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: <u>Helen Turley</u>



Plant: pansies, calendula, gladioli, bareroot roses, fruit trees, and grapes. Lake Co MG



THYME WITH PRESIDENT GINNY

Happy New Year to all!

The Christmas luncheon was well attended.
The girls did a GREAT job in making everyone
feel welcome and presented the members and
guests with a plant, candy, and 'Little Cuties'.



The floral arrangements were beautiful and added to the festive feeling in the room. Wishing for all a very Happy New Year and a bright beginning for us for the year.

It does not take a new year

To make a brand-new start,

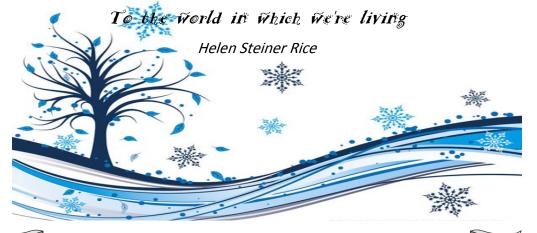
It only takes the deep desire

To try with all your heart

To live a little better

And to always be forgiving

And to add a little sunshine





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HOSTESS FOR JANUARY:
Nancy Benkelman
Linda Waterstraat
Helaine Christensen



SUNSHINE REPORT

by Ann Blue

Nancy Benkelman



MEALS ON WHEELS WORKSHOP:

JOIN IN ON THE FUN

Needed: 170 bags filled with candy and Valentine's for Meals on Wheels clients.

Lakeport Senior Center will deliver bags with meals before Valentine's Day.

Our garden club will purchase bags and candy.

Members, please make/create or purchase

20 or 50 or 170 Valentine cards and sign them.

Then meet at Claire's house to fill bags on Tuesday, February 9 at 10am (chg. to Yearbook).

Dessert & coffee/tea will be served afterwards.

PS: Just think how special it would make you feel to have a bag full of cards telling you that someone is thinking of you. Let's have a good showing!!!



LAKE KABATIN REDBUD ARRANGER Trivia

How long will mums last? From 11/10 to 12/15 when picture was taken. Still together on 12/22.

May all your Holidays be Mum....

Flower friends for fun, Shirley



JANUARY FIELD TRIP:

SOLAR LIVING CENTER Self-guided tour

Thursday, January 22nd

Meet: 9:30am at the Mendo-Lake Parking lot

Lunch: Hopland.

The **Solar Living Center (SLC)** is a 12-acre sustainable living demonstration site that is home to the Solar Living Institute (707-472-2450) and the Real Goods Store (707-472-2403). At the Solar Living Center, 80% of the plantings produce edible and/or useful crops. Plantings are utilized to maximize energy efficiency while portraying the dramatic aspects of the solar year. The Center is landscaped as a microcosm of the Planet with the Northern Forest laden with evergreens in the North leading to the Mediterranean Chaparral of the sub tropics all the way down to the Olive Bosque in the South highlighting features from around the globe.

The Solar Living Center's garden follows the Sun's journey through the seasons, with zones planted to represent the ecosystems of different latitudes. Trees are planted to indicate the four cardinal directions. The fruit garden, perennial beds, herbs, and grasses reflect the abundance and fertility of a home based garden economy.













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For our October field trip we spent a lovely clear fall day in the Clear Lake State Park with our tour guide, Val Nixon, retired State Park Ranger. Val was both entertaining and spoke not only of trees, plants and wildlife but also of the park history. Firstly, Val spoke of the trees planted by our club in the park. One of which is the beautiful Chinese Pistacia tree pictured here with Val standing under it. We were greeted right off by a beautiful white Egret as we crossed the bridge over Cole Creek and Heide spotted a Heron hidden in the trees. As we walked the



boardwalk along the slough sights and sounds of the park came alive. When we finally reached the lake, our happy group stopped for a 'photo op' at a little beach. On our way out, we agreed this is a gem of a park and we are fortunate to have access to this beautiful sanctuary. Susan



THE CARE AND HEALTH OF ROSES: January Speaker: Mary Welsh.

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Why white roses are so special is no mystery - it's a myth. Perhaps it started with the Romans who believed white roses grew where the tears of Venus fell as she mourned the loss of her beloved Adonis. Myth also has it that Venus' son, Cupid, accidentally shot arrows into the rose garden when a bee stung him, and it was the "sting" of the arrows that caused the roses to grow thorns. And when Venus walked through the garden and pricked her foot on a thorn, it was the droplets of her blood which turned the roses red. (Internet)

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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: Gary Bodensteiner



3 TO SERVE ON THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:







JANUARY 2016

Garden Therapy with Michelle

10:30am 1st Lutheran Church 3863 Country Club Dr, Lucerne

- 12 LKRA: 'Dried-Style of Choice (Tues) 1:30pm St John's Episcopal Church 1190 N Forbes Street, Lakeport.
- **15 Board Meeting** 10am, Sun house, Lkpt.
- 19 Regular Club Meeting

12 noon: Social Time/Refreshments

12:30pm Program: 'The Care and Health of

Roses' by Mary Welsh 1-1:30pm Flower Roll Call

1:30pm Business Meeting

22 FIELD TRIP: Solar Living Center-Hopland Carpool: 9:30pm M-L Credit Union lot

FEBRUARY 2016

- 9 (Tuesday) Valentine Workshop
- 9 (Tuesday) LKR Arrangers
- 12 (Friday) Board Meeting
- 16 (Tuesday) Club Meeting
- 24 (Wednesday) Winter District Meeting **Hosted by CLTTGC**





























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