



# The Redbud

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## President's Message

Happy October, Garden Club Members!

Did you get some garlic planted along with winter veggie plants and seeds for root crops and lettuce? Some of you know that Maywan finally got me to build her a pair of 4X8 raised beds, and the winter plants in them are growing like weeds. They have really surprised me. It's a great time also to start moving around or dividing our established plants and cleaning our gardens.

When we clean our plants we cannot help but see ways to propagate them. Please keep in mind that this is really our only way to produce plants for our sale next April, so accept my gentle reminder and go outside right now to pot up several things for the sale! If you think this sounds familiar, it is; it's just what I wrote to you last year. Please excuse my repetition but there cannot be too many reminders about being ready for our plant sale!

Our Sept. meeting was early in the month, so numerous people were still on vacation. I hope we will have a better turnout this month to hear what should be a fascinating and relevant talk on re-creating some of our gardens to be literally less work, more environmentally friendly, and more in tune with our drought years. After the meeting we will once again make our annual Oct. pilgrimage to Peggy Beltramo's home. If you are new and not familiar with her home, she has zillions of persimmons to give away!

Following the lunch, we will have our quarterly board meeting, so all officers and past presidents need to be there. See you soon.

- Rick Krach, President

## This Month's Speaker

Cathe' Fish, founder and manager of the Practical Permaculture Research Institute, is an expert in the subject of permaculture. She is a Master Gardener, she lectures and teaches locally, all over the U.S., and internationally, and she will enlighten us on the importance of using permaculture techniques in the home garden. Permaculture combines the best of natural landscaping and edible landscaping.

## Field Trips

On Wednesday, November 12, at 10:30 a.m., we have scheduled a visit to Boonie Lang's Japanese Garden, "Myo-Wa-En" in Granite Bay. Please come and tour the Japanese "secret garden" that is never open to the public, with Boonie Lang as tour guide. She has many Japanese Maples, along with other fall blooming trees. More to follow at the next meeting. You can bring your lunch and picnic in the garden after the tour.

Eisley Nursery is going to have a Poinsettia tour at their nursery on November 14, 10 am to 4 pm. A free lunch will be provided during that time. If you plan to go, please RSVP to Susan or April at 530-885-0900.

Chris Hansell, Field Trip Chair

**Auburn Garden Club Minutes**  
**September 22, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President Rick Krach. Other officers present were Vice President Barbara Ogden, Secretary Lynne Fagundes and Treasurer Erin Angulo. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said. There were 50 members and guests present.

Lorene Accurso's inspiration was read by Rick Krach in her absence. The May minutes were approved.

Treasurer Erin Angulo reported an ending checkbook balance of \$13,165.85. Garth Chamblin moved that we accept the proposed 2014/2015 budget and it carried by a voice vote. Due to the discontinuation of Blue Star Memorial Fund by California Garden Clubs, Inc., Erin suggested three options for us to donate to. The membership will review them and there will be a vote at the October meeting. The locations of memorials with our club name on them will be investigated and announced in the future. Our club donated money for tree seedling plantation through Penny Pines in the names of Rosemary Headley and Rick Krach. This is the club's 39th donation.

**Old business:**

The Anniversary Committee was congratulated on a wonderful celebration.

There was a brief discussion regarding members talking when they should be listening during the meeting. Perhaps a reminder sign or bell would be a help.

**New Business:**

There will be a District Meeting on October 16th. Since our membership constitutes one quarter of the District's members, we need to be more involved. Gradene Cline will do some investigation about their objectives and what we can do to help. Master Gardener Kortne Phillips reminded us of the coming Auburn Home and Garden Show. There will be a Master Gardener booth to provide information and sell their new calendars. Master Gardener Peggy Beltramo has a table set up today with seeds for sale provided by the Master Gardeners. There will be workshops at their garden center for the public beginning at 10:00 am on October 4. More information can be found at their website at [PCMG.UCANR.org](http://PCMG.UCANR.org). A request from the Placer County Library for a speaker will be referred to the Master Gardeners speaker bureau.

Members are invited to tour and eat lunch at the garden of Dave Faoro today.

**Committee Reports:**

Field Trip Chairman Chris Hansell announced two tours in the near future. The first at The Flower Farm Nursery at 10:00 am on October 8. The second tour will be at the Japanese Garden of Boonie Lang on November 12. More details to follow. Dave Tajbl announced for Chairman Karen Tajbl that two applications for the grants have been received. Applications must be submitted by October 1 to be eligible for grants this year.

Hostess Chairman Claudia Duncan thanked Chris Kreps, Chris Hansell, Marti Magenheimer and Claudia Duncan for providing today's treats. Members are asked to volunteer to set up tables and chairs and bring refreshments in the future.

Membership Chairman Carlos Angulo introduced our newest member Monna Ruskauff.

Newsletter Chairman Karen Sullivan has our roster and information booklets ready for paid members and also membership cards from the California Garden Club.

Plant Sale Chairman Garth Chamblin has supplies for potting up plants for any members needing them. Also he is willing to refurbish tools when members bring them to meetings.

Propagation Chairman Saul Wiseman sent word that propagators will begin meeting at his home again on the second Thursday in October. Eight small truckloads of propagated plants were donated to the plant sale last year thanks to this group. All members are welcome.

Horticulture Chairman Rick Krach presented the plants brought by members for discussion. It was announced that gardeners can call Davey's Tree Service to have wood chips brought to their yards.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am for a break, after which we had a very informative talk and presentation by Scott Chadd of Lotus Bonsai Nursery

Lynne Fagundes, Secretary

**October/November Calendar**

- October 27 Club meeting, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1279 High Street, Auburn, 9:00 a.m.
- November 12 Field Trip to Boonie Lang's Garden, 10:30 am
- November 14 Poinsettia Tour at Easley Nursery, 10 am to 4 pm
- November 24 Club meeting, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1279 High Street, Auburn, 11:30 a.m.

**See you at the meeting next Monday, October 27!**

