



Riviera Garden Club

Sea Breeze

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From Our President *June Young*

President's message:

Greetings from your president!

I have been meeting during July and August with various officers and committee heads responsible for planning our yearly calendar and activities. If you could see the wonderful schedule you would say we will certainly "Cultivate our Flowers, our Friendships, and our Frolics" in a grand way in this new year thanks to the efforts of so many of our members.

Your president attended several Costa Verde district meetings and would like to report the following:

1. Costa Verde district has agreed to hostess the CGCI 2016 winter board meeting in 2016. About 30 people will be needed to help.
2. June 15, 2015 is the date of the annual CGCI convention in Reno, Nevada. Presidents should attend. Train cost is \$65.
3. Vision of Beauty calendars will be ordered by our treasurer Rita Wagstaff and then forwarded to CVD and Gudrun Kimmel in September. Price is \$6.
4. Our club received the following awards and monies for:
 - a. CGCI- G2 1st place club yearbook, class V \$50.
 - b. Pacific Region yearbook award club70-99 members \$20.
 - c. CGCI C2A second place (tie) Penny Pines \$30

Cheers for Geneva Martin and Nancy Weaver who made these awards possible.

Our 2014-2015 yearbooks are being prepared by Gay & Dana Hargrave and should be ready for distribution at our first regular meeting in September, so be sure to attend and learn of the outstanding year which has been planned



for each of you.



Cowboy Themed Welcome Back Potluck Luncheon Tuesday September 23, 2014 9:30-12:30

- NOTE: The venue is the Woman's Club of Redondo Beach (WCRB) at the corner of Broadway and Pearl in Redondo Beach. It is across the street from the RB Fire Dept. on Broadway.
- Parking is difficult. On Tuesdays there is parking ONLY on one side of the street.
- CAR POOL CAR POOL CAR POOL CAR POOL**
- Food drop off is at the "RED curb zone" at the Pearl St. fireplug in front of the RB Woman's Club. A RGC Member will place the food dishes on a cart at the curbside drop off spot and use the handicapped access ramp to roll them into the building.
- After food dishes and any mobility-challenged members are dropped off, PARK in any legal spots you can find, heeding the street sweeping restriction signs.
- Enter the Woman's Club front door on Pearl or use the handicapped ramp.
- There will be a PENNY PINES table so bring your PRE-PRICED items .
- A guest vendor, Linda Skaggs, will sell hand-made veggie-themed table runners and place mats. She will donate 15 % of her sales to RGC.
- Pati Johnson 1-310-791-5167 is in charge of details and management of the Sept. potluck luncheon. Kathryn Joiner is helping. Marilyn Rubin will be out of town from September 14 until Sept. 25.
- BRING YOUR CHECK BOOK if you want to
 - o Pay for the Oct. 28 Bus Excursion to Modjeska Canyon. \$25.
 - o Buy place mats or table runners .

Bus Trip Tuesday October 28, 2014



**ARDEN which was stage actress
HELENA MODJESKA'S HOME**



TUCKER WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

We'll drive to Modjeska Canyon along Santiago Creek in Orange County. There are NO restaurants in the canyon so you will need to bring your own lunch. We'll picnic under the shady oak trees at Tucker Wildlife Sanctuary.

There will be guided tours at both venues.

Huell Howser visited Arden. There is even a Theodore Payne connection to Helena Modjeska and her rustic oak canyon 1880's home, Arden. Meet at Lago Seco Park 9 a.m. Oct. 28 Make your \$25 check out to Riviera Garden Club MAIL YOUR CHECK TO Marilyn Rubin .
4414 Greenmeadows Ave
RGC BUS EXCURSION
Torrance, CA 90505
This trip is limited to 47 people.
1-310-375-4483 (Marilyn) OR
1-310-373-6413 (Sharon Saffer)

RGC Officers 2014-2015

President June Young

1st VPs Marilyn Rubin and Sharon Saffer

2nd VPs Nan Clancy and Kathryn Joiner

3rd VPs Allison Jones and Marybeth Muir

Co-Secs Toni Ziegler and Linda Rosenfeld

Co-Treas Rita Wagstaff and Sheila Kutkus

Happy Birthday

September

2 Lynn Fernandez

5 Aleen Houston

19 Sharon Saffer

20 Laurie Vaillant

24 George Unrine

26 Kathryn Joiner

29 Connie Moseley

October

5 June Young

8 Kay Kanuit

8 Margaret Majid

14 Beebe Moorhead

17 Gene Hassan

19 Mary Eninger

28 Sheila Kutkus

Costa Verde District General Meeting Program: Growing Rare Fruits by Ken Ueda

October 1, 2014, SCBG, Classroom B, Social 9:30 a.m., business 10 a.m., program 11 a.m. Fee \$2 **Host Clubs: Gardeneers, Hermosa Beach, Long Beach**

There is a special pleasure in growing your own fruit and sharing it with others. Ken possesses a store of knowledge and experience which could help gardeners in their cultivation of rare fruits along our subtropical Pacific coast. His talk will include information about the star fruit, mangoes, lychee, guava and many more.

Included with this program will be samples to taste such as lilikoi chiffon pie, lilikoi juice, and lilikoi sorbet. Ken first started to grow fruit trees when he and his wife Leilani purchased their home in 1976. He currently has a guava, lilikoi, peach, cheramoya, gaboticava, and several citrus trees growing in his yard. He has also previously experienced growing a star fruit tree and a giant fuyu persimmon tree. Come and join us for this interesting and informative talk and taste sampling!

Landscape Awards

given by the Riviera Garden Club and the Riviera Homeowners Association

Photos by Julian Chasin



July 2014 – The Taylor residence – 23420 Shadycroft



May 2014 – The Graue residence – 152 Vista del Parque

The Graues have provided a Youtube video showing 'before' and 'after' views of their landscaping project. Click [here](#) to view it.



June 2014 – The Kimmel residence – 319 Via Monte d'Oro



April 2014 -The Spallino residence – 427 Camino de Encanto



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President's Travel Schedule
• May 11 - Redwood District
• May 16 - Golden Foothills District
• May 16 - Cascade District
• June 5-6 - CGCI Convention, Okinawa
• June 11 - Moriana de Oro District
• June 13 - Mendocino District
• June 14 - Santa Rosa Soc. Blue Star Dedication
• June 19 - San Fernando Valley District
• July 1-3 - Pacific Region Convention, Miami

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CGCI had a membership promotion booth at the popular San Francisco Flower & Garden Show in San Mateo from April 29-31, 2014. Julie Goodenew, Kristal Migliore and Kristal's mom, Rene Henninger, took turns working at the booth with me. The table held the expected items: brochures, educational gardening pamphlets, district and club brochures, bookmarks with labels on the back explaining the Zip Code Club Finder on the website. There were display boards and sign-up sheets for the upcoming Wildflower Conference and 30-day Enduring Colors of Fall cruise along the East Coast.

Something new was added this year - a hands-on planting experience that drew

The Convention is coming! Now is the time to mail your registration form so you can be part of this fun and exciting event.

-Rita

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Penny Pines Plantations



Money from second hand items is used to buy Penny Pines Plantations. Riviera contributions are directed to the Angeles National Forest.

At the end of the 2013-14 year, the Riviera Garden Club gave Penny Pines Plantations in Memory of Don O'Donal and Edith Dees; in Honor of Nancy Weaver & Geneva Martin, 2012-2014 Co-Presidents, Bertie and Wister Woods, Toni Sargent and Gloria Balcom.

Now that Golden Gardens is no longer being published in hard copy, everyone whose email is listed in our yearbook, and is not currently receiving Golden Gardens eNews, needs to complete the form at

<http://californiagardenclubs.com/eNewsletters> subscribe to what is now called the CGCI e-newsletter. Like other e-subscriptions, you may opt to unsubscribe at any time. WACONIAH, the Pacific Region Publication, is also available.