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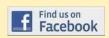
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From the President's desk...

Hello everyone,

May has come and gone but memories will last a lifetime. (not sure if I just made that up or it is quoted somewhere). Okay, I did a search on Google on the term "memories last a lifetime" and it returned: 24,300,000 RESULTS.

Being CGCI President has been an eye opener. I've had the opportunity to travel to new (for me) states and share common interests with other gardeners, but more important are the visits to cities and towns within California and the opportunity to meet our many members.

What amazes me is the dedicated, hardworking volunteers that make up this organization raising thousands of dollars for scholarships at both high school and college level, organizing and participating in Flower Shows -- and submitting the Schedule for an award, and who *Encourage Future Gardeners*. To all - I thank you.

It all began 85 years ago. We thank the following clubs for getting it started.

Thank you

Chico Horticultural Society
Fallbrook Garden Club
Redlands Horticulture & Improvement Society
San Pedro Garden Club
Southern California Garden Club
Vista Garden Club

And thank you to all the members who keep CGCI going.

Cheers, SueB





CGCI Official Calendar

californiagardenclubs.com/calendar

• September 7-9: CGCI Fall Board Meeting. Host: Humboldt District. Chairman: Mary Lou Goodwin

• March 27-29, 2017: CGCI Wildflower Conference

Co-Chairmen: Merrilee Ray & Janice Wagner; Kernville.

President's Travel Schedule:

- June 4: San Clemente GC
- June 10: Colfax GC
- June 15: Naples Islands GC
- June 17: Montana de Oro District
- June 19-23: San Fernando Valley District & Southern California GC

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

August 11-12: Bi-Refresher,

Sponsor: Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire, Eureka CA,

Chairman: Mary Lou Goodwin

- Sept 12 -14: Flower Show School, Course 3, Sponsor: Southwest Judges Council; Poway CA, Chairman: Emily Troxell
- September 17-18: Gardening Study School, Series 25, Course 4. Sponsor: Colfax GC, Chairman: Myrtle Findley
- March 13-15, 2017: Flower Show **School**, **Course 4**, Sponsor: Southwest Judges Council; Poway CA, Chairman: Emily Troxell
- June 25-28, 2017: Flower Show Symposium, Ontario, Chairman: Lili Aram-Bost

May 18-22: 85th Annual CGCI Convention

Host: Orange County District Chairman: Annie Hall Bosche Hotel Irvine, 17900 Jamboree Rd, Irvine, CA 92614 Theme: "Planting Seeds for the Future"

Highlights (from Pre-Convention Board, Convention and Organizational business meetings)

Financial Report: as of April 30, 2016

Total Cash in Checking/Savings Accounts \$111,105.05 **Total Other Assets** \$316,500.50

TOTAL ASSETS: \$ 427,605.55

Of which Restricted Funds are: \$ 290,312.75

\$ 137,292.80 Cash Balance Available

Ratifications Calendar:

- Sept 12 -14, 2016: Flower Show School, Course 3
- March 13-15, 2017: Flower Show School, Course 4
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- June 25-28, 2017: Flower Show Symposium

Ratifications Personnel:

- Accept with regret the resignation of Jane Troutman as National Garden Week Chairman.
- Accept with regret, the resignation of Mary Jo Noth as a member of the Board of Trustees (2012-2018).
- Appointments:
 - ♦ Alexis Slafer, Board of Trustees (2016-2018).
 - ♦ Robin Pokorski and Joan Craig, Board of Trustees (2016-2022).
 - ♦ Pat Logan, Youth Chairman.
 - ♦ Pam Lutrell, 2016 Convention Treasurer (replacing Elaine Smith).
 - ♦ Julie West, North American Butterfly Association Liaison.
 - ♦ Sherry Molinari, Arboreta & Botanic Gardens Chairman.
 - ♦ Ward Habriel, Government & Legislation Chairman.

Recommendations: (approved)

- Invitation from Cascade District to host the 2017 CGCI Winter Board, January 29 - Feb 1, 2017 Co-Chairmen: Carolyn Hoyum and Kathy Bramhall; Gaia Hotel, Anderson.
- Kathy Bramhall to serve concurrently as Cascade District Director, Flower Show Judges Credentials Chairman and as Co-Chairman 2017 CGCI Winter Board Meeting.
- Rita Desilets to serve concurrently as San Fernando Valley District Director, Permanent Files Chairman, Advisory Council Chairman, Membership Administrative Assistant and as a member of the Nominating Committee.
- Gudy Kimmel to serve concurrently as Costa Verde District Director, Flower Show Committee Chairman and Flower Show Schools Chairman.
- Increase in late payment for the Liability Insurance from \$20 to \$25 effective 2/15/2017 renewal date for the policy term 2/15/2017 - 2/15/2018. No other changes.
- Memorandum of Understanding between North American Butterfly Association and California Garden Clubs, Inc. (Will be included with the Minutes)

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- Concept of new brochure promoting the two CGCI Endowment Funds (Board of Trustees).
- Change of wording on the Member Award of Distinction Form:
 - ♦ From: Proceeds will benefit the CGCI Educational PUBLICATIONS Fund.
 - ♦ To: Proceeds will benefit the CGCI Educational PAMPHLETS Fund.
- Add Janice Wagner, Wildflower Conference Treasurer, as authorized signer on the Events Bank of America checking account, Line Code 10106.

Bylaws & Standing Rules:

• New Standing Rule 82: State projects approved by the Board of Directors are limited to initial aggregate funding from any CGCI Funds of 10% of the stated project goal at the time of project approval.

Bylaws as amended:

ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sec 1. Composition of the board of directors shall be: (a) officers; (b) district directors; (c) members of the nominating committee; (d) members of the board of trustees; (e) members of the advisory council; (f) members of the bylaws committee; (g) members of the Circle of Poppies; (h) editor and members of the Golden Gardens eNews committee; and (i) all committee chairmen. All board members except members of the advisory council and the Circle of Poppies shall hold membership in a member garden club. One third shall constitute a quorum. No member shall be entitled to more than one vote.

ARTICLE XII - FINANCES

Sec 10. Accounts of the financial secretary and treasurer shall be reviewed annually at close of fiscal year by a certified public accountant approved by the board of directors. This Review Report shall be presented for action at the fall board meeting. A special review may be ordered by executive committee in the event of a vacancy in a financial office.

ARTICLE XIII – GOLDEN GARDENS eNEWS

Sec. 4. Funds from donations shall be deposited in the general fund.

ARTICLE XIV – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Sec. 1. The board of trustees shall consist of six (6) members, two of whom shall be replaced each evennumbered year, to serve for a six-year term. In the even-numbered year, the immediate past president shall be extended the option to become a member, and the president shall appoint a member who has served on the board of directors. Assumption of duties shall commence upon the close of convention. No trustee shall serve concurrently as an officer.

• 2016-2017 budget (will be posted to the website).

Resolutions:

 Stagecoach Hill Azalea Propagation Project: to establish a Temporarily Restricted Fund to receive donations to be forwarded to the California State Parks program designated for the Stagecoach Hill Azalea Propagation Project to support propagating 300 azaleas from cuttings and seeds to be planted in the Stagecoach Hill Azalea Management Area. An initial donation of \$600 to come from the CGCI Wildflower Fund.





• Project Mission Blue Phase II: to extend the existing fundraising project five years (through 2022). Donations received will be used for propagation materials, planting and scientific experiments for lupine larval plants as needed and twelve (12) native nectar plants that have been identified. An initial donation of \$1,000 to come from the CGCI Wildflower Fund. (Photo is of the Ithuriels Spear - one of the 12 native plants.)

REMINDER TO DISTRICT DIRECTORS & CHAIRMEN: From Standing Rule #107: "Budgeted funds are for administrative expenses, i.e. postage, copying, office supplies, print cartridges, etc. This excludes expenses incurred in attending conventions and board meetings." Please submit all expense receipts and reimbursement requests **IMMEDIATELY** to the CGCI Financial Secretary so that the books can be closed by June 30, 2016.

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AWARDS

NGC 1st Place:

To CGCI:

- ♥ CGCI Website
- ♥ CGCI Facebook page
- ♥ CGCI GTEP Handbook

To Clubs:

- ▼ National Garden Week: Eureka Sequoia GC
- ♥ Standard Flower Show: Poway Valley GC

NGC & Pacific Region 1st Place: To CGCI:

- ♥ Golden Gardens eNews
- ♥ CGCI Yearbook, Manual & Roster
- ♥ CGCI Membership Brochure

To Clubs:

- Yearbook, Class II: Cherry Blossom GC
- Yearbook, Class IV: Burbank Valley GC
- ♥ Yearbook, Class V: Riviera GC
- ▼ Yearbook, Class VI: San Clemente GC
- Yearbook, Class VII: Village GC of La Jolla
- ▼ Yearbook-District: Diablo Foothiills District
- ♥ Publicity Press Book: River Valley GC

Pacific Region 1st Place:

- Civic Development (A): Roseville
 Better Gardens Club
- ♥ Civic Development (B): Colfax GC
- ▼ Blue Star Site

Beautification: Green Thumb GC of Milpitas

And **CONGRATULATIONS** to the newest NGC Four & Five-Star Members

Pat Clayes - Five-Star Member Shane Looper - Four-Star Member

Complete listing of all awards will be posted to the website soon.

CGCI Special Awards



Man of the Year Woman of the Year Lifetime Achievement Lifetime Service Gardener of the Year Youth Leader of the Year Awards of Merit

Award of Honor Betty Head
Flower Show Judge of the Year Flower Arranger of the Year Joyce Dean

George Speer
Jane McKee
Mary Lou Goodwin
Lane DeVries
Dawn Standke
Roy Wilburn
Joan Gerber, Baldo Villegas

& in memory of Richard Wixon Betty Head Emily Troxell Joyce Dean





George Speer
Palomar District Director

Jane McKee
CGCI Communications Director





Lane DeVries

President/CEO The Sun Valley Group, Chairman California Cut Flower Association



President 2015-2017 Sandra H. Robinson

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Conventions:

May 2-6, 2016, Grand Rapids, MI Amway Grand Plaza Hotel May 16-21, 2017, Richmond, VA Richmond Marriott

Ongoing projects:

- Ames Garden Tools
- US Botanic Butterfly Garden
- Ecology Warriors Workbook
- Plant It Pink
- Rain Gardens
- SAGE & ROSES
- School Gardens
- Spring Planting for Butterflies
- Photo Archiving
- Water Projects

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



Director: 2015-2017 Kristie Livreri Publication: WACONIAH

Website:

PacificRegionGardenClubs.org

Are you receiving *WACONIAH*, the newsletter of the Pacific Region?
If not, you can subscribe here
(it's FREE):

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

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

International Photography Competition Celebrating the National Parks System - USA Theme:

"In wilderness is the preservation of the world"

Henry David Thoreau

The contest is open May 1 - August 1, 2016. All the submissions will be juried. The 30 highest scoring images will be displayed and judged in Portland, ME September 21-24, 2016 at the NGC Fall Board Meeting. Competition Submission - Login at: http://cgburke.com/ngc/ This compe-

tition is open to members of National Garden Clubs, Inc. and its affiliated organizations.

Fees: You may enter as many as 3 images. The fee for the 1st image is \$15 (US) and \$5 (US) for each additional image. All images must be submitted in the "JPG" format. This competition is open to members of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and its affiliated organizations.

NEW from the NGC Store:

Keychain/Badge Holder - \$10.00

Antique gold toned NGC emblem with green

& white inlay colors, size: 1"

Jump ring provided for keychain use.

Magnetic back included, converting to an ID badge holder.





Do you have your 2017 "Vision of Beauty" calendar?

A Flower arrangement and engagement calendar created by NGC. Includes full page color designs. One standard size of 5-1/2" by 8-1/2" and makes for an exciting and profitable "Ways and Means" item.

\$6.75 (1 copy)

\$5.00 (2 - 49 copies)

\$4.50 (50 - 99 copies)

\$4.00 (100 - 999 copies)

Go to: Shop NGC for details and ordering

CGCI Programs & Projects

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

• Membership dues:

Mail to: Rita Desilets 8316 Sparton Avenue Van Nuys, 91402-4030

• Insurance:

Chairman: Shane Looper 213 Carmelo Lane South San Francisco, 94080-2204

• Group Tax Exemption Program:

Chairman: Krystal Migliore P.O. Box 1414 Gridley, 95948-1414

• Penny Pines

Checks to US Forest Service

• President's Project 2015-17:

Chairman: Maryanne Lucas 1986 Channelford Road Westlake Village, 91361-3558

• Project Mission Blue

Chairman: Shane Looper 213 Carmelo Lane South San Francisco, 94080-2204

• Scholarships (Applications):

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

• Stagecoach Hill Propagation

Chairman: Mary Lou Goodwin 1312 Gates St.

Eureka, CA 95501-2627

Donations to the following projects are mailed to:

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

Anza-Borrego Desert State
Park

Blue Star Memorials
CGCI Endowments
CGCI Scholarship Fund
Rare Plant Treasure Hunt
Reforestation/Restoration

Sempervirens Fund

NGC Schools

Bi-Refresher – Heathers in the Redwoods:

Chairman: Mary Lou Goodwin

Sponsor: Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire
August 11 - 12, 2016 - Eureka CA

National Garden Clubs has approved the components of the Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire Conference in Eureka to provide refresher credit for Gardening and Landscape Design Consultants. Watch the CGCI website or contact event chairmen Mary Lou Goodwin (MLGoodwin@outlook.com, 707.442.1387) or Maria Krenek (glenmarheather@yahoo.com) for more information. Check with Greg Pokorski (Gardening Study) or Alexis Slafer (Landscape Design) about consultant status and eligibility to refresh.

Flower Show School, Course III

Chairman: Emily Troxell

Host: Southwestern Judges Council

September 12-14, 2016 - Old Poway Park, Poway CA

What is Flower Show School? These classes encompass a wide range of skills that allow the individual to judge and evaluate the efforts of people entering local flower shows. This series of 4 classes, 2 1/2 days of study each, are spaced 6 months apart and gradually prepare the individual to understand the flower show process. The basic components of any flower show are Horticulture and Floral Design. Classes provide in-depth study in both of these fields so that the individual becomes well versed in the exhibits they will be responsible for evaluating.

Instructors:

♦ Flower Show Procedure & Horticulture: Tina Tuttle

♦ Design: Jina Jogan

CGCI Programs & Projects

President's Project Donors this month:

Alice Strain

Ann Heintz

Bay Bridges District

Carole Person

Catherine Frost

Chico Horticultural Society

Conejo Valley Garden Club

Debbie Brereton

Divide Garden Club

Florence Payne

Gudy Kimmel
Jane McKee in memory-Agnes McKee

Jeanne Bodiford

Judi Picinini

Karen & Michael Czap (Costa Verde

District)

Linda Myers Mary Myers Michele Blomberg Myrtle Findley

Pat Flint

Patricia L. Williams

Petaluma Garden Club

Robert & Judy Scheppmann

Roseville Better Gardens Club

San Clemente Garden Club in honor of

Doris Weinbaum

Sandy Mann

Tuolumne County Garden Club

Valley Oak Garden Club

& 2016 CGCI Convention Donations

TOTAL to date: \$6,988



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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

♥ Angels

Chairman: Jane McKee 1276 Palomares Court Fallbrook 92028-4480

- ▼ Awards Program Check the website for updated forms and instructions
- Business Commendations
 Chairman: Launa Gould
 New online request form
- ▼ California Consultants Council Landscape Design (various) & Outstanding Private Garden Chairman: Julie West 850 Grandview Road Sebastopol 95472-2930
- ♥ Honor Book Chairman: Deedee Speer 30861 Saddleback Road Valley Center 92082-3848
- ▼ Life Memberships Chairman: Carlotta Wixon 14216 Karry's Place Grass Valley 95945-7934
- ◆ Long-Term Certificates Chairman: Mike Gould New 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)

Membership Matters

The following organizations were ratified at the 2016 Convention:

Clubs:

- Alpine GC, Palomar District President Christine Vargas 21 members
- Las Floralias, Channel Islands District
 President Donna Faulkner
 25 members

Associate Plant Society:

- Conejo Cactus & Succulent Society
 President Linda Holub
 7 members
- South Bay Epiphyllum Society President Tony Yanko
 70 members



DON'T FORGET
Effective JULY 1, 2016 CGCI dues will increase to \$2.75 per capita
Also

Annual Contact Information Forms
are due JUNE 1 (or as soon as officers
are elected)
Go to:

http://californiagardenclubs.com/Forms





CGCI membership (as of May 13, 2016):

Clubs: 272 - 17,341 members APS: 57 - 3,762 members

Total Clubs & APS: 329 - 21,103 members

Affiliates: 11

To all Club/APS Presidents:

It's time to renew your CGCI membership and update your organization's information. We continue to use the electronic "webforms" for the collection of data for our official records. Checks will still need to be mailed for dues, but all **membership-related forms are to be completed electronically** to reduce processing time as well as errors.

The contact information is also used for the *CGCI Yearbook, Manual & Roster* and is posted to the organization listings on the CGCI website. If the information is not received in a timely fashion, prior to June 1, it may result in organizations being omitted from these listings or in incorrect information being posted.

Please go to:

http://californiagardenclubs.com/content/dues-annual-clubsaps to complete and submit the Annual Contact Information Form.

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BAY BRIDGES DISTRICT

DONATIONS 2016 Total this month: \$3,128.00 Pat York, Chairman

Total January 1 to date: \$12,490.00

Honor: Kai Pilchman \$68

Honor: Barbara Velez \$68

San Pedro GC

DIABLO FOOTHILLS DISTRICT
Blackhawk Bloomers
Honor: Ana Wilewski \$68
Honor: "Dig in the Dirt" Team \$68
Honor: Beautification
Committee\$68
MONTANA DE ORO DISTRICT
Paso Robles Multiflora GC
Memory: Mike Michaels \$68
Memory: Jessie Richey \$68
Memory: Eileen Allan \$68
PALMS TO PINES DISTRICT
Riverside-San Bernardino Counties
Orchid Society
Honor: Jamie Stewart \$68
PALOMAR DISTRICT
Chula Vista GC
Memory: Betty Hunt \$68
Fallbrook GC\$68
Point Loma GC
Memory: Norman Beddows \$68
Memory: Kenneth J. Harker \$68
Poway Valley GC
Honor: Joanie Espy \$68
Vista GC\$340
Memory: Christina Sangster \$68
SACRAMENTO RIVER VALLEY DISTRICT
Elk Grove GC\$68
Geranium City GC \$136
Vaca Valley GC
Memory: Alvina Glantz \$68

Cherry Blossom GC
Memory: Beverly King\$68
Southern California GC
Honor: Sue Bennett\$68
Honor: Paul Koretz\$68
Memory: Jean Brayton\$68
Memory: Max Wurzel\$68
SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT
Green Thumb GC
Memory: Maybell Breen\$68
Memory: Shirley Donkers\$68
VALLEY LODE DISTRICT
Newman GC
Honor: Sandra Hensley\$68
MISCELANEOUS
Estero Bay Women's Club
Honor: Nadine Holland\$68

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY DISTRICT







Photography

Awards Room



Scenes from the 2016 Convention























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