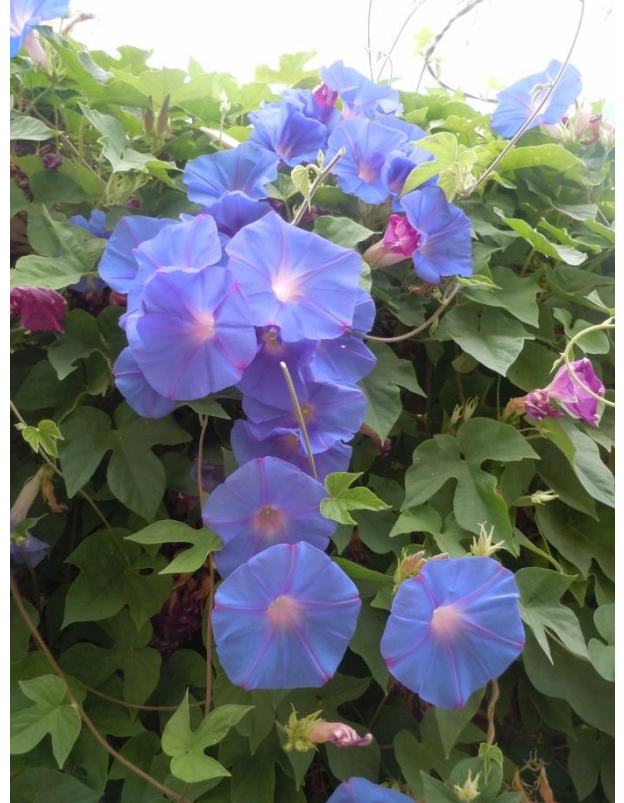


Bakersfield Garden Club

July 2013



Unfazed by our July heat, Edith M's black-eyed Susans are a bright splash of golden color and attract dozens of butterfly skippers. This lush stand grew from seeds Edith planted two years ago. On the right are Penny Y's vivid blue morning glories. Warning: it's a rampant grower!



There is much good news to report about our new club: Pat B., Linda B., and Candy W. have been accomplishing work of organizing a new club. Candy did the leg work of applying for the fictitious business name and license, and found The Daily Report was the least expensive paper that published this information. Do thank the three of them, for getting this tedious but necessary work done. They are also happy to report that Bakersfield Garden Club has a website again. Candy's husband, Don, has been working on this, and though it's just in the development stage, you can access it now on Google. Type Bakersfield Garden Club in the address box at the top of the window where it says <http://google.com> and check it out.

July 20: Shake off the summer doldrums and come to our General Meeting. Our program will be Horticulture Hints. Bring anything that is blooming in your yard this time of year, a piece or idea for garden art, or any problems you have coping with the heat or pests of summer. As usual, we'll have refreshments, Opportunity Table, and lots of happy talk. Don't forget to pay your dues for the new year if you have not already done so.

There are still empty positions on this year's committees and board. We need at least one board liaison. The Liaison is the members' representative and attends board meetings the first Monday of the month. Two people are needed to spearhead the two plant sales we hold. President Pat has been doing this for years, but we can't expect her to do double duty. Your volunteering would be **greatly** appreciated.



Our members tell us.....

The Garden Project is a wonderful place to learn more about growing food crops. Meetings are held the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at St Luke's Anglican Church just north of Home Depot in East Hills. A number of Bakersfield Garden Club members are going to The Garden Project and say it's much like our meetings: good information is shared along with excess produce. Aug. 3, next meeting.

Flowers getting fried during these triple digit days? Margaret Burrowes shades hers with beach umbrellas. She's gathered some inexpensive umbrellas and reports they give good protection from that scorching sun. Good solution, and decorative, too. Thanks for the tip, Margaret!

Laura J. passes along this wonderful source for all you succulent lovers: www.debraleebaldwin.com . Laura writes, "She has some great ideas for succulents. Beautiful pictures. Two of her books are in the Kern Library."



Nothing says summer like sunflowers. Richard A. grows beautiful ones.