

LANDSCAPE REPORT, 2018

This was not a year of activity on the garden front as our committee is small (2) and one has been hampered with hip problems and the other often away. (this is an appeal for more help in the garden for 2019). Kathy Stanley and I shopped for 4 new pots as 3 of the previous pots were broken or stolen; flowers were planted so our front entrance had some colour and summer appeal. I managed to keep up much of the weeding, the watering, and obtained a new supply of small rocks for the dry creek bed. Plans are to replace some areas with more ground cover plants thus hampering weed growth. Fortunately the Wednesday Work Crew chipped in hugely - thank you Dave Hagel for the pruning, Gaylord and Art for refinishing the benches (thus salvaging another year or 2 of use) and Gaylord for turning over the soil to eliminate the ornamental grass that spread out of control. This area will be replanted with a low creeping cedar-like shrub.

Thank you also Marilyn Gaa, Ali Hammington and Doug Eastwell for their Pagan Project. They provided and cared for 4 flower pots representing the 4 directions and elements of earth, air, water and fire. The pots were perfectly placed under the large evergreen tree where nothing will grow in the soil but the potted flowers seemed to survive quite nicely.

The strategic plans for the church suggested that members need not sit on any committee for more than 3 years. Kathy and I have been doing the garden for many years and would appreciate a reduction of the responsibility. We are willing to assist but would appreciate less of a role.

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