

# 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:**

**Helen Turley**

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The food most birds eat at feeding stations is only a portion of their overall diet. Many seed-eating birds switch to an insect-based diet when the weather warms up in spring.

Backyard Birding by Zickefoose

## THYME WITH PRESIDENT GINNY

*It looks like fall is upon us.  
A new season a new beginning!*

*We had a low turnout at the September meeting because of the fire and the relocation of several of our members. We will vote on the garden tour monies, the revision of the Standing Rules and the proposed budget at our October meeting.*

*Hopefully all of our members will be able to join us at the next meeting to make it possible for the club to move forward.*

*Hope everyone is safe and getting the support and help they need to rebuild their lives.*



### Everyone Needs Someone

*People need people and friends need friends,  
And we all need love for a full life depends  
Not on vast riches or great acclaim  
Not on success or on worldly fame,  
But just in knowing that someone cares  
And holds us close in thought and prayers--  
For only the knowledge that we're understood  
Makes everyday living feel WONDERFULLY GOOD,  
And we rob ourselves of life's greatest need  
When we 'lock up our hearts' and fail to heed  
The outstretched hand reaching to find  
A kindred spirit whose heart and mind  
Are lonely and longing to somehow share  
Our joys and sorrows and to make us aware  
That life's completeness and richness depends  
On the things we share with our loved ones and friends.*

*By Helen Steiner Rice*

*My best regards to all of our members and friends,  
Ginny Cline*

**SUNSHINE REPORT** by Ann Blue

*OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO EVERYONE AFFECTED BY THE FIRES HERE IN LAKE CO.*



LAKE KABATIN REDBUD ARRANGERS is open to all club members. If you are new to the club or just ready to join us in flower arranging, give Barbara Swanson a call for pointers. This month the theme is 'Miniature and Small'. Our Floral Art is according to 'Traditional Design' and 'Creative Design'. Meetings are at 1:30pm on the second Tuesday at St John's Episcopal Church, 1190 N Forbes St, Lakeport. See page 17 in your Yearbook for additional information. Also, check out the pictures at [www.clttgc.org](http://www.clttgc.org).

**NOTE:** On Friday, November 13th, we will be inviting the public to 'MUM Shines Above' Chrysanthemum Show, at the Lakeport Yacht Club.

Mum growers,  
Some of my mums have started to have buds so it might be a good time to check for aphids and to see if the mums need disbudding. If you need more information about the mums, let me know. Leanne

HOSTESS FOR OCTOBER:  
Kathy Steinberg  
Helen Turley  
Joyce Porterfield



**WELCOME**

Carolyn and Brad Clair  
Lakeport, CA  
Kaluko Duncan  
Nice, CA

**REMINDER:**

We will be voting at our October Meeting on the Proposed Budget and Standing Rules that were presented last month.

**KEEP THESE SIX 'Ps' READY IN CASE IMMEDIATE EVACUATION IS REQUIRED:**

- \* People and pets.
- \* Papers, phone #s, ID, & important documents.
- \* Prescriptions, vitamins, and eyeglasses.
- \* Pictures and irreplaceable memorabilia.
- \* Personal computers, electronic devices and chargers.
- \* 'Plastic' (credit cards, ATM cards) and cash.

**FIELD TRIP: October 5 (Monday)** is 'on' for the trip to the **Mendocino Coast Botanical Garden** in Fort Bragg as scheduled in the Yearbook. Meet at Mendo Lake Credit Union parking lot at 10:30 am, tour is scheduled in Fort Bragg for 1:30 and the plan is to eat at Rhody's Café at the gardens. Admission for seniors over 65 is \$10.00 under 65 is \$14.00. Wear comfortable shoes and a hat.

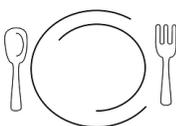
**FIELD TRIP: October 22 (Thursday) Renker's in Finley.**  
Meet there at 10am.



**Bonnie Brady** will be our guest speaker at our October Meeting. She will be sharing ideas on ways she uses fresh herbs from her garden in her every-day cooking. Here is her yummy Tortellini Salad recipe.

**TORTELLINI SALAD...by Bonnie Brady**

- 1 lb. Tortellini
- 1 C. Chopped mild Onion
- 1 C. Chopped Celery
- 1 C. Chopped mixed Vegetables (frozen OK)
- 1/2C. Mixed Fresh Herbs (I like Basil, Parsley, Oregano, Sage and Rosemary)
- Bottled Ranch Dressing to taste- you can add more the next day as the pasta soaks it up.



Cook tortellini according to package directions for al dente stage. While the water is boiling, chop onion, celery, veggies & herbs. (If using frozen veggies, you can put them in for the last 2 minutes of cooking in the pasta water). Drain veggies and tortellini, rinse with cool water. When pasta is cool, add all ingredients, refrigerate. This is better the second day when the flavors have time to marry!

*Green Thumbs Up*



The team of ladies, **Sue Gardener-Neumann, Diane Neilson, Claire Grieve and Ginny Cline** for spending their precious time cleaning out our cupboard at the Scott's Valley Women's Club House.



**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** We hate to beg, BUT ... Please consider serving! Nominees are submitted at the February Meeting and voted on in April. The committee consists of three members to serve a one-year term



*Green Thumbs Up*



To our two **Garden Tour Co-Chairs, Debra Watson O'Dell and Maureen Brasier**. Exciting news!!! Also on the core team are **Helen Turley and Irene Didescu**. We will be hearing more about this year's Fundraiser and how we can all help.



Fall is bulb planting time, in both the flower garden and the vegetable garden. Tulips, daffodils, crocuses and hyacinths are well-loved old favorites. It's also time to plant garlic and shallots, easy-to-grow edible bulbs that you'll harvest next summer.



**MENDO-L DIST MEETING:** On Sept 23, 2015 Ginny Cline and Kathy Steinberg attended the Mendo-Lake District Meeting at Potter Valley Cemetery. It was a fun and informative day. Reports were presented from the club Presidents for their 2015/2016 year. There was a discussion as to how we can help with the restoration from the Valley Fire. A plant sale, drawings and a historical tour of the cemetery was enjoyed by all. Pictured are **Kathy Steinberg, Gary Bodensteiner, District Director, and Ginny Cline, President CLTGC**. Hope more will be able to attend at the next District Meeting on Feb 24. CLTGC will hosts the 2016 Winter Meeting at our club house.

Please give a shout out to the members that I need a count & what the members are planting & have planted this past year. If the membership has any tips or suggestions have them email me.

**Suzanne Russell, Tree Chair**

**Garden Therapy with Michelle**



## CLTTGC General Meeting September 15, 2015

From 12:00 to 12:30 we enjoyed social time with a light lunch provided by Sue Gardner-Neumann, Diane Neilson and Heide Thomason.

President, Ginny Cline called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm. Evy reported that there are 22 members present & introduced three new members: Carolyn Clair, Katuka Duncan & Peggy McGown.

The flag salute was led by Helen Turley and Ginny thanked the hostesses for the lunch.

We had minute of silent prayer for those affected by the Valley fire. Nancy Benkelman gave the inspiration message and also shared with us that she is starting her own journey into breast cancer treatment. She is very upbeat and feels the recent breakthrough in this particular cancer will insure a positive result. Barbara Swanson report that on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am there will be a Survivorship of Breast Cancer Fund Raiser at the Bank of America parking lot. All funds from this activity stays in Lake County to help breast cancer patients.

Marva Brandt said thank you for the beautiful necklace the club gave her for being President of the club last year. She has it on today and the fact Heide made it, makes it even more special.

The winners of the Woodsy Owl contest (Annabelle Holguin 4<sup>th</sup> grade Terrace Heights 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Sylvia Holguin 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Lakeport Elementary 2<sup>nd</sup> place) were presented their awards and had their picture taken with President, Ginny Cline.

The Flower roll call was called by Joyce Porterfield, which included the Penny Pines Collection.

Barbara Swanson made a motion that we "pass the basket" for donations for our members that have loses from the Valley Fire. We know that Gladdy has lost her house and probably other members are in need. Mary Welch second the motion. Motion carried.  
Linda Pyers made a motion that the club add \$100 to whatever we collect in the basket. Claire Grieve seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes from the previous meeting (5-19-2015) approved as written.

Club Yearbooks are ready so pick them up today. A special thanks to Linda Pyers and Helen Turley for a beautiful job. That is Claire Grieve's Magnolia on the cover.

**SEPT 2015 TREASURERS REPORT:** The Treasures report

period ending August 31, 2015 was passed out to everyone present...balance \$9,170.19.

**PROPOSED BUDGET DISCUSSION:** The Proposed Budget was passed out to all present.

- \* Linda Pyers motioned that we add \$50 to our budget for the Botanical Garden in Fort Bragg. Claire Grieve seconded the motioned. Motion passed by show of hands.
- \* Jo Shaul reported that the Ely Stage have volunteers and are able to maintain their own landscaping. She and Jerry did make a visit to check out the "boxes" and found that the Ely Stage people need to keep a better eye on the watering. Jo recommended that we drop that as a Club activity.
- \* We need to know if we have a member that belongs to the Yacht Club. We can get a discount for the Mum Show for the building rental. Let Ginny know if we have a yacht club member. We had to add \$50 to the proposed budget for the yacht club rental just in case.
- \* Claire Grieve said that she will co-ordinate the work sessions for Civic Beautification but will not be the only one doing the work. It was suggested that we do more than one project in work session.
- \* Suzanne Russell reported that the Lakeport Westside Park is well organized and have grants and have too much going on already. Barbara Swanson motioned that we do not add the Westside Park as one of our beautification projects. Suzanne Russell seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- \* Debra O'Dell stated that to approve a budget that already appears to be in the red doesn't make logical sense. We need fund raisers to off-set our \$6524.00 deficit. All present agreed that another garden tour would be a great money raiser but no one has come forward to Chair it. Debra O'Dell, Maureen Brasier said they would be co-chairs; and Helen Turley and Irene Dudescu volunteered to be on the core committee. To be successful we have to have the whole club helping. With such enthusiasm perhaps we can pull it off again...this time be more specific as to the division of the profits. All at the meeting said that they had gotten positive feedback from all who attended and everyone wants us to do it again. We all agree that Susan Buckles did a fantastic job of putting the last one together. She went through the "mine-field" for us.
- \* That brought up the budget item of dispersing funds

to the Youth Gardens. Since there was no membership vote, the distribution still has to be voted on. Susan Buckles has received some "wish" lists from the schools. Donations to the Youth Gardens will be distributed depending on their needs. The division and amount to the Youth Gardens will be voted on next meeting.

- \* The scholarship fund also has to be determined. Since we do not know how much money we will have, perhaps we should budget only \$1000. Barbara Swanson said if we do that, then make it only one scholarship since \$500 doesn't cover very many expenses. Debra commented that as a community garden club we help the community more by giving to the Youth Gardens.
- \* Looking for a place for our wreath making workshop in December. This is just for the club not our money maker. The drought has pretty much canceled that fund raiser for us this year.
- \* Ginny said there will be no vote on the proposed budget this meeting because of low attendance because of the Valley Fire. We want most of our members present to vote because of its importance. We had a great "brain-storming" discussion about our proposed budget so next meeting we can finish it up.

**STANDING RULES:** The changes on the "Standing Rules" was passed out to everyone for discussion. The change is number 9 that states we can take a vote via e-mail. Most comments were against it because it eliminates the "discussion" part of the vote. Some members felt it wasn't necessary to change the rule as our present procedure keeps everyone face-to-face with any issue and seems to work just fine. This will be voted on next meeting.

**LIBRARY:** We need to eliminate our Library. No one uses it and it takes up space. So any members who want a book...take it. Another suggestion-give them to the Lakeport Library and the Youth Gardens.

Any other suggestions, let Ginny know. Barbara Swanson moved that we eliminate our library. Linda Pyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NOMINATION COMMITTEE:** Ginny reported that she cannot get anyone to be on the Nominating Committee. We need a Chair and two other members. Please, we need a committee.

**CLOSET:** The Closet needs to be cleaned out. Too much stuff we don't need. There will be a "clean-the-

cupboard" session at the Club House Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am. Claire is taking charge of this and expects members to show up and help.

**DISTRICT MEETING:** There is a District Meeting in Potter Valley at the cemetery on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Bring a chair and sack lunch. \$5 for coffee, muffins & fruit. We will car pool from the Mendo Lake CU at 9:00 am. We are allowed four voting members at the meeting. Let Ginny know if you plan to attend. Should be interesting.

**GARDEN TOUR:** There will be a garden tour at the Terrance Middle school's children's garden Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30 pm. (This was later canceled via e-mail due to the Valley fire)

**BOARD MEETING:** The next Board Meeting will be Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am at Helen Turley's Sun House. Adjourned 2:25 pm, Kathleen Steinberg, Secretary



**REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORT AUGUST 31, 2015**

8/13/2015 Checking Account:

End Balance	\$9,170.16
Beginning Balance	\$9,145.11
Net Change	\$25.08

**REVENUE**

Misc Income-State Refund	\$25.00	
Dues	\$20.00	
Interest	<u>\$0.08</u>	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>		<b>\$45.08</b>

**EXPENSES**

Misc Department of Justice Raffle		
Registration	<u>\$20.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$20.00</b>

**NET GAIN** \$25.08

Respectfully Submitted by Bonnie Brady



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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](http://www.gardenclub.org))
- **Pacific Region**  
([www.pacificregiongardenclubs.org](http://www.pacificregiongardenclubs.org))
- **California Garden Club, Inc.**  
([www.californiagardenclubs.org](http://www.californiagardenclubs.org))
- **Mendo-Lake District Garden Club**  
([www.mendolakedistrict.org](http://www.mendolakedistrict.org))  
District Director: Gary Bodensteiner



*Forget-me-nots*



OCTOBER 2015

- 1 Garden Therapy with Michelle**  
**10:30am (Thur)** 1st Lutheran Church  
3863 Country Club Dr, Lucerne
- 5 FIELD TRIP: Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens. (MONDAY)** Carpool: 10:30am at parking lot behind Mendo-Lake Credit Union.
- 13 LKRA: 'Miniatures and Small'**  
**(Tues) 1:30pm**, St Johns' Episcopal Church  
1190 N Forbes St, Lakeport
- 16 Board Meeting: (Fri) 10am**, Sun House
- 19 Redwood Arrangers:** (Mon) 1pm  
Ukiah Senior Center  
495 Leslie St, Ukiah
- 20 Regular Club Meeting: (Tues) Noon**  
**Program: "Herbs" by Bonnie Brady**

### 22 FIELD TRIP: Master Gardener's 'The Mound'

landscape garden at Main St Nursery, 883  
Lakeport Blvd., **(Thur) 10am. Bag lunch at**



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