

Clear Lake Trowel & Trellis Garden Club



Clear Lake Trowel & Trellis Garden Club (CLTTGC) is a member of Mendo-Lake District Garden Clubs, California Garden Clubs Inc (CGCI) and the National Garden Clubs Inc (NGCI). We were founded on September 21, 1955, by three women who wished to create and promote interest in amateur gardening in Lake County.

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Officers:

- President:
Claire Grieve
- Vice President
Theresa Mathur
- Treasurer:
Nora Gerrard
- Recording Sec:
Linda Waterstraat
- Corresponding Sec:
Linda Waterstraat
- Parliamentarian:
Jo Douville



TIP #1 When gathering seeds, always take them from the largest healthiest blooms. Leave the flower on the plant until it is completely faded & the seed head is dry. Then remove the head & place it on a paper plate to dry. Shake out seeds and store them in a cool, dry place.
Diane Neilson

TIP #2 Place a dryer sheet in a pocket (hanging out) & it will keep yellow jackets away.
Jan Kespohl



'DANCE OF THE MUMS'



This fall we are bringing back the Chrysanthemum Show. Mark your calendars - 2nd Friday in November. Members will be asked to bring specimens and floral arrangements. This will *not* be a competition, just an event for the members and the public to enjoy. Cookies and hot cider will be served. Watch for signup sheets.

Green Thumbs



Up to Carol Kesey who has divided many of her 'prize winning' mums and shared the plants with members. She has inspired us to have a Mum Show this fall. Take advantage of the Lake Kabatin Redbud Arrangers for tips on arranging Chrysanthemums.

Let's Go Native

by Jerry Shaul



Josephine, quit complaining about the water! So it tastes like iron and discolors all your washing just be thankful its wet. It was the great drought of the 70s when Clearlake was drying up. It was during this time that I decided that landscaping with plants, unthrifty use of mulches and soil conditioners and using water conserving irrigation systems was not a novelty but a must. Mulches and soil conditioners can hold the water where it is needed and can reduce evaporation by as much as fifty percent. Our Mediterranean climate (semi-arid) presents a happy home to plants native to other global Mediterranean climates. However, the best choice is native plants indigenous to our immediate areas. These plants over the ages have developed subtle differences that make them well suited for our environment and that provided them with natural protection against in-

digenous pests and diseases. These plants in garden settings will result in landscapes that have displays of colorful flowers, striking foliage and unlimited combinations of form and texture. Rainfall and humus is all that is required to satisfy their nutritional needs, thus conserving water and reducing maintenance costs. Oh yes Josephine, we've had some good years since the great drought but the past two years have been lean ones not to mention our water table has dropped 20 feet since then. Josephine would you please turn to page 1 of our native plant "bible" where Marjorie G. Schmidt in her book, Growing California Native Plants, presents the "Case for Native Plants". NOW lets continue to put her wisdom into practice. By landscaping with native flora we are protecting and perpetuating their existence and at the same time conserving another natural resource-- WATER. *Won't you please join us?*





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As I sit down to write the 'Welcome Back' message for this September's newsletter, I am not sure if those are the right words – a lot of our garden club members have been participating in various activities all summer --- a field trip to the Sweet Memories Butterfly Farm, a lavender wand workshop, several work parties at our various civic beautification projects, tree plantings, visiting other members and sharing plants & seeds, and creating our garden display at the fair. So maybe saying 'Let's Continue' learning and working with each other is a better choice of words.

We are in store for a fun and active year. We are bringing back our Mum Show

and it will be open to the public. Our Daffodil Tea will now be called the Spring Tea, watch for the theme. Four workshops are scheduled to create items that we will learn to make and sell at our Plant Sale.

My hope is that all the members read the new yearbook – cover to cover – to see all that is available to us. Also the Board would like all members to rely on the information in the newsletter – this will hopefully save time during our business meetings.

I want to say 'thank you' to all of you for stepping up and volunteering.

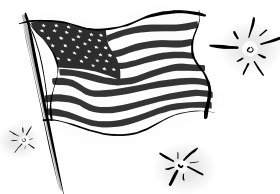
See you in the garden, Claire

Mendo-Lake District Garden Club Calendar

10/22 (Wed) Fall General Meeting-Lakeport.
01/28 (Wed) Winter Board Meeting-Ukiah.
04/19 (Sun) Spring Plant Sale-Redwood Vly.
04/22 (Wed) Spring General Meeting-unk.
06/24 (Wed) District Picnic-unk.

Landscape Design Studies Program

9/2-3 Series 23 Course 1, Temecula, CA.
9/4-5 Series 23 Course 2, Temecula, CA.



Congratulations Reba Richardson!
Reba was selected to be an Honorary Member

Newsletter Editor
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Deadline for articles is the last day of each month, but sooner is better.

HOSTESSES: This years' preparation are much simpler. Please arrive by 11 am to get the coffee and hot water going (takes about an hour to get warm). Decorate the table as you wish with a floral arrangement of fresh flowers and provide a couple plates of cookies. Setup the coffee/ tea/ sugar, etc with supplies from the cupboard. That's it.



Oppotunity Drawing

Please bring gently used items and unwanted gifts to donate for our gift basket. Hand crafted items by our talented members are welcome. Money raised from the drawing supports the newsletter. Please give to Jo Douville





TIME TO : PLANT FLOWER BULBS, SEEDS OF PEA, CARROT, LETTUCE, & BEETS. TRANSPLANT CALENDULA, PANSIES, PRIMROSES, & SNAPDRAGONS. PLANT TREES & LAWNS. LIFT & DIVIDE IRIS.

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An enjoyable and informative field trip was made June 23rd to Sweet Memories Butterfly Farm in Potter Valley. Participants were June & Roger Beto, Barbara Fain, Helene Christensen, Mary Ann Worth, Carmen Carpenter, Heide Thomas, Claire Grieve, Jo Douville, Theresa Mather, Ginny Cline and her grandson Brent.

We enjoyed the beautiful flower gardens and the butterflies in the flight house which included Painted Ladies, Morning Cloaks and Monarchs. We learned about host and nectar plants and that butterflies are never shipped to an area that is not a natural habitat for them. We are all looking forward to watching the fat caterpillars we came home with transforming into beautiful Monarch Butterflies.



Green Thumbs



Up to the individual Club Members that entered exhibits in the Lake Co Fair. AWSOME charter members' Carol Kesey and Carmen Carpenter. WOW!!! I am very impressed with the number of entries and the number of ribbons they won. They set the bar high. Barbara Swanson had some lovely entries—a BEST OF SHOW flower arrangement and a first & second ribbon. Claire Grieve's beautiful 'Naked Lady' won her a second place ribbon. Linda Pyers' wood and gourd craft entries all won ribbons. In the Fine Arts category, Heide Thomason won BEST OF SHOW and two first place ribbons. Jan Kespohl has reason to be proud, her granddaughter won Grand Champion on the sheep in the 4H. Friendly competition makes great fun.



Green Thumbs Up



to Theresa Mathur, Diane Neilson, Leslie Jones, Claire Grieve, Betty Attwood-Reyna, Jo Douville, Gina-Belle Smith, Barbara & Jay Swanson, June Beto & Pat Hopper for representing our club at the Lake County Fair.

BEST OF SHOW!

Can't get better than that. Great Job!

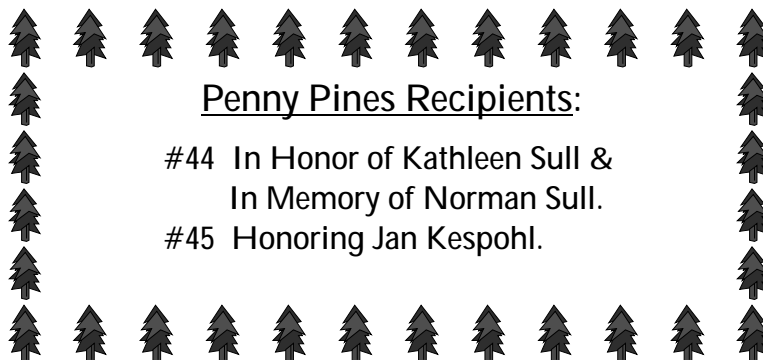
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www.clttgc.org.



Lavender Wand Workshop



In June, Helaine Christensen opened her home and lavender fields for Linda Waterstraat to teach members Helen Turley, Nora Gerrard, June Beta, Helaine Christensen, & Linda Pyers (not pictured) to make beautiful fragrant lavender wands.



Penny Pines Recipients:

- #44 In Honor of Kathleen Sull & In Memory of Norman Sull.
- #45 Honoring Jan Kespohl.

"The garden is a love song,
A duet between a human being
And Mother Nature". Jeff Cox

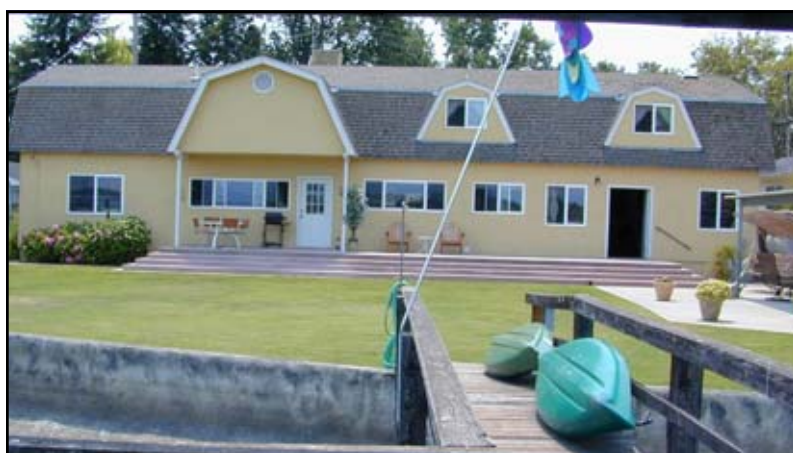


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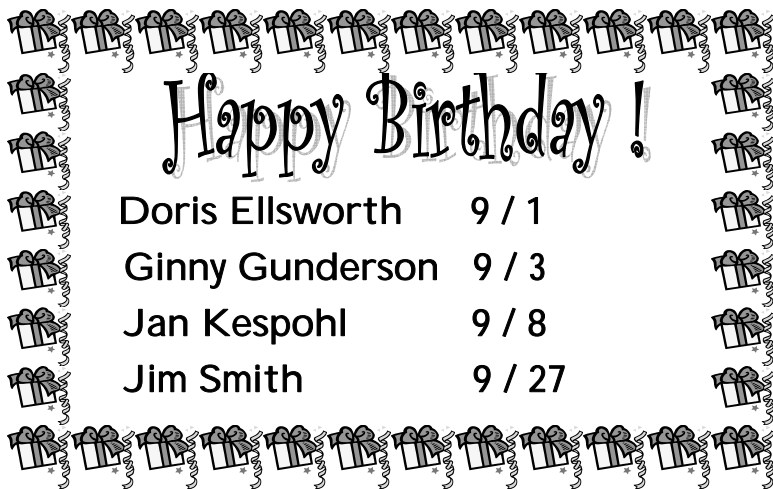




SEE CLUB BULLETIN BOARD:

(located at the back of the room on meeting days)

1. 'Autumn Glory', Dist meeting (hosted by CLTTGC), signup sheet.
2. 'DANCE OF THE MUMS', signup sheet.
3. Christmas Wreath Workshop, signup sheets.



Happy Birthday!

Doris Ellsworth 9 / 1

Ginny Gunderson 9 / 3

Jan Kespohl 9 / 8

Jim Smith 9 / 27

Green

Thumbs Up to *Claire Grieve* for creating a wonderful 2008-2009 Yearbook. While we were all vacationing and enjoying the summer, Claire & many Officers & Chairmen were busily planning our calendar year and making arrangements. I don't dare list names in fear of missing someone, but you know who you are.

Please know that you are appreciated.



Green

Thumbs Up to these dedicated workers: Claire Grieve, Heide Thomason, Jerry Shaul, Mary Secord, and Carol Brabrook. They took time out of their summer to clean up the grounds at Hartley Cemetery Memorial Garden. Also, Jo Douville and Claire Grieve watered our Hanson-Linder-Dinsmore-Millberry Memorial Grove during these HOT months.



New Members

by Diane Neilson



08-09 Yearbook Adds & Corrections:

- Donna Isley's email: gramadi68@gmail.com

CLTTGC 2007 Awards

Jo Shaul & Mary Secord, Chairmen

C-6 Wildflower Collection

Jo Shaul, 3rd, \$20

C-7 Touring Award-garden club

3rd, \$15

C-9 Birdhouse

Jo Shaul

C-10 Backyard Habitat

Jerry Shaul, 1st, \$25

C-13 Butterfly Info (Dist)

Jo Shaul, 1st, \$50

G-6 Photographic Collection Award

Class B Arrangements

Jo Shaul, Honorable Mention

June Beto

Barbara Swanson

Shirley Estrem, 3rd, ribbon

Class C Single Flowers

Jo Shaul, 1st, ribbon

Shirley Estrem

Class D Fruits & Vegetables

Jo Shaul, Honorable Mention

Class A Garden Areas

Jo Shaul, 1st, ribbon

Shirley Estrem

Club

J-1 Youth Award,

Gardening Achievement, 2nd, \$30

J-9 Junior Horticulture Award, 2nd, ribbon

Year Book—Claire Grieve

Publicity Award, Jo Shaul, 1st, \$35

Civic Beautification Park, Mary Secord

PR Newsletter, Linda Pyers

21 completed



TIME For : Create a list of where to find greens for our Christmas Wreaths

Sunshine News

by Nancy Bailey



06/17/08 - Get Well to Pam Held.

07/30/08 - Thinking of You to June Dye.

08/06/08 - Thinking of You to Sue Flodberg.

08/29/08 - Sympathy to Lyle & Diana Madeson.

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The club meets at 12:00 pm
on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
Scott's Valley Women's Club House
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Lakeport, CA 95453

Garden Club Affiliates

- National Garden Clubs, Inc.
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- California Garden Club, Inc.
(www.CaliforniaGardenClubs.org)
President: Robin Pokorski
- Mendo-Lake District Garden Club
(www.MendoLakeDistrict.org)
District Director: Gina-Belle Smith

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Forget-me-nots

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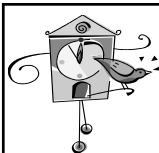
9/4 - Arrangers: 'Single Flower Arrangement'
10:00 am Contact: Barbara Swanson

9/16 Reg Meeting: 'Gallery of Events & Activities'
11:30am New Member Orientation, Chair: Joelle Holford
12:00pm - Social
12:30pm - Flower Roll Call
1:00pm - Meeting
Hostesses: Ann Blue & Carmen Carpenter

9/22 Work Party: Hartley Cemetery Memorial
Contact: Heide Thomason, Jo & Jerry Shaul

October 2008

10/2 10:00am Arrangers.
10/3 9:00am Work Party, Hartley Cemetery.
10/7 10:30am Clearlake, Garden Therapy.
10/8 9:00am Work Party, Memorial Grove.
10/8 9:30am-12noon Awards Workshop.
10/16 10:30am Lucerne, Garden Therapy.
10/21 Club Meeting.
10/22 Dist Meeting hosted by CLTTGC.



TIME For: Collecting seed from our
gardens to share with others.

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