

NEWSLETTER



ARBORETA & BOTANIC GARDENS

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ARBORETUM DIVISION

Rough grading was completed at Meadow Brook and the first cement has been put down. Electrical work has been started and all other phases are going according to schedule. This last month in the Arboretum Division has been Meadow Brook, Meadow Brook, Meadow Brook.

The Seasonal Work Center went deciduous during the recent wind storm, but any damage done by the wind has been offset by the volunteers who have started their flower and vegetable information garden north of the seasonal work center.

Work on Bottle Brush Island has been completed. Excess plant material was removed and an automatic sprinkler system installed.

Remember to save December 16th for the Christmas party.

PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION

The volunteer field leader training program is now in its final weeks, and the new field leaders will receive certificates training completion on November 13 at the regular Las Voluntarias meeting. This year's training stressed the use of other areas on the grounds for trips to lessen the impact of 25,000 school children annually on the grounds, and to provide more varied experience for both field leaders and children.

The Minibus will be out of service for several weeks while it is being overhauled at Mechanical Dept. shops. The Minibus was purchased in the summer of 1966, and has travelled about 60,000 miles on the grounds, equivalent to 24,000 tram tours, carrying about 1.2 million visitors. While the Minibus is being serviced, the Clark Tractor tram will do solo duty.

As everyone either remembered Saturday night or discovered Sunday morning, Daylight Savings Time is no longer in effect, and as we revert to Standard Time, the hours at the three facilities change back to the winter schedule, daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

RESEARCH DIVISION

Jack McCaskill has been appointed a member of the public relations committee which will help prepare for the celebration of the City of Pasadena's 100th birthday in 1974. Jack was also appointed to the San Juan Capistrano Bicentennial Committee which will prepare the celebrations of that organization's 200th birthday in 1976. His appointment followed a talk he gave last September to the San Juan Historical Society on the bicentennials of the first five missions of the chain of 21 missions here in California, and on the medallions that have been issued to commemorate them.

Linda Thorne has recently been selected to fill a new position of Plant Research Aid. She will continue to work with George Hanson in air pollution research and will be assisting in new breeding studies. Linda is not a new face at the Arboretum as she has been doing research here for the past four years under various titles such as Research Assistant under a NIH grant, Student Professional Worker for LASCA, and Volunteer when funds were unavailable.

The new face seen recently around the Research Division belongs to Margaret Heeb. She is a Student Professional Worker who will be working with Dr. Berry on the water pollution project. She is presently a junior at Cal State University, majoring in biochemistry.



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