

# 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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## 2015-16 Officers:

### President:

Ginny Cline

### Vice President:

Mary Welsh

### Treasurer:

Bonnie Brady

### Secretary:

Kathy Steinberg

### Parliamentarian:

Helen Turley



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## FALL PLANTING:

Broccoli  
Brussel sprouts  
Chard  
Spinach



## THYME WITH PRESIDENT GINNY

Dear members,

I was very glad we settled the Budget, Standing Rules and the donations for the 8 gardens. I'm looking forward to moving on and enjoying the rest of our Garden Club year.

The tour of the State Park is November 6th at 9:30am then lunch at Woody's in Kelseyville in the Kelseyville Lumber facility.

The work party for Hartley Cemetery is scheduled for November 9th at 10am. Please bring a hat, gloves and your gardening tools. We will celebrate 30 years of working on this Civic Beautification project with cake.

We are all looking forward to the Mum Show on November 13th at the Yacht Club. Hope to see YOU there.

### THERE'S SUNSHINE IN A SMILE

*Life is a mixture  
of sunshine and rain,  
Laughter and pleasure,  
teardrops and pain,  
All days can't be bright,  
but it's certainly true,  
There was never a cloud  
the sun didn't shine through--  
So just keep on smiling  
whatever betide you,  
Secure in the knowledge  
God is always beside you,  
And you'll find when you smile  
your day will be brighter  
And all of your burdens  
will seem so much lighter--  
For each time you smile  
you will find it is true  
Somebody, somewhere  
will smile back at you,  
And nothing on earth  
can make life more worthwhile  
Than the sunshine and warmth  
of a beautiful smile*

*by Helen Steiner Rice*



Happy fall! Ginny

## SUNSHINE REPORT

by Ann Blue

*Gladdy & Tammy*  
*Susan Buckles*  
*Nancy Benkelman*  
*Debra Watson O'Dell*



### HOSTESS FOR NOVEMBER:

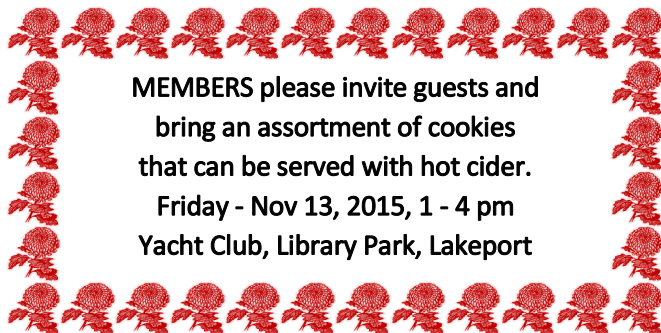
**Barbara Swanson**  
**Pam Held**  
**Mary Welsh**



**Help  
Wanted!**

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

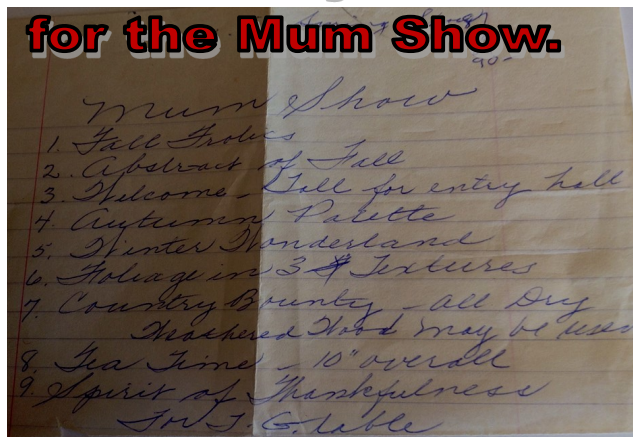
Please consider serving! Nominees are submitted at the February Meeting and voted on in April. The committee consists of three members to serve a one-year term.



**MEMBERS** please invite guests and bring an assortment of cookies that can be served with hot cider.

**Friday - Nov 13, 2015, 1 - 4 pm**  
**Yacht Club, Library Park, Lakeport**

## Carol Kesey's notes for the Mum Show.



## SHINES AGAIN—2015 MUM SHOW (Public invited)

As the days get shorter it's *Mum Time* in the garden. These last blooming beauties grace our lives with flower filled inspiration. Our Mum Show this year is '*Shines Again*' in memory of our Flower Mum (Carol Kesey). Many of us got our first slips of plants from her collection of 40 plus plant varieties.

The first Show and Tea was held in Carol's new home on 9th and High in the late 50's. My first show was in 1963 as I returned to Scotts Valley Road home and given a ticket by neighbor and garden club member Helen Richabaugh. I enjoyed the show, even individual table settings at the Fairgrounds Home Arts Building. Through the years there were Standard Flower Shows at different places with judges for specimens and arrangements which included a Book of Evidence sent to the State. This detailed lots of effort in each category. This came to a time of change and the Show was not on the club calendar. The Mums kept blooming.



After a few years then President, Claire Grieve, invited a group of interested members for coffee & goodies



around her kitchen table. The spark was ignited again as a creative adventure with growers bringing specimens and

blooms to share with the arrangers. The first theme was '*Dance with Mums*'. We danced with the flowers as each named their own arrangement. The Yacht Club was the perfect setting for the beautiful show.

The last few years our focus has been on learning different design styles. Each arranger does a design of their own choosing. The tables are filled with flower fun and creativity. **Shirley Estrem**



**NOVEMBER PROGRAM:** Terry Knight is a retired electrical engineer and worked for FEMA and Argonne National Lab. He started outdoor and environmental writing for the Record-Bee in 1987. He also writes for a number of magazines including Bay Nature, Wilderness Unlimited, Western Outdoor News & several other publications.

His talk will be on the impact of the drought on Lake County. He will also explain what an El Nino is and what we can expect and what impact it could have on the areas that were recently burned in the wildfires.



**FIELD TRIP: Clear Lake State Park  
Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Meet: 9:30 AM at the Visitor Center inside the park.**

This is a guided tour with retired ranger Val Nixon. We will be walking on Dorn trail which is ADA assessable, easy walking and very beautiful.

Wear comfortable clothing and appropriate shoes.

Lunch after: Woody's Café at Kelseyville Lumber.

*\*Please call (279-0192) or email Susan if you plan to go.*

*We cannot have Val there and have no one shows up.*



**Garden Therapy**



## CELEBRATE-30 YEARS OF GARDEN CLUB PROJECT



Our garden club started to landscape the Hartley Cemetery Memorial Gardens at the chapel grounds in 1985. We replaced 30 yards of river rock with top soil. The whole cemetery had one well so we chose natives and hardy bulbs, shrubs, trees and perennials for our plants. We maintain all except lawn area. We divided area into 5 sections, completing it in 1989 with a 3 foot split rail fence.

Please join Mary Secord and me for our Fall Civic Beautification work party and celebration of 30 years of working on this project. We have a program planned with stories, information and photos. (Did you know Jerry & Jo's son built the chapel, or that Mary's husband Jack created the 2 stain glass windows, or that most of the bushes and trees are in memory of someone??).



**Monday, November 9 at 10am.** Bring clippers & gloves, a chair & rake, broom, & shovel. Join us to do a bit of clean up or just come to hear stories shared. Please email or phone me if you can join us. We will have a cake to celebrate this project that was created during Mary's term as President of our garden club.

Directions: Hwy 29 to Park Way (by fire house & Lakeport Community Church), turn right onto Hill Rd East, go 2 miles to Shady Lane which is off to left (don't drive to right over the overpass) about 1/2 mile to cemetery.

**Claire Grieve, Civic Beautification Work Party Chair**

## TREES PLANTED by CLTTGC

The following information was researched by Claire Grieve. Notes on tree plantings and newspaper articles were found in the Presidents' History Books.

This list is not complete; not all the books were available. Not included in this list are the many shrubs, plants, and flowers that CLTTGC has planted as part of the Civic Beautification projects over the years. This record of how many trees, what kind, and where they were planted is a good reference for all of our members.



March 10, 1966—Arbor Day - Clear Lake High School - 3 magnolia, grandiflora trees.

March 9, 1968—Arbor Day - East School, Clear Lake Oaks - willow tree.

May, 1970—County Jail and Sheriff's bldg.

October, 1971—Arbor Day - Happy Day School - crepe myrtle; Clear Lake High School - silver maple.

March, 1972—Arbor Day - Lake Co Chamber of Commerce, Vista Site - pink flowering plum tree.

March 7, 1973—Arbor Day - George G Holberg Vista Point (in memory of C Booth's husband) - fruitless mulberry trees.

March 20, 1974—Arbor Day - Lake Co Courthouse - Eucalyptus.

April, 1974—Happy Day School - crepe myrtle.

June, 1976—CLTTGC landscapes new elementary school.

July 7, 1976—Lakeport Elementary School in honor of Morris Curry.

June, 1978—Hospital Landscape Project.

February 9, 1979—Terrance Elementary School in memory of Past President Elma McKee - trees and shrubs.

March 9, 1979—Arbor Day - Lakeport Elementary School honoring Elizabeth Whitehead.

March 9, 1979—Camellia Christian Science Church School.

March 23, 1979—Arbor Day - honoring Elma McKee.

May 1, 1979—Happy Day School - in memory of Ralph Leedes - tree.

March 7, 1980—Arbor Day - Grammar School - Liquid Amber Tree.

March, 1981—Arbor Day - Grammar School.

March, 1982—Arbor Day—Christian Church honoring past President Edith Moosegaard - flowering cherry tree.

March 24, 1988—Upper Lake Park.

May 11, 1988—Centennial at City Hall, Lakeport - Magnolia tree.

March 10, 1991—Arbor Day -Kathy Woods Kindergarten Class.

March 13, 1992—Arbor Day - Lakeport Elementary School.

March 6, 1993—Arbor Day - Redbud Community School, Argonaut Rd, Lakeport.

March, 2007—Arbor Day - ceanothus tree.

May, 2007—Hanson-Linder-Dinsmore-Millberry Memorial Grove - dogwood tree.

March, 2008:

Westside Park (adjacent to Dog Park) - 4 red horse chestnut trees.

Blue Star Memorial Garden - red bud bush.

Hanson-Linder-Dinsmore-Millberry Memorial Grove in honor of Carol Kesey - red bud bush.

Kelseyville Kid's Garden - cherry stella tree.

Parking lot at 5<sup>th</sup> Street boat ramp, Lakeport - 3 Chinese Pistacia trees.

Hanson-Linder-Dinsmore-Millberry Memorial Grove - cedar tree.

April, 2008--Hanson-Linder-Dinsmore-Millberry Memorial Grove honoring Jo & Jerry Shaul - dogwood tree.

April, 2009—Arbor Day--Parking lot at 5<sup>th</sup> St boat ramp, Lakeport - 3 Chinese Pistacia trees.

CLTTGC records show 50 Penny Pines Plantations donated, with 350 trees planted per plantation equals 17,500 trees.

Past Presidents remember: there were not in the President's Books:

2003-2005—Arbor Day—Habitat for Humanity (homes in Clearlake) - 2004 crepe myrtle, 2005 reynold ash.

2001-2003--Habitat for Humanity (home in Clearlake) - pear tree & cherry tree. Clear Lake shoreline (behind World Mark, Nice) - dogwood tree (Freedom Program). Ornamental pears, new park in Lakeport (park unk). Scott's Valley Woman's Clubhouse - Arbor Day - pine tree.

1999-2001--Tree in Park (park unk).

1994—Middletown High School near FFA Bldg & Special Needs student classroom. Donated \$250 towards the Triangle Park Project, Nice (date unk). County Park—maple tree. Historical Society Bldg, Upper Lake Park - red ash tree. City Hall—Magnolia tree.





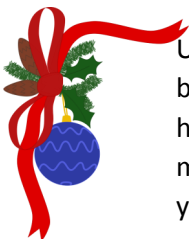
## FIELD TRIP LAST MONTH: Renker's Farm

This is one field trip I'm sorry so many missed! Helen, Ginny, Ann, Leanne, and Carolyn Michaels and I had the most wonderful tour of Renker's Farm. So many of us have bought produce from their little honor-system farm stand but had no idea about the history of this family farm and it's hidden garden filled with an abundance of crops and trees planted, grafted, experimented with throughout the years. At age 85, Mr. Renker is still going strong and is as inquisitive as ever when it comes to gardening. He and his daughter, Gail, who grew up on the farm, took us on a tour, answered so many of our questions and gave us samples to eat as we went along. The trees were a highlight; fruit trees, but also nut trees...Pecans, Hazelnuts, Pistachios and three types of walnuts. The Renker family is a long-time community supporter and invites schools, scouts and other organizations to tour the farm. They have given us Daffodils freely for our tea. And, of course, their corn maze and pumpkins are ready and waiting for Halloween. They will be open until January and reopen in the spring. *Susan Buckles*



## Green Thumbs Up

To **Suzanne** and **Betty** for volunteering to co-chair a Plant/Yard Sale fundraiser. Watch the club calendar in 2016 for an announcement of the date and time.



Upcoming CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON will be at the Riviera Country Club. Betty will have a sign-up sheet at our November meeting. Please be prepared to make your selection and pay.



## Green Thumbs Up



**Bonnie Brady** gave a wonderful talk on 'Herbs'. We learned a little history, a few antidotal stories, some health benefits, learned how to incorporate different herbs in our meals, sampled treats and some took home starter plants. This year, many of the speakers will be members sharing their passions. Excellent Beginning!

## Happy 90th Birthday! MARY SECORD

The MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT will be send via email or a copy with this newsletter to those who receive a mailed copy.



*We are deeply touched and astonished at your generosity in our time of need.*

**Tammy  
& Gladdy**

Editor's Note: It warmed our hearts to see you both. Tammy & Gladdy are our Survivors of the 2015 Valley Fire. **COBB STRONG!!!**

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www.clttgc.org

Return mail: President Ginny Cline  
707 489-3511



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](http://www.gardenclub.org))
- **Pacific Region**  
([www.pacificregiongardenclubs.org](http://www.pacificregiongardenclubs.org))
- **California Garden Club, Inc.**  
([www.californiagardenclubs.org](http://www.californiagardenclubs.org))
- **Mendo-Lake District Garden Club**  
([www.mendolakedistrict.org](http://www.mendolakedistrict.org))  
District Director: Gary Bodensteiner



## Forget-me-nots

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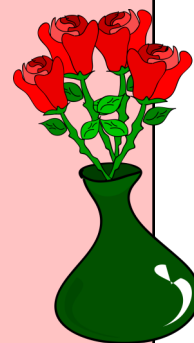


- 5 **Garden Therapy with Michelle**  
10:30am (Thur) 1st Lutheran Church  
3863 Country Club Dr, Lucerne
- 6 **FIELD TRIP: Clear Lake State Park (Fri)**  
Meet: 9:30am at the Visitor Center inside park.
- 9 **WORK SHOP & 30 Year Celebration:**  
Hartley Cemetery. (Mon) 10am.
- 10 **LKRA: 'Practice for Mum Show'**  
(Tues) 1:30pm, St Johns' Episcopal Church  
1190 N Forbes St, Lakeport
- 12 **Board Meeting: (Thur) 10am**, Sun House.
- 13 **Mum Show: 'SHINES AGAIN'**  
(Fri) 1-4pm—free public event  
8am Set-up  
9-12am Bring Arrangements & Cookies

- 17 **Regular Club Meeting: (Tues) Noon**  
Program: "The Effects of the Drought on  
Lake Co", by Terry Knight, Outdoors and  
Environmental writing

### 26 Happy Thanksgiving!

If your roses have trouble  
with black spot fungus, you  
may want to cut them back in  
the fall and dispose of all  
leaves. The fungus will live in  
the soil around the plant and  
re-infect in the spring if you  
do not clean up around the  
plant.



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