



# South Pasadena Beautiful Fall Newsletter 2010

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## From President Dave Crawford...

It was a very good year for SPB. Although it was a very tough economic year which limited our budgets for projects, we had one of the most well attended garden tours in our history. The Golden Arrow Award homes were spectacular and demonstrated great examples of water-wise gardening and our annual meeting was very well attended with a terrific speaker.

A sad note to report is that South Pasadena Beautiful lost a dedicated supporter, Linda Setzler last spring. She served on the SPB Board for over 20 years and was our President for several terms. As a tribute to her many years of service to SPB and the community, we have opened the Linda Setzler Memorial Fund. We will be accepting donations through the end of 2010, then launch a beautification project to honor Linda's memory. Donations will be gratefully accepted at:

**South Pasadena Beautiful**  
**P.O. Box 1133**  
**South Pasadena, CA 91031**

Please make checks payable to South Pasadena Beautiful and indicate that the donation is for the Linda Setzler Memorial Fund. We welcome your suggestions for the tribute to Linda.

Other recent memorial projects for SPB Board members have included the Janet Van Sant bench at the entrance to the library, the Irving Rector garden and fountain in the City Hall patio outside the City Council Chambers and a donation in memory of Ed Markytan to the Scout House in Garfield Park. As we enter the new year we look forward to our capability to fund some very worthwhile projects to enhance the beauty of our city in spite of the tough economy. We can only accomplish that

(President Dave...continued)

goal with the help of you, our supportive members and our very active board members. Thank you for your past contributions and suggestions and keep them coming. We need your help in keeping our organization working and contributing to the continued improvement of South Pasadena.

## 2009 Golden Arrow Awards Presented at Annual Meeting

Every spring South Pasadena Beautiful recognizes property owners who have done an outstanding job of making their properties attractive. They are an inspiration to all of us who take pride in the beauty of our community. We give our congratulations to:

**Carol & Bob McCrary**  
1703 Milan Avenue

**Roma & Terry Kiser**  
1504 Milan Avenue

**Michael Cacciotti**  
601 Milan Avenue

**Paul Norlan**  
2015 Mission Street

**Michelle & Charles Moore**  
2057 Amherst Drive

**Patty Lions & Matt Berry**  
1621 Wayne Avenue

**Chris Marshall & Chuck Cummings**  
1733 Virginia Place

**Clara Richards – Family Fair**  
1810 Meridian

**41st Annual Garden Tour  
and Plant Swap  
Sunday, April 17, 2011  
Beautiful!  
Keeping Our City**

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## 2009 Annual Meeting Report

Our Annual Meeting was held at the Library Community Room June 7. It was very well attended with great finger food catered by Lauri Garcia and cookies provided by the Board of Directors. The following were elected and installed as officers for 2010-2011:

- President – Dave Crawford**
- Vice-President – Susan Gutschow**
- Secretary – Gloria Kilian**
- Treasurer – Judy Graven**

The Golden Arrow Awards were presented with the South Pasadena Review in attendance and pictures taken of the proud winners. Jill Morganelli from the Arboretum, who knew more about Botany and Biology than we could ever hope to know, was the speaker and gave lots of advice on the Seven Steps of Xeriscape: 1) Planning & Design; 2) Limited Turf Areas; 3) Use of Drought Tolerant Plants; 4) Efficient Irrigation; 5) Soil Improvements; 6) Mulching; 7) Proper Maintenance. She also recommended the book: [2003 Waterwise Landscaping with Trees, Shrubs & Vines, A Xeriscape Guide](#) by Jim Knopf.

Lots of fun raffle prizes were awarded.

## Thoughts from Vice-President – Susan Gutschow

During the past few years, SPB has been raising awareness of water-wise landscaping and gardening which is naturally suited to this Mediterranean climate. Many Golden Arrow Award homeowners have featured drought tolerant, California native plants and landscaping ideas. Each of us can actively be part of this new way of thinking by using even a few of these plants to replace water-thirsty grass lawns with other ground cover options.

We all reap the benefits of this new line of thinking, using less water for lawns and gardens and helping reduce our water bill rates. Watch for our upcoming educational opportunities to learn more.

## Last Thoughts from President Dave

Our next Garden Tour is **April 17, 2011**. We welcome back to the Board Pam Hames, who was on our Advisory Board after serving many years on the regular board. We also want all members to feel free to call or contact us at any time with project suggestions and ideas about improving the effectiveness of South Pasadena Beautiful. If you or someone you know is interested in serving as a board member, step up; you will be welcomed.

Check out our website, [southpasbeautiful.org](http://southpasbeautiful.org).