

# CASCADE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

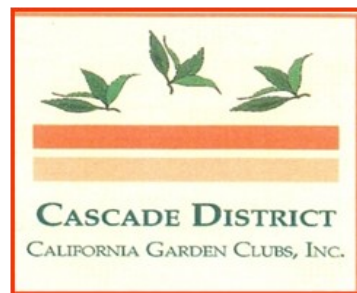
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### Cascade District Fall Meeting

Shasta Lake Garden Project hosted a fantastic District meeting October 25, 2024! There was an abundance of wonderful food, lots of free seeds, silent auction baskets, a very informative speaker on citrus diseases, and a short, productive business meeting. Guests had the opportunity to win their creative, seasonal centerpieces too. The ladies at SLGP did a terrific job. Thank you everyone who participated!



At the meeting a motion was approved to have the Cascade District purchase a Blue Star Memorial Marker for the VA Medical Outpatient Facility on Knighton Road. This will be a highly visible location for the meaningful tribute to all the armed forces. It takes many months to receive the marker, so more timeline information will be in the works.

Pictured is the Blue Star Memorial Marker located at the Tehama District Fairgrounds. Fran Galantine and Carolyn Hoyum posed at the dedication ceremony in March, 2022. The marker was purchased by Red Bluff Garden Club.

It was also decided to have the District purchase a brick for the NGC Path to Success, a walking path on the grounds of the NGC headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri. Red Bluff Garden Club recently purchased a brick. All California bricks are to be placed in an area together. Thank you Cascade District for making California look good on the national level!



The next Cascade District meeting will be February 27, 2025, hosted by Red Bluff Garden Club. Save the date, and watch for more details soon.



**Good food, friends, seeds to share, and beautiful centerpieces to be won at the Cascade District**

## Fall fun in the district

Our Cascade District has kicked off a new garden club year with some fun events. Here are a few glimpses!

Anderson Valley Garden Club has a new president. Welcome to JoAnn Moore, and thanks for taking on this position! We are here to help and guide you, and answer questions as needed. Their club has had a fall Plant Sale, with proceeds that help the scholarship and community garden projects they support.

Lake California Garden Club had its annual Plant, bake, and Yard Sale in their Lake California community on October 12. They offer plants, baked goods, and more for sale. The members enjoy this time of being able to share with each other and the community. Their Holiday Bazaar will be November 16 at the Lake California Club House. Vendors, plants, soup & salad lunch for \$6. Call Kristi to get on the list for gate entrance!

Also, on October 12, Red Bluff Garden Club held their annual fall luncheon at Rolling Hills Casino in Corning. The theme was "Secret Gardens," with Chris Hunter, speaking on low water need plants for our area. There were vendors with unique goods, the always popular silent auction, member created table centerpieces to win, and the hat contest. There were some unique and elaborate hats, making the judges job a challenge! It was a very fun day with good friends, good food, and plants of course.



Some very clever and creative hats, Chris Hunter, plant speaker, and some RB gals

October 18 and 19 Cottonwood Garden Club held a Fall Plant Sale, partnering with the Lion's Club Yard Sale. They had a nice selection of plants, and were able to offer helpful advice to people while getting word out about their garden club!



## More Fall fun...

October 26, Redding Wonderland Garden Club held their Fall Plant and Craft Sale at Cross Point Community Church. The weather was delightful, the plants and crafts were plentiful, giving shoppers a chance to purchase some new treasures! The club was pleased with their successful day.



Great plants and crafts for purchase, and some ladies doing a "happy dance!"

## NGC Flower Show School

Red Bluff Garden Club hosted FFS II August 28-30 In Red Bluff. This was course II of a four course school. The next course will be March 18-20, 2025 at the First United Methodist Church in Red Bluff.

David Robson, from Illinois, taught the horticulture course. The horticulture topics were capitulum and evergreens.. Gina Jogan, from Florida, taught the design portion of the school, focusing on table exhibition and petite designs. Students have the opportunity to become a Flower Show judge after successful completion of the four courses and passing the exam portion. One does not need to become a judge if that is not your goal, but can attend to gain valuable knowledge in design, horticulture, and flower show procedures.

Please contact Dottie Renstrom at [tdrenstrom@yahoo.com](mailto:tdrenstrom@yahoo.com) for further information.



David Robson with horticulture specimens



Gina Jogan with samples of table designs

## Upcoming happenings...

Cascade District Board meeting , Thursday, November 14, 12:15-2:15 at the Anderson Library Community Meeting Room. Topics for discussion are award entries, Blue Ribbon award checklist, newsletters, and district compilation of possible speakers. The District Director would like to see this as a “working together “ meeting with open sharing, questions, and helping each other for what is working for you. Please come with some ideas to share, concerns we can problem solve, and some speaker programs that have been particularly successful and informative to your club. If we work together, we will all be more successful in our garden club objectives!



## Membership Mondays

This Director has participated in two NCG Membership Monday Zoom meetings in October and November., and will share more of the highlights of these meetings. There have been some very helpful suggestions for increasing your club membership which can easily be implemented by each club.

I will bring a list of some of the suggestions to our meeting on November 14 to share with you. I heard fun, enthusiasm, welcoming all guests, stimulating learning topics...mentioned over and over!

## Cascade District Website

Please remember to put your special events on the district calendar. If you are having trouble with this, we can review it at our meeting. We are still in the beginning stages of using the website I know...for many of us, it is a big learning curve. Have you designated someone from your club who will be the website coordinator or contact for your club? I am hoping our next steps can be how to add pictures and newsletter documents to our sites.



Kristi Betts sent this picture of this Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker located near Mt. Shasta. The marker our District will be placing at the VA Clinic will be very similar, but not saying Highway.