



# California Garden Clubs, Inc. Annual Convention

June 6-10, 2022 San Diego, CA

Host: Palomar District

*"A River Runs Through It"*

## THE CALL TO CONVENTION

Registration for the 2022 Annual Convention is now open.

- *The early bird package price when postmarked by **May 10 is only \$315** and includes your registration fee plus three lunches and three dinners.*
- When postmarked between **May 10 and June 1**, the price for the same package is **\$345**.
- No registrations or refunds will be accepted after June 1, 2022.
- **SAVE when you register early.** Register NOW. Do not risk the chance of getting busy and forgetting.

**Hotel Reservation Deadline: Friday, May 6, 2022**

To receive the **special negotiated room rate** please make your room reservations ASAP to obtain the best availability of rooms.

**Special Rate \$129 \* Single or double occupancy**

\* The negotiated rate is available for three days pre- and post-convention dates, based on room type and group rate availability. After the May 6 hotel reservation deadline, any rooms that have not been reserved in our room block at will be released. Room reservations made after May 6 will be on a space available basis and are subject to the current rates at that time.

- Hotel reservations must be made by telephone.
- **Call 619-298-0511 or 800-676-6567**
- Mention "**California Garden Clubs**" to the hotel when making your reservation.
- Rooms are subject to availability in our room block. When the block is full, rates and reservations are subject to availability.
- **For the best selection and to guarantee the best rate, make your room reservation ASAP.**

### **Handlery Hotel**

950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego CA 92108

**Check in – 3:00 pm; Check out – 11:00 am**

- All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card or an advance deposit of the first night room and tax.
- No-show reservations or reservations cancelled within 72 hours of arrival will be charged first night room and tax.
- A \$75.00 fee will be charged for any change in scheduled departure date after check-in.
- Parking will be \$5 for overnight guest with in and out privileges

## Travel Information

**By plane: There is no hotel shuttle from San Diego International Airport**

### **By Car**

- Directions from I-15: drive south on I-15 (past Miramar Rd.) and then stay to the right and go on 163 south. Just before I-8 take the Hotel Circle exit on your right. Go about 1/3 mile to the first right turn, stay in the right lane and the Handlery Hotel is directly in front of you.
- Directions from I-5: drive south on I-5 and exit on I-8 East El Centro, then exit Taylor St. / Hotel Circle. At Stop Sign turn left over I-8. Turn left onto Hotel Circle and the Handlery is on your left about ½ mile.
- Directions from I-8: Drive west on I-8 and exit on Hotel Circle on your right. Go about 1/3 mile to the first right turn, stay in the right lane and the Handlery Hotel is directly in front of you.

**PRESIDENTS:** Don't forget to submit the **Credentials Form** to determine the voting privileges for your organization. It is to be submitted online - not mailed.

**Speakers/Programs:**

- **Tuesday lunch: Rob Hutsel.** Rob is the founder and CEO of the San Diego River Foundation and will describe this ambitious project to unite the 52 miles of the San Diego River through a series of parks, gardens and trails to make the San Diego River accessible and to provide an educational experience for all.
- **Wednesday lunch: Bob Lutticken.** Bob is a biology teacher at Abraxas School in Poway. He is the guiding light behind their wonderful student-maintained garden "a classroom without boundaries". He will talk about the garden's history and successes.
- **Wednesday dinner: Greg Alder.** Beginning with a single peach tree in Africa, Greg has become an expert in fruit trees and has a website, *The Yard Posts*. His talk will be "*Landscaping with Fruit Trees*".
- **Thursday lunch: Chico's fashion show** featuring local CGCI state board members as models.
- **Thursday dinner: David Root.** David is an award-winning designer who has used his creative talents to "repurpose" found items, as well as designing for lavish weddings and "Art Alive" at the San Diego Art Museum.

**Workshops:**

- **Tuesday 9 to 10:15 am: Barbara Weiler.** Barbara is an NGC Master Judge, teacher and horticulturist. Her presentation titled "*1' x 4' Times Five*" will use a one foot by four-foot piece of wood as a basic mechanic to create five different design types.
- **Tuesday 10:30 to 11:45 am: Tom Derr.** Tom is a well-known snake authority and rescuer in San Diego County. He will use live snakes to illustrate his talk "*Getting to Know the Snakes in your Backyard*".
- **Tuesday 2:00-4:30pm Workshop:** Leading Your Club to Success; information on Treasurer's Duties, GTEP, Insurance, Parliamentary Procedures, Leadership and Membership for club leaders and district directors.
- **Wednesday 9:30 to 10:30 am: Karen England.** Karen is the current President of the San Diego Horticultural Society and an herb specialist. Her talk, with a surprise, will be "*Herb of the Year Retrospective*". Karen will have several of her books for sale.
- **Wednesday 10:45 to 11:45 am: Jodi Bay.** Jodi has been a Master Gardener here in San Diego since 2012. Her talk will be "*The Essential Guide to Garden Tools*".
- **Thursday 2 to 3 pm: Pam Thomas.** Pam is representing the Seal Society of San Diego and is also a member of the Sierra Club. Her presentation will tell us all about the La Jolla harbor seals and why we love them.

**Tours:** Tour the Gardens at San Diego River Park – the 2021-2023 President's Project

- **Thursday, June 9:** 2-3p.m.; 3:15-4:15p.m.; 4:45-5:45p.m.
- **Friday, June 10:** 11:30a.m.-12:30p.m.