mean that the idea has been completely discarded—if it can be done some one of our energetic members will step up and take on the project one of these times with the full support of the rest of us imaginative ones.

With the start of another year for the garden club, the new officers were installed at the July meeting—Mrs. Erskine Miller, president; Mrs. Warren Smith, vice-president; Mrs. Chas. Gray-shel, secretary-treasurer.

Library Notes

Harbor Community club plans to hold its annual pot luck picnic at Azalea State Park, Sunday, August 26 at 1:00 p. m. Families and house guests are invited, and games and entertainment will be provided, with plenty of fun for young and old. A short business meeting will follow the dinner.

Club members are now busy planning their harvest festival, which is set for the Grange hall, Friday, Nov. 9, for benefit of the Chetco Library, now located in the VFW hall, Brookings.

Recent donations of books to the library were made by Mrs. Koeller and Mrs. Arnold Morris, and such gifts are greatly appreciated. If there are others who have books they wish to donate, which are in good condition and have clear print, they will be gratefully received at the library room. Other additions to the local shelves, purchased from the library funds, are the following, for children:

"Fifth Chinese Daughter," by Jade Snow Wong.

"Better Homes and Gardens Story Book."

"Horse for Peter," by Brown.

"The Blood Bay Colt," by Farley.

"Maple Sugar for Windy Foot."

During the last month about 350 books were borrowed from the library, half by adults and the remainder by juniors.

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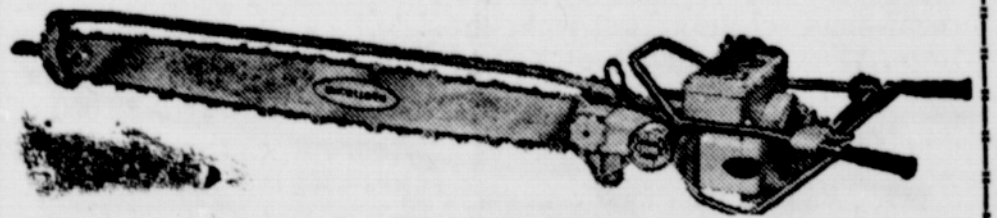
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