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"Plant America - One Member at a Time!"

From the Director's Desk...



Hello Palomar District members! The past two years have just flown by. My term as your Director has been an abundant and fulfilling experience. I wish to thank the Executive Committee and Chairman for their volunteer service. And, thank you to all the Clubs that hosted our district meetings and all Club members for your support. Your new incoming District Director, Sharon Tooley, will do a stellar job. Please give a warm welcome to her and extend your continued support.

Over the past three months, Palomar District held five flower shows. I had the pleasure to judge at four of them and to attend the other. Congratulations to Bonita Valley Garden Club, Coronado Floral Association, Poway Valley Garden Club, Temecula Valley Garden Club, and Vista Garden Club. All shows were outstanding and provided stimulating interest in horticulture and floral design to their members and the viewing public.



Thank you for being a member of Palomar District. Thank you San Dieguito Garden Club for hosting the upcoming District Meeting at the San Diego Botanic Gardens. Awards will be delivered and acknowledged at this meeting. Also lots of good information from Pacific Region and CGCI conventions will be disseminated. I look forward to seeing everyone on June 10th.



I hope everyone enjoys their Summer - Adele

Good friends never say goodbye.

They simply say "See you soon." - Unknown

Reminders:

CGCI Annual Contact Information Form – **due June 1st**. Starting this year there are separate forms for Garden Clubs and Associate Plant Societies (go to californiagardenclubs.com).

CGCI Annual Dues – **due July 1st** (go to californiagardenclubs.com)

Palomar District Annual Dues – **due July 1st**
(go to californiagardenclubs.com/palomardistrict).

Please be prompt in meeting these requirements!

This ensures that your correct information appears in the CGCI and District yearbooks and that you don't miss out on important notifications from CGCI and Palomar District.



CGCI Official Calendar

www.californiagardenclubs.com/
calendar

June 3-7, 2019

CGCI 88th Annual Convention
Host: Southern California Garden Club
Van Nuys, CA

September 30-October 3, 2019

CGCI Fall Board Meeting
Host: Cascade District

**NGC School Calendar
California**

Go to gardenclub.org for schools in
other states.

July 15-16, 2019

Environmental School, Course 3
Host: Chula Vista Garden Club

July 17-18, 2019

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Host: Chula Vista Garden Club

Don't Be Late!

Submissions for the
Next Pruner are due
August 26, 2019
Send submissions to
palomardirector@gmail.com

*"Gardening simply does not allow
one to be mentally old, because too
many hopes and dreams are yet to
be realized." – Allan Armitage*

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Palomar District Calendar

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Summer Meeting

Monday, June 10, 2019

Where: San Diego Botanic Gardens – Ecke Building
230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas, CA 92024

Host: San Dieguito Garden Club

Time: 9:00 a.m. Doors open - Conservation Table and Fairy Garden
Raffle ticket sales
10:00 a.m. Summer Membership Meeting

Program: Mexican and Southwest Plants, Nan Sterman

Cost: \$30.00 if payment is received before May 30, 2019

\$35.00 if payment is received after May 30, 2019

Note: all payments must be received by June 3, 2019

See page 3 for additional information

Fall Meeting

Monday, October 14, 2019

Host: TBD



Welcome New 2019-2021

Palomar District Executive Committee!!

Sharon Tooley – District Director, djsj21643@aol.com

Michael Biedenbender – 1st Assistant Director, papa2j2@cox.net

Pat Bjernefalt – 2nd Assistant Director, patsten1@msn.com

Laura Crenshaw – Treasurer, rock1221@sbcglobal.net

Teri Schmidt – Recording Secretary, terismith87@yahoo.com

Suzy Foran – Corresponding Secretary, suzyforan@gmail.com

George Speer – Parliamentarian, gspeerjr@aol.com

Celebrate National Garden Week

Join Clubs around San Diego and across the country and celebrate
National Garden Week, June 2-8, 2019. This week promotes CGCI
and NGC objectives and is a great way to promote your Club and all
the wonderful things you are doing.

Don't know what to do - visit the NGC website for a list of ideas.

Click [here](#) to download National Garden Week posters.

Share how your Club celebrates National Garden Week with other
Clubs in the District. Send a short write-up and a picture to
palomardirector@gmail.com so it can be shared with all in our next
newsletter.



Palomar District Summer Membership Meeting

Monday, June 10, 2019

San Diego Botanic Gardens - Ecke Building
230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas, CA 92024

Host: San Dieguito Garden Club

NOTE: Reservations required – payments must be received by June 3, 2019

9:00 a.m. Doors open (Conservation Table Sale and Fairy Garden raffle tickets for sale)

10:00 a.m. Summer Membership Meeting

Noon Lunch on Patio (A Gourmet Lunch Box)

Program: Mexican and Southwest Plants, Nan Sterman, host of the PBS show *A Growing Passion* and author of *Hot Color, Dry Garden*

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\$35 if payment is received after May 30, 2019



Reservation Form

✂*****Cut Here*****

Name(s): _____

Club: _____

Gourmet Lunch Box Choice: Ham Veggie Turkey

Check # _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Check payable to: San Dieguito Garden Club

Mail to: Robert Snyder, 1318 Greenlake Drive, Cardiff, CA 92007

Note: If several individuals are coming from one club, please send one check for all and list the names of the individuals and their box lunch choice.



Pacific Region News: “Blue Stars Shine in the Pacific Region”

2019-2021 Pacific Region Director’s Project

The Blue Star Memorial Highway and By-Way Markers Project is a tribute to the men and women in the armed forces, who have served, are serving and who will serve in the future.

Pacific Region Director Robin Pokorski has issued the following challenge:

Each state* is challenged to add or refurbish two Blue Star Markers each year for the next two years.

*Except California, who is being challenged to add or refurbish five per year. That’s 38 added Blue Star Markers in two years!!

And the exciting news is that the 2019-20 Pacific Region budget adopted at the 2019 Convention included \$2,000 in grant money for the “Blue Stars Shine in the Pacific Region” special project. Grants of \$250 and \$500 will be available to Pacific Region clubs and districts to help install or refurbish Blue Star Markers.

Palomar District currently has 16 Blue Star Markers. Every club should look around in their communities to see if there is a place where one may be added. For information, contact Robin Pokorski, Director, at PRGCDirector@gmail.com or Diane Franchini, Director’s Special Project Chairman, FranchiniSD@gmail.com



CGCI News: “New CGCI Liability Insurance Chairman”

Reminder: Effective April 15, 2019 the NEW Liability Insurance Chairman is Robin Pokorski. Robin’s contact info is 512 Newton St., San Fernando, CA 91340-2421, 818-361-7873 home, 818-425-3247 cell, Email: cgcinsurance@cagardenclubs.org. Please direct all insurance payments, questions, certificate requests, garden tour contracts, and additional insured contracts/requests, etc. to Robin.

The online forms have been updated. Go to <http://californiagardenclubs.com/insurance> to download.

Additionally, if you are a new Club Treasurer, please visit <http://californiagardenclubs.com/adminguidelines> for a valuable list of guidelines and due dates for treasurers, entitled: **A Treasurer’s Toolbox**.





Art Alive Winner!!!

Art Alive returned for its 38th year from April 12-14, 2019 in Balboa Park at the San Diego Museum of Art. This event attracted nearly 12,000 visitors in just one weekend. Art Alive is the Museum's most important annual fundraiser. On view were nearly 100 floral interpretations of the works of art in the Museum. Palomar District garden club member Carvill Veech won 1st Place for her interpretation of Artist Alice Neel's painting. Big congratulations to Carvill!!!





Club Corner: Bonita Valley Garden Club Flower Show

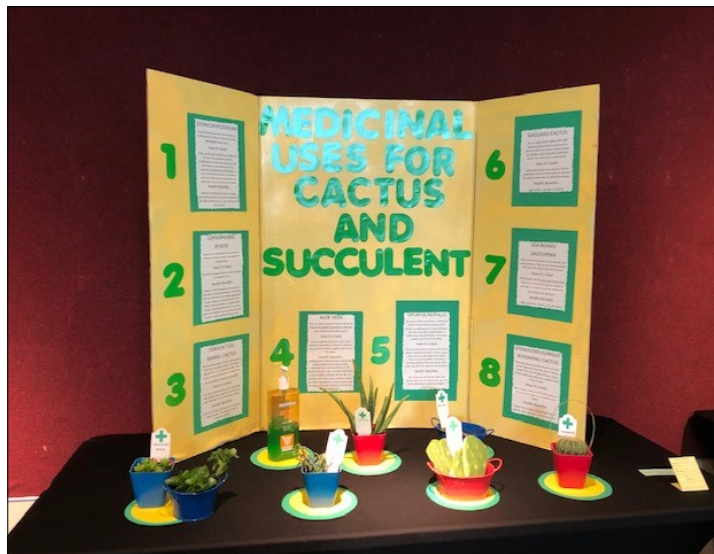
Bonita Valley Garden Club celebrated our 20th Flower Show by departing from our usual format. We decided to do an all succulent show appropriately called *Suckers for Succulents*.

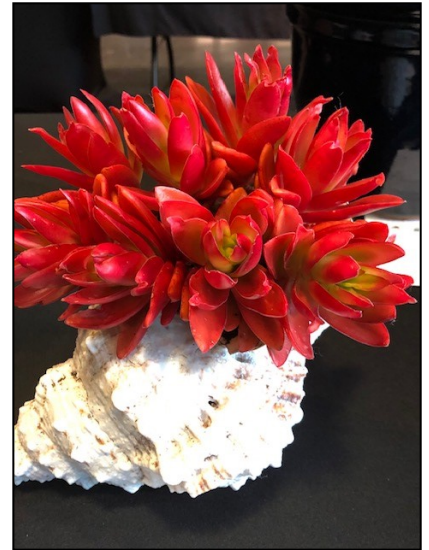
Our design categories were *Lean, Green and Mean* which was a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal design; *Green* which was an all green design, *Mean* which was an abstract design, and *Succulent Dining* which was a functional luncheon table for two. Our petite and small designs general category was called *Sticky Subjects* and included three classes entitled *Tiny Bubbles*, *It's a Small World* and *Dangerous Curves*. All designs were required to incorporate succulents and/or cactus and some designers used all cactus and succulents in their designs.



We carried our theme through by including educational exhibits which fit under the umbrella of *Sharpen Your Succulent IQ* and included exhibits entitled *Is it a Cactus? Is it a Euphorbia? Medicinal Uses of Succulent and Cactus*, and *Water-wise Garden Planning* using succulents. These exhibits proved to be extremely useful and informative and were a big hit with our visitors.

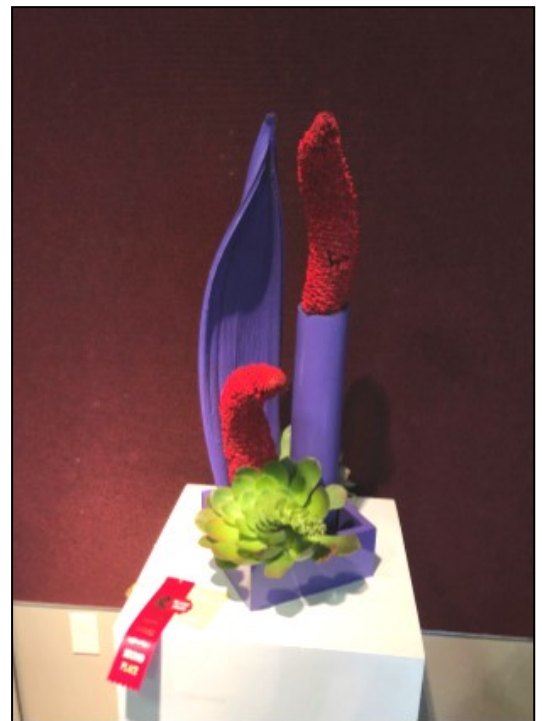
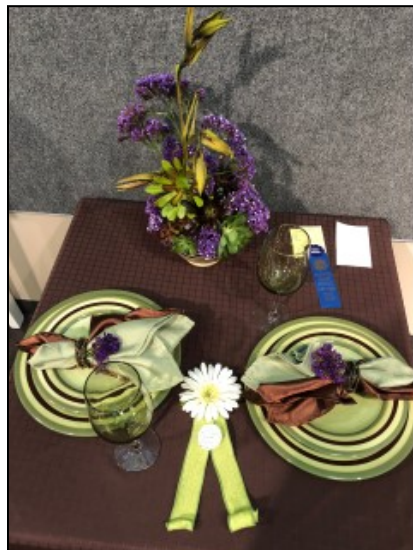
As you can imagine all horticultural entries were succulents or cacti under the category of *Singing Succulents*. These included *One is the Loneliest Number* which was a single species/variety/cultivar in a container, *I Get By With a Little Help From My Friends* which was a combination planter or dish garden, and *Stuck on You* which was a container grown cactus/cacti. We held two workshops where our container plants were identified which made horticultural classification much less hectic and stressful on the day of the show.





Because we didn't include cut stems, we were able to consolidate so everything could be exhibited in the Bonita Museum and Cultural Center. As a result of the public's interest in this topic, we had our largest attendance ever with 170 people viewing our flower show. We had many positive comments from our visitors and a couple of viewers expressed interest in joining our club. As an added bonus for the first time in our history, we made money on a flower show thanks to the large crowd and our fabulous market garden items. This theme was of interest not only to the general public but also to our members who turned out in record numbers to exhibit and otherwise participate. If you decide to do a similar flower show, we would be happy to provide information and encouragement!

Submitted by: Lynne Batchelor, 2nd VP CGCI, President, Bonita Valley Garden Club



Would your Club like to share a special event, project, or other noteworthy item with the Palomar District members, then send it to palomardirector@gmail.com. Deadline: August 26, 2019.



“Come Celebrate: Achievement, Creativity and the Future”

June 3rd - 7th, 2019

2019 CGCI Annual Convention

Airtel Plaza Hotel in Van Nuys, California

- Honored Guest:** 2017-19 National Garden Clubs, Inc. President Nancy Hargroves
- Hotel Room Rate:** \$105, breakfast included – **deadline May 19, 2019, Noon**
- Registration:** Early Bird package price - \$240 – **deadline May 13, 2019**
Part-Time registrations available – **visit CGCI website for all forms.**
- Tuesday, June 4:** Workshops, Lunch Honoring Club Presidents, Dinner – Presentation of Awards
- Wednesday, June 5:** Business Meetings, Lunch Honoring 2017-2019 District Directors, Dinner – Floral Design Banquet Honoring Flower Show Judges
- Thursday, June 6:** Business Meetings, Lunch Honoring Youth & Scholarship Recipients, Dinner – Installation Banquet
- Thursday, June 7:** Post-Convention Meeting, Organizational Meeting for 2019-21 board of directors

Club presidents and all CGCI members should make plans to join us for this educational, fun-filled event. Convention Chairman: Rita Desilets, 818-781-4537, 4rita.desilets@gmail.com

You're invited!

