

Riviera Garden Club

Sea Breeze

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A word from our Presidents Mary Varieur and Toni Ziegler

Happy New Year to all of our members, we had a great year-end with our Holiday Party at the Los Verdes Country Club. We now begin 2020 with more fun and interesting activities.

The big event for our Costa Verde District is the State of California Winter Board meeting which the district is hosting. The event is being held at the Long Beach Hotel on the famous 1936 ocean liner, The Queen Mary. The meeting will be held from February 2 to 6.

We have a schedule change for our fundraiser at the Comedy and Magic Store. The event will be on March 25th, thank you, Pam Barrett-Hill for organizing this for the event for our club.

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Events

Children's Garden Workshops

Walteria Library (Sat. January 25th)

Henderson Library (Sat. February 15th)

El Retiro Library (Sat. April 18th)

All workshops begin at 11:00 a.m. and are expected to conclude at 12:30 p.m. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 10:00 for set-up, and stay through the workshop to help with clean-up, which may extend until 1:00.

Something new: the children are going to be decorating their containers prior to filling them with soil and planting their seeds. Decorations will include stickers, colorful marking pens, ribbons, string, etc. Your assistance will be needed!

If interested in helping at the workshops, please call Dina Wiley 310-378-4138.

General Meeting

Torrance Airport Meeting Room

January 28,2020

Speakers Flower Duet

Kit Wertz and Casey Schwartz

Gaetano's Restaurant Fundraiser

Wednesday January 29, 2020

This Fundraising Event is to Benefit

Community Projects & Scholarships

*Present Flyer when ordering



Costa Verde District 2020 CGCI Winter Board Meeting

Location: Queen Mary Long Beach Ca.

Dates: February 3-6

Our Costa Verde District is the host for the California Garden Clubs' 2020 Winter Board Meeting to be held at the historic Queen Mary in Long Beach February 3-6. Riviera is one of the clubs under the umbrella of Costa Verde District and the district is calling all club members to attend.

The following have volunteered: Marilyn Rubin, Bertie Wood, George Unrine, Judy Unrine, Charlie Sappington, Mary Varieur and Linda Rosenfeld. If you can help please give Linda a call at 310-600-6067.

The hostesses need to complete the registration form found at California Garden Clubs' web site, http://californiagardenclubs.com/nextmeeting, indicating food preference for the lunch please check with Linda Rosenfeld.

A lot of work goes into planning this event. Clubs from all over the state will be attending and to have a good local turnout would show support for our district. There will be luncheons, dinners, informative speakers, workshops, raffle baskets and Tri-Refreshers. Each attendee will receive a goodie bag upon registration. All the forms and meeting information can be found on the California Garden Club website:

http://californiagardenclubs.com/nextmeeting. Take some time to look over the "Winter Board Meeting Workshops, Programs, Meals and Music". You can pick and choose what you are interested in attending be it for one day or the entire meeting. Please contact Linda Rosenfeld for more information.

For those interested in Tri-Refresher Lectures they will be held on Thursday, February 6 and are shown on page 5 of "The Call to Fall Board". Please check with Linda Rosenfeld for more details.

Mary and Joseph Special Event February 25,2020



FEBRUARY 25, 2020 BEGINNING AT 9:30

Meeting and SPECIAL EVENT Mary & Joseph Retreat Center

Our event at the beautiful Mary & Joseph Retreat Center is becoming a tradition. This year, our special guest and program presenter is Bill Arrowsmith, one of the early members of the Friends of Madrona Marsh. He will share with us the decades of Madrona Marsh history, from being a functioning oil field to becoming the remarkable nature center and preserve it is today.

Mary & Joseph Retreat Center 5300 Crest Road, Rancho Palos Verde, CA 90275 (on the right just before Rolling Hills gate)

Send check for \$40 made out to RGC to P.O. Box 10112 Torrance, CA 90505-0812



Don't miss out

Guest speaker

Bill Arrowsmith

Friends of Madrona Marsh

Enjoy a delicious

Catered lunch:

Chicken Tetrazzini Salad Bar Soup Fresh baked Bread

Finish with Fruit and Dessert

Participate in

An exciting

Raffle

Benefitting our RGC Community Outreach

Leap Year Day Orchid Arrangement Party

You're invited to a <u>'LEAP YEAR DAY'</u> ORCHID ARRANGEMENT PARTY!

Saturday, February 29th Anytime from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Hosted by Ellyn Meikle* at her home 1350 W 244th Street Harbor City CA 90710 (3.7 miles from Zamperini Airport)

In addition to taking home your orchid arrangement, you will learn how to care for it to last months!

\$30 fee includes: Snacks and beverages 2 Phalaenopsis Orchid plants, Pottery, Supplies (moss, décor) Tools will be provided to share. <u>Proceeds to benefit RGC</u> SIGN UP NOW • <u>SPACE LIMITED!</u>

Please RSVP by Feb 20:

phone/text: 310.503.1061 or email: ellynmeikle@gmail.com

* Since 2014, Ellyn has been a professional orchid arranger with clients throughout the PV and surrounding areas.

Plant Sale Prep Plant Sale April 25

In preparation for our Plant Sale on April 25th, Ellyn Meikle and Phyllis DeCrescenzo will be hosting Planting Parties.

Planting Parties at Ellyn Meikle's home from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

1350 244th Street, Harbor City 90710

Saturday, March 14

Wednesday, March 18

Saturday, March 28

Wednesday, April 1

Workshops at Phyllis DeCrescenzo's home (time tbd)

22532 Shadycroft Avenue, Torrance 90505

Tuesday, April 7

Thursday, April 9

Tuesday, April 14

Thursday, April 16

Calendar of Up Coming Events in March and April

March 24	General Meeting	Speaker Ann Dalkey LA Conservation Corps			
March 25	Comedy and Magic	Fundraiser Comedy and Magic Club Hermosa Beach			
April 25	Plant Sale	Charlie Sappington's Home (info to follow)			
April 28	Adamson House Bus Trip	Details to be announced			
May 26	General Meeting	Speaker Gary Duke South Coast Succulent Society			
June 2	Mad Hatter Luncheon and	Officer Installation Cheesecake Factory			
*TBD	Fashion Show				

Happy Birthday Wishes

December	Julie Blake L	ola Unger	Irma M	laggio Claude	ene Lyon	
January	Jeannie Brown	Linda Rose	enfeld	Ellyn Meikle	Mary Varieur	Bertie Wood
February	Rita Wagstaff	Dina Wiley	Mar	ie Hoffman		

Congratulations to Pam and Jim Hill for being chosen as Citizens of the Year 2019

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Contact the Chamber for tickets **v** palosverdeschamber.com 310-377-8111 **v** connect@palosverdeschamber.com

Landscape Award Winners Congratulations to: Beverly and John Spisak

The home of Beverly and John Spisak. Beverly is an artist and John is a contractor. The perfect team to totally rebuild this spectacular home and garden. They preserved The old Malaluca tree in the front and used succulents to enhance the hardscape along the long front of the home. 242 Paseo de las Delicias.













