

California Garden Clubs, Inc.
Minutes of the Winter Board Meeting

February 1 – 3, 2016

DoubleTree by Hilton San Pedro – Port of Los Angeles, San Pedro, California

Host: Costa Verde District

President Susan C. Bennett

President Sue Bennett called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2016
(Business Meeting #1).

The Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst was present.

Bay Ocean District Director Nancy McDougal led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Sandra Graff gave the inspiration.

President Sue Bennett introduced the CGCI Executive Committee and introduced Pacific Region Director Kristie Livreri. The former CGCI Presidents present were introduced: Mary Lou Goodwin (1991-1993), Bob Gordon (2003-2005), Robin Pokorski (2007-2009), Julie West (2011-2013), and Rita Desilets (2013-2015).

President Sue Bennett acknowledged those serving on the 2015-2017 National Garden Clubs (NGC) board of directors. NGC Corresponding Secretary Robin Pokorski was recognized for serving as an NGC officer. Those serving on the Pacific Region board of directors were acknowledged.

President Sue Bennett announced the page for the CGCI President is Bonnie Goldberg, Long Beach GC, and the general pages are Ruth Brooker, San Pedro GC, and Sonja Evans, Long Beach GC. The pages for Pacific Region Director are Marcy Morrison, Hermosa GC, Fran Woods, Long Beach GC, and Sonja Evans, Long Beach GC.

Community Affairs Advocate for the Port of Los Angeles Augie Bezmalinovich welcomed the board to San Pedro.

Winter Board Meeting Co-Chairman Alexis Slafer thanked Mr. Bezmalinovich for his support.

Costa Verde District Director Kitty Guzman welcomed the board to the Costa Verde District.

President Sue Bennett thanked Winter Board Meeting Co-Chairmen Gudrun Kimmel, Alexis Slafer, the Costa Verde District and volunteers for hosting the Winter Board Meeting.

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst called the roll and the Chair declared a quorum.

Excused: Terri Blomker, Annie Hall Bosché, Mary Brooks, Beverly Brune, Anne Capes, Elaine Davis, Joyce Dean, B.J. Doerfling, Eltha Hannum, Joelle Holford, Rosalie Hooper, Carole Lung, Angela Michaels, Mary-Jo Noth, Marilyn Oberti, Gertrude Paul, Dorothy Roton, Hoberley & Robert Schuler, Heide Stack, Beverly Switzer, Elisabeth Tufo, Janice Wagner, Carlotta Wixon.

Parliamentarian Greg Pokorski reported that the Rules of Order for Board Meetings were accepted at the Organizational Meeting on June 11, 2015 for the entire term. They are on pages 6 and 7 of the Winter Board Meeting Program and on page 29 of the new 2015-2017 *CGCI Yearbook, Manual & Roster*.

Winter Board Meeting Co-Chairman Alexis Slafer moved to adopt the Winter Board Meeting Program as corrected. **Motion Passed.**

Registrar Robin Pokorski gave the registration report with a total registration of 147.

Parliamentarian Greg Pokorski (chairman of the minutes review committee) moved to adopt the September 11-12, 2015 Fall Board Meeting minutes as distributed on September 24, 2015 by Jane McKee for Gail Vanderhorst. **Motion Passed.**

Without objection, the Chair appointed the following committee to review the minutes of this meeting: Chairman, Greg Pokorski, 1st Vice-President Krystal Migliore and Channel Islands District Director Lisa Cosand.

Financial Report

Treasurer Sandra Graff read the financial report. For complete balance sheet and income statement see Attachment E, Financial Reports.

Financial Reports: as of December 31, 2015

Net Worth:

Total Cash in Checking/Savings Accounts	\$131,113.50	
Total Other Assets	\$324,091.10	
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$455,204.60</u>
of which Restricted Funds are:	\$312,017.18	
Cash Balance Available		<u>\$143,187.42</u>

The Treasurer's report will be filed as presented.

Officer Reports

Parliamentarian Greg Pokorski reported. See Attachment A.

Communications Director Jane McKee reported. See Attachment A.

Treasurer Sandra Graff reported.

Financial Secretary Rebecca Ferguson reported.

Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Hoyum reported and read a thank you note from Lynn Maddox regarding her mother Ina Brundrett who was in NGC and correspondence from Michelle Conington at Sonoma State thanking CGCI for the signage and information that was put in the Riparian and Wetland areas (Julie West's president's project). See Attachment A.

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst announced that the deadline to file reports is Friday, February 5, 2016.

3rd Vice-President Lynne Batchelor reported on awards.

2nd Vice-President Rilla Crane reported and moved that the following clubs, APSs and affiliate be ratified:

Clubs

- Alternative Gardening Club – Palms to Pines District – 15 Members, President: Baffrey Bentley
- San Diego County Garden Guild – Palomar District – 25 members; President: Robert Gale

- San Diego County Herb Society – Palomar District – 53 members; President: Barbara Baker
- Previous APS now a club – Camellia Society of Kern County – Sequoia Foothills District – 48 Members; President: Susan Stull
- Previous Affiliate now a club – Northern California Camellia Society – Diablo Foothills District – 30 Members; President: Robert Ehrhart

Associate Plant Societies

- Butte Rose Society, 92 Members; President: William Reynolds
- Camellia Society of Modesto, 35 members; President: Marvin Bort
- Camellia Society of Sacramento, 108 members; President: Carol Schanz
- Sacramento Rose Society, 60 members, President: Cindy Phipps
- Shasta Rose Society, 42 members; President: Linda Walton

Affiliate

- California Bluebird Recovery Program, 200-300 members; President: Dick Blaine

Motion Passed.

1st Vice-President Krystal Migliore reported.

President Sue Bennett reported. See attachment A.

The meeting was recessed at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 8:31 a.m. **(Business Meeting #2).**

President Sue Bennett introduced Pacific Region Director Kristie Livreri who spoke about her project of Looking through the Eyes of a Child-A Kaleidoscope of Possibilities and thanked CGCI for inviting her to this meeting.

President Sue Bennett presented her with a gift.

Committee Reports

Advisory Council, Rita Desilets reported. See Attachment B.

Awards, Bob Gordon reported.

Board of Trustees, Julie West reported. See Attachment B.

Budget and Finance, Rebecca Ferguson reported.

Group Tax Exemption Program (GTEP), Krystal Migliore reported and moved to ratify the Cool Growing Orchid Society, Orange County District as a member of GTEP. **Motion Passed.**

Endowments, Bob Gordon reported.

Life Memberships, On behalf of Carlotta Wixon, 1st Vice-President Krystal Migliore moved to ratify these new life members:

<u>CGCI</u>	<u>Pacific Region</u>	<u>NGC</u>
Anne Capes	Bette Tang	Linda Malone
Simone Costes		Bette Tang

Denis Crane
Heidi Gibson
Dolly Latteier
Linda Malone
Anne Styles
Motion Passed.

Scholarships, Martha Smyser reported. See Attachment B.

The meeting was recessed at 9:37 a.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 10 a.m.

Bylaws and Policy, Greg Pokorski reported for the committee and moved that the following bylaws amendments be recommended to the voting membership at the 2016 convention in May:

1) ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS (page 87)

Now Reads:

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. One third shall constitute a quorum. No member shall be entitled to more than one vote.

Amend by inserting “All board members except members of the advisory council and the Circle of Poppies shall hold membership in a member garden club.” Immediately after statement (i).

To Read:

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.

Rationale: Now only officers are required to belong to a member club. To best represent the interests of CGCI, board members should be members of member clubs. Exceptions: members of the advisory council and Circle of Poppies currently have lifetime board positions and are not always active board members and because of age or other reasons may at some point be unable to participate in a club, or have one geographically available to them.

Motion Passed

2) ARTICLE XIII – GOLDEN GARDENS eNEWS (page 91)

Now Reads:

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

Amend by striking “advertising and”.

To Read:

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

Rationale: Advertising is not needed to fund the publication since it is delivered electronically. No advertising is being accepted.

Motion Passed

3) ARTICLE XIV – BOARD OF TRUSTEES (page 91)

Now Reads:

Sec. 1. The board of trustees shall consist of six (6) members, two of whom shall be replaced each even-numbered 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. A trustee may serve more than one term but terms shall not be consecutive.

Amend by changing length of service from six-year term to four-year term in first sentence and delete the last sentence regarding term limits in its entirety.

To Read:

Sec. 1. The board of trustees shall consist of six (6) members, two of whom shall be replaced each even-numbered year, to serve for a four-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.

Rationale: 1. Reducing the term from six to four years should make it easier to find qualified members to serve on the board of trustees (especially when it involves the immediate past president who has likely already served several years as vice president in addition to president). 2. In addition, as the duties of the board of trustees have become more complex in understanding CGCI's finances involving the endowment funds, various restricted funds and overall finances, it is better for the organization to keep qualified individuals with financial knowledge and willingness to serve on the board of trustees rather than limit their service that currently excludes serving consecutive terms.

Motion Passed

4) ARTICLE XIX – AMENDMENTS (page 92)

Now Reads:

Sec. 2. Proposed amendments to the bylaws must be submitted to the bylaws committee chairman by November 1.

Amend by changing “November 1” to “one week before the Fall Board Meeting.”

To Read:

Sec. 2. Proposed amendments to the bylaws must be submitted to the bylaws committee chairman by one week before the Fall Board Meeting.

Rationale: The only opportunity the bylaws committee has to meet and discuss proposed changes to be presented to the board of directors at the Winter Board Meeting is at the Fall Board Meeting, prior to November 1.

Motion Defeated

On behalf of the Bylaws and Policy Committee, Greg Pokorski moved the amendment of the following standing rules, effective immediately:

5) SR32 (page 94)

Now Reads

32. Financial statements of treasurer and financial secretary shall be attached to the minutes of the board of directors meetings.

Amend by deleting and replacing with new SR32.

To Read:

32. The full balance sheet and income statement of the treasurer, as presented at each meeting of the board of directors, shall be attached to the minutes.

Rationale: To clarify the exact financial statement to be provided and to improve transparency by posting the information where it is more visible to board members.

Motion Passed as Amended

6) SR41 (page 94)

Now Reads

41. A copy of the audit/review shall be given to the president, first vice president/president elect, treasurer, financial secretary, *Golden Gardens eNews* editor and finance chairman. A copy will be provided to a board member upon written request and receipt of the cost of reproduction and mailing.

Amend by deleting and replacing with new SR41.

To Read:

41. A copy of the CPA's annual reviewed financial statements shall be given to members of the executive committee, board of trustees and budget & finance committee. A copy will be provided to board members upon written request and receipt of the cost of the reproduction and mailing.

Rationale: The term "audit" currently in SR41 is incorrect as it denotes more detailed analysis of every deposit and expense than what actually takes place. As described in the August 29, 2014 Independent Accountant's Review Report from Carolyn Mayes, CPA: "A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of organization management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole." Clarify who is actually receiving copies of the reviewed financial statement.

Motion Passed

7) SR73 (page 95)

Now Reads

73. Affiliates shall (1) be organizations with one or more CGCI objectives, (2) have a membership of at least ten members, (3) pay dues in accordance with Article IV, Sec. 3(c), (4) be approved by the board of directors, and (5) not be eligible for liability insurance, awards program and CGCI Group Tax Exemption Program. In addition, affiliates may also belong to a district.

Amend by inserting “and/or Directors & Officers insurance” in (5) after “liability insurance.”

To Read:

73. Affiliates shall (1) be organizations with one or more CGCI objectives, (2) have a membership of at least ten members, (3) pay dues in accordance with Article IV, Sec. 3(c), (4) be approved by the board of directors, and (5) not be eligible for liability insurance and/or Directors & Officers insurance, awards program and CGCI Group Tax Exemption Program. In addition, affiliates may also belong to a district.

Rationale: Clarifies that liability insurance and/or D&O liability insurance is strictly a benefit of membership for clubs & APSs who pay per capita dues, not for affiliates who remit a flat fee regardless of the number of members.

Motion Passed

On behalf of the Bylaws and Policy Committee, Greg Pokorski moved that the following bylaws amendment be recommended to the voting membership at the 2016 convention in May:

8) ARTICLE XII - FINANCES (page 90)

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

Amend by deleting “audited/” after “treasurer shall be”, by deleting “audit/” after “This,” deleting “audit/” after “A special”, and replacing “shall” with “may” before “be ordered by executive committee.”

To Read:

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.

Rationale: To be consistent with change to SR 41.

Motion Passed as Amended

On behalf of the Bylaws and Policy Committee, Greg Pokorski moved the amendment of the following standing rules, effective immediately:

9) SR40 (page 94)

40. The accountant's annual audit/review letter shall be published in *Golden Gardens eNews* following the fall board meeting.

Amend by deleting “audit/” after “accountant’s annual”.

To Read:

40. The accountant's annual Review Letter shall be published in *Golden Gardens eNews* following the fall board meeting.

Rationale: To be consistent with change to SR 41.

Motion Passed

Nominating Committee, Rosa Radicchi reported. See Attachment B.

1st Vice-President Krystal Migliore moved to elect the following delegates to the Pacific Region Convention in Henderson, Nevada April 5-7, 2016: Rebecca Ferguson, Bonnie Smith and Rosa Radicchi.

Motion Passed.

President Sue Bennett solicited delegates for the National Garden Clubs, Inc. Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, May 2-7, 2016. There were no volunteers.

The meeting was recessed at 11:31 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:03 p.m. **(Business Meeting #3).**

2015 Fall Board Meeting Chairman Marlene Kinney reported.

2016 Convention Committee Representative Launa Gould presented the invitation to the CGCI 85th Annual Convention hosted by Orange County District in Irvine, May 18-22, 2016.

2016 Fall Board Meeting Chairman Mary Lou Goodwin invited us to the Fall Board Meeting to be hosted by Humboldt District September 7-9, 2016.

Executive Committee Recommendations

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst presented and moved to ratify the following calendar dates.

Official Calendar

January 16-17: Gardening Study School, Series 25, Course I

Host/Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club, Chairman: Myrtle Findley

March 5-6: Gardening Study School, Series 25, Course II

Host/Sponsor Colfax Garden Club, Chairman: Myrtle Findley

May 14- 15: Gardening Study School, Series 25, Course III

Host/Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club, Chairman: Myrtle Findley

September 17-18: Gardening Study School, Series 25, Course IV

Host/Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club, Chairman: Myrtle Findley

August 11-13: Bi-Refresher

Host/Sponsor: Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire (H.E.R.E.)

Chairman: Mary Lou Goodwin, Co-Chairman: Maria Krenek – North American Heather Society Conference, August 11-13, 2016, Red Lion, Eureka, CA

Motion Passed.

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst presented and moved to ratify the following Executive Committee Recommendations.

1. To accept with regret the resignation of Sherry Molinari as both 2015-2017 Arboreta & Botanic Gardens Chairman and Nominating Committee Chairman.

2. To accept with regret the resignation of Pat Claves as Facebook Administrator.

3. To ratify the appointment of Claudia Marsh as 2015-2017 Stamps Chairman.

4. To ratify the appointment of Jane McKee as 2015-2017 Facebook Chairman until a replacement has been named.

Motion Passed (items 1-4).

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst presented and moved to adopt the following Executive Committee Recommendations.

5. That effective immediately no further clubs or districts be added to the CGCI Group Tax Exemption Program for the remainder of this fiscal year (ending June 30, 2016) so that the list provided to the IRS by March 31, 2016 will be a true list of the current members of the CGCI Group Tax Exemption Program. **Motion Passed.**

6. 2016 Convention registration fee be \$75 and early registration fee postmarked by April 27, 2016 be \$45. **Motion Passed.**

7. Ratify the appointment of Elaine Smith as the Treasurer of the 2016 CGCI Convention.

Motion Passed.

8. Ratify the appointment of Greg Pokorski as 2016 CGCI Convention Credentials Chairman.

Motion Passed.

9. Ratify the appointment of Launa Gould as 2016 CGCI Convention Registrar. **Motion Passed.**

10. 2016 Fall Board Meeting registration fee be \$65 and early registration fee postmarked by August 1, 2016 be \$40. **Motion Passed.**

11. To accept the invitation from Montana De Oro District to host the 2017 CGCI Convention.

Chairman: Robert Gordon. **Motion Passed.**

12. As recommended by the Board of Trustees that the Endowment Fund accounts at Principal Financial Group be closed. The BOT further recommends that two new Mutual Fund Accounts be established by endowment type at Vanguard. Proceeds to be transferred from Principal Financial Group to Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund. **Motion Passed.**

13. To endorse Robin Pokorski for any National Garden Clubs, Inc. office. **Motion Passed.**

Chairmen Reports

Chairmen Coordinator Bob Gordon introduced those Chairmen who reported. See Attachment C.

The meeting was recessed at 2:29 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 2:44 p.m.

Chairmen reports continued.

The meeting was recessed at 3:42 p.m.
The meeting was reconvened at 3:44 p.m.

District Director Reports

District Director Coordinator Robin Pokorski introduced those District Directors who reported. See Attachment D.

The meeting was recessed at 4:32 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:05 a.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2016 (**Business Meeting #4**).

District Director reports continued.

NGC Presidents' Project – Monarch Watch Vice Chairman Julie West reported about applying for NABA butterfly garden certification, NWF Wildlife Habitat certification and Garden Club.org (NGC) has the certification to register your garden as a Pollinator Garden.

CGCI President's Project Chairman Maryanne Lucas reported.

Maryanne Lucas moved to ratify new Youth Groups:

Daisy Troop 90041 Junior Gardeners Ecotots (pre-school – K) 16 participants

YAC: Melissa Morrison & Valene Canfield

Sponsor: Eureka Sequoia Garden Club, Humboldt District

FFA Program at Central Valley High School 16 participants

YAC: Norm Martinez;

Sponsor: Shasta Lake Garden Project Club, Cascade District

GEO Garden Learners, (Grades 1-6), 24 participants

YAC: Gennie Sealy;

Sponsor: Shasta Lake Garden Project Club, Cascade District

Poway Valley Youth Garden Club (Grades 1 – 6), 200 participants;

YAC: Roy Wilburn;

Sponsor: Poway Valley Garden Club, Palomar District

Motion Passed.

Leadership Chairman Robin Pokorski facilitated an open discussion.

Robin Pokorski moved to reinstitute Seasons' Greetings for this year with proceeds to the President's Project at \$5.00 per greeting. **Motion Passed.**

Recording Secretary Gail Vanderhorst moved to ratify Maryanne Lucas as Seasons Greetings Chairman. **Motion Passed.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Gail Vanderhorst

CGCI Recording Secretary _____ Date _____

Attachment A – 2016 Winter Board Meeting Minutes

Officers' Reports

Parliamentarian, Greg Pokorski

In addition to the usual activities since our last meeting of working with the Recording Secretary to review minutes and assisting the President in preparation for this meeting, this officer assisted 1st Vice President Krystal Migliore for several weeks as interim chairman of the Bylaws & Policy Committee and had ongoing interaction with the Nominating Committee.

Unfortunately, Sherry Molinari resigned from the board and as chairman of the Nominating Committee. Because each district gets the opportunity to be represented on the Nominating Committee on a rotational basis, the bylaws require any vacancy to be filled from the district of the person who resigned. We have been unable to secure a replacement from the limited number of current and recent board members from Channel Islands District – so the Nominating Committee will move forward with six instead of seven members until such time that Channel Islands District might be able to offer a replacement. They can operate with a quorum of five, and Carole Lung has been elected the new chairman. She is not present at this meeting where Rosa Radicchi has facilitated the committee's meetings.

Life happens and alters our plans, but this does remind us that the Nominating Committee has a critical role to fill. It is not too early for all districts other than those currently serving to think about who might represent their district in the 2017-2019 term. That committee will be elected at the 2017 convention. Potential candidates need to be able to attend all CGCI meetings – and they will be members of the board whether or not they hold other positions.

Help and support the current Nominating Committee. Let them know if you are interested in serving as an officer or if you know of someone who should be considered for an officer position. Myrtle Findley, a member of the Nominating Committee, said today in the Chairmen's Meeting that we should not join organizations to sit in a chair – we should join to someday be president.

Remember that we have roll call to establish a quorum to make sure that decisions governing the organization are not made by a very small number of members. Please attend all business meetings and encourage other board members to do so as well. I know I'm preaching to the choir, but if we don't show up here we are not fulfilling our obligations to the organizations. If District Directors do not show up, they are also not effectively representing their districts.

Convention will soon be here. All member clubs are entitled to representation by their president or an alternate and by delegates according to the size of the club.

When the Call to Convention goes out all clubs that are sending any representative to convention need to complete the credentials form that will go with the Call. If a person says they are a delegate on their registration form that does not make them a delegate. Their club must elect or appoint them to be delegates. Board members do not complete credential forms. You already have a vote. If you are a board member and a club president, you have one vote as a board member. Get someone else to represent your club as your alternate. If you are a board member you cannot serve as a delegate from your club. Get someone else to serve.

Directors, please be sure that all clubs attending convention complete a credentials form.

Please see this officer with any questions about these or other parliamentary matters.

Communications Director, Jane McKee

- New on the website:
 - Upgraded “Search” application
 - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page
 - Site Map (list/links all main pages)
 - *The Diamond Years* (posted to About CGCI/Mission & History)
- Forms: “sample” completed registration forms (package & a la carte) were posted for WB.

Bulk email distribution –

- A “reply to” comes back to CGCI...and is not automatically sent to the author of the note (CGCI President, DD Coordinator, Chairman Coordinator etc.)
- If you want to send a note to the author, you have to create an email to their individual address

Awards – Public Relations/Publications:

- Newsletters, websites and promotional materials, i.e. membership brochures, should note membership in district (if club), CGCI, Pacific Region and NGC.
- The information listed should be CORRECT
 - National Garden Clubs, Inc.
 - Pacific Region
 - California Garden Clubs, Inc.
 - Your District
- Note that “Clubs” is plural (CGCI and NGC are umbrella organizations made up of many member organizations)
- Pacific Region and CGCI districts are geographical groupings and should not be designated as “garden club” or “garden clubs.”

Newsletters: Be sure your club or district newsletters have Website:

goldengardens@cagardenclubs.org on their distribution list.

Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn Hoyum

Since our Fall Board meeting this Corresponding Secretary has sent six condolence cards as per President Sue and 4 snail mail “calls for Winter Board “out to those without email addresses.

As the calendar coordinator I have somewhat dysfunctionally handled the Gardening Study School Series 25, courses 1 thru 4 to be sponsored by Colfax Garden Club, chairman Myrtle Findley and the originally to be a Bi-Refresher co-sponsored by Mary Lou Goodwin which is now the Gardening Study Refresher to be held in conjunction with the Heather Society in Eureka if particular criteria is met.

President, Sue Bennett

This President can tell you how wonderful all my trips and visiting everyone was; however, I am not going to do that, you can read that information in the *Golden Garden eNews*. Instead I am going to tell you about a Team Building exercise the Executive Committee did at our meeting yesterday. Everyone received two letters and we shouted out words that started with that letter – I started with the letter *R* = Responsibility; when we, District Directors, Chairman all Board Members accepted their position it came with responsibilities that need to be fulfilled. Reply to emails, *Respond* to phone calls, *Recognize* your members, *Reward* your members. For ease of documenting we had two words, one was

VOLUNTEERS and the other THANK YOU. Here are some of the words that we came up with. At the head table, each officer had two letters and when done, we held them up to spell out the words.

V – Value, Voice (we have over 20,000 members we have a voice) vibrant, vision

O – Open, orderly, optimistic, organization, opportunity, own-it

L – Liability, leadership, listen, likeable, laughter, lucrative

U – Useful, upward, understanding, ultimate and unity

N – Never say never, nice, nurture, new, network, newsletter and negate the negative

T – Trees, thankful, thoughtful, trustworthy, team, treasurer, treats

E – Enjoy, entertain, eager, everyone, energy, experience, enthusiasm, excite, electronics, email, encourage

E – Encouraging Future Gardeners

R – See paragraph above

S – Smile, seeds, success, system, sell the organization, sincere, students, stop and start (Stop saying I can't do it and start saying what is one thing I can do?)

T – See T above

H – Helping hands, herbs, healthy relationships, happy, horticulture

A – Accountability, APS, Affiliates, appreciate, acknowledge, artist, advocate, assist

N – See N above

K – Knowledgeable, kind, kids, kaleidoscope (Pacific Region Director, Kirstie Livreri was there)

Y – Because we love you, youth, yah, yippee, yahoo, yummy

O – See O above

U – See U above

Attachment B – 2016 Winter Board Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports

Advisory Council, Rita Desilets

Although the Advisory Council did not meet formally at this Winter Board, we did review one policy item sent to us by the Bylaws and Policy Committee regarding the California Consultants Council. The electronic vote was unanimous and the revised policy wording was sent to the Executive Committee for final approval.

Board of Trustees, Julie West

The Board of Trustees (BOT) met with Bob Gordon, Endowment Funds Promotion Chairman and established \$2,000 as the 2015-2017 fundraising goal for the CGCI and Scholarship endowments.

The BOT also met with Martha Smyser, CGCI Scholarship chairman, who distributed 8 scholarship applications electronically prior to winter board. The \$2,000 Robert L. Gordon Scholarship winner is Benjamin Brown, Cal Poly - Pomona junior majoring in Landscape Irrigation. The \$2,000 Rita M. Desilets Scholarship winner is Rebecca Hendricks, San Jose State University graduate student majoring in Organismal Biology, Conservation & Ecology. Irene Lona, graduate student at California State University - Chico, researching drought stress as respects the walnut twig beetle, was recommended for Pacific Region/NGC Scholarships.

The BOT made the following unanimous recommendation to the Executive Committee:

The endowment accounts at Principal Financial Group be closed. The BOT further recommended that two new mutual fund accounts be established by endowment type, at Vanguard. Proceeds to be transferred from Principal to Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund.

Nominating Committee, Rosa Radicchi

Members of the Committee: Janet Eyre, Myrtle Findley, Carole Lung (unable to attend), Carol Jauregui, Bob Taylor & myself, Rosa Radicchi. Carole Lung was unanimously elected chairman via email and at our meeting, to replace Sherry Molinari, who has resigned.

We have reviewed the guidelines and are excited to interview prospective candidates for the 2017– 19 term at convention this year. To do this, we need you!!! Please consider sharing your talents by applying for the executive officers positions. Requirements are: 1) Two, one page letters of recommendations; 2) a written endorsement from your district; 3) a one-page resume of your qualifications. Please see pages 85 – 87 in the yearbook for more details. Thank you.

Scholarship, Martha Smyser

We received 8 applications for the two one year \$2,000 scholarships we award. The winner of the Rita Desilets Scholarship is Rebecca Hendricks, a graduate student at Cal State San Jose who is studying Organismal Biology, Conservation and Ecology. She received her undergraduate degree in Environmental Studies and Biology from UC Santa Cruz. The winner of the Robert Gordon Scholarship is Benjamin Brown, a sophomore at Cal Poly Pomona, who has a double major in Plant Science and Environmental Biology. Both students have superb academic records and are determined to use their skills and education to better our environment.

Attachment C – 2016 Winter Board Meeting Minutes

Chairmen Reports

Banner Orders, Launa Gould

Banner orders

No banners have been ordered. June of 2015 was the last banner order.

Bees, Josie Goodenow

Mason Bee Issues to Deal With Now

If you purchased a drilled block of wood for a bee home, it is recommended that you not use them as it is practically impossible to harvest your bees and this is the only way to separate pests from cocoons.

Pollen mites and other pests thrive in the holes and over the years you wind up with a block of wood with no mason bee cocoons. Think of your bees now and give them a good home this spring. Your bees will thank you with increasing population and pollination in years to come.

Blue Star Marker, George Unrine

It has been two years since last price increase. Increase is likely in May. NGC added a Gold Star Marker to honor Gold Star families. Details in the Winter/2016 issue of National Gardener. There is no highway version and an NGC club must sponsor the marker whether or not they purchase, install and dedicate the marker. This Chairman encourages clubs to say yes if asked for support by non-NGC organization. Consider contributing to the Blue Star Memorials Fund as another way of supporting NGC Blue Star Memorials Project. Forms for donations and grants are found on the CGCI website.

Business Commendations & Discounts, Launa Gould

Business Commendations

This chairman worked with CGCI President Sue Bennett to create a new procedure for the Business Commendations. It includes an invitation to the business receiving the commendation to join our Participating Sponsor program. From September through December 2015, four commendations were sent. In 2016 a total of nine commendations have been mailed to the requestors to be presented later this spring.

Discount Coordinator

This chairman has added two people to this committee. We are in the process of contacting all 73 sponsors to confirm their discount status. Most of the sponsors contact information is outdated and minimal. Of the 30 sponsors contacted so far 6 businesses are confirmed closed, 8 confirmed maintaining their discount and 16 have not responded. We will continue to search for phone numbers, email addresses and update information for the participating sponsors in hopes to have them all updated by 2016 Convention.

California Native Plants, Berni Hendrix

Committee Members:

(Northern California) Mary Lou Goodman, Humboldt District

(Central California) Daniel Bote, Arborist, Valley Lode District

(Southern California) _____

California has over 6000 native plants, one third occur nowhere else in the world, and California has one of the most diverse collections of natural areas in the world supporting an incredible array of wildlife. These areas are constantly being threatened by human activity and invasive non-native plants.

Goals for this Chairmanship are as follows:

- 1) Utilize the resource on the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) through -
 - a. Online native plant recommendations for all growing zones in CA & other online resources
 - b. Creating a discount introductory CNPS membership fee offered to CGCI members

- c. Partaking in the Educational platforms available from CNPS
- 2) Educate on available Rebate Programs from –
 - a. State CA Turf Removal Rebate
 - b. Local municipality rebate programs
- 3) Challenge to each CGCI District & Garden Club to plant native gardens –
 - a. In private gardens, and backyard gardening
 - b. In public gardens (note-this is an opportunity to partner and mentor a local Girl Scout Troup to introduce young girls to gardening and to allow them to earn their NGC Badge-see NGC Girl Scout)
- 4) Seek funds for re-planting in native plants through Grants. This information and the funds are to be shared with member garden clubs actively engaged in planting all native.

Certificates, Mike Gould

Certificates

This Chairman produced and mailed 17 Certificates of Longevity, along with letters, to districts requesting them for members over 20 years in the district/club.

Member Award of Distinction

This Chairman produced and mailed 1 Member Award of Distinction. The \$50 dollar check was forwarded to the CGCI Treasurer and copy mailed to the Finance Chairman. A Certificate, a letter and a pin were shipped to the requesting district.

Flower Show Symposia, Lili Aram-Bost

The 56th Symposium will be held on April 8 – 10, 2016 at the Holiday Inn in Auburn, CA. Outstanding NGC instructors, Claudia Bates, and Darlene Newell will be our presenters. Claudia Bates, featured designer in Vision of Beauty, and WAFA publication; Designing the American Way will present Artistic Craft; Fantasy Flowers, Duo Design and Panel Designs. Darlene Newell, who serves on the NGC Board of Directors of Flower Show Schools Accrediting Committee, will present Small Horticulture, Succulents and Cacti. I urge our CGCI members not to miss these exemplary instructors. More information is online at cgci.org. Shane Looper is our registrar. For your information, as you need to know our NGC Flower Show Handbook is changing and **be aware**; there will not be another CA Symposium until mid to late 2017. Both Claudia and Darlene will give our CGCI members the latest NGC information. Early registrants get priority seating.

Gardening Study Schools, Greg Pokorski

The Tri-Refresher took place in October. 5 Gardening Consultants refreshed. Pat Clayes & Pat Zarnowski became Masters. Series 25 Course I, sponsored by Colfax GC, took place in January (23 attended, 16 tested, 6 refreshed). Courses II, III & IV will be March 5-6, May 14-15 & September 17-18. Most Gardening Consultants are eligible to refresh this year. A Bi-Refresher is being planned for August 11-13 in Humboldt District. Lapse and refresher reminders were sent to many Consultants. As of 12/31/15, 6 Provisional Consultants expired, Harriet Behrens died, Victoria Lucido went Emeritus, two Consultants took extensions and one lapsed.

Garden Therapy, Martha Smyser

This chairman needs to do outreach to the Districts and individual clubs to encourage them undertake garden therapy. While many clubs already do some Garden Therapy projects, they apparently are not aware that they are eligible to apply for awards. The chairman asked for clubs to submit information on California gardens for the visually and physically impaired so that a website list can be added to the CGCI website.

Home Grown, Myrtle Findley

This chairman received five entries for HT-4 Home Garden Photography Award, and received 6 entries for HT-3 Best Green Recipe Award. As a reminder, can we all emphasize the importance proofreading the Evaluation sheet of each Award before making the entry. Some of the entries I received had not read the Evaluation sheet and really lost out on winning at all, by not including important material required, which was asked for on the Evaluation points. That was 30 points!! Hopefully, this award will be continued another year.

Landscape Design Schools, Alexis Slafer

This Chair is pleased to report that the 26th series of the CGCI Landscape Design Schools sponsored by Luther Burbank District is a great success. Course four will be held April 28 & 29, 2016. Check with this Chair regarding questions about your credentials. Our Landscape Design Consultants are great resources that can participate in your local clubs or districts as speakers. Please don't forget them!

This Chair is available and eager to assist clubs and districts with sponsoring a new Landscape Design School.

New Cultivars, Judy Powers

'**Xanthos**' cosmos, a soft yellow flower, can be used for cutting. It likes full sun, Zone 12-1, and is a great container plant from www.selectseeds.com New **Helleborus Winter Jewels Rose Quartz**, a double rose and white picotee, blooms spring to late fall. New **Browallia Endless Illumination** (lavender blue) and **Endless Flirtation** (white), both good in containers, Zone 10-11, deep shade to part shade, and blooms spring-summer. Source for seeds: seedman.com and selectseeds.com

Registrar, Robin Pokorski

The registration process continues to be refined but board members need to register in a timely fashion. Two dates are of importance in registering: the deadline for the early bird discount and the final drop dead date. Everyone must register even if no meal is taken. To register online, complete the form, save it to your computer and email to me. The package plan includes everything except tours and raffle tickets. Generally, registration checks will be made payable to the host district but check the bottom of the registration form to be sure.

Reforestation & Restoration, Judy Unrine

There are three committees assisting the California National Forest Service: Reforestation and Restoration, Smokey Bear Poster Contest and Penny Pines. Reforestation and Restoration assists in areas other than replanting trees. This chairman sponsors Conservation Award C3 (see page 64 in the yearbook) for events that promote and raise funds for Reforestation and Restoration. There have been two donations since Convention 2015: \$25 from Elisabeth Tufo and \$100 from Fortuna Garden Club in Humboldt District. Current balance in the Reforestation and Restoration Restricted Fund is about \$10,134. Please put Reforestation and Restoration on memo line when donating.

Reuse, Recycle, & Repurpose, Chuck Goodwin

Recycling saves energy and water, lowers pollution and greenhouse gas emissions, improves air and water quality, preserves landfill space, and conserves natural resources. Don't use products once and then throw them away! Recycling benefits the air and water. Every ton of paper that is recycled saves 17 trees, two barrels of oil, 4,100 kilowatts of energy, 3.2 cubic yards of landfill space and 60 tons of pollution. The 17 trees saved by recycling one ton of paper can absorb a total of 250 pounds of carbon dioxide out of the air each year. Recycling is not about all or nothing. Every little bit counts!

Sempervirens Fund, Rosa Radicchi

Sempervirens Fund has worked to protect our ancient redwood forests since 1900. CGCI Conservation Education Grove, brought to the attention of CGCI in 1973 by Mrs. Anton Dolenz; in 1977 it became an official State Project. In a recent storm, the sign was severely damaged, and needs to be

replaced. New video by Historian, Ken Stark, "Conservation in California; Continuing the Legacy of the Sempervirens Fund". Would appreciate any assistance from the members of CGCI as to what type of information you would like to receive from me regarding this project. Thank you for your donations and continued support.

Shrubs/Trees, Linda Smith

Good afternoon! It's "February" and the garden is needing our attention. There is weeding, pruning and dormant sprays to apply. Valentines are everywhere! Pinks, reds and white look beautiful in the garden. Camellias, azaleas and lilacs fill the garden with their intoxicating perfume. And the new "Hydrangea Gatsby Pink" with long lasting blooms, opens pure white and then changes to rich pink. I hope you will consider planting some of these" pink beauties" in your garden. Thank you and Happy Valentine's Day!

Attachment D – 2016 Winter Board Meeting Minutes

District Directors' Reports

Arboretum, Emily Wisneski

The Arboretum District had a special meeting with the clubs to inform them about available awards from CGCI and how to apply for the awards. Additionally telling the clubs that cash prizes would be awarded to winners. The Sierra Madre Garden Club, in conjunction with other city groups, raised funds to replace the City Hall grounds with drought resistant gardens. All funds were raised thru donations. One of the objectives of the project was to educate and involve the community. On the Nov. 7th planting day more than 75 volunteers participated. Representatives of a landscape design firm demonstrated to the volunteers how to plant and care for drought tolerant plants.

Bay Ocean, Nancy McDougal

The clubs of Bay Ocean District continue to serve the specific interests and desires of their particular clubs. At each District meeting, there is an opportunity to report on the interesting things they have done, sharing ideas and programs with each other, as well as my sharing ideas brought from these Board meetings. While the exchange is eagerly enjoyed, few new ideas seem to be adopted, as each club continues to focus on programs their members enjoy year after year. As long as they are serving the needs & desires of their membership, so be it.

Buttes, Carol Jauregui

The clubs of the Buttes District have three areas that they excel in: Civic Beautification, Scholarships, and Plant Sales. Magalia alone has over 20 beautification sites on their town's main road. Colusa has ten sites. Over \$8000.00 in scholarships was awarded to local college students in 2015. Paradise GC has a goal of awarding four, \$1000.00 scholarships in 2016! Plants sales were very successful, and Orland GC continues theirs in the summer at their local farmers market. Chico Horticultural Society provided classrooms with grant money for necessary garden purchases. Oroville GC was the first to order President Sue's kits.

Costa Verde, Kitty Guzman

CVD hosted CGCI's Winter Board, Hilton Doubletree Hotel, San Pedro, CA, Jan. 31-Feb. 3, 2016. Co-chairwomen: Alexis Slafer, Gudy Kimmel. Registration: 147 (Volunteers: 74) CVD hosted CGCI's Grand Dame Helen Gates' 100th Birthday Tea, Oct. 7, 2015, at South Coast Botanic Gardens, 80 guests. Robin Pokorski, Alexis Slafer produced DVD depicting Helen's life and achievements, including a multitude of CGCI friends. All clubs are active, enjoyable, educational and have enthusiastic presidents. They fundraise for \$1,000 scholarships, numerous club projects and community charities. Begonia Society joined CGCI/CVD September, 2015.

Diablo Foothills, Marlene Kinney

My goal this year is to come up with innovative ways to increase participation. Activities of Our Clubs and Youth Programs--Blackhawk Bloomers Garden Club big project "Dig in Dirt" was successful at the Tassajara Elementary School as students were able to harvest carrots, chard, lemon thyme, dill and more. Bugs were collected from the veggies to identify for Integrated Pest Management. A \$155 donation was made to the school for trowels and other tools. Walnut Creek Garden Club used the National Garden Clubs' lesson plan "Learning About Frogs and their Habitat" to create a PowerPoint presentation for a class of 2nd graders. The beautifully bold illustrated NGC book *The Frightened Frog* was a big hit with the kids opening up a discussion of environmental issues affecting frogs and what they can do to help.

Golden Foothills, Mary Arakelian

As the GFD Director this chairman has visited 6 of our 10 clubs and CGCI Sue Bennett has attended our general meeting in October. President Sue presented her theme “Growing Minds, Planting Seeds” as well as her project of “Encouraging Future Gardeners”. Orders for her “pot gardens” are underway and to date GFD clubs have donated over \$800.00 to her project. 50% of our clubs qualified for CGCI’s Blue Ribbon Clubs Award. Our District Project of Conservation of water and other natural resources is underway. Many ideas have been shared at meetings. One club contributed a three page handout of ideas for growing clubs. Our 460 club members are active in a myriad of ways beyond this report, growing, conserving and making a difference in their communities.

Humboldt, Chuck Goodwin

Humboldt District will host the CGCI Fall Board, September 7-9. The theme is “Gardening along California’s North Coast and Under the World’s Tallest Trees.” The Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire (H.E.R.E.) will host the North American Heather Society’s 2016 Conference. This International Heather Conference will be held in Eureka, August. 11-13, 2016. Two youth garden clubs have been started by the Eureka Sequoia Garden Club and helping President Sue with her President’s Project “Encouraging Future Gardeners.” The Garden Club has adopted the NGC project “Plant It Pink–Planet Pink” and will incorporate pink flowers in its projects. The City Parks Department and the Community are being encouraged to plant pink flowers this year. The Fortuna Garden Club held their 45th annual home tour and tea and netted \$4,500.00 for their treasury. They were recognized with a CGCI Presidential Citation.

Luther Burbank, David West

A unique fundraiser from Green Thumb Garden Club in Cloverdale involves hosting a rest stop for those riding in the Tour de Vine an annual bicycle race sponsored by the local Rotary club. Santa Rosa Flower Arrangers Guild has embarked on a new Community Outreach program to raise awareness of Floral Design. They are putting on programs for not only clubs in our district but also even many in the San Francisco Bay Area. The Men’s Garden Club of Santa Rosa is continuing to make history at our Sonoma County Fair. This is the third time in four years they have taken the top prize.

Mendo-Lake, Gary Bodensteiner

Members participated in the Redwood Empire Fair in Ukiah. Bonnie Cook and Lucille Garcia received blue ribbons. Potter Valley hosted the Fall ML District meeting. The new District theme is “*Today’s new friends, tomorrow’s family*”. A fire in Lake County destroyed the home of garden club members Gladdy and her daughter Tammy (Bransford), from Clear Lake Trowel and Trellis. Willits Garden Club donated \$500 to help them recover. All ML clubs completed documentation to receive Blue Ribbon Certificates. Clear Lake Trowel and Trellis Garden Club will host the Winter ML District meeting. Guest speaker Mary Welch will discuss “Roses”.

Montana De Oro, Millie Benson

Since my last District report the 5 active clubs in Montana de Oro have been busy. Cayucos held their themed Luncheon/Raffle and Silent Auction. The event was sold out and a highly successful fundraiser for their scholarships. Floral Design group held their annual Flower show in Morro Bay. The event was a bit smaller since they did not have the help from Morro Bay Garden Club which disbanded. The Cactus and Succulent Society also held a huge Show and Sale for two days and yet again it was a gigantic success. Los Osos Garden Club will have their plant sale again this year at SLO Rexall. We have also adopted a small 15 bed Board and Care facility in Morro Bay, for memory loss adults. We will be working on two garden areas. The next 18 months Montana de Oro District will be concentrating on planning the 2017 Convention. Bob Gordon, chairman and I am co-chairman. The first group planning discussion will be at our District meeting on February 11th.

Orange County, Elaine Davis

Enhance website, frequently send newsletters and updates via email. Encourage clubs to submit articles, photos, flyers, and links for sharing with other clubs. Visited 4 clubs in the fall of 2015 and will continue this in 2016. District Projects: partner with Million Pollinator Challenge, Crystal Cove State Beach rehabilitation. District Meetings: private home in Laguna Beach for dry farming presentation, church hall in Long Beach for Pacific Northwest Gardens presentation, regional park for botanical drawing lessons, private home for presentation by The Hummingbird Rescuer.

San Fernando Valley, Rita Desilets

It was a pleasure visiting many of the district clubs to promote our fundraising cruise to Catalina. The District made \$200. We are planning a March bus tour to Carpinteria. Each January three clubs create wreathes for the monuments at the Campo de Cahuenga Commemoration Ceremony. This year we are attempting to revive the District Speakers' Directory. Sharing this information should create a valuable resource for each club's program chairmen. This District programs are planned to help our clubs. The September meeting's program concerned being a successful treasurer. The upcoming February meeting will be about leadership and our renowned speaker is Robin Pokorski.

Santa Clara Valley, Roseann Costabile

Santa Clara Valley District clubs continue educating & promoting gardening with members and in the community. Milpitas Garden Club dedicated a "Blue Star Memorial" on Veterans Day, 2015. More than 150 persons attended including CGCI President Sue Bennett. San Jose Garden Club visited the Monarch Butterfly Habitat in November at Natural Bridges, Santa Cruz. The diminishing population of butterflies was an eye opener. Ikebana International is hosting a flower arranging workshop for children in spring. Located in the fog belt, Marina Tree & Garden are serious about saving water! The club includes how to build your own "Fog Water Catcher" on their webpage.

Sequoia Foothills, Brenda Leal

Donations made to the State President's Project and Penny Pines. Valley Oak GC: \$2300 to Historical Museum, plus \$1500 to Grandma's House (afterschool tutoring facility) for landscaping development. Continued the recruitment of new members. Examples of programs/projects: California Phenology Research Project excursion to Kaweah Oaks Preserve, trip to California Water Museum at Pyramid Lake, lecture on keeping trees healthy in a drought. Trips: San Francisco Flower Show & numerous gardens and nurseries. Christmas Luncheons/Auctions, Teas, Tours and Plant Sales in Preparation for 2016 Spring including a second year Lawn-Free Tour. Making several dozen potted succulent arrangements, used member's garden clippings and donated to local nursing homes, used for therapy touches for the residents. Hands-on projects to make garden ornaments, pots, potted containers and art work, for profit or pleasure. Civic/community beautification: several clubs helped prune hundreds of rose bushes surrounding County Courthouses, Veterans Halls, County Fair displays, downtown parks, & donations of flowers for Veterans Celebrations- Active support of Children's Garden project -all "on going" projects. "Sensory Trail" which is a riding academy dedicated to serving youth with disabilities. Herb plantings are provided and maintained year-round. Fundraising events provide scholarships to deserving graduating students. Youth gardening is going strong in Sequoia Foothills District.

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California Garden Clubs, Inc
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2015

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Cash Basis

Dec 31, 15

ASSETS**Current Assets****Checking/Savings**

10100 · Cash in Checking Accounts

10101 · BofA Business MMA 4096 .04% 69,684.71

10102 · BofA CGCI Checking 12962 51,739.22

10105 · Symposium BofA Checking 17584 5,689.57

10106 · Events BofA Checking 75519 4,000.00

Total 10100 · Cash in Checking Accounts 131,113.50

Total Checking/Savings 131,113.50

Total Current Assets

131,113.50

Other Assets

18000 · Prepaid Deposits

2,000.00

18500 · US Bank CD7664 3/8/19 1.49%

98,709.79

18600 · US Bank CD3594 1/24/17 0.50%

94,492.11

19000 · CGCI Endowment

19010 · Principal Endowment-CGCI

16,128.00

19050 · Allowance for Change in FMV

2,637.80

19110 · Vanguard Endowment-CGCI

21,272.00

19150 · Allowance for Change FMV Vgd

-441.10

Total 19000 · CGCI Endowment

39,596.70

19500 · Scholarship Endowment

19510 · Principal Endowment-Scholarship

30,984.00

19550 · Allowance for Change in FMV

7,015.48

19610 · Vanguard Endowment-Scholarship

51,639.01

19650 · Allowance for Change FMV Vngd

-345.99

Total 19500 · Scholarship Endowment

89,292.50

Total Other Assets

324,091.10

TOTAL ASSETS**455,204.60****LIABILITIES & EQUITY****Equity**

30500 · Unrestricted Net Assets

30700 · General Activities

30701 · Available General Activities

103,944.73

Total 30700 · General Activities

103,944.73

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	Dec 31, 15
31000 · Board Designated Net Assets	
31001 · Blue Star Memorial	3,748.43
31002 · Educational Schools	13,099.66
31007 · Honor Book	7,868.30
31009 · Liability Insurance	61,939.01
31010 · Reforestation Fund	9,884.09
31011 · Symposium	
31011-1 · Symposium Reserve	14,143.10
31011-2 · Symposium Checking	5,689.57
Total 31011 · Symposium	19,832.67
31012 · Wildflower Conference	
31012-1 · Wildflower Conf Reserve	13,730.68
Total 31012 · Wildflower Conference	13,730.68
31013 · Youth Fund	2,042.48
31015 · Scholarship frm GoldGrd Transfr	9,483.98
Total 31000 · Board Designated Net Assets	141,629.30
Total 30500 · Unrestricted Net Assets	245,574.03
31500 · Temp Restricted Net Assets	
31501 · Awards	8,385.17
31503 · E. Miller Memorial Fund	3,250.00
31504 · H. Minor Memorial Fund	3,213.65
31509 · Judges Council	1,069.47
31511 · Presidents Projects	
31511C · 2015-17 President's Project	1,310.00
Total 31511 · Presidents Projects	1,310.00
31512 · Project Mission Blue	1,222.53
31513 · Scholarship Donations Life Mbr	3,180.96
31514 · Endowment Marketing & Publicity	841.91
31516 · Anza-Borrego Desert Project	4,031.49
31517 · Scholarship Endowment Income	5,744.88
31518 · Sempervirens Fund	1,635.00
31519 · California Consultants Council	5,224.81
31521 · Rare Plant Treasure Hunt	205.00
Total 31500 · Temp Restricted Net Assets	39,314.87

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	Dec 31, 15
31800 · Perm Restricted Net Assets	
31805 · Endowment - CGCI	37,400.00
31806 · Endowment CGCI to Tnsf	10,500.00
31810 · Endowment -Scholarship	82,623.01
31811 · Endowment S/ship to Tnsf	550.00
Total 31800 · Perm Restricted Net Assets	131,073.01
32000 · Retained Earnings	14,741.71
Net Income	24,500.98
Total Equity	455,204.60
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	455,204.60

California Garden Clubs, Inc
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July through December 2015

	Jul - Dec 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
5000 · Revenue			
5001 · Contributions/Donations	0.00	500.00	-500.00
5101 · Convention Profit	4,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total 5000 · Revenue	4,000.00	2,500.00	1,500.00
5200 · Dues			
5201 · Dues - Affiliates	700.00	500.00	200.00
5202 · Dues - APS	7,922.00	7,695.00	227.00
5203 · Dues - Clubs	37,648.10	39,901.00	-2,252.90
Total 5200 · Dues	46,270.10	48,096.00	-1,825.90
5401 · Group Exemption Fees	70.00	2,000.00	-1,930.00
5501 · History Book Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
5502 · History Book Mailing Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
5601 · Interest	14.06	750.00	-735.94
5700 · Membership			
5701 · Membership Banners	0.00	300.00	-300.00
5702 · Membership Cards	0.00	0.00	0.00
5703 · Member Award of Distinction	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 5700 · Membership	0.00	800.00	-800.00
5800 · Miscellaneous Income			
5801 · Bad Check Fees Reimbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00
5802 · Principal Financial	0.00	0.00	0.00
5803 · 3 Year Calendars	420.00	1,000.00	-580.00
5804 · Program Speakers Refund	0.00	0.00	0.00
5805 · NGC/PR Refund	0.00	0.00	0.00
5806 · Penny Pines	0.00	68.00	-68.00
5807 · CGCI Hosted Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
5808 · CGCI Hosted NGC/PR Conventions	0.00	0.00	0.00
5809 · Golden Gardens eNews			
5809A · Angels Fund	50.00	100.00	-50.00
5809B · Season Greetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
5809C · Misc Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5809 · Golden Gardens eNews	50.00	100.00	-50.00
Total 5800 · Miscellaneous Income	470.00	1,168.00	-698.00

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July through December 2015

	Jul - Dec 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5901 · President's Project	870.00	0.00	870.00
6001 · Scholarship - Transfer Funds	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
6101 · State Pins and Misc. Sales	433.00	1,000.00	-567.00
6201 · Tours	0.00	0.00	0.00
6301 · Yearbook Sales	1,138.22	1,000.00	138.22
Total Income	57,265.38	61,314.00	-4,048.62
Gross Profit	57,265.38	61,314.00	-4,048.62
Expense			
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	255.00		
100 · Administration Expense			
101 · Auditor	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00
201 · Directors & Officers Ins	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
301 · Dues - NGC	10,673.00	10,577.00	96.00
302 · Dues - NGC Youth	10.00	10.00	0.00
303 · Dues - Pacific Region	360.00	360.00	0.00
401 · Crime Ins Package	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
402 · QuickBooks Premier 2010	242.91	300.00	-57.09
500 · Filing Fees & Taxes			
501 · Attorney General	50.00	50.00	0.00
502 · Franchise Tax Board	10.00	10.00	0.00
503 · State Board of Equal	0.00	500.00	-500.00
504 · Sec of State (5/31-even yrs)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 500 · Filing Fees & Taxes	60.00	560.00	-500.00
601 · Golden Gardens Subscriptions	0.00	0.00	0.00
701 · Office Supplies	598.89	500.00	98.89
705 · PO Box Annual Fee	0.00	100.00	-100.00
801 · Vonage 888#	123.88	360.00	-236.12
901 · Website	2,440.00	2,440.00	0.00
1001 · Yearbook Printing	4,026.02	3,820.00	206.02
Total 100 · Administration Expense	23,034.70	26,527.00	-3,492.30
1500 · Chairman Expenses			
1501 · Amenities & Protocol	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1502 · Arbor Day	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1503 · Arboreta/Botanic Gardens of CA	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1504 · Associate Plant Societies	0.00	0.00	0.00
1505 · Awards Finance	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1506 · Backyard Habitat	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1507 · Blue Star Co-Chair 1	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1508 · Blue Star Co-Chair 2	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1509 · Budget & Finance (copies)	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1510 · Business Commendations & Disc	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1511 · Bylaws & Policy	50.00	50.00	0.00

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	Jul - Dec 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget
1512 · Civic Beautification	0.00	0.00	0.00
1513 · California Natives	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1514 · Natural Resources	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1515 · Educational Schools Finance	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1516 · Environmental Studies School	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1517 · Floral Design Education	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1518 · DD Mailbox Chairman	0.00	0.00	0.00
1519 · Flower Show Awards	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1520 · Flower Show Judges Credentials	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1521 · Flower Show Schedules	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1522 · Flower Show Schools Team Chair	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1523 · Flower Show Symposium	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1524 · Anza Borrego Desert St Park	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1525 · Gardening Study Schools	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1526 · Garden Therapy	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1527 · GGNPC Mission - Blue Project	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1528 · Memorial Gardens	0.00	0.00	0.00
1529 · Veggies/Herbs	0.00	0.00	0.00
1530 · Home Grown	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1531 · Honor Book	84.00	50.00	34.00
1532 · Horticulture Team Chair	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1533 · New Cultivars	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1534 · Landscape Design Schools	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1535 · Life Membership	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1536 · Master Gardener Liason	0.00	0.00	0.00
1537 · National Garden Week	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1538 · Shrubs/Trees	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1539 · Penny Pines	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1540 · Roses	0.00	0.00	0.00
1541 · Program & Speaker Regisrty	0.00	0.00	0.00
1542 · Mem Garden for the Fallen Ph 2	0.00	0.00	0.00
1543 · Reforestation and Restoration	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1544 · Scholarships Co-Chair 1	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1545 · Scholarships Co-Chair 2	0.00	0.00	0.00
1546 · Publicity	0.00	0.00	0.00
1547 · Sempervirens Fund	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1548 · CA State Parks	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1549 · Member Award of Distinction	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1550 · Strategic Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00
1551 · Invasive Plants	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1552 · Vermiculture/Vermicomposting	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1553 · Website	0.00	0.00	0.00
1554 · Operation Wildflower	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1555 · Bees, Butterflies & Insects	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1556 · Birds	0.00	0.00	0.00
1557 · Certificates	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1558 · Board of Trustees (incl Endmts)	26.31	50.00	-23.69

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1559 · Legislation/Government	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1560 · PR Director's Project	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1561 · Golden Legacy Society	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1562 · PO Box Chairman	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1563 · Water Conservation	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1564 · Rare Plant Treasures Hunt	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1500 · Chairman Expenses - Other	125.00		
Total 1500 · Chairman Expenses	285.31	2,500.00	-2,214.69
1600 · Chairman with Special Funding			
1601 · Awards			
1601.A · Awards Expense	0.00	850.00	-850.00
1601.B · Awards Mailing/Postage	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Total 1601 · Awards	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
1602 · CGCI Chairman Coord.	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1603 · District Director Coord.	0.00	150.00	-150.00
1604 · CGCI GTEP Chairman	176.52	400.00	-223.48
1605 · Membership - 3rd VP	156.21	1,000.00	-843.79
1606 · Smokey Bear Poster Contest	0.00	150.00	-150.00
1607 · State Pins & Misc Sales (50%)	0.00	500.00	-500.00
1608 · Yearbook (incl. distd & mail)	115.60	300.00	-184.40
1609 · Youth Activities	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Total 1600 · Chairman with Special Funding	448.33	3,850.00	-3,401.67
1700 · District Directors			
1701 · Arboretum	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1702 · Bay Bridges	125.00	100.00	25.00
1703 · Bay Ocean	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1704 · Buttes	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1705 · Cascade	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1706 · Channel Islands	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1707 · Costa Verde	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1708 · Desert Empire	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1709 · Diablo Foothills	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1710 · Golden Foothills	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1711 · Greater Los Angeles	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1712 · Humboldt	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1713 · Luther Burbank	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1714 · Mendo-Lake	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1715 · Montana de Oro	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1717 · Orange County	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1718 · Palms to Pines	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1719 · Palomar	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1720 · Roadrunner	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1721 · Sacramento River Valley	0.00	100.00	-100.00

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1722 · San Fernando Valley	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1723 · Santa Clara Valley	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1724 · Sequoia Foothills	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1725 · Top O'the State	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1726 · Valley Lode	0.00	100.00	-100.00
1727 · Yosemite Gateway	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 1700 · District Directors	125.00	2,600.00	-2,475.00
1800 · Membership Expense			
1801 · Membership Banners	159.00	250.00	-91.00
1802 · Membership Cards (printing)	190.75	250.00	-59.25
1803 · Posters and Brochures	1,402.87	150.00	1,252.87
1804 · Misc. Dues Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.00
1805 · Zip Code Finder Services	99.95	100.00	-0.05
Total 1800 · Membership Expense	1,852.57	750.00	1,102.57
1900 · Officers Expenses			
1901 · 1st Vice President	15.16	100.00	-84.84
1902 · Corresponding Secretary	0.00	150.00	-150.00
1903 · Financial Secretary	0.00	150.00	-150.00
1904 · Parliamentarian	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1905 · President-CA Tvl & Office	1,412.33	10,000.00	-8,587.67
1906 · President-NGC & Pac Region	949.84	5,000.00	-4,050.16
1907 · Recording Secretary	0.00	50.00	-50.00
1908 · Treasurer	38.00	400.00	-362.00
1909 · Communication Director	0.00	250.00	-250.00
1910 · 2nd Vice President	0.00	0.00	0.00
1920 · Incoming President's Honorium	0.00	0.00	0.00
1921 · Outgoing President's Pin	0.00	0.00	0.00
1922 · President Elect Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
1923 · President Elect NGC & Pac Reg	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 1900 · Officers Expenses	2,415.33	16,150.00	-13,734.67
2000 · Other Expenses			
2101 · E-News	0.00	250.00	-250.00
2201 · Educational Pamphlets	303.61	500.00	-196.39
2301 · Financial Assistance from CPA	0.00	0.00	0.00
2401 · Fund Raising Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
2501 · History Book Mailing	0.00	0.00	0.00
2601 · Gift for NGC/PR	0.00	200.00	-200.00
2701 · Member Award of Distinction	0.00	100.00	-100.00
2801 · President's Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
2901 · Program Speakers	0.00	500.00	-500.00
3001 · Promotional Materials	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00

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3101 · Scholarship (2 at \$2000)	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
3201 · Tours	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 2000 · Other Expenses	4,303.61	6,550.00	-2,246.39
4000 · Miscellaneous Expenses			
4001 · NGC/Pac Region Expenses	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
4002 · Bank Charges	-6.00	0.00	-6.00
4003 · Memorial Donations	0.00	250.00	-250.00
4004 · San Francisco Flower Show	0.00	0.00	0.00
4005 · CA State Flower Show	0.00	0.00	0.00
4006 · G-2 Yearbook Award	0.00	350.00	-350.00
4007 · 3 Year Calendar Printing	0.00	0.00	0.00
4008 · Awards Booklet	0.00	0.00	0.00
4009 · Wax Seals	0.00	0.00	0.00
4010 · Web Tech	0.00	0.00	0.00
4011 · Penny Pines	0.00	68.00	-68.00
4012 · Interest Tnfr to Scholarship	0.00	0.00	0.00
4015 · NGC Awards #20	0.00	100.00	-100.00
4000 · Miscellaneous Expenses - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 4000 · Miscellaneous Expenses	-6.00	2,268.00	-2,274.00
Total Expense	32,713.85	61,195.00	-28,481.15
Net Ordinary Income	24,551.53	119.00	24,432.53
Other Income/Expense			
Other Expense			
7500 · Investment Exp/(Gain)/Loss			
7501 · Investment(Gain)Loss-Endow CGCI	50.55		
Total 7500 · Investment Exp/(Gain)/Loss	50.55		
Total Other Expense	50.55		
Net Other Income	-50.55		
Net Income	24,500.98	119.00	24,381.98