

YTHS April 2016 Monthly Meeting

Filoli Gardens, Woodside

A light gray sky of soft rain set off the daffodils at the entrance to Filoli Gardens in Woodside, California. Created in 1917, Filoli was named by it's first owner, William B. Bourn II, using the first two letters from the words of his credo: "Flight for a just cause; LOve your fellow man; Llive a good life." The second owner, Mrs. William Roth, donated the home in 1975 to the National Trust for Historic Preservation so future generations could enjoy its timeless beauty . . . and we did!

Members and their guests met first for lunch in the historic mansion followed by time to walk, sit, and write haiku. The meeting concluded with members reading their haiku and sharing one special thing that resonated.

President Patrick Gallagher: raindrops in the reflecting pond

Kathleen Wall: the tour of the garden and mansion

June Hopper Hyman: white tulip's curve of the stem

Mimi Ahern: surprise of the flowering dogwoods

Patricia Machmiller: prayerful spring rain

Carol Steele: lavender wisteria

Anne Homan: the aroma of the wisteria

Becky Davies (Ann Homan's daughter): delicate pink cherry blossoms

Ann Bendixen: 1 1/2" seedling pots of wisteria

Anne Hedge (Ann Bendixen's daughter): droplet of water on the dogwood blossom

write-up by Mimi Ahern



droplet of water
on the dogwood blossom
friends' laughter

haiku and photo by
Anne Hedge