



The Redbud

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President's Message

Welcome back garden club members!

It does seem like ages since we've seen each other! I hope your garden has been spectacular – I must have a record number of peppers of all kinds, tomatoes and zucchini, pumpkins and figs. Our goats have been enjoying all the extras we don't give to family and friends.

A lot has happened over the summer; we have a **NEW meeting place – Pioneer Methodist Church on the corner of Lincoln and Auburn-Folsom, just across from the Courthouse.** We will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall in the back. Take the driveway (one way) down and we will be in the building on the left. We have a larger room and huge kitchen! Much thanks to Debbie Arlington for finding our new home!

Unfortunately, Carlos and I will not be at the first meeting. We will be on a cruise around Alaska! Mike McGrath and Kelly Warman will take over for me. Be kind to them lol! Don't forget to bring or fill out our new applications if you haven't already. The board voted to have new applications completed for all members so that we have emergency contact information for all attending meetings. A binder will have the applications and be brought to each meeting in case of an emergency. Thank you in advance for doing this.

Paula Shover oversees a new committee – finding member gardens to visit after our meeting. She already has Sept and Oct done!! Thanks to **Chris Hansell** for sharing her garden this month – 5220 Stanley Dr. in Auburn. She will bring maps to the meeting.

Happy gardening!

Erin Angulo
President, Auburn Garden Club

A NEW LOCATION FOR MEETINGS
Pioneer Methodist Church
1338 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA

This Month's Speaker

Our speaker for September, **Greg Gayton**, will present **Organic growing and Sustainability for gardens in our area**. Greg is a California certified nursery professional with Green Acres Nursery. Greg joined Green Acres (then Matsuda's) at 19 years of age said, "I'm 60 now and I've never lost the passion I have for teaching others." He is currently in charge of IT, Marketing, and Safety at the five Green Acres locations. YouTube interview by KCRAs Deirdre Fitzpatrick of Greg: [Forget the green thumb; Social media can help your garden grow](#)

Green Acres Nursery & Supply is a Sacramento-local, family-owned business. In 2003, they opened up their first garden center in Roseville, California. Since then, they have expanded to include a total of five retail locations. Green Acres purchased Matsuda several years ago, and they have a 200 acre growing ground in Southeast Sacramento. They are on social media and their website is: idiggreenacres.com

Field Trip – Loretta McGrath

WE'RE GOING TO TROLL KNOLL!

When: October 8, 2019 at 9:30 am.

Where: 10148 Oak Canyon Drive, Penn Valley

Troll Knoll is a garden like no other. Here's a formula for excitement: Take a retired (and slightly bored) legal professional with an abiding love of his wife, Ann, a passion for gardening, creative skills ranging from embroidery to arc welding – and lots and lots of imagination. The result is Troll Knoll. Nearly everything within the confines of this 20-acre estate – from its spectacular botanical display to its mythical mischievous inhabitants – is what John Morris calls, "A conceptual metaphor." "All of these things," he says, "reflect upon some experience in my life."

Join us as John presents a talk on environmentally friendly planning, planting and tips on sustaining a large garden as one ages. You can see some of this beautiful garden at www.trollknoll.com.

Please note: Although there are numerous sitting areas along the paths, many are rocky and you'll also need to be able to negotiate some stairs.

Grants – Dave Faoro

Hello everyone, It's Grant Season!

It's that time of year where we make good use of the results from everyone's efforts at the plant sale.

The 2019 forms are updated on our website. I know many of you work with organizations that might be interested so let them know how to apply. It is quite simple. Everything can be done electronically.

Just download the forms, fill them out and send to the grant committee email address which is documented. Deadline for getting in the forms is Oct. 1, 2019

If they have any questions, they can also send questions via email to the Grant Committee email at AuburnGardenClubGrants@gmail.com

Here is the link to the Grant information on our webpage.
<http://www.auburngardenclub.org/Grants.htm>

If any of you members have questions, don't hesitate contacting me, Dave Faoro at dave@faoro.us

Looking forward to seeing you on Sept. 23 for our first meeting.

Thanks,
Dave Faoro
For the Grant Committee

Upcoming Events

LANDSCAPE TO ATTRACT WILDLIFE (BIRDS)

September 21, 2019 - 9:30 am. to 11:00 am.

San Juan Water District, 9935 Auburn Folsom Road, Granite Bay

Enjoy birding in your backyard! District staff will briefly present on low water plants and landscaping techniques to attract birds in the beginning of the workshop. Afterwards, special guest, Rudy Darling, President of the Sierra Foothills Audubon Society, will discuss the great variety of birds that make this area their home.

Contact: Water Efficiency Department at 916-791-2663 RSVP required

Plant Sale News – Rick Krach

Dear Members,

It's a great time of year to begin starting things for next April's sale. I will be bringing some potting soil in about 20 lb. bags to our Sept. meeting. If you know for sure that you'll want some, email me so I can save you some. I can also bring some gallon size pots if anyone need them. I have had a request for slightly smaller pots, like 6" size, so if you have any of them, please bring them to the meeting. We generally do not like to sell many 4" size plants, so do not bring any of that size to share. And, of course, if you have larger pots, like the 5 to 10 gallon sizes, bring them to share, also.

If you have a little more than you can handle at your home as far as digging and potting goes, maybe you'd like some help. The Plant Sale Committee will be going to the Tajbls' home on Monday morning Oct. 21 to pot up things in their yard. I'll be asking the general group at our Sept. meeting for other volunteers to help, so keep that in mind and we'll talk more about it at the meeting.

Colfax Garden Club Garden Tour

Sunday, October 6, 2019

10 am to 4 pm

Tickets \$20 – children under 12 free

Local artists in five fabulous gardens.

See the Colfax Garden Club small standard flower show "Fall for Us!" which includes horticultural specimens, design entries, and special educational exhibits at the Train Depot and visit the Colfax Area Heritage Museum, both free to the public. Tickets sold here from 9 am to 3 pm on tour day.

Advance tickets available: Colfax: Hanson Brothers; Colfax Farm and Country Store. Grass Valley: Weiss Brothers Nursery. Auburn: Easley Nursery. Proceeds support Community Projects including the Colfax Elementary School Youth Garden.

AGC Garden Club Meeting Minutes

Bethlehem Lutheran Church May 20, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Erin Angulo, President.

There were 40 in attendance.

Several inspirations were read by Rick Krach.

The April minutes were accepted as written.

In the absence of Susan Pruess, Erin reported a cash bank balance of \$10,375.09 not including receipts from Garth's sale of tomato plants.

Committee Reports:

Field Trips, Loretta McGrath. No more field trips this year. Email suggestions to her. Because May's trip to Trey Pfitsinger's Garden Valley nursery was canceled because of rain it will be postponed until September. Erin suggested a summer trip to Annie's Annuals because it will be cooler there!

Hospitality, Billie True. Today's refreshments were provided by Andrea Knox, Sandy Parks and Ellen Stephens. Please sign up for the Luncheon at Awwful Ann, on June 10th, \$20.

Membership, Carlos Angulo. Dues are due. Welcome back Dorothy, our 90 year old past member!

Plant Sale, Rick Krach. Proceeds from the plant sale, \$3250 of which \$2600 was plants and \$800 from Chris in garden items, \$200 more than last year. Suggestions for next year from the committee include: moving the garden item from the back of the building to the front. In doing so we will need more tables and pop up tents for shade, adding a donation jar and a sign describing what we raise money for, having coffee and food items for sale in addition to the baked items, perhaps asking a local coffee shop to donate, selling potting soil, providing delivery for large items. Ellie suggested having milkweed for sale since there were inquiries. Peggy Beltramo warned about the difficulty with seed germination and the types of milkweed that could be detrimental. Rick complemented everyone who participated for doing a great job. And now for next year...

Sunshine, Debbie Arlington was not here but Erin asked to let her know if anyone needed a card. Billie announced Ruth Peterhans is having back surgery next week.

Horticulture, Claire Gumz. Claire had a health scare, an A Fib incident requiring 5 hours in emergency! This weeks plant material provided by Gene Goldsmith-his *ever-blooming* Brugmansia, 2 abutilon including 'Tiger Eye', Caarpenteria, Bush Anemone, and Deutzia. Rick Krach brought Cala Lily 'Green Goddess, Euphorbia purchased as a small plant and now huge, Redbud "Forest Pansy' with beautiful red leaves, Catalpa, Calacanthus, spice bush with unusual flowers which smells like a wine barrel, a late blooming dogwood, possibly 'Kousa'. A question from the floor about yellowing leaves on citrus in a container;' Claire suggested feeding monthly with an organic fertilizer and that it may need repotting.

New Business:

Master Gardeners, Kortne Phillips. The Garden Tour sold 500 tickets. Someone from Fine Garden magazine approached a few homeowners whose gardens were on the tour asking to photograph their gardens! Next year will be the 35th anniversary of the tour so make suggestions for gardens to visit, the tour will be up the hill in our area next year. Jeri Cunningham will have her Cottage Garden open May 31st and June 1st. Her garden is at 21695 Cascade Crossing Road, Grass Valley (near 49 and Combie Rd). Kelly Warman announced 'Wildfest', an open house of the wildlife federation was this past weekend. Located across from Placer Animal Shelter we all should put it on our calendar for next year.

Meeting adjourned 9:58 AM

Kelly Warman gave an informative presentation on Fire Wise Landscaping.

Alice Mork, Secretary