

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 five women who wished to create and promote interest in amateur gardening in Lake County.

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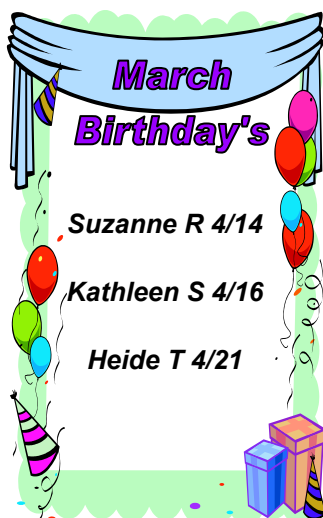
Helen Turley

Secretary:

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Ginny Cline



THYME with Marva Brandt



Welcome to spring! Whereas March brings thoughts of wind (ugh) and rain (we wish), April brings us visions of our gardens awakening from their winter sleep. Don't you love the fresh little green leaves that are opening on our trees? We won't mention the dusting of yellow pollen that is coating everything and creating havoc with allergies! Spring is my favorite time of the year with the garden in full bloom, fragrance and color. My temperature range is 72-76 degrees, so spring works well

for that, too. We hope April will, in fact, bring those poetic *April Showers*. This drought is way too serious!

The Daffodil Tea was so spectacular! Isn't it amazing how we can transform the Grange into such a beautiful venue? Congratulations to Linda Waterstraat who took on the Daffodil Tea, yet one more time, with Nancy Benkelman's able assistance. This event shows what we can accomplish when every club member pitches in.

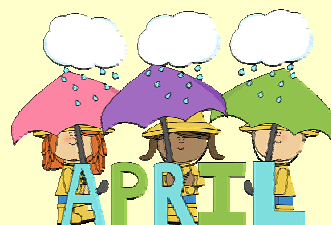
We are going to need this total co-operation from our members again in May as we test our wings with the Garden Tour. Everyone needs to sell tickets. If you are not a docent, please load your car and drive your friends on the tour.

Speaking of testing wings... I am up early this morning and it is pitch black outside. I am writing from my hobby room which is on the second floor. There is a constant tapping on my sliding glass door. It is loud. I know no-one is out there on the upper deck, but it is creepy. I just caught a faint glimpse of the culprit. It is a moth the size of a bird going for the light coming from my room - still creepy!

A note on April Fools Day. When you are a teacher of young children, this is not a good day. Their attempts at April Fools jokes are persistent. However, I did trick them one year. I wore two dark but very different shoes and absolutely refused to look at my feet when they told me about it. I won!

We have diverse things to think about this month: Easter and all kinds of taxes! I will celebrate one and deal with the other.

*We can accomplish
more together
than we can alone.*





APRIL HOSTESSES:

Sunny Czosnowski
Jo Jameson
Nora Gerrard



SUNSHINE REPORT

by Ann Blue

Carmen Carpenter
Claire Grieve
Helen Turley



Green Thumbs Up



To **Susan Buckles** for her hours of work on the Garden Tour. We appreciate your work on this monumental task. Thank YOU!



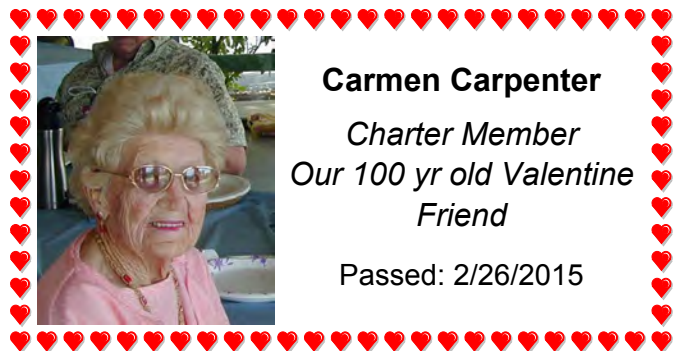
WELCOME

Sandra Burney Adams
Annie Lawrence



THE TREE PLANTER

Whoever planted rows of trees
Beside the roads and lanes,
God rest his soul in Heavenly peace
And bless him for his pains;
For he who gave of time and toil,
Who gave of hear and hand
To nurse the tender shoots that were
To shade the ways of man,
Was quite as great as those who built
Of stone and minted gold-
No need to cast his name in bronze
His deeds need not be told.
Stanley Foss Bartlett



Carmen Carpenter

Charter Member
Our 100 yr old Valentine
Friend

Passed: 2/26/2015



Green Thumbs Up



To Linda W, Nancy B, Shirley E, Kitchen Crew, Hostesses, KaBa-Tin Arrangers, Everyone who brought food, and **Everyone** who brought Gifts. Thank You, **Helen**, who so capably served the Head Table at the Tea



**THE BENCH AT
WESTSIDE PARK**

The bench arrived 3/16/15 and was placed at the baseball field until the Memorial Grove is ready. The irrigation will be installed the first of next week.

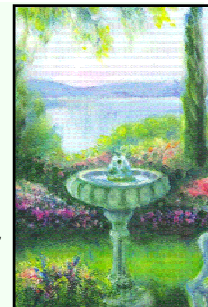


Hidden Gardens of Lake County 2015 Home Garden tour

Each of us needs to get the word out through friends, families, businesses, Facebook or whatever means we each can think of. Thankfully these tickets are an easy sell.

REMEMBER: May 30th, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Tickets are \$25. More info coming at our next meeting.

Invite your friends to visit our web site at www.clttgc.org (Thanks Kathleen)





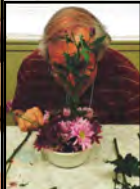








Garden Therapy with Michelle



Tree Reminds Me. . .by Claire Grieve

When I first joined the garden club, Sharon Thorne was President. She talked me into becoming Tree Chairman. I made a huge chart with a tree and when someone planted a tree, they wrote their name & what kind of tree that they had planted on a leaf. The more trees that were planted, the more leaves the tree had. We planted many trees around the county. Then one year for Arbor Day a member donated a 1-2 foot tall tree to be planted at the Scotts Valley Woman's Clubhouse. Four of us (Sue Flodberg, Nancy Benkelman, ???, and me) unfortunately we picked a very rainy day for the planting. With shovels and umbrellas we planted that little tree. You can see it now by the parking lot.



Wish more of you could have gone to 'Growing Wild', at The SF Flower and Garden show, March 22nd. Maureen, Debra and I ended up staying in SF the night before the show and going to a wonderful little homey Italian restaurant in North Beach. The show itself was in San Mateo and featured sustainable gardening and floral design. The KaBa-Tin Arrangers would have enjoyed the display. As you can see from the picture we each bought a 'Garden Broom'; environmentally friendly; sturdier than a broom and handier than a rake; made from coconut palm leaf that has fallen off the tree. One demonstration and we were sold. By: Susan Buckles



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING: 'Yellow Submarine',

Created by Julie Nodine

Donated by Richard Nodine

Ticket Prices:

\$1.00 for a single ticket

\$5.00 for six (6) tickets

\$10.00 for twelve (12) tickets

Drawing will be May 30th

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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
2298 Hendricks Road in Lakeport

Garden Club Affiliates

- **National Garden Clubs, Inc.**
(www.gardenclub.org)
- **Pacific Region**
(www.pacificregiongardenclubs.org)
- **California Garden Club, Inc.**
(www.californiagardenclubs.org)
- **Mendo-Lake District Garden Club**
(www.mendolakedistrict.org)
District Director: Rhea Pitchard

Let's Bloom, Believe and Befriend!



Forget-me-nots

APRIL 2015

- 2 Garden Therapy with Michelle
10:30am (Thur) 1st Lutheran Church
3863 Country Club Dr, Lucerne
- 10 **LKRA 'Panel Design'**
(Tuesday) 1:30pm, St Johns Episcopal Church
1190 N Forbes St, Lakeport
- 16 Redwood Arrangers "Multi-Rhythmic"
Ukiah Senior Center
495 Leslie St at 1pm (Monday)
- 16 **Board Meeting** 2:30pm Michelle Wisler's home
- 21 **CLUB MEETING** at Club House
12:00 noon - Social/Refreshment Time
12:30pm **SPEAKER:** Veronica Cruz & Trish
Gallager, Certified Herbalist.
PROGRAM: Medicinal Herbs/Amending
Soil and Seaweed;
1:00pm Flower Roll Call
1:30pm Business Meeting

FIELD TRIP: Finch Gardens April 24th, 10am
(6565 Live oak Dr, Kelseyville) Helen Finch is
director of The Kid's Garden at Kelseyville
Elementary School. Now we can get to see her
garden! We can meet at her garden. For those of
you who live in Lakeport and beyond, car-pooling
can be arranged at our next meeting.

FIELD TRIP: SF Bouquet d'Art Show 24-30
You will see floral arrangements matching mu-
seum art. Very Creative!

Save vegetable and flower seeds (and plants)
for Irene D's Community Garden in Lucerne.
Please bring your love offering to the April
Meeting.

Deadline for newsletter is the fourth Tuesday of the
month (Tuesday following meeting date)