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## From the President's Desk...

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Congratulations and thank you to 2018 Winter Board Meeting co-chairmen Lisa Cosand and Judy Doane and the volunteers of Channel Islands District. Your team was very successful in providing our board members and guests with educational opportunities, a pleasant atmosphere in which to conduct business, great meals, and wonderful programs as well as lots of laughter, fun and good memories.



The *Getting to Know You Lunch* with Channel Islands District members joining the CGCI board members was a success. This brilliant idea came from Channel Islands District. This president hopes to offer a similar program again at our next fall and/or winter board meetings.

Another inspired idea was Lisa Cosand's invitation to Nancy Osborne to appear as Audrey Hepburn. What a great time! Everyone looked so stylish in the *Dinner at Tiffany's* attire and the line dancing took the evening to another level.

At the winter board meeting we learned how some of the information shared during "The Fair – Butte County Style" in Oroville has been used. Launa Gould reported that her club has scheduled a Flower Press Workshop. Luther Burbank District Director, Marybeth Hull shared her experience of returning from the 2018 Fall Board Meeting in Oroville only to be evacuated during the Tubbs Fire in the Santa Rose area a few days later. Marybeth had just made seed balls in Oroville and with lots of time on her hands, she got people together for seed ball making parties and Wildfire Wildflowers was created. Others, in very informal settings mentioned that they were also incorporating what they learned into activities for their club or district. The impact of "The Fair - Butte County Style" will expand when a similar event is offered at the 2019 Pacific Region Convention in Van Nuys.

On February 22, this president visited Cascade District for their spring meeting. This district has approximately 200 members in 7 clubs located in Shasta, Tehama and Trinity Counties. Approximately 45-50 members attended representing all seven clubs. Cascade District Director, Kathy Bramhall has to be doing something very special to have such a high percentage of attendance at a district meeting. *Kudos to Kathy!* 

Carmen Scott presented a Bonsai program that included a bit of bonsai history, educational information about the care of bonsai, with emphasis on the need for frequent watering. Most importantly included was a demonstration of the process for creating a bonsai starting with two one gallon junipers purchased from a big box store with a plant center. Each plant was taken from the standard black plastic container and then down to the root ball before the base, lowest branches, number of branches, existing structure, "movement" and root system were evaluated. Once the second plant was determined to be the best choice, it was time for the juniper to begin its life as a bonsai. A jin, a deadwood technique of stripping the bark in a certain area was used to begin the process of making the tree look older and like it really had to struggle to survive to old age. Roots were trimmed where necessary. A special planting mixture composed of clay rocks, decomposed granite and lava gravel was placed in the container. The tree was wired to force changes in the shape of this bonsai and then it was all wired to the container to prevent it from tipping over. A bit more of the planting mixture was added before the planting mixture was compressed by poking with a wooden skewer to eliminate any air pockets.

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#### **CGCI Official Calendar**

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- April 6-8, 2018: Pacific Region Convention, Chena Hot Springs, AK
- May 21-24, 2018: NGC Convention, Philadelphia, PA
- June 4-7, 2018: CGCI Convention, Tuolumne, CA
   Host: Valley Lode District



#### **CGCI Schools Chairmen**

Environmental: Shane Looper slooper@sbcglobal.net Flower Show: Gudrun Kimmel gudron56@att.net Gardening: Greg Pokorski, gregpokorski@earthlink.net Landscape Design: Alexis Slafer aslafer@ca.rr.com

# NGC Schools Calendar (California)

All registration forms are on the CGCI website Calendar page californiagardenclubs.com/calendar Go to gardenclub.org for schools in other states

 Landscape Design School, Series 27, Course 1. Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club

NOTE: This series has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. Watch this space and the website calendar for the new dates.

- May 4-6, 2018: Flower Show Symposium. Best Western Grosvenor Hotel, So. San Francisco
- June 25, 2018: NGC Tri-Refresher, Sepulveda Garden Center, Encino

Why were so many details provided here? This president has seen a few bonsai programs but never the process for starting a bonsai. Not only was this very interesting but it helps overcome what has to be the main obstacle when getting started in bonsai...the need for a bonsai! After this demonstration, the garden club members attending had learned exactly how to get started. If your club hasn't had a speaker provide this information, you may want to request that this be included in your next bonsai program.

"Thank you" to the district for the donation to the President's Project: Sustainable and Ever-growing Scholarships. One club president noted that if they did not have applicants for their scholarship their club may donate their scholarship money to the CGCI President's Project. What a wonderful idea! Actually, a number of clubs might find themselves in this same situation. Donating to the CGCI President's Project provides a good solution, especially if your club has raffle income that needs to be used for an educational purpose.

To the members of Cascade District, thank you for the warm welcome, the fellowship, educational program and the very enjoyable lunch.

Coming up next----the *CGCI 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, hosted by Valley Lode District* will be held in Tuolumne at Black Oak Resort Hotel June 4-8. Preparation of the Call is underway and will be distributed by email by April 15. Committee meetings will be held on June 4 and the pre-convention board meeting will be held on June 5 as well as other activities. The convention begins with the opening ceremony. The convention concludes with business meetings, our last dinner and organizational board meeting. Complete details will be included in the Call. Unless they are extending their stay, most board members will check-out on Friday, June 8.

Join us for Summer School

by Greg Pokorski, President, Southern California Garden Club "It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood" June 25, 2018 - 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m Sepulveda Garden Center in Encino

Southern California Garden Club is sponsoring an educational event open to everyone which will also serve as a NGC Tri-Refresher. The day will feature eight lectures (by six instructors) and interactive exercises covering an analytical look at our neighborhoods, including our backyards, community and school gardens and the new urban forest.

A NGC Tri-Refresher allows NGC Environmental, Gardening and Landscape Design Consultants in good standing to refresh their credentials. They may refresh for credit as often as once each calendar year and must refresh by the end of the fifth calendar year after becoming a consultant or last refreshing. This refresher is important to all consultants, but especially to those whose credentials are due to lapse on December 31, 2018. This is the only California refresher currently scheduled in 2018. Check with your CGCI schools chairmen: Shane Looper (Environmental Schools), Greg Pokorski (Gardening Schools), and Alexis Slafer (Landscape Design Schools) about your consultant status and eligibility to refresh.

Watch for the registration form to be posted on the CGCI website. Contact Registrar Robin Pokorski, cgciRobin@gmail.com, 818-361-7873.

Have you registered your Flower Show? There is a new ONLINE form - <a href="http://californiagardenclubs.com/content/flower-show-registration-form">http://californiagardenclubs.com/content/flower-show-registration-form</a>
Questions? Contact Flower Show Awards Chairman, Pat Clayes, patclayes@aol.com

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### **CGCI Programs & Projects**

Go to <u>californiagardenclubs.com</u> for details

#### Membership & Dues (NEW)

**Chairman: Martha Smyser** 4949 Mammoth Ave. Sherman Oaks 91423-1319

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Penny Pines

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Checks to US Forest Service
Online form

 President's Project 2017-19 (NEW)

**Chairman: Carolyn Hoyum** 

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• Project Mission Blue

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Stamps

Chairman: Claudia Marsh 19822 Ottawa Rd. Apple Valley 92308-6155

 Donations to the following projects are mailed to:

California Garden Clubs P.O. Box 75, Graton 95444-0075

Anza-Borrego Desert State Park Blue Star Memorials CGCI Endowments (2 funds) CGCI Scholarship Fund (direct) Rare Plant Treasure Hunt Reforestation/Restoration Sempervirens Fund 2018 Flower Show Symposium

Mary Arakelian & Lili Aram-Bost, Co-Chairmen

May 4-6, 2018

Best Western Grosvenor Hotel
380 S. Airport Blvd, South San Francisco
Note the change in location

Registrar: Shane Looper

- Horticulture: Instructor Dottie Howatt Tulips, Displays & Collections and "What to do about "Any Other Worthy Specimen" in the Flower Show."
- Design: Instructor Penny Decker Featured Plant Materials' Design and Cascade Design. These are two of the new Design types featured in the 2017 Handbook for Flower Shows. Her allied topic will be "Exploring Creativity in Botanical Arts."

Here's your chance to update your designing and judging knowledge. Early registrants get front row seats, after students. Brochures will be available soon.

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## California Native Plant Week April 15-21, 2018 By Roxanne Campbell, Chairman

In 2010 the California State Legislature approved Assembly Concurrent Resolution (ACR) No. 173, Evans-Native Plant Week. This declared the 3rd week of April as California Native Plant Week and encourages community groups, schools, and citizens to undertake appropriate activities to promote the conservation, restoration, and appreciation of California's native plants.

ACR 173 recognizes the vital historical, artistic and economic contributions California's native plants have made to our state and points out that California native plant gardening and landscaping have tremendous positive impacts to our watersheds, to habitat recovery and to curbing catastrophic wildfires. It also recognizes that home landscaping and gardening with native plants can cut residential water use from 60 to 90% over conventional gardening. For more info on California Native Plant Week 2018, visit the California Native Plant Society events calendar at

https://www.cnps.org/cnps/horticulture/calendar

or contact your local garden club.

Vitis californica/California Wild Grape (Photo taken at Hughson Arboretum and Gardens, Hughson, CA)



#### Awards, Honors & Recognition

CGCI offers many ways to say "Thank You" or "Good Job"

NOTE: Check the forms for the correct mailing address Californiagardenclubs.com/forms

#### ♥ Awards Program

Chairman: Berni Hendrix Check the website for updated forms and instructions

- Business Commendations
   Chairman: Launa Gould
   Online request form
- ▼ California Consultants Council Landscape Design (various) & Outstanding Private Garden Chairman: Josie Goodenow 9003 County Road 6470 West Plains, MO 65775

#### **♥** Honor Book

Chairman: Deedee Speer 30861 Saddleback Road Valley Center 92082-3848

#### **♥** Life Memberships

Chairman: Carlotta Wixon-Welker 14216 Karry's Place Grass Valley 95945-7934

## **♥** Long-Term Certificates

Chairman: Mike Gould Online request form

#### **♥** Member Award of Distinction

Chairman: Mike Gould 1212 Avenida Buena Suerte San Clemente 92672-2348

#### **Promotional Materials**



Did you know that CGCI offers promotional and informational materials and many are FREE\*!

- Banners
- Bookmarks\*
- Rack Cards\*
- Pamphlets\*

(Check the website for ordering details)

### Eureka Sequoia Garden Club Arbor Week Celebration

ESGC, The Jefferson Project, and Keep Eureka Beautiful joined forces to celebrate California Arbor Week 2018. This network of non profit and community tree planting groups is committed to increasing green spaces in our community.

On March 8 the Humboldt State University Youth Education Service (Y.E.S.), Environmental Program arranged for the youth enrolled in the After School Program at the Jefferson Project to learn how to plant fruit trees. Pierson's Garden Shop and Nursery donated a fig tree which will be planted in the Project's new orchard. The children will receive



redwood seedlings, also donated by Pierson's, which will eventually be planted in the forest at Sequoia Park.



The garden club received a City of Eureka Proclamation from Mayor Frank Yaeger in recognition of their support of California Arbor Week and for their civic beatification projects in the community. Marcy Foster, Maria Krenek and Mary Lou Goodwin accepted the award on behalf of the Eureka Sequoia Garden Club and California Garden Clubs, Inc.



**Green Thumb GC** (Cloverdale): won 1st Place at the Citrus Fair for their "Superheros" display recognizing First Responders who played such an important part during the fire storm in October 2017.

San Diego County Garden Guild: The group has partnered with Meals on Wheels to establish a "Giving Garden." In addition to a possible hands-on growing experience

there are other ways to contribute. During the holidays, for every birthday, and even when a senior is just feeling "blue," Meals on Wheels delivers special gift bags, boxes to say *We Care*. It is a sure way to brighten someone's day and say "you are not forgotten." SDCGG is currently collecting new socks for men and women.



Note: MoW served nearly half a million meals last year!



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Convention:

May 21-24, 2018, Philadelphia, PA April 30-May 5, 2019, Biloxi, MS

#### **Ongoing projects:**

- Ames Garden Tools
- Blue & Gold Star Memorials
- US Botanic Butterfly Garden
- School Gardens
- · Spring Planting for Butterflies
- Water Projects

(Go to gardenclub.org for details on these and other projects)



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#### **Convention:**

April 6-9, 2018 Chena Hot Springs, AK April 2019, California

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<u>californiagardenclubs.com/</u> <u>cgcinewsletters</u>

#### **Ames Garden Tools Grants**

The application process for grants from AMES tools has started, as of March 1. The application form, guidelines and list of tools available can be found on the NGC website at <a href="https://www.gardenclub.org/projects/ames-garden-tools.aspx">www.gardenclub.org/projects/ames-garden-tools.aspx</a>.

**DEADLINE: April 16, 2018** 

SEND APPLICATION TO: AMES Tool Grant Program Chairman, Nancy Lambert Fulk at nfulk@comcast.net

Thank you,

Jane M. Waugh, <a href="mailto:waugh@optonline.net">waugh@optonline.net</a> NGC Sponsors & Partnerships Committee NGC Ames Relationship Manager



Ames has set aside \$5,000 in garden tools available for local community gardening projects during the 2018 calendar year. Local gardening projects/programs performed or supported by NGC local member clubs and scheduled to be carried out March 1 - September 30, 2018 are eligible to apply for a grant of Ames tools. Projects may be a joint venture with another organization. Awarded tools will be shipped to the successful applicant(s) on or about the Project Start Date indicated on the Application.

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# Arkansas Gardens and Art October 8-13, 2018

With a day at Moss Mountain Farm

Join us as we explore some of Arkansas's most beautiful gardens and mountainous landscapes; learn about the history of the famous Hot Springs resort (now a National Park) and the Victorian town of Eureka Springs; and discover the phenomenal art and architecture of Crystal Bridges Museum. For gardeners, the highlight of our journey will be a day at the famed Moss Mountain Farm, home of **P. Allen Smith.** 

Tour price: \$2,050 includes

- 3 nights lodging at the Capital Hotel, Little Rock
- 2 nights lodging in first-class Bentonville, Arkansas, hotel
- 5 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, and 4 Dinners
- Guided Tours and entrances: Garvin Gardens, Hot Springs National Park, Marlsgate Plantation, Eureka Springs, Thorncrown Chapel, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Frank Lloyd Wright House
- Day at Moss Mountain Farm with workshop

For brochure and complete details go to:

http://www.gardenclub.org/projects/ngc-sponsored-tours.aspx

Have you completed the CGCI Personnel Form?

The Nominating Committee **WANTS YOU!**http://californiagardenclubs.com/content/personnel-form



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# Daffodils Across the Ridge By Jayne Locas (Presented at 2018 Winter Board by Ward Habriel)

As a resident of the town of Paradise, I always felt that something was needed to bring the community together, a unifying concept that would bring hope and joy to all who passed this way. But what could be done that would enhance the beauty that the town already possessed? I was stumped! The solution eluded me.

In 2002, I heard of the Daffodil Project in New York City. A city wide project to plant daffodils to serve as a memorial for the tragedy of 9-11. I began to envision a daffodil project as a way to bring beauty to the entire town. Shortly thereafter, a friend gave me a sign: "To Plant A Garden, is to Believe in Tomorrow." The sign was accompanied by some flowers to start a garden at my home. This became a mantra that carried me through a serious illness. As I was recovering I noted the many daffodils planted at a business on the corner of Skyway and Elliot in Paradise. My vision began to take shape, but just a vague shape.

In 2008, I approached the Paradise Garden Club president with a proposal to plant 3,000 daffodils in the town of Paradise as the beginning of an ongoing project that would bring warmth to the soul after a long and often dreary winter. The club adopted the project, but while the vision was in it's infancy, the town was devastated by the Humboldt Fire. Many of the club members were evacuated, and saw their friends and families lose their homes and all that was near and dear to them. "To Plant a Garden is to Believe in Tomorrow" became the motto for the project. The vision was no longer just to bring warmth to the soul after the dreary winter, it was also to bring hope for the future.

Before we were able to take any action on our revised vision, we were blanketed in smoke and ashes—and saw days with no sun. The Camp Fire had burst through its boundaries and was licking at the east—side of town. Once again many club members were evacuated, never knowing if they would see their—beloved homes and gardens again.

Thus, the scope of the project finally took shape..."To plant daffodils across the Ridge to warm the soul after a long and dreary winter....combined with the desire to bring life back to a community suffering from a summer of fire, smoke and ashes."

To date, the vision for 3,000 bulbs to be planted the first year has grown to 60,000 bulbs. The club beautification committee allotted \$2,000 to provide the first 10,000 bulbs. The additional funding was provided through community support.

While the vision for "Daffodils Across the Ridge" started with one person, without the diligent efforts and undying support of the daffodil committee, the faith of the garden club members, and enthusiastic response of the entire community, that vision would not have had the strength to take flight.

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#### CGCI returns to the San Francisco Flower & Garden Show

...and the show returns to the Cow Palace! Yes, once again, CGCI will have an information booth at the San Francisco Flower & Garden Show April 4-8. Although the booth's location is subject to change, currently, it is scheduled to be in the concourse area at the entrance to the main hall. Check the pro-

gram for a map of the booth locations.

Membership Chairman, Martha Smyser is coordinating the booth and the volunteer schedule. If you plan to attend the show and have an hour or two available or you would like to attend the show, please consider volunteering to assist in the CGCI booth. It is a lot of fun talking to those attending the show and to our garden club members who drop in to say hello. Contact Martha (cgci3rdvp@cagardenclubs.org or 510-541-5517) for more details. (Note: there are passes available for volunteers so get your name on the list)

For complete SFFGS details go to https://www.sfgardenshow.com/

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# News from Project Mission Blue, Phase II Shane Looper, Chairman

# The following is excerpted from the 2011-2018 Summary Report by Price Sheppy, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy:

"In 2016 we began Phase II of Project: Mission Blue. While continuing to grow and plant lupines, we have also started to grow nectar plants for the adult Mission Blue butterfly. In 2017 we planted 703 nectar plants that included coast buckwheat (*Eriogonum latifolium*), California phacelia (*Phacelia californica*), checkerbloom (*Sidalcea malviflora*), and yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*). These nectar plants are much easier to grow, and we have had high planting survivorship rates.

The increase in lupines at our park site called Milagra Ridge has given us the opportunity to apply and receive a permit from the Department of Fish and Wildlife to move Mission blue butterflies from an existing healthy butterfly population at San Bruno Mountain County Park to the newly created lupine patches at Milagra Ridge. For the past two years we have introduced Mission blue butterflies to new and existing lupine patches and are successfully monitoring the establishment of these new populations of butterflies.

The National Park and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy want to thank the California Garden Clubs, Inc. for their sustained support of Project: Mission Blue. It is through a prolonged effort that we are able to make such a great impact on the survival of the endangered Mission blue butterfly and engage the surrounding communities in environmental education and stewardship. "

Price also sent the picture below of the Lupine **WE** planted in the Park. Can you **Find the caterpillar** in the picture? That green caterpillar will soon be a Mission Blue Butterfly. All of your donations are working to increase the Mission Blue population with food for this endangered species. EXCITING NEWS!!

Thanks to the following individuals, clubs and districts for their donations:

Sue Bennett,
Rilla Crane- in honor of Sue Bennett,
Millie Benson,
Christina Isenberg- in honor of Meg Milani,
Jane Kaylor,
Rosa Radicchi,
Julie West,
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Carolands Garden Club,

Fortuna Garden Club,

Garden Study Club of the Peninsula, Humboldt District, Pacifica Garden Club, Luther Burbank District, Petaluma Garden Club, San Bruno Garden Club, San Fernando Valley District, Santa Rosa Garden Club, Southern California Garden Club

Total Donations for Phase II as of March 20, 2018: \$3,567.00





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### **DONATIONS 2017**

Total this month: \$3,740.00 Carol Vallens, Chairman

Total January 1 to date: \$8,026.00



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Memory: Luella Severson
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Honor: First responders,
fire-fighters, officers and volunteers
who gave so much to save property
and lives this year
Patterson GC\$136
Honor: Patterson Fire Department,
West Stanislaus Fire District
YOSEMITE GATEWAY
Atwater GC and Camellia Society \$68
Honor: Cal Fire Atwater Fire Department

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#### **President's Travel Schedule**

April 6-9 Pacific Region Convention, Chena Hot Springs, AK

April 11 Arden Park Garden Club, Sacramento

April 24 San Pedro Garden Club 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, San Pedro

May 10 Roadrunner District, Lucerne Valley

May 20-24 NGC Convention, Philadelphia, PA

May 28 Tentative-Cuyucos Garden Club Blue Star Dedication

June 4-8 CGCI's 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Tuolumne

June 18 San Fernando Valley District, Encino

June 19 Southern California Garden Club, Encino