

Notes of the APNA meeting of August 14, 2012

In the Water Conservation Garden in Azalea Park, Laurie Carlock presented a demonstration of Square Foot Gardening. She gave a brief bio of the inventor of the concept, Mel Bartholomew. She presented a list of advantages over row gardening. The essential planting ingredient is "Mel's Mix"-----equal parts of peat moss, vermiculite(coarse), and compost.

Deanneka Goodwin, of Congresswoman Susan David' office, passed out the office's newsletter and announced the proposal of a name for the new court house down- town.

Gabe Gutierrez, of County Supervisor Ron Roberts' office, presented hand-outs of information for people in crisis related to mental health issues. He spoke of the NICS (Next Generation Incident Command System), a program related to city services response to emergencies(large scales incidents).

Teresa Trout of the Transcendence Program informed the attendees of this dance theatre that leads to youth leadership training and conflict resolution that teaches life skills.

Linda Pennington gave an update on the brush management project for Manzanita Canyon.

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