

FEBRUARY 2026

# THE FIG LEAF

*Fig Garden Woman's Club Newsletter*  
*Established in 1921*



## Important Dates & Events

**Valentine Card Making** - February 10, 10 a.m.  
**General Lunch Meeting** - February 11, 11:30 a.m.  
**Movie Review** - February 13, 10 a.m.  
**Valentine Cocktail Party** - February 13, 5-7 p.m.  
**Book Talk** - January 15, 10 a.m.  
**Knitting & Needles** - February 16, 10 a.m.  
**Get Acquainted Coffee** - February 17, 10 a.m. - noon  
**Tea Time** - February 18, 10 a.m.  
**Book Talk** - February 19, 10 a.m.  
**Bubbles & Bingo** - February 20, 5-8 p.m.  
**Lunch Bunch @ Los Amigos** - February 25, 11:30 a.m.  
**Fig Leaf Deadline** - February 28  
**Board Meeting** - March 2, 9:30 a.m.  
**Health & Wellness** - March 4, 10 a.m.



### *Executive Officers*

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**President:** Desiree Ward  
**1st Vice President:** Debbie Reuland  
**2nd Vice President:** Suzy Wren  
**3rd Vice President:** Suzanne Crosina-Sahm  
**Recording Secretary:** Charlotte Singer  
**Corresponding Secretary:** Tamara Hargrave  
**Treasurer:** Susan Simpson  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Linda Gandolfo

### *Appointive Officers*

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**Parliamentarian:** Maureen Boyle  
**Historian:** Monica Balch  
**Auditors:** Sharon Garabedian and Jeanette Tate  
**District Representative:** Karen Tozlian

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**Fig Leaf Editor:** Suzanne Crosina-Sahm



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## President's Message

*Desiree Ward*



Dear Members,

As we settle into February, I'm reminded how quickly the year is already unfolding. This month feels like a perfect pause point — a time to reflect on what we've accomplished together and to look ahead with intention and enthusiasm.

Much appreciation goes to **Jennifer Hulskamp** and **Janelle Dunn** for sprinkling their magic and turning our clubhouse into a winter wonderland for our first meeting of 2026! We were thrilled to welcome Fresno's top cop, Mindy Casto, who shared her inspiring vision for keeping our city safe. And of course, a heartfelt thank-you to Life Member **Sue Stephens** for rounding up the Out to Lunch Bunch and treating us to a delicious (and much-enjoyed!) lunch at Ovidio's. A big thank you to the **Community Impact Committee** for serving dinner to families at the Ronald McDonald House. More than a meal, it's a gift of care, comfort, and the reminder that no one faces hardship alone.



Looking ahead, we have so many fun and meaningful moments coming up! We'll mix and mingle at our Valentine Cocktail Party on February 13, hosted by our fabulous newest members, and continue the good vibes at our Get-Acquainted Social on February 17 at the home of **Lillian Weiland**. We'll also share the love on February 10 as we come together to make Valentine cards for the residents of the Veterans Home. And then—get ready to shout BINGO! Be sure to buy your cards at the February meeting and join us for our 2nd Annual Bubbles & Bingo on February 20, where the bubbly will be flowing, the prizes will be tempting, and the fun is guaranteed.

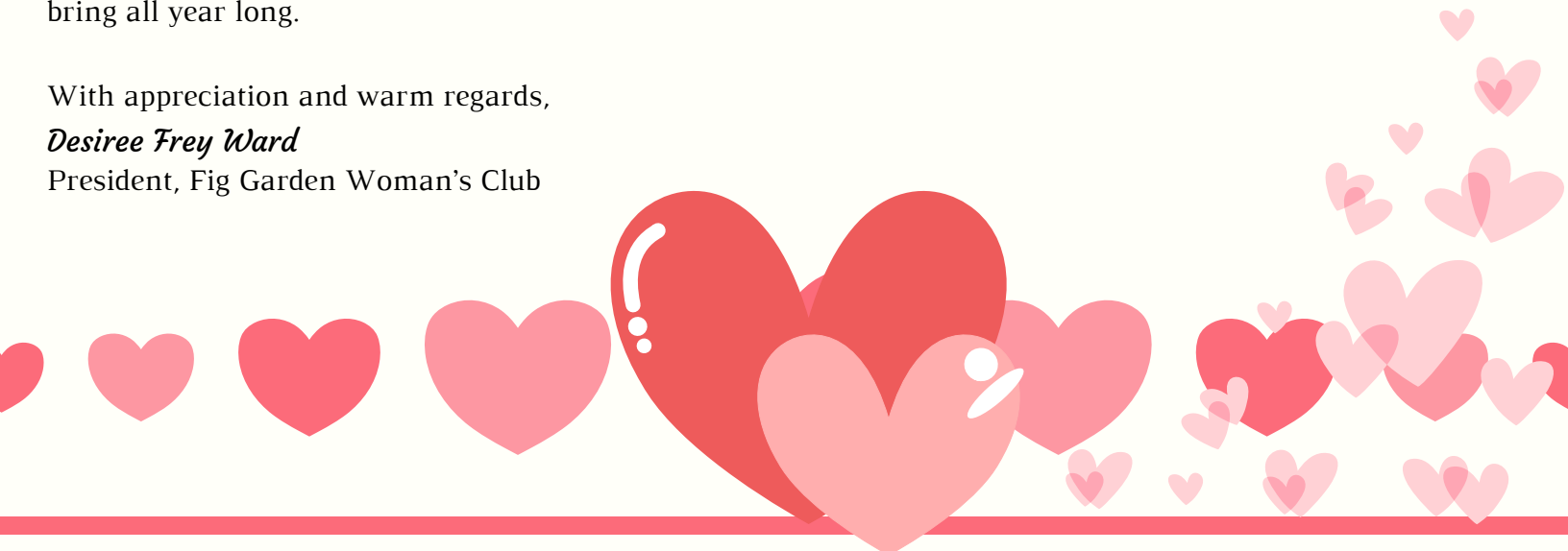
February also brings an important moment for us as we prepare to announce the proposed slate of officers for the coming year. I want to thank the **Nominating Committee** for the thoughtful time and care they've devoted to this process. Because of your work, we'll be able to move forward feeling confident and excited about the year ahead.

Happy Valentine's Day to our Fig Garden ladies—thank you for the friendship, fun, and fabulous energy you bring all year long.

With appreciation and warm regards,

*Desiree Frey Ward*

President, Fig Garden Woman's Club





## Fig Garden Woman's Club Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2026

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Desiree Ward at 9:32 a.m. There was a quorum present.

**First Vice President:** First Vice President Debbie Reuland thanked Members Suzy Manfredo Wren and Judy Boro for providing the delicious snacks for the morning meeting.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Libby Borchardt informed those present that the minutes for the December 1, 2026 Board meeting were emailed on December 30, 2025. There were no additions or corrections. Member Libby Borchardt made a motion to approve the minutes as written which was seconded by Member Sharon Garabedian. The motion was voted on, and the minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Susan Simpson reported that the club's B of A checking account, as of December 31, 2025, had a balance of \$53,377.99. The investment accounts had a balance of \$153,915.84, for a total of \$207,293.83. Income for the month of December was \$7,047, expenses were \$16,151.35, net of income and expenses was \$9,104.35. We had a net on the Gala: \$5,491.89, Santa House: \$2,854.53, and Sip and Shop: \$1,350.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Corresponding Secretary Tamara Hargrove informed those in attendance that the Club received 6 donations, 1 from Hope Now, 3 from Fresno Mission, and 2 from the Salvation Army. The Club also received 2 Contribution requests, 1 from the Fresno Wildlife Rehabilitation Service and 1 from Break the Barriers. We received 4 Newsletters and Year End Reports: Guide Dog News, Heritage Fresno Newsletter, Children's Home Society of CA, and the Valley Center for the Blind. We also received Christmas card from the Girl Scouts of Central California South, and 1 Personal to the President from the Ojai Woman's Club. Tamara also said she sent a thank you note to Gregory and Deborah Norys for \$700 donation for tickets to Santa's House.

**President's Report:** President Desiree Ward wanted to recognize Val LeMay, who did a beautiful job transforming the Club House for Christmas and donated a lot of her own decorations, along with Irene Wiegand, who also helped decorate for days. Irene also and for chairing Santa's House, as well as, coordinating the planting the Cedar Tree in the parking lot. Desiree thanked the membership for donating to the Angel Tree, Lisa Jelenik and Juliette Hammel for coordinating the table decorations, the members who put together such beautiful tables, and Allison Alexander and Lynn Baldwin for putting on such a beautiful, fabulous gala.

**Vice President Report:** Vice President Debbie Reuland reported that the Vaughn family donated \$10,000 in Mary's name. President Desiree Ward met with the family and decided the family would like the focus on education, contributions, and close to Mary's heart -Penny Pines. The Executive Board decided the Club will donate \$680 to Penny Pines, which is 10 acres in Mary's name. The Club is also honoring Mary by

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renaming the patio to *Mary's Garden* in memory of her name. Also, we are adding \$2500 to the Contributions Committee which makes the total \$20,500 and \$7,000 to the Scholarship Committee, which makes it \$20,000. This totals to \$10,000.

**Contributions:** Chairman Annie Anderson reported that contributions have received 2 applications which Tamara Hargrove reported. Annie said there will be a meeting on January 22, 2026 and she will send out another application, via email, with a PDF and a template for members to give to Non-Profits. The deadline to receive applications is February 15.

**Membership:** Third Vice President Suzanne Crosina-Sahm reported that there is a new member meeting on January 28, 2026 They will be discussing the Valentine's Party on Friday, February 13 from 5-7. It's a free event and you bring your own drink and an appetizer or a dessert, to share.

**Preservation and Planning:** President Desiree Ward reported for Chair Martha Stewart. Martha and her committee are prioritizing bids for improvement projects and will give the Club a report, soon.

**Grounds:** Chair Irene Wiegand reported the tree was planted and then there was a second phase in the garden. She and Delores O'Neal are asking \$4,000 to spruce up the garden. Desiree said that they will discuss that later.

**Card Party:** Chair Bobbie Kirk reported that she passed around a flier to each of the tables. She said she will be accepting money after the Board Meeting and at the General Meeting. The Card Party is on January 2, 2026 at 11:30, and there will be a catered lunch.

**Bubbles and Bingo:** Chair Hope Rosky reported that they were selling bingo cards- 1 for \$10. 2 for \$10, and 3 for \$20 at the Board and General meeting. The date is Friday, February 20, 2026 from 5-8. There will be prizes and will sell out and cap it at 144.

**Antique Show:** Chair Patty Cortez reported the Show is on March 17-March 22, 2026. She said they have all the dealers for the show. Chair Kim Gould reported they need vintage items at least 50 years old and antiques at least 100 years old for the antique table. If members are not sure about their item, they can send a picture to Kim. She said the entrance is \$5. Riley Gould said Patty sent out signups for food for the dealers. Kim said we feed them snacks and lunch, as they set up on Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Community Impact Committee:** Chair Libby Borchart thanked the membership for all the generous donations of coats. She said that the committee is meeting before the General Meeting and discuss projects for the rest of the year.

**New Business/30 Second Announcements**

**Health and Wellness:** Hope Rosky said the next Health and Wellness will be on Wednesday, January 7. Weather permitting, there will be a 30-minute walk at 9:15 and fitness, 30-minute chair exercises with





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weights, at 10 a.m. Then the guest speaker is Cameron Scharnick from Fig Garden Swim and Racquet Club. Hope and Cameron will be discussing various nutritional information for all body types and ages. Hope said she will send out an Eblast.

**Book Talk:** Chair Margaret Nordstrom said that we have a lending library, and if you take a book to please remember to bring it back and put it back on the shelf in the library. She mentioned some books have been out for six months.

**Tea Time:** Chair Kim Gould said Tea Time is Wednesday, January 21 at 10 a.m. Members can bring tea cups and any refreshments they would like to share. She said in December they ate, drank tea and played games; it was very festive and fun for all.

**Nominating Committee:** President Desiree Ward said they needed to appoint two members from the Board meeting to be on the nominating committee. In order to be on the committee, the members need to be a member for at least three years, current executive board members can't be on it, and you can't serve two consecutive years. Irene Wiegand nominated Lynn Baldwin and Jeanette Tate nominated herself. Desiree said there will be more nominations at the general meeting.

Debbie Reuland stated that on the day that Irene Weigand and Val LeMay put down the Christmas Tree, Debbie, Desiree, Irene, and Val all cleaned out the sheds. Debbie asked that everything be put back neatly and in its place, and thanked everyone for their hard work.

Meeting adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

*Libby Borchardt*

Acting Recording Secretary

**FIG GARDEN WOMAN'S CLUB**

## Social Media Report

*Barb Moen, Chair*



### Facebook

November Balance: 1,444

December: +3

**Total: 1,447**



### Instagram

November Balance: 540

December: +6

**Total: 546**



### Website

November Balance: 84

December: 0

**Total: 84**



## Fig Garden Woman's Club General Meeting Minutes January 14, 2026

**Welcome:** President Desiree Ward welcomed the membership and guests. Desiree asked the membership if it could believe that the club is half way through the year and said that so much has been accomplished in a short time. Desiree said that this past half year reflects on the best of who we are - a group of women who come together for friendship and service making a meaningful difference in our community. She thanked each member for the time, energy, and heart that they bring to the club, and concluded by saying that she looks forward to working beside each club member in what we will accomplish during the rest of the year. Happy New Year! Desiree announced that we are honored that Life Member Margaret Louise "Peggy" Abels could join us today, and that it was Member Kathleen Lehman's birthday. No one could miss Kathleen wearing her pink birthday crown.

**Collect:** Member Eleanor Rojas led the membership in reciting the Club's Collect.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Song:** Member Martha Stewart led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and singing "God Bless America." Member Pamela Alexander provided accompaniment on the piano.

**Way Back When:** Member Libby Borchardt read an article found by Member Susan Pappas from the Fresno Bee. The December 24, 1961 article reported that the FGWC was honoring local philanthropist and developer J.C. Forkner. Forkner had given the Club permission to build a clubhouse on property located on Van Ness Blvd. Forkner later gave the deed to the property to the Club. To honor his generosity, the Club arranged for a park at Shaw and Palm avenues to be dedicated in his name and a "Forkner Memorial Park" plaque was erected.

**Inspiration:** Member Bobbie Kirk inspired the membership by reading the following piece that she wrote. There's something especially lovely about gathering together at the start of a brand new year. The calendar has turned, the decorations may be tucked away, but here we are - together - welcoming 2026 with open hearts, familiar faces, and a few new ones too. We've already welcomed 2026 with our friends and family. Today, we'll welcome it in the best way possible: with warm hearts, fellowship, and generosity. A new year doesn't ask us to become brand new people overnight. Instead, it invites us to keep showing up - just as we are - bringing our kindness, our humor, and our willingness to connect. And this group does that beautifully. One of the greatest gifts we share here is fellowship. This club isn't just about meetings or events - it's about belonging. It's the comfort of sitting next to someone who knows your story and the excitement of sitting next to someone you're just getting to know. In a world that moves fast and sometimes feels disconnected, this room reminds us how powerful it is to simply be together - to listen, to laugh, and to support one another. As we enter 2026, let's celebrate both our old friendships and new acquaintances. To our longtime members: thank you for the history, the memories, and the shared laughter that doesn't require explanation. You are the roots that make this club feel steady and strong. And to our newer members: we're so glad you're here. You bring fresh stories, new perspectives, and that wonderful spark

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that reminds us how fun it is to begin again. May 2026 be the year when a friendly smile turns into a conversation, and a conversation turns into a friendship. Let's also carry generosity with us - not just in what we give, but in how we treat one another. Generosity of spirit. Generosity with encouragement. And generosity with laughter, because laughter shared is one of the simplest joys we have. If we can promise each other anything this year, let it be this: to be kind, to be welcoming, and to not take ourselves too seriously. So here's to 2026 - a year of warm hearts, strong friendships, new beginnings, and many moments worth laughing about. May we continue to show up for one another, embrace both the familiar and the new, and keep this wonderful sense of joy alive in everything we do. Cheers to friendship, fellowship, and another beautiful year together.

**Introduction of Guests:** Guests were introduced by Members Linda Gandolfo, Dena Reynolds, and Nancee Smith.

**Luncheon Program:** Second Vice President Suzy Wren introduced guest speaker Fresno Chief of Police Mindy Casto. Ms. Casto joined the Fresno Police Department in 1992 as an explorer and rose amongst the different assignments and ranks. She has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. She was named interim Chief in 2024 and Chief in 2025 and is committed to making our city of Fresno safe. Chief Casto said that she had planned on a career in agriculture but went on one ride-a-long at 16 years of age and was hooked. The police department currently has 850 officers but she is recruiting to raise that number to 930. Her goals are to preserve life, reduce crime, and connect with the community. Chief Casto reported that murders are at a historic low and on par with the numbers from 1974. She credits this reduction to less gang murders because of proactive officers making connections with the local gangs. She also reported that the department solved all of the murders occurring last year plus some from previous years. In addition, seventy-nine percent of non-fatal shootings were solved last year. Chief Casto also reported that the department has a great relationship with the District Attorney's Office. She acknowledged that property crimes have risen but that there has been a thirty-four percent reduction in auto thefts. The response time for emergency calls is approximately eight minutes. Unfortunately, the response time for non-emergency calls are longer. The department is attempting to address this with a customer service department following up on the calls. Chief Casto says that the department is also looking into new technology to improve the department's efficiency.

**Call to Order:** President Desiree Ward called the general luncheon meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

**First Vice President:** First Vice President Debbie Reuland thanked Members Jennifer Huelskamp and Janelle Dunn and their committee for the snowy decorations. Centerpieces were being sold for \$5.

**Minutes:** Recording Secretary Charlotte Zylka Singer informed those present that the minutes from the December 10, 2025 general luncheon meeting had been published in the January Fig Leaf. There were no additions or corrections. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Member Lillian Weiland and was seconded by Member Martha Stewart. The motion was voted on, and the minutes were approved.

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**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Susan Simpson reported that the B of A checking account, as of December 31, 2025, had a balance of \$53,377.99 and the investments accounts had a balance of \$153,915.84 for a total of \$207,293.83. Income for the month of December was \$7,047.00 and expenses were \$16,151.35 for a negative balance of \$9,104.35. Susan further reported that income from the Christmas Gala was \$5,491.89, Santa's House was \$2,854.53, and Sip and Shop was \$1,350.00.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Corresponding Secretary Tamara Hargrave informed the membership that the club had received six donation requests, two contribution requests, one Christmas card, and one thank you. Tamara reported that she sent a thank you for the generous donation of \$750 to Santa's House.

**Board of Trustees' Report:** Vice President Debbie Reuland reported that President Desiree Ward had spoken with the family of Member Mary Vaughan and the Executive Board had taken consideration of the family's wishes regarding the use of their generous donation made in Mary's honor. The Board decided on the following allocation of the Vaughan donation: \$680. to Penny Pines, \$7,000 for nursing scholarships, and, with an addition from the Club of \$180.00, \$2,500 to the Contributions Committee. With the Vaughan Family donation and another generous donation from a Club member, twenty nursing scholarships will be funded this year. The side garden will also be named after Mary Vaughan, and a plaque will be erected at a later date.

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Contributions:** President Desiree Ward said on behalf of Chair Annie Anderson that the applications from local nonprofits are due on February 15, 2026. The application is available online.

**Membership:** Third Vice President Suzanne Crosina-Sahm reported that the Valentine Cocktail Party will be held on Friday, February 13, 2026, from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be a new member planning meeting on January 28, 2026, at 11 a.m. Also, if you are missing your name badge, please email Suzanne by March 31, 2026 so that she can order you a new one.

**Preservation and Planning:** Chair Martha Stewart announced that the committee will be meeting after today's luncheon meeting.

**WAYS AND MEANS:**

**Annual Card Party:** Co-Chair Bobbie Kirk reported that the event will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 11:30 a.m. A pasta dish with chicken along with a salad and dessert will be served. There will be a committee meeting after today's luncheon meeting.

**Bubbles and Bingo:** Co-Chair Hope Rosky informed the membership that the event will be held on Friday, February 20, 2026. The cost for bingo cards is 1 for \$10, 2 for \$15, and 3 for \$20. The maximum capacity is 144. Participating members are asked to sign up to bring an appetizer. Desserts and bubbly beverages will be provided.

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**Antique Show:** Co-Chair Kim Gould reported that the same dealers are returning and donations are being sought for the Club's booth. Kim will be at the clubhouse to accept donations on March 16, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All donations must fit into a car. The entry cost of the event is \$5.00.

**Antique Show Pre-Party:** Co-Chair Sue Castro informed the membership that the "Party of the Year" will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tickets will be sold at the February and March general luncheon meetings and cost \$20.00 a piece or two for \$35.00. Tickets include admission to all of the sale days.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Get Acquainted Coffee:** Co-Chair Diane Hill announced that the event will be held at the home of Member Lillian Weiland on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, from 10 a.m. to Noon.

**Art and Flower Reciprocity Tea:** No report. The event will be held on April 22, 2026.

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS:**

**Community Impact Project:** Chair Libby Borchardt reported that the committee is planning on preparing a meal in January for families staying at the Ronald McDonald's House. The committee is requesting donations of \$5 from members to cover the cost of groceries. Libby also announced that on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 10 a.m., there will be an event to make valentine cards for local veterans.

**Penny Pines:** Chair Barb Moen said she reports the amount collected quarterly and passes the collection jar at all of the meetings.

**SECTIONS:**

**Out to Lunch Bunch:** Chair Sue Stephens reported that club members are welcome to come to the lunches. The group will be meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Ovidio's on January 28, Los Amigo's on February 25, and Red Lobster on March 30.

**Tea Time:** Chair Kim Gould said that the section will be meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. for tea and will be discussing silver tea implements.

**Little Free Library:** Chair Julia Durley informed the membership that because the coffers are empty donations are being sought.

**Knitting and Needles:** Chair Vanda McArthur said that the section will be meeting Monday, January 19, 2026, at 10 a.m. Please come and bring projects of all kinds involving needles and thread.

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**Book Talk:** Chair Margaret Nordstrom reported that the section will be meeting the third Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 10 a.m. Please come and talk about a book you liked or a book you didn't like.

**Health and Wellness:** Chair Hope Rosky announced that the section will be meeting Wednesday, The plan is to walk the neighborhood at 9:15 a.m and follow the walk with exercise. The guest speaker will be Member Cyndi Vanderhorst who will talk about self care including lymphatic drainage, stretching, and body work.

**NEW BUSINESS/30 SECOND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

President Desiree Ward informed the membership that the Board of Trustees had elected Members Lynn Baldwin and Jeanette Tate to the Nominating Committee. Club members now need to elect three members plus one alternate member. Member Hope Rosky nominated Member Lillian Weiland, Member Suzy Wren nominated Diane Hill, Member Debbie Reuland nominated Ellen Vieti, and Hope Rosky nominated Member Marla Speechly as the alternate. Parliamentarian Maureen Boyle made a motion to elect those nominated by the members, there were no requests for discussion, a vote was taken, and the proposed members were elected unanimously.

President Desiree Ward asked the members to be on the look out for the missing key to the large storage shed.

First Vice President Debbie Reuland reported that both sheds had been cleaned and asked members to keep them tidy.

Member Hope Rosky said see her for information about "An Evening with Jeff Atmajian." It is on Thursday, January 29, at Fresno City College with a VIP reception at 5:30 p.m. and concert at 7 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on January 23, 2026,

*Charlotte Zylka Singer*

Recording Secretary

**FIG GARDEN WOMAN'S CLUB**

 The Fig Garden Woman's Club  
presents

# Valentine's Cocktail Party



**FEBRUARY, 13TH  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
@ THE CLUB HOUSE**

We invite you to bring a guest—spouse, partner, or friend for an evening of fine company and festive surprises. Please join us in sharing a favorite bite-sized appetizer or dessert; a sign-up sheet will be available at our February luncheon. While we will provide the bubbly and glassware, you are welcome to bring along your preferred beverage to enjoy!





## Out to Lunch Bunch

*Sue Stephens, chair*

Meet your Fig Garden Woman's Club friends for lunch! Lunch is a wonderful, relaxed way to get to know fellow members.

- **February 25 at 11:30 a.m. — Los Amigo's (5088 N. Blackstone)**
- **March 23 at 11:30 a.m. — Red Lobster**

Please call Sue Stephens at (559) 431-3692 if you plan to attend...or text Donna Strickler: (559) 287-5969.



## Health & Wellness

*Hope Rosky, chair*

Recently, our member Cyndi Vanderhorst gave an engaging and informative talk on the connection between mind and body. Members found the presentation insightful and practical, so if weren't able to attend, here's a brief recap:

Cyndi is the founder of Body Sense and Wellness, a holistic healing space built on the belief that true wellness goes beyond temporary relief. Her approach focuses on nurturing the whole person — body, mind, and spirit — to support lasting balance and well-being. For anyone interested in learning more about the mind-body connection, Cyndi offers therapeutic services designed to support physical, emotional, and energetic health.

**On March 4th**, Health & Wellness will meet at Scout Island for an outdoor session. A separate release form will be required for all participants. Please wear hiking shoes or sturdy sneakers and bring sunscreen, a hat, and water.



### **We will meet at Scout Island at 9 a.m.**

- Stretching begins at 9:15 a.m.
- The walk starts at 9:30 a.m. and will last about 45 minutes
- We'll finish with a cool-down stretch and a Q&A session, and the program will conclude by 11 a.m.

**Location:** 7695 N. Van Ness Blvd., Fresno.

Here's to good health, Hope





## Program

*Suzy Wren, Second Vice President*

The Fig Garden Woman's Club is pleased to welcome Varoujan der Simonian, director of the Armenian Museum of Fresno, as our February guest speaker.

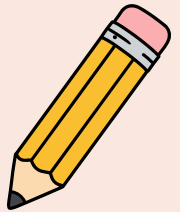
Under his leadership, the museum is celebrating 25 years as vibrant cultural destination dedicated to preserving, sharing, and celebrating our Valley's history, art, and heritage.



Museum Director, Varoujan der Simonian gives Congressman Jim Costa at tour of the Armenian Museum of Fresno

## PLEASE NOTE

**Julianne Patrick has a new email address**  
**[jmpatrick18@gmail.com](mailto:jmpatrick18@gmail.com)**  
**Please update your handbooks.**



## Cinema Group

*Becky Morlock, chair*

Please join us on Friday, February 13 at 10 am in the clubhouse library for this month's film discussion.

**Film:** Traffic

**Year:** 2000

**Cast:** Michael Douglas, Benicio Del Toro, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Don Cheadle, Luis Guzman, Miguel Ferrer, Erika Christensen, Dennis Quaid, Benjamin Bratt

**Director/Writer:** Steven Soderbergh

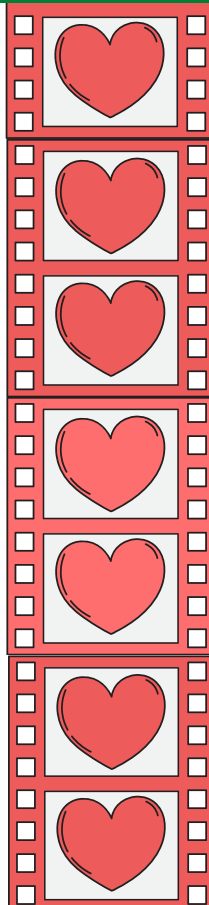
**Genre:** Cop Drama, Drug Crime, Psychological Thriller

**Synopsis:** A conservative judge is appointed by the president to spearhead America's escalating war against drugs, only to discover that his teenage daughter is a crack addict. Two DEA agents

protect an informant. A jailed drug baron's wife attempts to carry on the family business.

Please see this excellent film of intertwining drama about the war on drugs and the players. Plenty to discuss and learn from other members.

*Becky*





## February Luncheon Menu



Mediterranean salad,  
Mediterranean bowl with  
grilled chicken, pilaf,  
grilled vegetables, served with  
a knotted roll and dessert

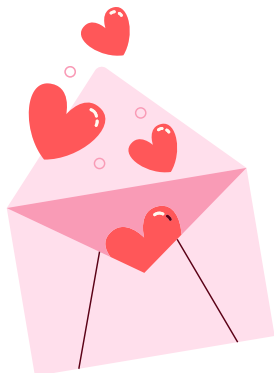
### Federation Report

*Karen Tozlian, District Representative*

The San Joaquin Valley District meeting will be held on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at the Woman's Club of Bakersfield.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will be called to order at 10 a.m.

The agenda will be available that morning. Karen Tozlian will be representing our club.



### Membership

*Suzanne Crosina-Sahm, Third Vice President*

#### *Nametags*

I've heard from several of you that your name tags are missing, so I will be placing another order on March 31. The new nametags will be available at the April General Meeting.

If you need a nametag, please email me at [scrosinsahm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:scrosinsahm@sbcglobal.net). Nametags are \$7 each, payable to Susan Simpson by cash or check.

# *Fig Garden Woman's Club* *Bingo & Bubbly* *at the clubhouse*



*Appetizers, door prizes  
and a whole lotta fun!*

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026**

**5-7:30 PM**

One for \$10	Bingo Card Sales
Two for \$15	February 11th
Three for \$20	Luncheon



# Our Club Website at Your Fingertips

Barb Moen, Website and Social Media Chair

The most up-to-date FGWC Handbook and Events Calendar are always available on our website in the “Member Resources” Section. **Both are updated as changes occur.** The section contains our handbook, new members, the Fig Leaf, and our current calendar.

To access the *Handbook* log on to our website at: [figgardenwomansclub.org](http://figgardenwomansclub.org)

Then select: Member Resources

Then select: Handbook



To access the *Events Calendar* log on to our website at: [figgardenwomansclub.org](http://figgardenwomansclub.org)

Then select: Member Resources

Then select: Events Calendar



To access to the *Member Resources* section, you must be registered on the website.

To register, log on to our website: [figgardenwomansclub.org](http://figgardenwomansclub.org) then select: Register (in the upper righthand corner).

After you have completed the form, you will receive an email stating that you now have access to the *Member Resources* section. For security purposes, only FGWC members are given access to this information.



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## *Our Club Website at Your Fingertips, continued*

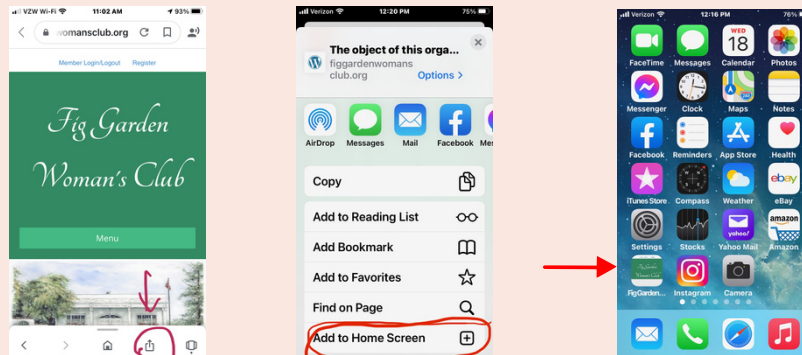
### PHONE OR TABLET ACCESS

For new members who would like to add the FGWC icon on your phone or tablet for easy access, below are step-by-step instructions on how to do so.

#### **For those of you with Apple IOS devices:**

1. Bring up the FGWC website on your phone's or iPad's internet browser.
2. At the bottom of the page you see a square with arrow pointing up. Click on it.
3. Click on "Add to Home Screen".

That's it! You're done. Just click on the icon whenever you want to check the webpage.



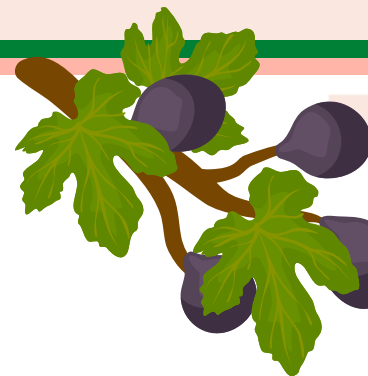
#### **For those of you with Android devices:**

1. Bring up the FGWC website on your phone's internet browser.
2. Touch the apps icon to display the apps drawer.
3. Long press the app icon you want to add to your home screen
4. Drag the app to the home screen page, lifting your finger to place the app

Please contact Barb Moen if you have any questions or need help. 559-285-2933 or bcmoen@yahoo.com



## February 2026 Amenities Report for January 2026 Activities *Chairs: Kim Garcia & Karen Tozlian*



The following courtesies were provided to members:

Fourteen *Birthday Cards*, one *Thinking of You* card, four *Get Well* cards and five phone calls.

**KIM (559) 970-1930 AND  
KAREN (559) 284-5951**



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*to our members  
born in*

# February!

6 Maureen Boyle  
8 Sally Norcross  
14 Judith Osterloh  
15 Carol McCrumb  
16 Julie Diener  
19 Carol Lambourne  
19 Paula Takeda

20 Lynn Baldwin  
20 LaTricia Adkins  
23 Kathryn Brown  
24 Susan Simpson  
24 Suzanne Swanson  
28 Nancy Walker

