



Forget Me Nots

Orinda Garden Club
Member of Garden Club of America

May 2007

GENERAL MEETING/SPRING PICNIC Thursday, May 24 10:30 Bruns Amphitheater

"Picnic With Will"

The Bruns Amphitheater is the home of the nationally-renowned California Shakespeare Theater. The breathtaking three-acre site is home to native, drought-tolerant landscaping that is lovingly maintained by "Will's Weeders", many of whom are members of the OGC. You'll have the chance to explore the site for yourself at the meeting. Cal Shakes Artistic Director, Jonathan Moscone will be on hand to welcome you and share his plans for the exciting 2007 season. You'll even get a sneak peek at the set for the first show, Richard III, which will be in technical rehearsals while you're there. Following the visit with Mr. Moscone, we'll enjoy a box lunch in one of the eucalyptus groves; a perfect chance to relax and enjoy the sculptures that grace the grounds.

President's Corner

My two years as your president are coming to an end. I have enjoyed this experience tremendously. Thank you all for your support and friendship. These two years have been busy but so rewarding and educational and it is all due to the wonderful membership that makes up the Orinda Garden Club. Please take a moment to look at your current board and committee chairs, as these women have done outstanding jobs. I am so appreciative of what they have done these past two years and can't thank them enough for their commitment. We truly have lots of members who give their time and talent which makes our club so enjoyable. Every one deserves many, many thanks. I wish all of you a happy summer with time to pursue your favorite activities.

Our family plans for this coming summer are: Bob and I, our three grandchildren and their parents, are going to Turkey for three weeks. We are traveling alone, spending time in Istanbul, taking a boat trip on the Bosphorus, flying to Cappadocia where we will take a balloon ride over the formations, then driving to Antalya, Termessos, and Marmoris where we pick up a gulet for a trip along the Turquoise Coast. Then, by car, we will visit Ephesus, Kusadasi and will return to Istanbul. Ryan, our 14 year old, was the one who said "Let's go to Turkey. I would love to see Istanbul." I will return probably exhausted but looking forward to working with your new president, Gina. Thank you all for making these past two years so enjoyable. Joyce

CALENDAR

*** FIESTA ! ***

Friday, May 4

1 - 3:00 (show)

6 - 9:00 (party)

BOUQUETS

May 14 10:00

Lorene Quist's

16 Brookbank

HORTICULTURE

Thursday, May 17

Field trip to Quarryhill

CONSERVATION

Tuesday, May 22 9:00

Walk the Ridge

**MEETING/SPRING
PICNIC**

Thursday, May 24 10:30

Cal Shakespeare

**WAGNER RANCH
NATURE AREA**

Thursday, May 31 9:00

**JOINT BOARD
MEETING**

June 12 10:30:

Joyce Nelson's

FMN DEADLINE
August 29

FALL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, Sept 5 9:45

Carol Wolfman's

HORTICULTURE

Thursday, May 17

8:30 am carpool OCC

Quarryhill — an excursion

We're making a trip to Glen Ellen to the Quarryhill Botanic Garden. This 61 acre garden is 20 years old and consists solely of Asian collected plants. We'll hear from and walk with Bill McNamara, who will have just returned from a spring collecting trip to China. After a 1½ hour walk (hilly), we will go to town for lunch. It's the horticulture finale and everyone is invited. RSVP (email) to Kirsten or Isa Mary



Pond at Quarryhill

To: Roses & Flowering Branches —
*Open letter to all of the above:
 Please get your mistress to bring you to the OGC Flower Show, FIESTA! Let her pick you on Thursday morning or afternoon before the show, but be sure she knows your name. Roses, do your best when half open and, you branches, try to have blooms in different stages. It's an early morning Friday (arrive at OCC between 7:30-9 am). It's time to share your beauty. Don't be shy!*

BOUQUETS

Monday, May 14 10:00

Lorene Quist's

Please note: Since our house is under construction, my new temporary address is 16 Brookbank off of Miner Road. Lorene

WAGNER RANCH NATURE AREA

Thursday, May 31 9:00

Wagner Ranch

We hope to have a good turnout for the last work day until fall. Everyone is welcome.

Midge & Diana

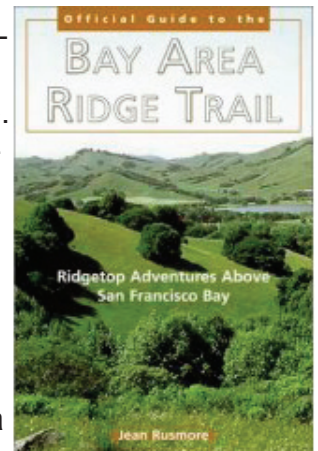
FROM CONSERVATION . . .

Tuesday, May 22

Walk the Ridge Trail

Car pool from the OCC lower lot at 9:00

Experience the beauty of our Open Space! Join the conservation committee on a fun hike in the East Bay Hills on our very special Bay Area Ridge Trail. We will be walking on the recently dedicated Crockett Hills Trail that opens a whole new section of the Ridge Trail that circles our Bay. If we're lucky we may see eagles soaring as well as the spectacular views of the Carquinez Straits. We will car pool at 9 am from the OCC lower parking lot, arrive in Crockett about 9:45. A short climb will get us to the ridge where your camera, binoculars, bird and wild flower books and inquisitive nature will capture the moment. Our leisurely morning walk will be followed by lunch at the Dead Fish (a very popular old Crockett restaurant overlooking the Straits). Home no later than 3:30, I promise. Please bring water, comfortable walking shoes and any other toys you might need. We would like a head count so that we can make luncheon reservations. Please call MJ and tell her you're coming. This will be a fun way of finding out more about a project we support. The more the merrier!
 Joan



AUSTIN ROSES AT THE GARDENS AT HEATHER FARM

Monday, April 30, Wednesday, May 16,

Wednesday, May 30, Monday, June 11,

Wednesday, June 27 and Monday, July 9.

Please let me know if you can make any of these dates. We need your expertise all summer long. The more the merrier. We hope to see you at 9:00 am at the Gardens. We will be working every two weeks, alternate Mondays and Wednesdays. Call or Email: Joan

OGC UPDATES

JUDGES' ACTIVITIES:

OGC photography judge, Joan Andrews will be judging in Pasadena, Portland, Hillsborough and Seattle. Flower arranging judges: Sally Chapman will be judging in Pasadena and Seattle. Evie Cranston is judging and entering in Houston and judging in Portland. Heather Dunne is judging in Pasadena. Gail Emmons is judging in Piedmont. Diana Kennedy is judging in Pasadena and Hillsborough. Phoebe Kahl is judging in Portland and Hillsborough. Hort judges: Joyce Nelson is judging in Piedmont and Portland, Suanne Inman in Piedmont and Pasadena, and Bev Bloodworth in Seattle. Busy girls they — Phoebe

DUES ARE DUE:

A big thank you to Jean Rowe for preparing the email dues notices. Please remit before the May 10 deadline. Kathy

ROSTERS:

Please send any changes in your OGC roster listing to Suanne Inman before August 15th. Thanks

MEMBERSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS:

The board approved the following proposed contributions to be voted on by the membership at the May meeting:

\$100 per following organization:

Ruth Bancroft Garden, Friends of Wagner Ranch Nature Area, The Gardens at Heather Farms, The Mediterranean Garden Society, Pacific Horticulture Foundation, Regents of University of California (UC Botanical Gardens), San Francisco Botanical Gardens at Strybing Arboretum, Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, The Nature Conservancy of California, The East Bay Regional Parks, Student Conservation Association, GCA Founders Fund, GCA General Scholarship Fund, Center for Plant Conservation, Friends of Orinda Creeks, Yosemite Institute, California State Parks Foundation, Save the San Francisco Bay, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Association

\$150 Friends of Regional Park (Tilden)

\$250 Save the Redwoods League

Total \$2,300

Joyce

ORINDA GARDEN CLUB 2007-2008

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Gina Field
Vice President	Heather Dunne
Rec. Sec.	Carole Wolfman
Corr. Sec.	Janet Riley
Treasurer	Kathy French
Ex-Officio	Joyce Nelson

STANDING COMMITTEE (one vote per comm.)

Bouquets	Margie Murphy, Betty Lou Lange
By-laws/Parl.	DD Felton
Beaut/Com.	Sylvia Carter, Joyce Nelson,
Affairs	Jane Ryan
Triangle	Judy Cortese, Caroline Hayes
Conservation	Kris Rawson, Cathleen Sodos,
	Midge Zischke, Amy Worth
Forget-Me-Nots	June Cunningham, Jane Zuercher
Horticulture	Diana Kennedy, Sue Manners
Hospitality	Sandy Barnett, Nancy Dickmeyer
Membership	Sandy Barnett
Nominating	Joyce Nelson
Program	Lani Schulte, Dona Snow
Ways & Means	Ruth Fortune

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Assoc/Sus. Rep	Marlinda Woodberry
Book Fair	
Christmas Party	Pam Good, Nita Roethe
Flower Arranging	Phoebe Kahl, Mari Tischenko
Historian	Janet Pease
Library Flowers	Jane Zuercher
Memorials	Jenifer Brunk
Merchandise Sales	Lisa Jorgens, Lorene Quist
Mini Luncheons	MJ Walburg
Wagner Ranch	Diana Caldwell, Dayna Taylor
Photography	Nath Schmicker
Public Relations	Pat Winther
Raffle	Judy Gray, Bobbie Wilson
Reservations	Karin Carroll
Rose Garden (GHF)	Joan Andrews
Roster	Suanne Inman
Webmaster	Jean Rowe
GCA LIASONS	
Awards	Gail Emmons
Bulletin	Jane Zuercher
Founders Fund	Isa Mary Ziegler
Garden History/Design	Betsy Bingham Jackie Voigt
Judging Reps:	
Flower Arranging	Phoebe Kahl
Horticulture	Joyce Nelson
Photography	Joan Andrews
Scholarships	Kirsten Whitsett
Visiting Gardens	Gray Hynes

OGC Spring Picnic & Meeting

"Picnic With Will"

California Shakespeare Theater 10:30

Please send your check to Pam Wiley 10 Tappan Court by May 18

Name: _____

— Reservations @ \$15 per person



Fiesta!
*OGC 70th Birthday
Celebration*
&
Fiesta! Flower Show

Friday, May 4th
Cocktails & Buffet Dinner
Orinda Country Club 6-9 pm
The party will be loads of fun — many
surprises await you. Hurry, Hurry, don't
miss this exciting event!
Call or send your \$50.00 per person to
Laurie Smith ASAP
11 Via Hermosa

COMMUNITY EVENTS

THE GARDENS AT HEATHER FARM

Friday, June 1st 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Wine & Roses

Wine/hors d'oeuvres, live jazz & roses

Call 947-1678 for more info & reservations

SF BOTANICAL GARDEN AT STRYBING

May 5 10:00 - 2:00

Plant Sale

UC BOTANICAL GARDEN

Fundraiser 2-6:00 pm

call 510-643-7265 for more information

AUDUBON CANYON RANCH

See egrets & herons nesting

March to July 15

Call 415-868-9244 for more info

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