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## "Cultivate Change through Nurturing Nature"

### *From the Director's Garden...*

Dear Garden Club Members,

As we step into a new year together, I'm honored to begin my term as the Director of Palomar District. Over the next two years, I look forward to cultivating change, nurturing nature, and growing our community of passionate gardeners, leaders, and friends.

Our October meeting marks the beginning of this exciting journey. I invite each of you to embrace my theme—"Cultivate Change through Nurturing Nature" Whether you're a seasoned gardener or newly blooming in your club, your energy and ideas are the roots of our success.

#### Upcoming Quarterly Meetings

- February 2026 – Hosted by Bernardo Gardeners Club
- June 2026 – Hosted by Descanso Garden Club

I plan to attend as many garden club meetings as possible throughout the year. These visits are a chance to connect, share ideas, and celebrate the unique spirit of each club.

#### Supporting Each Other Across the District

Let's strengthen our district through collaboration such as:

- Flower Show Volunteers – Share your talents and time to help each other shine.
- Horticulture Sales Support – Cross-club promotion and staffing can boost success.
- Docents for Garden Tours – Reach out to clubs for docents to provide support for these events.

Together, we can create a thriving network of support that helps every club flourish.

#### Save the Date: CGCI State Convention – May 2026

Palomar District will host the California Garden Clubs, Inc. State Convention in May 2026!

This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our district's creativity, hospitality, and leadership. More details to come—let's make it unforgettable.

#### Stay Connected

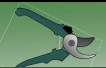
The best way to reach me is by text at 619-787-9592, followed by email at drummedge@att.net and always happy to hear from you. As director I am here to support each member and club...please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Thank you for your time and effort each your put into your clubs.  
Let's cultivate change together.

*Diana*

Director, Palomar District





### CGCI Official Calendar

CGCI Official Calendar -  
California Garden Club  
(californiagardenclubs.com)

Oct 23-24-Encino  
CGCI Gardening School  
Series 27, Course 4

February 16, 2026  
Palomar District Meeting –  
Bernardo Gardeners

April 18-19, 2026  
Coronado Flower Show

May 2-3 2026  
Vista Garden Club Flower Show

May 4-7, 2026  
CGCI 94th Convention:  
San Diego, CA

May 9, 2026  
Poway Valley Garden Club  
Flower Show

June 15, 2026  
Palomar District Meeting –  
Descanso Garden Club

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## Palomar District Fall Meeting

[www.californiagardenclubs.com/palomardistrict](http://www.californiagardenclubs.com/palomardistrict)

Monday, October 20, 2025

Hosted by Poway Valley Garden Club

**Make your reservations soon!**

See page 3 for details..

## CGCI Membership Renewal is now ONLINE

A friendly reminder to club/APSs your  
2025-2026 dues are due and  
payable **July 1** and become delinquent **October 1, 2025**

Starting with the 2025-26 year, all member organizations will pay dues and update organizational information on the CGCI website via the **MEMBERS ONLY** section. Login button on **HOME PAGE**. An email has already been sent out to all current clubs & associates with login information.

Membership and Dues information can be found here:

[Membership & Dues - California Garden Club](#)

Dues apply to all categories of club membership, e.g. regular, associate, or "honorary" and any member who holds a life membership in CGCI, Pacific Region and/or NGC. All categories of youth gardeners pay NO dues.

Renew in a timely fashion be eligible to apply for CGCI's liability insurance, the CGCI Group Tax Exemption Program (GTEP) or participate in the CGCI awards program.

CGCI Membership questions contact the Membership Chairman  
[cgcimembership@cagardenclubs.org](mailto:cgcimembership@cagardenclubs.org)

## Palomar District Membership Renewal

Your **2025-2026** Palomar District Membership Dues Payment Forms are attached to your email.  
Please note dues are due  
**July 1, 2025** and delinquent **July 31, 2025**



## Palomar District Fall Membership Meeting



### Palomar District Fall Membership Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2025

Mickey Cafagna Community Center

13094 Civic Center Drive

Poway, CA 92064

**Host: Poway Valley Garden Club**

**Reservations required by: October 10, 2025**

**Cost: \$22.00 per person. Checks to: Poway Valley Garden Club**

9:30 am: Doors open: Registration, shopping, raffle for handcrafted bird houses and centerpieces

10:00 am: General Meeting

Breakfast: Crustless quiche, fruit, pastries, yogurt, granola, coffee, tea, juice

Program: Bill Toone, "Roar of the Monarch: A Journey Across Three Countries and Back"

NAMES OF PERSONS ATTENDING:

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Please send one check for all persons from your Club who are coming to the meeting.

Check payable to: Poway Valley Garden Club

Send by October 10<sup>th</sup> to PVGC c/o Debby Brennan, 13856 Sagewood Drive, Poway, CA 92064

Clubs promote your events  
or ask for volunteers....

Club Corner Spotlights

Does your club have an fun event, project or flower show you want to promote or need more volunteers?  
Send information to  
Director **Diana Drummey at [drummedge@att.net](mailto:drummedge@att.net)** for the next Palomar Pruner...

Green Valle Garden Club

Green Valle Garden Club · Following  
May 31 · 🌱

The Green Valley Garden club elected the officers for 2025-2026. From the left Cheri Navidi president, Cinda Raupe-Hultner VP, Emily Troxel treasurer, Lynda Troxel secretary, Lisa Ricci programs.



Ramona Garden Club

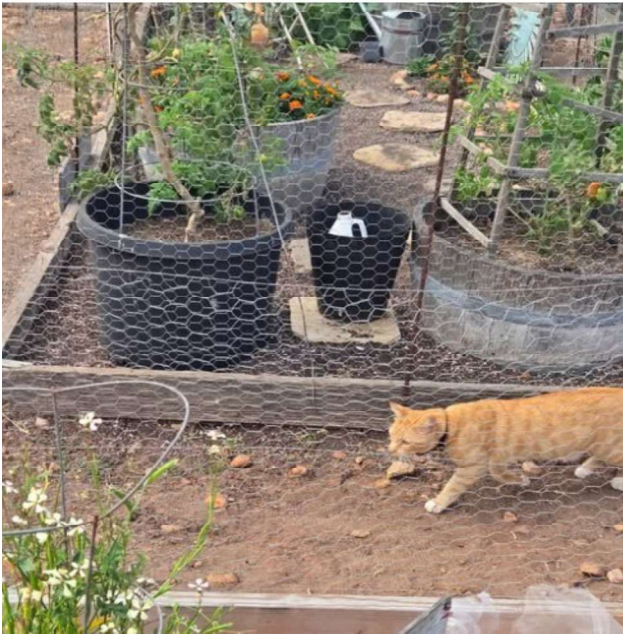
Stacey Mae Rudge ▶ Ramona Garden Club  
August 15 · 🌱

The night we have been waiting for! You only get one chance to pollinate dragon fruit. We knew it was close. Thank you Kevin at [Dragon Delights](#) Delights for the pollen.... See more



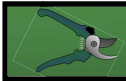
Golden Hill Community Garden...

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ve our neighbor's cat 🐾 that is determined to get all unwa from our community garden 🌱 🍷



Temecula Valley Garden Club







For  
School  
Gardens

Teachers,  
parents,  
admin,  
coordinators,  
& garden  
volunteers!

UC Master Gardener Program of San Diego County Presents

# Growing Garden Educators

**October 11, 2025 8:00 – 3:30**  
Whitman Elementary 4050 Appleton St, SD 92117



MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION  
SAN DIEGO COUNTY

## Growing Garden Educators Conference



**October 11, 2025  
8:00 am – 3:30 pm**

**\$25**  
Includes lunch  
Register  
early  
September

A one-day school garden conference for school teachers, admin, garden coordinators, volunteers & parents!



MasterGardenersSD.org/  
School-Gardens



Saturday, 10/11/25  
8am - 3:30pm  
Whitman Elementary  
4050 Appleton St.  
San Diego, CA, 92117

Who should register? Anyone interested in starting or currently helping with a school garden, whether that's teachers, administration, parents and everyone in-between.

Registration is \$25 and includes a full day of:

- 3 Sessions
- 17 Seminars to choose from
- A fabulous keynote speaker
- Lunch
- Networking and camaraderie!

 Link to register: <https://www.mastergardenersd.org/growing-garden-educators/> 

 SPOTLIGHT ON FOUR SEMINARS AVAILABLE!

2025-2026



THE  
FLORAL  
DESIGN  
FORUM

## 33rd Anniversary Season The Floral Design Forum

When: 1st Monday,

October thru May 12:00 NOON

Where: **Poway Community Library, 13137 Poway Road,  
Poway, CA 92064**

Fees: Choose \$100 donation for all 8 programs or \$15 donation for a single session.\*

**October 6, 2025 – Robert L. Gordon AIFD** Ornamental Horticulture Professor and Garden Club member for many years, Bob kicks our 33rd season as he did the very first season, He is joined by **Pam Null, AIFD CFD** and George Speer as they explain **What has “AI” got to do with it?**

**November 3, 2025 –** Welcome back, **Erin Spriggs**, a creative designer with lots of tricks and tips moving from October to the holidays. **This will get you in the mood.**

**January 5, 2026** Returning to us is **Noel Tribbey AIFD**, freelance Designer and lover of ladders. **He creates the WOW! Don’t miss, a great start to the new year.**

**February 2, 2026** Welcome back **Deborah Warringer**, Master teacher of Ichiyo of Ikebana. Enjoy her skill and take notes for garden club designs

**March 2, 2026 Barbara Weiler**, Master Flower Show Judge and an incredible designer but also a fantastic HORTICULTURIST/ Watch what she brings to the table.

**April 6, 2026 “FLOWER POWER”** Our most popular Program. Watch as 4 local college student designers race against the clock to complete a Surprise Package design from materials, containers and theme. Then, like a 3-ring circus, they show a “signature design,” a “round robin” and then a “wrap up” design.

**May 4, 2026 – The “Grand Finale”** Everyone knows **Monica Lewis**, hostess, NGC FS Judge With her Creative Designs she answers: **What has Music Got to do with IT.**

NEW LOCATION:FOR THE SEASON!  
**POWAY COMMUNITY LIBRARY**  
**13137 POWAY ROAD,**  
**POWAY, CA 92064**

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George Speer 760-212-6339

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Hostesses: Monica Lewis and Peg McCay

Treasurer: Sharon Lowry

Set-up & Clean-up: open

Official Photographer: Don Davidson

Water Bottle table: open

Payments: cash, check and credit card

**Start time Noon: Please Arrive  
by 11:30 a.m. to help set up.**