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From the President's desk...

CGCI Fall Board Meeting

October 3-5, 2017

Gold Country Casino, Oroville

Host: Buttes District

Registration for the 2017 Fall Board Meeting is now open. The "Call" was distributed on Monday, August 21 and should be in your email inbox. If you do not find it in your inbox or spam folder all forms and information are on the CGCI website.

Go to: <http://californiagardenclubs.com/nextmeeting>.

- To receive the early-bird discounted registration package price of \$149 the form must be **postmarked by August 31**. This includes your registration fee plus two lunches and two dinners.
- The package price increases to \$174 for registration forms postmarked between September 1 and 18.
- You save when you register early. Don't risk the chance of forgetting, register NOW.
- No registrations will be accepted on or after September 19 and no refunds after September 22, 2017.
- Hotel reservation deadline is September 18.
- To receive the **special room rate of \$85 per night (only \$90.95 with tax)**; make your room reservations on or before Monday, September 18, with Gold Country Casino Hotel by calling 800-334-9400 or 530-538-4560. Reservations must be made by telephone. See the registration forms for the group booking code.

Highlights:

Tuesday, October 3:

- CGCI Committee Meetings

Wednesday, October 4:

- "The Fair - Butte County Style" (interactive, hands-on activity)
- Luncheon with round-table discussion
- Business meeting
- District Directors & Chairmen's joint Forum
- Dinner/Program: *California Water Project and the Oroville Dam*

Thursday, October 5:

- District Directors' Forum/Chairmen's Forum
- Business meeting
- Lunch/Program: *Rice in California-History of Rice Production and Current Practices*.
- Dinner/Program: *Mushrooms and Sustainability*

Friday, October 6: (optional tours)

- Lake Oroville
- Lundberg Family Farms

CGCI Official Calendar

californiagardenclubs.com/calendar

- **September 13-15, 2017:** NGC Fall Board Meeting, St Louis, MO
- **October 3-5, 2017:** CGCI Fall Board Meeting, Oroville, CA
Host: Buttes District
- **January 30-February 1, 2018:** CGCI Winter Board Meeting, Newbury Park, CA. Host: Channel Islands District
- **April 6-8, 2018:** Pacific Region Convention, Chena Hot Springs, AK
- **May 21-24, 2018:** NGC Convention, Philadelphia, PA

**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

- **October 27-28, 2017:** Tri-refresher, Sponsor: Long Beach Garden Club

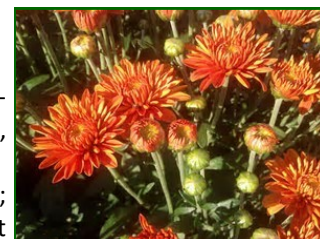
Following are pending ratification:

- **February 3-4, 2018:** Landscape Design School, Series 27, Course 1. Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club
- **February 10-11, 2018:** Landscape Design School, Series 27, Course 2. Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club.
- **March 3-4, 2018:** Landscape Design School, Series 27, Course 3. Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club
- **March 10-11, 2018:** Landscape Design School, Series 27, Course 4. Sponsor: Colfax Garden Club

**How does your garden grow?
(Excerpted from *Sunset Magazine*)**

September is the time to:

- Add fall color to your garden with asters, chrysanthemums, gaillardia, gloriosa daisy, Japanese anemone, lion's tail, purple coneflower, and salvia.
- Shop soon for the best selection of healthy bulbs; choose firm ones without soft or moldy spots. Plant anemones, crocus, daffodils, Dutch iris, freesias, homeria, hyacinths, ixia, leucojum, lycoris, oxalis, Peruvian scilla, ranunculus, sparaxis, tritonia, tulips, and watsonia. (Some, such as freesias, homeria, and watsonia, are not hardy in zones 1 and 2.)
- In mild climates, chill crocus, hyacinths, and tulips in the refrigerator for about six weeks before planting, keeping them away from fruits and veggies, which can thwart bulb development.
- Set out calendula, forget-me-nots, Iceland and Shirley poppies, ornamental cabbage and kale, pansies, primrose, stock, sweet peas, and violas. In coastal areas, try cineraria, nemesia, and schizanthus.
- Give cool-season annuals a strong start by planting after mid-month in cooler areas and at the end of the month in warm inland locations (*Sunset* climate zones 7-9, 14-17). Keep the soil moist while plants develop and, if weather is hot, temporarily shade new seedlings
- Prune fig trees as soon as you harvest all their fruit. New figs soon develop at branch tips so if you wait too long to prune, you could prune off next year's crop.
- If plant leaves are a little dusty or covered with spider webs, spritz them with a sharp blast from the hose, early in the day.
- Check your irrigation system for leaks and uncapped lines. If you have overhead spray, turn it on to see that the heads are properly aimed.



HOW TO SUBMIT REVENUE AND EXPENSES**Launa Gould, CGCI Financial Secretary**

- Revenue – If you are a chairman that receives cash or checks, complete a Cash Receipts Report online or the three-part paper form.
 - ◊ Paper form: Send one copy to the Treasurer at PO Box 75, Graton, CA along with the checks. Mail or scan the paper copy and send to the Financial Secretary.
 - ◊ Online Form: It will automatically go to the Financial Secretary.
- Expenses – To be reimbursed for your expenses, complete a Request for Payment or Reimbursement form found online. Eligible expenses include printing, ink and supplies necessary for your position. Scan or mail form and receipts to the Financial Secretary. The address is on the form. Expenses are checked against your budget. A warrant will be sent to the Treasurer who will write the check.



Budgets are established for guidelines and limits on expenses. Know your budget and your Line Code. Line Codes help us to keep track of Revenue and Expenses. If you need help with line codes or procedures, please contact your Financial Secretary.

All forms are found on the CGCI website at: <http://californiagardenclubs.com/Forms> (under CGCI Board of Directors). The link to the Line Codes is in the right sidebar.

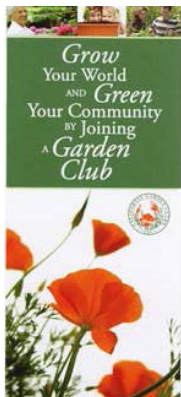
Membership Matters:

Martha Smyser, 3rd Vice President & Membership Chairman

• POSTAGE DUE, DEW POINT, DUE DATE...

- ◇ What's the common factor in the headline? The word DUE. CGCI dues were due on July 1 and will be delinquent on October 1. That means clubs in arrears are at risk of losing eligibility for general liability insurance and the Group Tax Exemption Program (GTEP) as well as membership in CGCI and all the wonderful benefits that come with being a paid up member. Don't let this happen to your club.
- ◇ Check the CGCI website for dues instructions. Please mail your check, payable to CGCI, to Martha Smyser, 4949 Mammoth Ave., Sherman Oaks, CA 91423.

• PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS:



Brochure

- ◇ One of the many membership benefits is the availability of FREE promotional materials:

- ◆ a TRI-FOLD BROCHURE (3 ¾" x 8")
- ◆ a two sided RACK CARD (3 ½ x 8")
- ◆ a one sided BOOKMARK (2" x 6")

- ◇ All three shown here feature a photograph of beautiful California poppies. If you would like some of these publications please complete the online order form:

[CGCI Promotional Materials](http://www.CaliforniaGardenClubs.org)

- ◇ If your request is received **before September 22** they will be available for you at the Fall Board meeting. If you are not able to attend the meeting, the materials will be sent with your District Director.



Bookmark



Rack Card

CGCI Yearbook, Manual & Roster (YMR)

For the 2017-2019 term the YMR will be a two-year book. The full version will be distributed at the 2017 Fall Board meeting with an annual update posted to the website in summer 2018 as follows:

- Board roster (names/position only) – complete information will be printed in *Golden Gardens eNews*
- Official Calendar
- By-laws/SRs/Policy
- New Life members
- NGC School graduates
- Information on any new projects or programs

NOTE: The YMRs will be given to the District Directors at Fall Board for distribution to member organizations.



Sally Bagley (R), President West Valley Garden Club presents the CGCI Award of Merit to Evelyn Warrington. The award, announced at the 2017 CGCI Annual Convention, was in recognition of Evelyn's 45 years of dedicated service to her club, Judges Council and district. She is a Flower Show Judges Emeritus and taught floral design classes for over 12 years.

Don't forget to send copies of **YOUR club or district** newsletter to:

goldengardens@cagardenclubs.org

We want to share some of your programs, activities and special events.

CGCI Programs & Projects

Go to californiagardenclubs.com
for details

- **Membership & Dues (NEW)**

Chairman: Martha Smyser

4949 Mammoth Ave.
Sherman Oaks 91423-1319

- **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 2017-19 (NEW)**

Chairman: Carolyn Hoyum

P.O. Box 380
Palo Cedro 96073-0380

- **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 95501-2627

- **Stamps**

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

- **Donations to the following projects are mailed to:**

California Garden Clubs
P.O. Box 75,
Graton 95444-0075
Anza-Borrego Desert State Park
Blue Star Memorials
CGCI Endowments (2 funds)
CGCI Scholarship Fund (direct)
Rare Plant Treasure Hunt
Reforestation/Restoration
Sempervirens Fund

REKINDLE THE LOVE AFFAIR**Berni Hendrix, Awards Chairman**

Oozing with fresh ideas and eager to learn, you want to contribute and become part of something bigger. So, you pay your membership dues and attend every meeting. As your love affair with 'garden club' matures, has the passion faded? Is the excitement still fresh? It can be. Changes and fresh ideas in the CGCI Awards Program will ignite excitement and motivate you and your garden club to rekindle that love affair and to seize new opportunities!

CGCI Awards that had no entries over the past five years have been eliminated. Perhaps that is just a sign of a changing culture. With a changing culture comes the opportunity to build a bridge from *what was* to *what is*. And the bridge is AWARDS. Review ALL of the awards and let your mind be open to new opportunities as you tailor (modernize) your club activities to meet the requirements of one or more awards.

An exciting bridge for the CGCI Awards Program is the overhaul of the National Garden Clubs (NGC) Awards Program. The result is an update to existing awards and the addition of new awards. California clubs are eligible for the new awards and you are encouraged to look for these new opportunities. CGCI first-place winners are automatically submitted to NGC by the CGCI Awards Chairman.

The following are existing CGCI Awards with a comparable NGC Award:

- #1 Community Impact eligible for NGC Award #CS-2, CB-2
- #2 Blue Star Memorial eligible for NGC Award #L-1,2,3
- #4 Horticulture Excellence eligible for NGC Award #L-4
- #21 Conservation Projects eligible for NGC Award #EC-2
- #23 Home Garden eligible for NGC Award #G-2A
- #25 Operation Wildflower eligible for NGC Award # NPW-1,2,3
- #26 Pollinator Education eligible for NGC Award #EC-5
- #50 Newsletters eligible for NGC Award PUB-1
- #51(2) Publications eligible for NGC Award #PUB-2
- #52 National Garden Week eligible for NGC Award #MP-2
- #53 Website eligible for NGC Award #MP-3
- #54 Yearbook-Club eligible for NGC Award #YB-1
- #55 Yearbook-District eligible for NGC Award #YB-3
- #65 School Garden eligible for NGC Award #Y-5

Of note in the NGC changes:

- The Publicity Press Book has been eliminated and replaced by a Membership Promotion Award
- The Website Award has a Social Media category to allow for submission of Facebook pages
- Operation Wildflower has been modernized
- Rules for the Flower Show Awards are going to be listed separately on the NGC website

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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

♥ Awards Program

Check the website for updated
forms and instructions

♥ Business Commendations

Chairman: Launa Gould
Online request form

♥ California Consultants Council

Landscape Design (various) &
Outstanding Private Garden
Chairman: Josie Goodenow
7077 Piper Lane
Garden Valley 95633-9490

♥ Honor Book

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

♥ Life Memberships

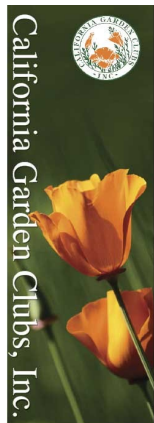
Chairman: Carlotta Wixon-Welker
14216 Karry's Place
Grass Valley 95945-7934

♥ Long-Term Certificates

Chairman: Mike Gould
Online request form

♥ Member Award of Distinction

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

Promotional Materials

Did you know that
CGCI offers promo-
tional and informa-
tional materials and
many are FREE*!

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

(Check the website for ordering
details)

These are new NGC Awards:

- Community Gardens #CS-1
- Food Bank Donations #CS-4
- Organic Gardening Practices #EC-7
- Container Gardening #G-1

Does your club have a project or program that might qualify for one of these new NGC Awards but there isn't a corresponding CGCI Award? Don't worry! You CAN enter. Complete the NGC award application following the NGC rules and requirements and send TWO copies to the CGCI Awards Chairman.

To find the description and rules for all of the NGC Awards go to

www.californiagardenclubs.com/awards

The link to the *NGC Awards Rules 2017-19* is in the right sidebar.

Remember that ALL award entries are due December 1.

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS**Pat Clayes, Flower Show Awards Chairman**

In the recently released National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) *Handbook for Flower Shows* (Revised 2017), one old and two new NGC flower show categories are now eligible for NGC awards:

- Small Standard Flower Shows
- Design Specialty Flower Shows (New)
- Horticulture Specialty Flower Shows (New)

For more information about these shows see the revised *Handbook*. The Hand-
book is available for purchase through NGC's Official Online Store at

<http://www.shopgardenclub.org>.

All new forms and instructions will be available shortly. Questions, please con-
tact the CGCI Flower Awards Chairman:

patclayes@aol.com or 909-337-6911 (winter: 760-773-0516).





"The best way to garden is to put on a wide-
brimmed straw hat and some old clothes. And
with a hoe in one hand and a cold drink in the
other, tell somebody else where to dig."

Texas Bix Bender,
Don't Throw in the Trowel



**President 2017-2019****Nancy L. Hargroves****Headquarters:**

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 St. Louis, MO 63110-3492
 Telephone: (314) 776-7574
 Fax: (314) 776-5108

Email: headquarters@gardenclub.org**Publication:** *The National Gardener***Website:** gardenclub.org**Convention:**

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

Ongoing projects:

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

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

**Director: 2017-2019****Peggy Olin****Publication:** *WACONIAH***Website:**PacificRegionGardenClubs.org**Convention:**

April 6-8, 2018 Chena Hot Springs, AK
 April 2019, California

Are you receiving *WACONIAH*, the newsletter of the Pacific Region?

If not, you can subscribe here

(it's FREE):

[californiagardenclubs.com/
cgcineletters](http://californiagardenclubs.com/cgcineletters)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VS. EXECUTIVE BOARD**Greg Pokorski, CGCI Parliamentarian**

A point of confusion I frequently see in bylaws of clubs and other organizations concerns the use of "executive board" and "executive committee." **These are not the same thing.**



- An executive committee (which is what CGCI, Pacific Region Garden Clubs, Inc. and National Garden Clubs, Inc. have) is "board within a board," usually made up of the officers and usually empowered to act in the place of the board of directors between board meetings – so it is a subset of the board of directors.
- An executive board is really just another name for the board of directors and is known as the board of directors in an organization that has an executive committee. When *Robert's* refers (page 482) to board of directors it will usually use the term *executive board*.

If your organization has a committee of officers who are part of the board of directors, but who may meet and conduct business separately from the entire board, do not call that committee the executive board. It is the executive committee.

SEEDING THE FUTURE**Robin Pokorski****CGCI President, 2007-09, NGC Corresponding Secretary, 2017-19**

Are you serving as a club officer and would like to refresh your leadership skills while learning some new tricks? Have you assumed a new leadership role or have been asked to serve but feel you not yet ready? Are you new to the organization and considering taking an office in the future. This workshop is for YOU.

The workshop offers the opportunity to form a sound foundation in the basics of becoming an effective leader. It is focused on identifying, cultivating and creating future leaders for our clubs and community. Workshop topics include basic parliamentary procedures, minutes, team-building, dealing with difficult people, publicity, public speaking and mentoring a future leader.

Robin has traveled throughout the United States presenting this workshop to garden clubs and other nonprofit professional organizations. She is a dynamic speaker and the workshops are lively and fun as well as informative.

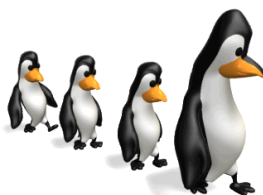
If your club or district would like to sponsor a workshop, contact Robin at cgcirobin@gmail.com.

Workshop Schedule**2017:**

Oct 20 – Humboldt District (see form Page 8)
 Nov 11 – Utah Federation, Salt Lake City,
 Utah Nov 13 – Salt Lake City GC, Utah

2018:

Oct (late) – Rhode Island





DONATIONS 2017
Total this month: \$2,312.00
Carol Vallens, Chairman
 Total January 1 to date:
\$27,472.00

ARBORETUM

Floralia Guild #20 136
 Honor: Club
 Memory: Pat Johnston

DIABLO FOOTHILLS

Blackhawk Bloomers GC..... 68
 Memory: Marty Pfeiffer
 Livermore Amador Valley GC.. 136
 Honor: Stephen & Arlene Chin.
 Memory: Margie Odell

GOLDEN FOOTHILLS

Colfax GC..... 68
 Memory: John Fulton

PALOMAR

Fallbrook GC..... 68

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

Arden Park GC340

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Cherry Blossom GC 68
 Memory: Elizabeth Kusak
 West Valley GC 68
 Memory: Philip De Savia

VALLEY LODGE

Calaveras County GC.....680
 Honor: Merry Lee DeMaria
 Honor: Agnes Binger
 Honor: Club

The Lodi GC..... 680
 Honor: Elizabeth Gooding
 Honor: David & Diana Mattheis
 Honor: Rose Hayles
 Honor: Joyce Berlin
 Honor: Marilyn Burns
 Honor: Rhonda Spillane
 Honor: Martha Lind
 Honor: Janice Vaughn
 Honor: Holly Stone
 Honor: Cliff Marvel

**PENNY PINES**

Reminder: A new "webform" has been created to accompany checks to the Forest Service and to report the donations to the CGCI Chairman. The form is available on the website:

[Penny Pines Reporting Form](#) (Please DISCARD all previous Penny Pines forms)

The new form is similar to the annual dues form.

- Complete the form
- Print **TWO** copies (one to mail with check, one for your files)
- Click "Submit" to **automatically send the form electronically to the CGCI Chairman**. NO stamps, no searching for the mailing address!
- Mail check and form to the US Forest Service selected (no change here).

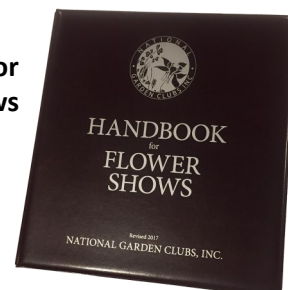
Remember - Checks are **payable to the Forest Service - NOT to CGCI**



2018 Vision of Beauty Calendar

2017 Handbook for Flower Shows

Order from the NGC Shop -
<http://www.shopgardenclub.org>



LEADERSHIP: SEEDING THE FUTURE

Robin Pokorski

Past President, California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Spokesperson for National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Hosted by

Humboldt District, California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Friday, October 20, 2017

10:00 am – 3:00 pm (Check-in at 9:30 am)

Ferndale Town Hall, 834 Main Street, Ferndale, California

REGISTRATION FORM

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Phone _____ Email Address _____

REGISTRATION FEE: Your registration fee includes workshop materials, simple boxed lunch, beverages.

Registration

Member of Humboldt District California Garden Clubs, Inc. (HDCGCI)

and/or California Garden Clubs, Inc. (CGCI) \$30 _____

Name of Club _____

Registration - Individual/Other Organization..... \$40 _____

Name of Organization _____

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Pre-registration is advised since seating is limited. Deadline for Registration is October 6, 2017.

Make Checks Payable to: Humboldt District California Garden Clubs, Inc. (HDCGCI)

Mail Registration and Check to: Chuck Goodwin, Treasurer, 1312 Gates Street, Eureka, CA 95501-2627

FOR INFORMATION about the workshop including special dietary needs:

Email Maria Krenek: glenmarheather@yahoo.com Or Call: Maria Krenek (707) 443-9472