

Good evening CPDHS members,

The CPDHS Earth Day exhibit at Market Square on Saturday was a great success! The community appreciated the Society's participation and we appreciate our volunteers who went above and beyond to make the day a success.

CPDHS had two exhibits with different activities. One was a children's workshop where kids learned hands-on how to plant seeds and start succulents. The main table provided an information resource where visitors could learn about environmentally sound and sustainable horticultural practices. Visitors also had face-to-face access to Master Gardeners to get answers to questions about their specific garden challenges. Did I mention that there might have been a little bit of recruiting of new members going on ;)

This report of the event from Brianna Logan, coordinator for the childrens activity table:

"Hi everyone,

We had a great Saturday. We were pretty busy at the children's workshop, but I did manage to take a few pics.



I hear we got some new members at the society's table That's great! Daniel's dragon fruit plant was impressive.





We had between 50-100 kids participate in the children's activities. Most were probably between the ages of 5-12, but we did have a handful of teenagers and preschoolers. Some did all the activities, and some just did one or two. The seed and succulent planting were the most popular. It went well **thanks to our volunteers**, especially a recent member named Barbara Clarke, Valencia, and Laura's son and his partner. We also had a student volunteer from the CP Youth Center for part of the day. The rain held off most of the time, but we did have a quick shower part way through.

The Earthfest coordinator reached out to me after the event to express her thanks and convey positive feedback about the workshop. She has invited us to do the children's workshop again next year, with more tent space. I said I would pass that on to the board.

**My heartfelt thanks to all of the members who donated items to make Saturday possible.**

People were very generous and we could not have run the event or been under budget without them.

Brianna"

More photos from Brenda Cupper:





Happy gardening and a hearty welcome to the new members who joined CPDHS on Saturday :)

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