

# MEET AND GREET

## Welcome Librarian Susan Eubank

In mid-September, Susan Eubank joined The Arboretum as the Librarian. Susan comes to The Arboretum from the Grand Canyon National Park Library and has a wealth of experience not only in library science, but also in public service, working with volunteers, and in management. Susan also has a background with botanic gardens, having served as a librarian at the Denver Botanic Gardens and the Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens in San Francisco.

Susan is extremely enthusiastic and recently stated, "I am very happy to join the team at The Arboretum. My dreams for the Library are that we grow it into a vibrant and lively 'community center' where everyone can enjoy learning about all aspects of plants and gardens. Come visit the Library and tell me your dreams for it, too!"

Susan holds a Masters of Library and Information Studies degree from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History from California State University, Long Beach.

We can look forward to a library second-to-none – a welcoming library chock-full of information, excellent service, and abundant resources. The next time you are visiting the gardens, please stop by and say hi to Susan Eubank!



Former Librarian Joan with Susan



Maria T. Robertson

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When the newly renovated Peacock Café opens its doors in December, Maria T. Robertson Catering will open its arms with friendly service and tempting fare. "We are hoping to create a friendly and comfortable environment at the Peacock Café that will encourage the patrons, members, volunteers, and workers to stop by frequently."

Maria Robertson has over 15 years of experience in catering corporate and private parties; weddings; receptions; benefits; and special events. Maria's clients can be found as far south as Orange County and as far north as Santa Barbara and range from executives, to newlyweds, to schools, to church groups, to museums such as the Museum of Contemporary Art.

Maria's motto is that "fresh ingredients and simple foods will always make people happy." Maria's menu will include organic ingredients, and the natural surroundings at The Arboretum will inspire recipes and entries. Regularly served luncheon items such as a tasty turkey sandwich, chicken salads with a twist, and a variety of vegetarian selections are sure to be big hits.

The Peacock Café is the place to be this fall. A new look and a new taste – scrumptious!

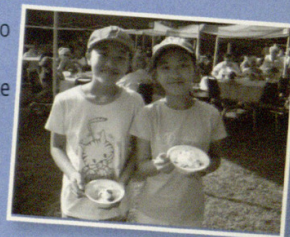
# GRAPEVINE

## Halloween Family Festival

Thank you Team Halloween: On Saturday, October 29, Los Voluntarios, the Education Department, and the junior volunteers outdid themselves! Months and months of planning resulted in an Arboretum event long to be remembered and soon to become a tradition. The Arboretum was decked with Halloween regalia; pumpkins, ghosts, scarecrows, friendly staff and volunteers beckoned the numerous families that attended this event.

## Annual Meeting and Ice Cream Social

The Australian Section proved to be a delightful new backdrop for the Annual Meeting and Ice Cream Social on Sunday afternoon, September 18. The meeting was enjoyed by approximately 200 adults and 50 children. There was ice cream galore, kids had fun with activities tailored just for them--aided by our junior volunteers, and lots of information about a successful year and plans for the future was shared.



## Special Members Meeting

We thank all the members who came to the special members' meeting on Monday evening, August 15. The thoughtful questions about the Peacock Café were appreciated. We thank the members who came out to the special members' meeting on August 15. The thoughtful questions about the Peacock Café were appreciated and show how much our members care about The Arboretum. It also gave us all an opportunity to respond and learn from your concerns. Together we are moving forward!



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