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"Come for the knowledge
...stay for the friendships"

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From the Director's Desk...

"They" say that Fall is here... Sure is hot for fall. Leaves still on the trees ... took a dip in the pool. Hmmm. Well, the Fall Board and General meetings are over and a job well done by Carol Curcio and the Dos Valles Garden Club. Many Thanks.



Reminder, that the "**Tally Ho**" totals are due to me by Sunday Oct. 7th either by mail or email. This is a project of the Pacific Region and will give us a talking point about what we contribute to our communities: local, district wide, state wide and within the region. Those numbers I am sure will be impressive.

Also, included in the handout package was the **Blue Ribbon Club Award** application that needs to be returned to me As soon As Possible. If your club is planning like a garden club, then there should be no problem getting at least 100 points. Our newest club, Gardeners92130, got to 100 with less than 20 members. This is not competitive: Get to 100 and your club wins a blue ribbon certificate.

The District has a goodly supply of the new CGCI 3 year calendars 2014-2016 with plastic sleeve for just \$5.00 each.

And I will have, by the time you get this, a limited supply of the Vision of Beauty Calendars for sale to support the Floral Design Forum at \$6.50.

A Big Thank You to Jane McKee and Joan Patten for their support of the Leadership Training Workshop and to CGCI 3rd VP and Awards Chair, Pat Claves for the Awards Workshop. Both were attended by clubs looking to help their clubs and members be successful and were well received.

Have a wonderful Fall,

George

Coming soon...



PALOMAR DISTRICT

Winter Board & Annual Meeting

Monday, February 18, 2013

Host: Fallbrook Garden Club

- Where:** Grand Tradition
230 Grand Tradition Way
Fallbrook, CA
- Time:** 10:00a.m. Board Meeting
11:00a.m. General Meeting
- Lunch:** \$28.00
- Program:** Installation of Officers 2013-15
- Guest:** Julie West, CGCI President

Who should attend:

- District Officers, District Committee Chairmen, Club Presidents AND Club Delegates.
- Other club members are always welcome.

Enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Grand Tradition. In addition to the original Beverly Mansion and surrounding Victorian Garden and Lake, the Arbor Terrace and Compass Gardens are now open.

Nominating Committee Report:
Following are the nominees for the 2013-15 term:

District Director: Lynne Batchelor, Bonita Valley
1st Assistant Director: Starr Rausch, Temecula Valley
2nd Assistant Director: Adele Kelly, Bernardo Gardeners
Recording Secretary: Barbara Weiler, Vista
Treasurer: Joan Patten, Dos Valles

Elections will be held at the Winter General Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor with the prior consent of the nominee.

Your District Needs YOU!
HOSTS - 2013-15

Would your club "host" a district meeting during the next term? It can be a fundraiser for you. Think about it and contact Director George Speer if you would like to volunteer or have questions.



Floral Design Forum

FIRST Monday, October-May
Joslyn Senior Center
210 E. Park Ave, Escondido
12:30p.m.

Cost:

- \$70 - season subscription,
- \$12/session NGC members; \$15/session non-members.

2012-13 Schedule:

- Oct. 1, 2012: Noel Tribby, AIFD, "Fun and Fabulous Fall Ideas"
- Nov. 5, 2012: "The Art of the Table" Local Designers celebrate with a Fall or Winter holiday. Functional and Exhibitions will surround and astound you.
- Dec. 3, 2012: Robert Gordon, San Luis Obispo and George Speer. Get the Spirit of the Season at their Open House. Traditional, Creative, Twists and Turns.
- Jan 7, 2013: Camille Van Ast, Newbury Park, CA. "The Art of Sogetsu" – a modern fresh style – promotes an ikebana of no limits – a sculptural form of art.
- Feb 4, 2013: "The Designing Ladies of Ensenada, Mexico" Creative designs with color, imagination and style.
- Mar 4, 2013: "Designs of National Garden Clubs" Local designers help you get ready for the Flower Show Season or just enjoy the diversity of American Floral Design.
- Apr 1, 2013: Janet and Bev Switzer, Channel Island District. Janet, the CGCI Floral Designer of the Year, and her mother will conjure up some prize winning designs and inspire you to do the same.
- May 6, 2013: A perennial favorite: FLOWER POWER - a non-competitive afternoon of creative fun, racing against the clock. Each Designer brings a Signature Design and the rest are all surprises. Lots of material and designs to take home.

Highlights of Fall Board and Special Membership Meeting, September 24, 2012

- Approved Bylaws Amendments (changes underlined)
- 1: Article IV—Officers, Section 6. Duties
 - B. The **First Assistant Director** shall:
 - 1) Preside at meetings in the absence of the Director.
 - 2) Represent the District at CGCI Board meetings and Conventions if the Director is unable to attend.
 - 3) Be membership chairman.
- 2: Article IV--Officers, Section 6: Duties
 - C. The **Second Assistant Director** shall:
 - 1) Perform the duties in the absence of the Director and First Assistant Director.
 - 2) Represent the District at CGCI Board meetings and Conventions in the absence of the Director and First Assistant Director.
 - 3) be program coordinator for the District meetings and a resource for Clubs hosting a District meeting
- Approved 2012-13 Budget (as listed in the Summer 2012 Pruner)
- Booth at 2012 San Diego County Fair earned \$300 from the Fair Board. Joan Patten moved that proceeds be added to the Blue Star Memorial-Miramar National Cemetery Fund. Motion seconded and passed.
- Blue Star Memorial: application has been submitted to Washington DC office. Upon approval, marker will be ordered.
- Screen/Sound system: Director is still researching sound system. In partnership with Southwestern Judges Council a new screen was purchased. District portion of cost - \$189.32.
- District yearbooks: Corrections should be sent to Adele Kelly, akelly@san.rr.com.
- CGCI yearbooks: Additional copies can be ordered from CGCI Editor, Carmen Black, carmrosa@comcast.net. Each additional book is \$8.00 plus \$2.50 for mailing. Please include name of club in request.
- 2014-16 3-year calendars are now available - \$5.00 each including plastic cover. The net proceeds will be split equally between CGCI's newest, long-term state projects: Project Mission Blue and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Contact Director Speer to purchase.

Blue Star Memorial Marker

Coming to

Miramar National Cemetery

Palomar District is working with officials at the new Miramar National Cemetery and the Department of Veterans Affairs to install a Blue Star Memorial Marker on the grounds of the cemetery. The application has been submitted.

A special fund has been established for donations to cover the cost of the marker and installation. * The donation form is Attachment A.

- Donors need not be members of a garden club (invite your friends or family members to participate)
- Donations may be made in “honor” or “memory” of someone.
- Donors and honorees will be recognized and listed on the “Donor Wall” to be established on our website if requested (see the check box on the form).
- Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

*Excess funds raised will be used for future markers.

For updates and additional information go to the District website (Projects & Programs/Blue Star Memorials)

Large memorial ...



PUBLICITY!

Do you have a special SPRING event (FLOWER SHOW, GARDEN TOUR, PLANT SALE) you want included in the Pruner or on the website?

Send details to:

pdgardenclubnews@gmail.com

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Notes from the Fall Board Meeting
September 6-9, 2012
San Mateo, CA

• Fundraising opportunity:

The San Francisco Flower & Garden Show, **March 20-24, 2013**, San Mateo Event Center: **CGCI Clubs earn \$2.00 for each advanced purchase discount ticket they sell for \$16** (\$20 at the door). Pass on the discount to your club members and friends plus earn money for your club! In addition, San Francisco Flower & Garden Show will **donate \$1.00 per ticket sold by your club to the CGCI President's Project**. Clubs/districts that participated last year earned \$1,104 and \$552 was raised for the President's Project. For details go to the CGCI website.

• Anza-Borrego Desert State Park

Saturday, October 27, 2 p.m.
Visitor Center

CGCI will present the first \$1,000 check of the multi-year state project. Funds will be used for the replacement of the worn-out irrigation system for the three-acre garden surrounding the Visitor's Center.

• CGCI Presidents Tree Dedication

Sunday, October 28, 1:30 p.m.
Big Basin State Park, Santa Cruz

Honoring Dorothy Roton, Virginia Bennetts, Robert Gordon, Elisabeth Tufo, Robin Pokorski and Maryanne Lucas, CGCI Presidents 2000-2010.

• Golden Gardens

There are only 3 print issues left before Golden Gardens transitions to electronic delivery only as Golden Gardens eNews. If you are not already on the eNews distribution list, go to www.californiagardenclubs.org and sign up.

Note to Club Presidents: If your members would like to receive eNews you can send one list (include name and e-mail addresses) to the Golden Gardens eNews editor: patclayes@aol.com.

• AWARDS

It's that time again! Have you started preparing your entries for submission? There are TWO deadlines: December 1 and January 10 and a NEW awards format. Don't miss out because you overlooked a deadline or used the wrong entry form/format.

ALL Awards information is available online at www.californiagardenclubs.org under "Awards Program"

Due DECEMBER 1, 2012:

- CGCI Community Impact Award
- Blue Star Memorial Beautification Award
- Club yearbooks
- Club newsletters
- Publications other than yearbook or newsletter published during the awards year (membership brochures, calendars, cookbooks, educational material etc)
- National Garden Week promotion
- Videos
- Websites
- Operation Wildflower
- High School Essay Contest
- Youth Poetry Contest
- Youth Sculpture Contest
- Flower Shows eligible for NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards (you would have received notice from the CGCI Flower Show Awards Chairman)
- Any NGC award that has no CGCI equivalent



At the very least all clubs produce Yearbooks and Newsletters. Get those ready to submit NOW...don't wait until December 1. Many clubs also have Websites or membership brochures that are eligible.

How do I submit an entry?

Publications: Yearbooks, newsletters etc: Send the required number of published copies along with a completed CGCI Application Form and appropriate Evaluation Form to the chairman listed in the 2012-13 Awards Manual (available online...see above)

General entries:

The old "Books of Evidence" are **only required** for the following awards:

- Conservation Award: C-13, Sec. A
- Photography Awards: C-6, Regular Portfolio; G-6; and G-17
- Publicity Award: PR-1
- Flower Show Awards: FS-1A; FS-1B; FS-7; FS-9; FS-14; NGC #5; NGC #30; NGC #57

ALL Entries, except those 4 categories listed above, must be submitted on the NEW CGCI Awards Application Form (see Attachment B)

- Limit THREE (3) pages - one side only
- Photos may be included (either pasted on or inserted electronically)
- READ the Evaluation Form to ensure you have all the information required

CGCI 82nd Annual Convention

June 3-7, 2013

“Fun in the Sun in San Diego...”

Explore the possibilities”

Chairman: Jane McKee

cgciconvention2013@gmail.com

Registrar: Joan Patten

Crown Plaza Hotel, Mission Valley

Plans for the convention are coming together. All committees have been assigned, the tour is set, the programs and workshops are being finalized. Check the website for updates.

General information:

Registration fee:

- All sessions - \$40 postmarked by May 13; \$50 post-marked after deadline
- One day - \$10
- Registration fee waived for guests (speakers), spouses (who are not members) and Palomar District workers (those individuals serving on a committee)
- Registration forms and final details will be included in the “Call to Convention” which will go out approximately April 1, 2013
- ALL attendees must be registered (completed the registration form and received a convention badge)

Meals: lunches will be no more than \$30; dinners no more than \$50

Hotel rooms: \$115 + tax; 1-4 persons per room

Parking: Overnight - \$12; Daily - \$3/1st hour, \$2/ea addl hour up to max \$14. Plan to carpool as there is no offsite or street parking.

Workshops – free (registration fee applies)

Business meetings: open to any club member but only Club Presidents and official club delegates have voting privileges.

Outgoing Pacific Region Director, Debbie Hinchey, Alaska, will be our special guest

Sometime in May all Committee Chairs will be invited to a final walk-through of the facility

Sales Tables:

- Fundraising opportunity for clubs and affiliates: Each organization can have a “sales table” on Wednesday, June 5 (approx. 10am - 4pm). The cost is \$25 for a table and the club retains the proceeds.
- For planning purposes we need to know how many clubs would like to participate. To indicate your preliminary interest please send “table reservation” request to cgciconvention2013@gmail.com. A formal reservation form will be available later.

Raffle:

- Each club and affiliate is asked to provide at least one

raffle prize. Individuals may also donate items. Prizes can be single items—framed photo, potted plant, piece of “garden art” etc OR a basket/container with a variety of smaller items. You have plenty of time to collect items and put together your usual clever and creative prizes.

- Raffle items should be delivered to the convention site Monday, June 3, 1-5pm.

Exhibits:

- Each club and affiliate of Palomar District is invited to prepare an exhibit highlighting the group’s activities.
 - Space: 3’ (1/2 of 6’ table)
 - Suggest tri-fold display board
 - Handouts and/or an example (floral arrangement, sample craft etc) are welcome
 - Watch for the Exhibit Request Form (must be submitted to help us with space planning)

Questions?

cgciconvention2013@gmail.com

Thank you for your support!

Jane

PACIFIC REGION

Washington, Alaska, California,

Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Arizona, Hawaii



April 22-24, 2013

Pacific Region Convention

Host: CGCI

Hilton Sonoma Wine Country, Santa Rosa

Chairman: David West

Notes from around the region...

- One club provides scholarships to members who participate in and complete the Master Gardener program.
- One club is creating a “serenity garden” for a hospice facility.
- With grants from the state and city, one club created a Children’s Tree Walk. It is located around the perimeter of a playground providing an opportunity to educate children about nature as they visit the playground. It features various trees and brightly colored educational signage with pictures and narrative information about tree care, tree rings, value of trees and historical information.
- Did you know there is a “North Pole Garden club”?

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC



Looking for the perfect gift?
Check out this gorgeous 100%
NGC silk scarf!



NGC is now in partnership with Gardener's Supply, Smithers-Oasis, Brent & Beckys bulbs. There are also new luggage tags

Go to
www.gardenclub.org
for details.

CALENDAR

2012

October

- 1-30 Fallbrook "Scarecrow Days" Information: www.fallbrookchamberofcommerce.com
- 1 Floral Design Forum
- 12-13 Gardening Studies School, Course 1, Sponsor: Humboldt District, Eureka, CA
- 13 California Native Plant Society plant sale 11am-3pm, Casa del Prado Courtyard, Balboa Park.
- 27 Anza Borrego Desert State Park presentation
- 28 Presidents Tree dedication, Big Basin State Park, Santa Cruz

November

- 2 Vista GC Scholarship Luncheon, Vista Valley Country Club, 11am, Cost \$25. Information: 760-724-6256.
- 5 Floral Design Forum

December

- 3 Floral Design Forum
- 7-9 December Nights: "Carols & Songs of the Season", Balboa Park

2013

January

- 4-5 Gardening Studies School, Course 2 Sponsor: Humboldt District, Eureka, CA
- 7 Floral Design Forum
- 7-9 Flower Show School, Course 2 South Coast Botanic Garden, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd, Palos Verdes Host: So Cal Judges Council

- 30-31 Gardening Studies School, Course 3, Sepulveda Garden Center, Encino

February

- 4 Floral Design Forum
- 5-7 CGCI Winter Board, Auburn, CA Host: Golden Foothills District
- 18 Palomar District Winter Board & Annual Meeting. Host: Fallbrook GC,

March

- 4 Floral Design Forum
- 28-29 Gardening Studies School, Course 4, Sepulveda Garden Center, Encino

April

- 1 Floral Design Forum
- 5-6 Gardening Studies School, Course 3 Sponsor: Humboldt District, Eureka, CA
- 22-24 Pacific Region Convention, Host: CGCI, Hilton Sonoma Wine Country, Santa Rosa

May

- 5-7 Flower Show Judges Symposium, San Mateo
- 6 Floral Design Forum
- 11-18 CGCI fundraising cruise, Sapphire Princess
- 21-27 NGC Convention, Sheraton Hotel, Seattle, WA

June

- 3-7 CGCI 82nd Annual Convention, San Diego, Host: Palomar District

July

- 12-13 Gardening Studies School, Course 4 Sponsor: Humboldt District, Eureka, CA
- 27-28 Gardening Studies School, Course 1 Sponsor: Colfax GC, Nevada City, CA

August

- 12-14 Flower Show School, Course 3 South Coast Botanic Garden, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd, Palos Verdes Host: So Cal Judges Council

September

- TBA CGCI Fall Board Meeting Host: Orange County District
- 17-19 Flower Show School, Course 1 Sponsor: Diablo Foothills District
- 24-28 NGC Fall Board Meeting, St Louis, MO

2014

February

- 13-16 CGCI Winter Board Meeting Host: Arboretum District, Glendale Hilton Glendale, CA

April

- 30-May 3 NGC Convention, Norman, OK

June

- 5-9 CGCI Convention, Glendale Host: San Fernando Valley District

California Garden Clubs, Inc., Palomar District
Blue Star Memorial Marker Fund
Miramar National Cemetery

I wish to make a contribution to the Special Fund, established by the Palomar District of California Garden Clubs, Inc., for the installation of a Blue Star Memorial Marker in the Miramar National Cemetery.

I would like to be invited to the dedication ceremony (tentatively June 2013)

I would like my name to be included on the "Donor Wall" listing on the Palomar District website

Donor Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address: _____@_____

Donation is

*In memory of: _____

*In honor of: _____

*honorees will be listed along with the donor name on the website Donor Wall if box above is checked.

Please make check payable to:

Palomar District Miramar Blue Star Fund

and mail to:

Blue Star Memorial Marker for Miramar National Cemetery

Attn: D. Cole, 13711 Vista Poniente Dr., Poway, California 92064

Enclosed is check for \$_____.

An acknowledgment will be mailed to you upon receipt of your check. If excess funds are collected, they will be used for additional Blue Star Markers.

*The Blue Star memorials honor those who have served in the Armed Forces...
past, present and future.*

Thank you!

Palomar District is one of 28 geographical divisions within California Garden Clubs, Inc., and includes 24 garden clubs, 2 affiliate organizations and over 2000 members in San Diego and southern Riverside Counties. We promote gardening, floral design, civic beautification, environmental responsibility and the exchange of information and ideas.

Palomar District is a 501(c)(3) organization; Tax ID #330801783; listed on the California Registry of Charitable Trusts, Registry #119469. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.



2012-2013 CGCI Awards Application

Award #: Award Name:

Submitted by:

[Enter name exactly as it should appear on any award received] **Date:**

Name of Club:

District:

Number of Members for whom CGCI & District Dues are paid:

- Application form is limited to three printed pages – front of pages only. (No report covers, binders, plastic page protectors are allowed unless otherwise stated in Awards Manual or on evaluation forms).
- Application form will be returned. Applications forwarded to NGC for further competition will not be returned by NGC (exception: publication (books), CD/DVD). Copy entry for your files.
- See 2012 CGCI Awards Manual for list of awards and where to send award entry. Note two deadline dates: **December 1, 2012** and **January 1, 2013**. See 2012 CGCI Awards Manual for full award descriptions and evaluation forms for required award criteria.

Please complete each topic, if applicable. Use numbering as below when completing form.

1. New project: Yes ___ No ___ Beginning date: xxxx Completion date:
2. Brief summary and objectives of project
3. Involvement of club members, other organizations, etc.
4. Project expenses and means of funding
5. Continuing involvement, follow-up, maintenance
6. Attach or insert photos, digital photos, and/or landscape plan (does not need to be professionally drawn)