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

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From the Director's Desk...



First of all: Thank You for a wonderful term as your Director. Thank You to the great Executive Committee that has supported this district for the last two years. Great Job all. And Thank You to the super bunch of ladies that have stepped up to take the leadership for the 2013-15 term. I am excited to see them in action.

A very special Thank You to Jane McKee for taking on the 2013 CGCI Convention Chairmanship that Palomar District is hosting. I am sure that with the wholehearted support of all the clubs and members we will present a fabulous time to the rest of the California. The Crowne Plaza staff has been marvelous in working with Jane and Julie West.

It is my hope that you will spend at least one day at the convention to meet the delightful California Garden Club members from all across the state. They (and you) have been my inspiration for the District's theme: *"Come for the Knowledge – Stay for the Friendships"*.

In addition to Palomar Districts' June 17 Organizational Board Meeting in Ramona, which should be attended by all Club Presidents and all Chairmen, the 2013 CGCI Convention should be attended by all Club Presidents (new and old), club delegates and as many, as are willing, club members to experience the workings of the largest state membership in National Garden Clubs.

And mark your calendars for June 23 and plan to attend the 4th Annual San Diego County Floral Design Competition at the San Diego Fair. It will include Floral Designers (Professional, Garden Club and all others) from around the county. Chairman of the event this year will be last year's winner, Sonja Longley (Vista Garden Club).

Again, Thank You all for what you have done and are going to do for your clubs, this District and for the CGCI convention.

Best Wishes for a wonderful summer,

George

Attention Current Presidents:

It is your responsibility to send to the District Director, **by April 15th**, the Name, Address, Email address, and Telephone Number of these two Club Officers for the 2013-2014 year: President and Treasurer. You can do that as soon as elected (or in most cases when nominated).

Send to: (speerCGCIbrshp@aol.com)

PALOMAR DISTRICT

Summer Board Meeting

Monday, June 17, 2013

Host: Ramona Garden Club

Where: Ramona Library
1275 Main St, Ramona


Time: 10:00 AM

Agenda: Business meeting: Report and distribution of materials from CGCI Convention including all CGCI, Pacific Region & NGC awards.

Lunch: \$TBA (we'll keep it low!)

Who should attend:

- District Officers
- District Committee Chairmen
- Club Presidents (incoming & outgoing)
- Other club members are welcome



Floral Design Forum

FIRST Monday,
October-May
Park Ave Senior Center

210 E. Park Ave, Escondido
12:30p.m.

Cost:

- \$12/session NGC members; \$15/session non-members.

2013 Schedule:

- April 1: 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: 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.



Congratulations to the 2013-15 Executive Committee

(l-r): Laura Crenshaw, Parliamentarian (Crown Garden Club of Coronado); Adele Kelly, 2nd Assistant Director (Bernardo Gardeners); Lynne Batchelor, Director (Bonita Valley Garden Club); Barbara Weiler, Recording Secretary (Vista Garden Club); Joan Patten, Treasurer (Dos Valles Garden Club); Pam Jessup, Corresponding Secretary (Descanso Garden Club); Starr Rausch, 1st Assistant Director (Temecula Valley Garden Club)

Fallbrook Garden Club hosted the Palomar District Winter Meeting at the Grand Tradition on February 18. Special guests were Julie West, President, California Garden Clubs, Inc. (CGCI) and Rita Desilets, President-elect, CGCI and the installing officer.



The luncheon, including sale of craft items and raffle tickets for the center-pieces, raised over \$900 for the club.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

Hosting a district meeting is an opportunity to raise funds for your club and there are openings for the upcoming term. Contact Lynne or Adele if you are interested.

From the Editor's Desk...

This is my last issue as Editor of the Pruner. It has been a pleasure to bring you the news of CGCI, Pacific Region and NGC and to promote the wonderful work of our member clubs.

Thank you to all who contributed information and made it look easy!

Jane

PACIFIC REGION

Washington, Alaska, California,
Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Arizona, Hawaii



Pacific Region Convention April 22-24, 2013

Celebrating Nature's Beauty & Bounty Convention Highlights

Monday, April 22, 2013

Pre-Convention Tour (\$60) to three vineyards and wineries featuring garden tours and wine tasting with a box lunch.

- Ferrari-Carano's spectacular Villa Flore with five acres of gardens offers a self-guided garden tour.
- At Quivira Vineyards & Winery, you will experience its biodynamic agricultural practices with chickens, raised beds and beehives.
- Kendall Jackson Wine Center includes two and a half acres of fruit, vegetables and herbs used for wine pairings by its culinary team.
- Enjoy the evening FUN program by talented and entertaining **Wil Gonzalez**, AIFD extraordinaire from Ukiah, California.

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

- Lunch program - **Bill McNamara**, Executive Director from Quarryhill Botanical Gardens. Founded in 1987, Quarryhill is one of the pre-eminent Asian botanical gardens globally, featuring one of the largest collections of documented, wild-collected Asian plants in the world. Lunch is followed by an optional afternoon tour of Quarryhill itself (\$40), or stay at the hotel for a garden design or herb workshop.
- Design banquet program: **Nancy Colvin**, one of the San Francisco Bay Area's premier creative floral designers. You may recognize her name since her designs have been featured the past ten years in NGC's Vision of Beauty calendars.

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

- Lunch program: **Luther Burbank Home & Gardens** with interesting history about the famous horticulturist, Luther Burbank. In the afternoon will be a fast-moving motivational and informative leadership seminar by **Becky Lunders** from TeamWorks. An optional tour (\$20) aboard Rosie the Trolley is available for a docent-led tour of Luther Burbank Home & Gardens.
- Installation Banquet: 2013 – 2015 Pacific Region officers with **Elaine Gunderson** from Arizona installed as Pacific Region Director.

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC



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National Gardens Clubs, Inc.
84th Annual Convention

May 24 - 26, 2013

Seattle, Washington

Sheraton Hotel 1400 Sixth Avenue,
Seattle, WA 98101

Phone: 206-621-9000 or 888-627-7056

for Reservations

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/ngc2013>

Special NGC Room Rate: \$149

For complete schedule of events
go to www.gardenclub.org



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- Club Membership - New Garden Club Invitation
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CALENDAR

2013

APRIL

- 5-6 Gardening Study School, Course III, Humboldt District, Eureka, CA
- 13 Fallbrook Garden Club Garden Tour, 9am-3pm, Tickets: \$20 ea. 7 gardens, plant sale, raffle and more. details: www.fallbrookgardenclub.org
- 13 Poway Valley Garden Club 35th Standard Flower Show, 9am-3pm, Old Poway Park. "The Fabulous 1950s" Click [here](#) for schedule
- 20 Point Loma Garden Club Plant Sale, 9am-Noon. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3598 Talbot Street (east of Canon Street). Heirloom tomatoes, beautiful container plants, succulent dish gardens and unusual garden plants Specialty items will also be available in the boutique area.
- 20-21 Coronado Flower Show - "A Ticket to Ride", Saturday 1-5pm, Sunday 10am-4pm. Information: <http://coronadoflowershow.org/>
- 22-24 Pacific Region Convention, Hilton Sonoma Wine Country, Santa Rosa, CA Host: CGCI
- 27 Ramona Garden Club Garden Tour. 9am-3pm Information. www.ramonagardenclub.com

MAY

- 3-5 CHIRP: 16th Annual Sage & Songbirds Garden Tour & Festival - www.chirp.org
Garden tour: Admission: \$20; 5 private Alpine home gardens on tour (plus 2 bonus sites. Habitat plant and pottery sale in one of the gardens. Ticket discount (50%) for groups of 10 or more.
- 4-5 Sage & Songbirds Festival: Viejas Outlets, 5005 Willows Road, 10 am - 4 pm. FREE admission. Features release of hundreds of live butterflies at 2 pm both days. Information: 619-445-8352 or www.chirp.org
- 4-5 Vista Garden Club FLOWER SHOW AND PLANT SALE on Saturday - 2-5 p.m. and Sunday - 10am-4pm. PLANT SALE open Saturday 12-5 and Sunday 10am to 4pm. Jim Porter Recreation Center, Brengle Terrace Park, 1200 Vale Terrace, Vista, Ca. Information: www.vistagardenclub.org
- 5-7 Flower Show Judges Symposium, South San Francisco
- 10-11 San Carlos Garden Club - "A Show in Living Color", a creative pairing of paintings and floral arrangements. San Carlos Public Library, 7265 Jackson Drive, San Diego. Friday - 10:30 am - 5:30 pm, Saturday - 9:30 am - 2:00pm. Flower arranging demonstration - Friday - 1pm, Saturday - 11:30am. Information: 619-449-3230

- 11 La Jolla Garden Club Gardeners Market, 9am to 1pm, Chase Bank patio, 7777 Girard Ave (in the Village)

- 11-18 CGCI 2013 Fundraiser Cruise, Sapphire Princess
21-27 NGC Convention, Sheraton Seattle Hotel, Seattle

JUNE

- 3-7 CGCI 83rd Convention, San Diego. Host: Palomar District. Chairman: Jane McKee
Details & forms: www.californiagardenclubs.org

AUGUST

- 24-25 Gardening Study School, Course II, Nevada City; Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club; Chairman: Myrtle Findley

SEPTEMBER

- 5-7 CGCI Fall Board Meeting, Ayres Hotel, Costa Mesa; Host: Orange County District; Chairman: Annie Hall Bosche'
- 24-28 NGC Fall Board Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri
28-29 Gardening Study School, Course III, Nevada City; Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club; Chairman: Myrtle Findley

OCTOBER

- 26-27 Gardening Study School, Course IV, Nevada City; Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club; Chairman: Myrtle Findley

2014

FEBRUARY

- 13-16 CGCI Winter Board Meeting, Glendale Hilton. Host: Arboretum District. Chairman: Shirley Stewart

JUNE

- 5-9 CGCI 84th Convention, Glendale. Host: San Fernando Valley District. Chairman: Robin Pokorski

SEPTEMBER

- 3-5 CGCI Fall Board Meeting, Holiday Inn, Redding; Host: Cascade District; Chairman: Anne Capes

OCTOBER

- 23-24 Landscape Design School, Series 26, Course I; Sponsor: Luther Burbank District; Chairman: Mary Ann Swanson

2015

- TBA CGCI Winter Board meeting, Fresno

CGCI CONVENTION 2013

June 3-7, 2013

HOST: PALOMAR DISTRICT

“Fun in the Sun in San Diego...explore the possibilities”

Chairman: Jane McKee

cgciconvention2013@gmail.com

Presiding Officer: Julie A. West, President CGCI

Special Guest: Debbie Hinchey, Director Pacific Region of National Garden Clubs, Inc. 2011-13

Crowne Plaza Hotel & Conference Center, 2270 Hotel Circle North

(Mission Valley) San Diego, CA

REGISTRATION:

- ALL attendees INCLUDING VOLUNTEERS must complete a registration form.
 - \$40 all events; \$15 single day
- Starting **April 1** forms and details will be available on the website: www.californiagardenclubs.com; (click on “CGCI Convention 2013” in left menu)
- Workshops and business meetings are open to any member, subject to the registration fee.
- The registration fee is waived for Palomar District volunteers/workers but if you wish to attend a program at lunch or dinner you must purchase a meal ticket.
 - Lunch - \$25; Dinner - \$30 - \$50

Convention Committee

- Registrar Joan Patten
 - Credentials..... Adele Kelly
 - Registration Dos Valles GC
- Design Coordinator Pauline Sechi
 - Main Foyer Pauline Sechi
 - Hotel Lobby..... George Speer
 - President's Suite TBD
- Table Decorations
 - Awards Banquet Poway Valley GC
 - Presidents’ Lunch Vista GC
 - Design Banquet.....SW Judges Council
 - Youth Lunch.....Del Mar GC
 - Installation Banquet Pauline Sechi
- Tour Lynne Batchelor
- Programs/WorkshopsJane McKee
- Raffle Fallbrook GC
- Awards Room San Carlos GC
- Exhibit Room Point Loma GC
- Hospitality Chula Vista GC
- Pages La Jolla GC & Village of La Jolla GC
- Audio/Visual George Speer

Following is the tentative schedule:

Monday - June 3

9:00 AM	Noon	Board of Trustees*
9:00 AM	Noon	Executive Committee*
11:00 AM	6:00 PM	Registration Open
Noon	1:00 PM	Lunch on your Own
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Hospitality, Raffle & Exhibits Setup
1:00 PM	1:45 PM	Joint DD & Chairmen-Transition (Current & Incoming)
2:00 PM	3:45 PM	Chairmen's Forum-Current & Incoming
2:00 PM	3:45 PM	District Director's Forum-Current & Incoming
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Budget & Finance*
5:15 PM	6:00 PM	Awards Committee*

5:15 PM	6:00 PM	Advisory Council*
6:00 PM	7:30 PM	Dinner on your Own
7:30 PM	8:30 PM	Program: "History on Tap: San Diego's Brewing Past"
Tuesday - June 4		
8:00 AM	6:30 PM	Registration
8:30 AM	1:00 PM	Tour to Balboa Park including box lunch
9:00 AM	6:30 PM	Hospitality Room (Raffle & Exhibits) Open
9:00 AM	Noon	Awards Room Setup
8:30AM	Noon	Leadership Forum/Panel - Robin P.
10:00 AM	11:30 AM	Workshop-Floral Design 101 (Beginners ONLY)
Noon	1:30 PM	Lunch on your Own
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Workshop-Finding Volunteers
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Workshop-"Trees Make Cents"
3:00 PM	5:00 PM	Pre-Convention Board Mtg
5:00 PM	5:45 PM	Gardening Consultants Council
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Presidents' Reception/No host
7:00 PM	10:00 PM	Awards Banquet
10:00 PM	11:00 PM	Awards Room Open
Wednesday - June 5		
8:00 AM	6:30 PM	Registration Open
8:00 AM	8:45 AM	Landscape Design Council
9:00 AM	6:30 PM	Awards Room Open
9:00 AM	6:30 PM	Hospitality Room (Raffle & Exhibits) Open
9:00 AM	11:45 AM	Ceremonial Opening of Convention/Business Mtg. #1
Noon	2:00 PM	Lunch Honoring Club Presidents
		Program: Proven Winners - What's Coming in 2014
2:30 PM	5:00 PM	Convention Business Mtg. #2
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	CGCI Judges Council*
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	No-Host Reception
7:00 PM	10:00 PM	Judges Council Banquet
		Program: Rene van Rems "Designing with Protea"
Thursday - June 6		
8:00 AM	6:30 PM	Registration Open
8:30 AM	10:00 AM	Vendor Set Up
9:00 AM	4:00 PM	Awards Room Open
9:00 AM	4:00 PM	Hospitality Room (Raffle & Exhibits) Open
9:00 AM	11:30 AM	Convention Business Mtg. #3
10:00 AM	5:00 PM	Marketplace/Vendors Open
Noon	1:45 PM	Youth Lunch/Program: Nancy Conney - Birds of Prey
2:00 PM	5:00 PM	2013-2015 EX COMM Meeting*
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Workshop-Pine Needle Pot skirts
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Workshop-Backyard Habitat
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Workshop-Raising Protea
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Workshop-Garden Photography
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Awards Room Breakdown
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Exhibits Breakdown
5:00 PM	5:30 PM	DD's pick up awards
5:00 PM	5:30 PM	Installation Rehearsal
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	No-Host Reception
7:00 PM	9:00 PM	Installation Banquet
Friday - June 7		
8:30 AM	8:45 AM	Post Convention Meeting (new District Directors & Elected Officers only)
9:00 AM	11:30 AM	Organizational Board Mtg. (all CGCI Board members)

*Indicates closed meeting