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"Plant America -  
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## "Plant America - Plant Trees"

### *From the Director's Desk...*



Hello my fellow garden club friends. We are quickly getting through this unusual year with a smile and lots of stamina. I hope this Pruner finds everyone well and looking forward to next year. I am proud to say that our garden clubs are staying tough and using some unique ways to stay in touch (besides Zooming).. I have recently sent out our Palomar District Yearbooks to club presidents. Many thanks again to Laura Crenshaw for putting our yearbook together and having it printed. If you would like more copies (\$3 each, no mailing charge) please email Sharon Tooley and send your check to our treasurer Laura Crenshaw.

The Union-Tribune had some great comments about growing trees in their Homestyle Section on Sunday, September 27th. Among other things, they mention that trees remove dust and pollutants from the air. As we go forward with warming weather and more fires, trees can be a first defense against poor air quality. Poway Valley GC had a "drive by" yearbook pickup event in August of this year. I decided to ask for donations to Penny Pines from every car that drove up. Using this personal touch I was able to raise \$266 dollars for Penny Pines. Please keep our trees in mind and find a way to donate to Penny Pines.

Thanks to everyone for their continued membership, enthusiasm and sense of humor during this unique year. I look forward to seeing everyone at our February meeting.

- Sharon Tooley

*"The best time to plant a tree  
is twenty years ago.  
The second best time  
is now."*





## Palomar District Calendar

[www.californiagardenclubs.com/palomardistrict](http://www.californiagardenclubs.com/palomardistrict)

### In Remembrance

As many of us already know, our friend and recent board member of Palomar District, David Rylaarsdam passed away from Cancer last spring. David was past president of Dos Valles Garden Club and very active in our Floral Design Forum and just a darn nice guy!

We will miss him!!

### Winter General Meeting

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

**Where:** Temple Adat Shalom

15905 Pomerado Road, Poway

**Host:** Poway Valley Garden Club

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - Doors open and shop

10:00 a.m. - Board-General Meeting/Lunch/Program

**Program:** T.B.A.



#### Don't Be Late!

Submissions for the next Pruner are due January 5, 2021

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### Plant America Grant

PLANT AMERICA Grant applications are due **October 15**. If your club has never received a grant before, PLEASE consider applying. It is only a 2-page "fillable PDF" application. Check out the link to the National Garden Club page below. Applications are needed! Numbers are down this year, and this is a great opportunity to help with funding for a community project.

[Plant America Grants](#)

Good luck!  
Shane Looper  
CGCI President, 2019-2021





## **Palomar District Nominating Committee 2020-2021**

Lisa Mercier from Bonita Valley GC

Ann Dahnke from Poway Valley GC

Stevie Hall from Carlsbad GC

Lititia Biedenbender from Chula Vista GC

Genny Deutsch from San Carlos GC

Alternate 1 Sally Kirby from Temecula GC

Alternate 2 Sheree McGinley from Descanso GC

Michael Biedenbender's plans for the future have changed, so I have volunteered to stay on an additional two years if nominated and elected. Laura Crenshaw will no longer be our treasurer but has volunteered to be our Recording Secretary if nominated and elected.

That leaves Treasurer, First Assistant Director and Second Assistant Director open. We need to fill these positions as our District cannot function without them.

As the treasurer you will be responsible for keeping our books which should be about the same amount of work as doing the books for any garden club except that we meet only three times a year. Laura Crenshaw will be available to answer questions throughout the year if needed.

First Assistant Director takes care of membership. As new clubs want to join our District, this person guides them through the process and makes them welcome at District meetings.

Second Assistant Director schedules our three District meetings. I can imagine that this job may be easier in the coming years because the clubs that have had their meetings cancelled will want to re-schedule.

As a First or Second Assistant Director you should be looking to take over the Director's job in the future. It may look a little intimidating, but it's really not too hard and actually lots of fun.

Please consider one of these jobs and let our nominating committee know!

- Sharon Tooley, your Palomar District Director





## Rules for Electronic Meetings

*Here are the basic rules that need to be used to form amendments to Club by-laws to enable Clubs to conduct their meetings electronically...*

**Meetings Held Electronically:** Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, meetings of the Board shall be conducted through use of Internet meeting services designated by the President that support anonymous voting and support visible displays identifying those participating, identifying those seeking recognition to speak, showing (or permitting the retrieval of) the text of pending motions, and showing the results of votes. These electronic meetings of the Board shall be subject to all rules adopted by the Board, or by the Society, to govern them, which may include any reasonable limitations on, and requirements for, Board members' participation. Any such rules adopted by the Board shall supersede any conflicting rules in the parliamentary authority but may not otherwise conflict with or alter any rule or decision of the Society. An anonymous vote conducted through the designated Internet meeting service shall be deemed a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirement in the bylaws or rules that a vote be conducted by ballot.

**Meetings Held in Person:** Some particular meeting or meetings of the Board shall be held in person either (a) when the President or First Vice-President has obtained written consent for this from every Board member, or (b) when ordered by the Board, by a two-thirds vote with previous notice of a motion to do so having been given.

### Sample Rules for Electronic Meetings

**Login information:** The Corresponding Secretary shall send by e-mail to every member of the Board, at least [time] before each meeting, the time of the meeting, the URL and codes necessary to connect to the Internet meeting service, and, as an alternative and backup to the audio connection included within the Internet service, the phone number and access code(s) the member needs to participate aurally by telephone. The Corresponding Secretary shall also include a copy of, or a link to, these rules.

**Login time:** The Recording Secretary shall schedule Internet meeting service availability to begin at least 15 minutes before the start of each meeting.

**Signing in and out:** Members shall identify themselves as required to sign in to the Internet meeting service, and shall maintain Internet and audio access throughout the meeting whenever present, but shall sign out upon any departure before adjournment.

**Quorum calls:** The presence of a quorum shall be established by audible roll call at the beginning of the meeting. Thereafter, the continued presence of a quorum shall be determined by the online list of participating members, unless any member demands a quorum count by audible roll call. Such a demand may be made following any vote for which the announced totals add to less than a quorum.

**Technical requirements and malfunctions:** Each member is responsible for his or her audio and Internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.

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](mailto:palomardirector@gmail.com). Deadline: January 5, 2021



## Rules for Electronic Meetings continued...

**Forced disconnections:** The chair may cause or direct the disconnection or muting of a member's connection if it is causing undue interference with the meeting. The chair's decision to do so, which is subject to an undebatable appeal that can be made by any member, shall be announced during the meeting and recorded in the minutes.

**Assignment of the floor:** To seek recognition by the chair, a member shall ... [specifying the exact method appropriate to the Internet meeting service being used]. Upon assigning the floor to a member, the chair shall clear the online queue of members who had been seeking recognition. To claim preference in recognition, another member who had been seeking recognition may promptly seek recognition again, and the chair shall recognize the member for the limited purpose of determining whether that member is entitled to preference in recognition.

**Interrupting a member:** A member who intends to make a motion or request that under the rules may interrupt a speaker shall use [the designated feature] for so indicating, and shall thereafter wait a reasonable time for the chair's instructions before attempting to interrupt the speaker by voice.

**Motions submitted in writing:** A member intending to make a main motion, to offer an amendment, or to propose instructions to a committee, shall, before or after being recognized, post the motion in writing to the online area designated by the Recording Secretary for this purpose, preceded by the member's name and a number corresponding to how many written motions the member has so far posted during the meeting (e.g., "SMITH 3:."; "FRANCES JONES 2:."). Use of the online area designated by the Recording Secretary for this purpose shall be restricted to posting the text of intended motions.

**Display of motions:** The Recording Secretary shall designate an online area exclusively for the display of the immediately pending question and other relevant pending questions (such as the main motion, or the pertinent part of the main motion, when an amendment to it is immediately pending); and, to the extent feasible, the Recording Secretary, or any assistants appointed by him or her for this purpose, shall cause such questions, or any other documents that are currently before the meeting for action or information, to be displayed therein until disposed of.

**Voting:** Votes shall be taken by the anonymous voting feature of the Internet meeting service, unless a different method is ordered by the Board or required by the rules. When required or ordered, other permissible methods of voting are by electronic roll call or by audible roll call. The chair's announcement of the voting result shall include the number of members voting on each side of the question and the number, if any, who explicitly respond to acknowledge their presence without casting a vote. Business may also be conducted by unanimous consent.

**Video display:** [For groups using video, but in which the number of participants is too large for all to be displayed simultaneously:] The chair, the Recording Secretary, or their assistants shall cause a video of the chair to be displayed throughout the meeting, and shall also cause display of the video of the member currently recognized to speak or report.



# Palomar District's 2020-2021 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season - Floral Design Forum

From Chairman George Speer

- When:** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, October thru May 12:00 p.m. **NOON**
- Where:** **Shinoda Design Center**, 7170 Miramar Rd., San Diego, 92121
- Objectives:** To bring the finest floral designers to San Diego County; promote appreciation of floral art forms; develop skills in critiquing floral art; improve individual skills for in home floral decorating; learn skills for flower show exhibition; encourage members to enter flower shows and promote floral arts in the community. The forum is open to anyone interested in floral design.
- Fees:** Choose \$70/all 8 program season pass (save \$50 off non-member session tickets) or \$12/ session for NGC/CGCI members or \$15/ session for non-members.
- Mail:** George Speer, 30861 Saddleback Rd, Valley Center, CA 92082

**Cancelled: October 5, 2020 - Robert L. Gordon AIFD Ornamental Horticulture Professor** and a Garden Club member for many years. Explores changes that have come and gone and back again.

**November 2, 2020 - Barbara Weiler, Master NGC Flower Show Judge**, award winning designer, teacher, and Horticulturist. Watch what she can put together for all of us and a very special surprise design.

**December 7, 2020 - Mitsuko Takeya, Master Instructor O'Hara School of Ikebana.** Enjoy the simplicity, meaning and grace of her designs. We are pleased that Mitsuko could fit us in between her many classes.

**January 4, 2021 - David Root - Top Ten Winner, Teacher and a Designer:** of "from trash cans" to working the elegant party and event scene. Always an entertaining and surprise filled program.

**February 1, 2021 - Susi Gillum, NGC Master Flower Show Judge**, highly sought-after design demonstrator and workshop leader of the Northern California area.

**March 1, 2021- Spring Holiday Designs with Gudrun Kimmel** A NGC Master Judge, Gudy is full of design ideas and ways to use unique plant materials. Get inspired for your spring holidays.

**April 5, 2021 - Rene van Rems , AIFD** Dutch born designer, author and educator, He is the world-renowned ambassador of the floral industry. Rene presents **European Spring Designing**. He will entertain, educate, and inspire. Do not miss this one.

**Register to reserve your seat, they are limited.**

**May 3, 2021- The "Grand Finale" is "FLOWER POWER" Our most popular Program.** Watch as 5 local college student designers' race against the clock to complete a Surprise Package design from material, container, and theme. Then, like a 3-ring circus, they show a "signature design," a "round robin" and then a "wrap up" design.

Reminder, that California Garden Club Inc. members are able to  
**shop at Shinoda Design Center** with a pass gotten by your Club President.

You will have to pay sales tax at the time of purchase. Applications are available at their website.