

# 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 three women who wished to create and promote interest in amateur gardening in Lake County.

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## Officers:

- President:  
**Claire Grieve**
- Vice President  
**Theresa Mathur**
- Treasurer:  
**Nora Gerrard**
- Secretary:  
**Linda Waterstraat**
- Parliamentarian:  
**Jo Douville**



**TIP #6** Because chrysanthemums have shallow root systems, research says to leave the old foliage thru winter. Apply 4-6 inches of straw, pine needles or other mulch material in late Nov or early Dec. to help keep the soil uniformly cold and minimize the freezing-thawing cycle & soil heaving. The National Gardener (Fall 2008) Jo Shaul

**TIP #7** Remove salt deposits on clay pots—equal parts of vinegar & water. Claire Grieve

## 'DANCE OF THE MUMS'



### "Dance of the Mums" Chrysanthemum Show November 14, 2008

(setup starts at 8:30am), OPEN to the PUBLIC 1 - 4pm  
Lakeport Yacht Club (by the 5th St. Boat Ramp), Lakeport



CLTTGC members will share their talents of growing mums, displaying mum specimens they grew, and floral arrangements they created. All CLTTGC members are encouraged to enter. This is not a judged competition, rather a fun event to share with our community.

Members are encouraged to bring cookies, setup & take down displays, socialize with those that attend, and just enjoy the day.

Please tell your neighbors, friends, and whoever you think would enjoy the show.

**Show and Tell at our NEXT MEETING:** Program Chairman Theresa Mathur will be leading us in a 'Show and Tell' at our next Meeting (Nov 18th). **Everyone**, please bring up to three of the following: flowers or potted plants or plant cuttings that grow well in your garden to share during the meeting. Be prepared to give us hints and information about your success with your chosen items.

## THE HUMMINGBIRD PLANT (ZAUSCHNERIA CALIFORNICA)...by Jerry Shaul



A long, long, time ago when I was young and chipper. Josephine was I ever young and chipper? Jerry, only when I had a headache and three other times. You remember--our three sons. It was during another chipper time when I was hiking amongst huge rock formations that over the millennium had crumbled forming steep slopes of loose gravel that were impossible to negotiate. It was late summer and I was surprised to see patches of gray-green foliage accented with scarlet red hanging from rock slips and stabilizing areas of gravelly soil. Water seepage through fractured rock kept these beacons of joy "fresh as a fiddle" when most other plants had

retired for the year. Another surprise! Here in this desolate but beautiful area I could see hummingbirds darting about and dipping into those long scarlet trumpet shaped flowers. Fighting each other for a taste of their favorite food.. With my wildflower kit in hand, I gingerly extracted several robust plants and made them comfortable in water soaked Kleenex. Over 30 years those plants multiplied a thousand fold in my dry borders and rock gardens. Gray sprinkled with red continues to hug the ground and kiss the hummingbirds throughout the hot summer days. Hiking amongst huge rock formation? Josephine, can I have my nap now.





Cultivate

Kindness,

Share

Your

Garden

My garden swing was packed into the garage today - that is where I sit and listen to the birds, read a garden magazine, and share time with the dogs (they like the swing).

My garden is moving into the next season - it is a joy to watch these changes. Likewise, our garden club is also changing with new members, new friends, new ideas. This is all good, it keeps us on our toes and makes us want to be involved.

My garden club calendar is very full - with flower arranging, garden therapy, workshops at the parks, getting ready for our mum show, helping host the Dist mtg, selling wreaths and making bows - but most of all I enjoy stopping by to visit my

garden club friends, and even more fun is to have you stop by to visit me. This all goes with my theme of Cultivating Kindness, Share Your Garden. Just this week I planted cannas from Doris Ellsworth's garden, spider lily bulbs from Jo Shaul's garden, and some plants and seeds from Carol Kesey's garden. My garden has such a warm and welcoming feel - thanks to my garden club friends.

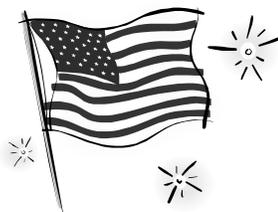


See you in the garden, Claire



North Lake Garden Club will be dedicating a Blue Star Memorial at the Nice Triangle Parkway.

November 11, 2 - 4pm



Christmas Luncheon - sign up.



Newsletter Editor  
Linda Pyers

Deadline for articles is the last day of each month, but sooner is better.

- **BYLAW changes.** Parliamentarian, **Jo Douville** brought two motions to the floor. **BOTH MOTIONS PASSED.** The first motion changed 'Corresponding Secretary' and 'Recording Secretary' to 'Secretary' (effective immediately). The second motion reduced all Officers' and Chairmen's terms from a 'two year term' to 'one year term' (effective in 2009).

Please bring gently used items and unwanted gifts to donate for our gift basket. Hand crafted items by our talented members are welcome. Money raised from the drawing supports the newsletter. Please



**TIME TO :** PLANT SPRING FLOWERING BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS, GARLIC, POTATOES, PANSIES VIOLAS, ALYSSUM, STOCK, SNAPDRAGONS, AND SEED WILDFLOWERS.



Christmas Wreath Orders are due on or before our November 18th club meeting. Also, please call or email **Linda Pyers** (see Yearbook for number/email address) with your order so she can keep a tally.

### Christmas Wreath Greenery Wanted:

Please let **Mary Secord** know about that contact or those locations you've scouted out. The more beautiful and varied the greens and the prettier our wreaths will be.

### Garden Therapy



You may have noticed a huge black streak across the October sky in Scotts Valley that resembled a Halloween witch on her broom stick. It was undoubtedly **Joanne Jameson** scouting out her rye grasses, cat tails and other weeds and

things she collects each year for our Clearlake and Lucerne Garden Therapy Projects with her seniors.

After collecting about 24 containers during the year at yard sales, thrift stores (**Barbara Fain** also helps with Hospice discards), purchasing oasis or dry foam and gathering a few fresh flowers that are available, then she is ready for a fun time with delightful and delighted seniors for their flower arranging project. **President Claire** enjoyed her outing on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> in Clearlake. Did we hear she was treated to lunch at the Cactus Grill – yummy! and of course some shopping at Walmart was a must.

Then on Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, it was over to Lucerne for more fun with **Rena Clifton** joining **Claire** and **Joanne** where they supplied participants with fall and Halloween elements. **Joanne** can't help but supply a little live entertainment at times – these occasions it was her impersonation of 'A Mean Ole Witch.' (Notice any type casting anyone?)

She'd like to express her appreciation for any help you give her. Can you collect containers – about 12 at each location? Do you enjoy gathering dried *wild things*?

The joy you get going to one of the facilities is very rewarding. Are you interested in helping at some of these? At this time, we have one for each of the four seasons or holidays at Clearlake and Lucerne. **Claire** has spearheaded a Valentine Bag for Meals on Wheels (Check page 30 in our Yearbook for more details).

That's only nine each year and we're looking forward to lots of help in order to expand the program.



*If I had a single flower for every time I think about you,  
I could walk forever in my garden. -attributed to Claudia Ghandi*



Oct 22 CLTTGC hosted the Fall District meeting. I'm not sure what was the highlight of the day - the beautiful floral centerpieces arrangements, the wonderful selections of homemade soups, breads, and desserts, or the fun of getting together with other clubs? What an enjoyable day. As a very special treat we had honored guests. **Mary Lou Goodwin**, CGCI Landscape Design Counsel Chairman and past president of CGCI, presented awards to local Lake County wineries - Tulip Hill Winery and Ceigo Winery - for their good 'land use' in landscape design. Also **Sharon Thorne** received a certificate for completing her environmental studies courses. We enjoyed the owners of each of the wineries sharing information about their landscape designs.





***Doris  
Ellsworth***





Green  
Thumbs  
Up  
to **Jo Shaul**  
for hosting the Bow Mak-  
ing Workshop & all  
these worker.



Green  
Thumbs  
Up  
to **Claire Grieve** for rewarding  
members who were acknowl-  
edged for sharing seeds or  
plants with others. Claire contin-  
ues to encourage us to live out  
her theme, 'Cultivate Kindness,  
Share your Garden'.



Green  
Thumbs  
Up  
to **Jo Douville** for her prepara-  
tion and presentation of the mo-  
tions brought to us from our  
Board at the Oct meeting. Well  
done!



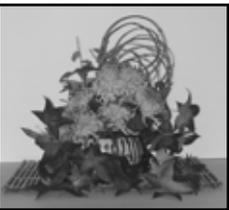
Green  
Thumbs  
Up  
to **Mary Secord & Jo Shaul**  
for another successful Awards  
Workshop. Think they have sev-  
eral books in the works.



Green  
Thumbs  
Up  
to **Brabara Swanson & Nora  
Gerrard** and the team for host-  
ing a very successful District  
Meeting.



Green  
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Up to a fantastic program at our Oct mtg. - **Members of  
Lake Kabatin Redbud Arrangers** shared their talents by creating  
beautiful floral arrangements for our Oct. Mtg. These arrangements  
were also displayed as center pieces on the tables for our Fall District  
mtg. Many, many compliments could be heard during the day. You  
guys made our club proud.



## Lake Kabatin Redbud Arrangers



**SEE CLUB BULLETIN BOARD:**

(located at the back of our meeting room).

1. Christmas Wreath Workshop,  
signup sheets.
2. Wreath Order Envelopes due at  
Nov mtg.
3. Christmas Luncheon - signups.
4. Bough Making Workshop-signups.

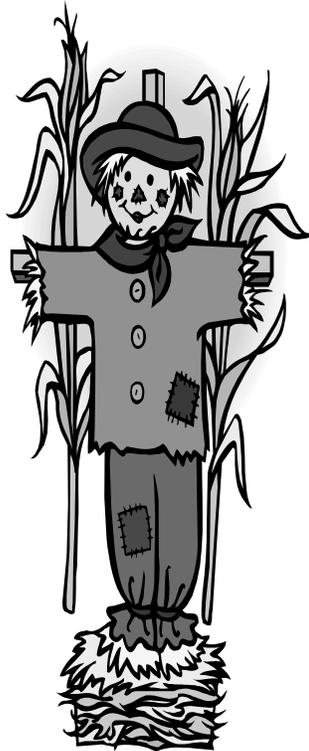
# Happy Birthday!

Thomas Welsh	11/4
Marva Brandt	12/5
Carol Kesey	12/5
Dorothy Glynn	12/9

## Oppotunity Drawing Winner



Jane Graham



Green

Thumbs

Up to **Joanne Jameson.**



But why? was Joanne making this face at our meeting? Well you just had to be there. She shared with us, 'A Mean Ole Witch' skit that she entertained the lovely men and women attending our Garden Therapy (Adult Respite Program).

**S C A R Y**

### New Members

by Diane Neilson



08-09 Yearbook Adds & Corrections:

New Member: Suzanne Russell  
(Please add to your Yearbook)

### Sunshine News

by Nancy Bailey



- 10/07/08 - Thinking of You to Linda Pyers
- 10/07/08 - Speedy Recovery to Roger Beto
- 10/26/08 - Welcome to Suzanne Russell

## Clear Lake Trowel & Trellis Garden Club

Return mail: Pres Claire Grieve, 970 4th St, Lakeport, CA 95453

The club meets at 12:00 pm  
on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.  
Scott's Valley Women's Club House  
2298 Hendricks Road  
Lakeport, CA 95453

### Garden Club Affiliates

- National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
([www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org))  
National President: Barbara May
- Pacific Region  
([JBandRJPruiin@comcast.net](mailto:JBandRJPruiin@comcast.net))  
Director: Jeanette Pruin
- California Garden Club, Inc.  
([www.CaliforniaGardenClubs.org](http://www.CaliforniaGardenClubs.org))  
President: Robin Pokorski
- Mendo-Lake District Garden Club  
([www.MendoLakeDistrict.org](http://www.MendoLakeDistrict.org))  
District Director: Gina-Belle Smith

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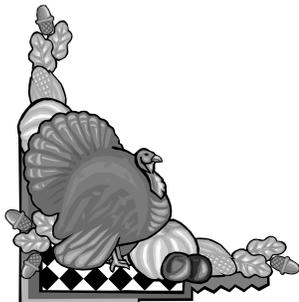


# Forget-me-nots



#### November 2008

- 11/6 11:00am *Note time* 'Practice for Mum Show'  
Lake Kabatin Redbud Arrangers.
- 11/11 North Lake Garden Club—Blue Star Dedication  
2pm-4pm Nice Triangle Parkway.
- 11/14 'Dance of the Mums', Chrysanthemum Show  
8:30am Setup  
1:00-4:00pm Open to Public



#### 11/18 Regular Club Meeting.

- Hostesses: Jane Graham & Nancy Bailey  
12:00pm Social  
12:30pm Flower Roll Call  
1:00pm Meeting  
2:00pm Program /Members' Show and Tell.

#### December 2008

- 12/3-5 Wreath Making Workshop.
- 12/7 12:30-3:30pm Ukiah Garden Club -  
Holiday Open House
- 12/12 Bough Making Workshop.
- 12/17 Christmas Luncheon.

*See your 2008-2009 Year Book for details.*

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