



November Forget me Nots

President's Message

Dear Members,

Thanks for your energetic participation in our October "Program About Us." We had a great turnout and there was a loud buzz of idea sharing in the room. The most consistent response we heard was how much people love the Orinda Garden Club. This only confirms we are a strong and happy club. Another feeling that was repeated in every group was how much people enjoy each other, especially the diversity of ages, interests and backgrounds and finding common ground with these people we wouldn't otherwise have an opportunity to meet.

Members are eager to increase learning and skill building opportunities. Along with this enthusiasm, there is also a desire to utilize our precious volunteer and financial resource thoughtfully and effectively.

We will continue work on streamlining communications to make it easy for everyone to stay informed and participate in conversations about our priorities and plans for the future. I will be following up on these and other issues that are important to our members to make sure we stay strong and happy in the years to come.

November 16th meeting is guest day and we have a fantastic flower arranger (Max Gill) to entertain us as well as our in-house photography show and the Bulb Baron selling his unique bulbs. Each member can bring one guest and there is no charge. This is a good time to introduce a friend to Orinda Garden Club who you think might one day be interested in becoming a member.

Warmly,
Cathleen

History Corner

In 2017, history repeated itself in OGC's wildly successful plant sale at the garden tour. Remember the old book fair and plant sale, a joint fundraiser for OGC and the Orinda Library? Betsy Bingham joined OGC in 1963 and chaired the event in the 1960s. She said that each member brought five plants to the sale outside of the Orinda Community Center. Some members brought their preserves to sell. As it occurred near Mother's Day, many boy scouts bought the plants for their moms. At first plants were regular priced, then 50%, then free by the end of the day.

Louise Diracles, Historian



Photo from OGC plant sale in 1993

Pictured left to right: Janet Riley, Betsy Bingham and Sylvia Carter

Green Book Directory Inserts

Green Book Directory Inserts were available for pickup at the October meeting. If you still need to receive yours, please contact Jan Formanek

email: janrob2@comcast.net

phone: 925-283-7328

Annual Meeting Delegates announced

The Executive Committee has approved Mary Ellen Schneider and Ann Cinderey as our delegates to the GCA NAL meeting in February 2018.

The Executive Committee has also approved Cathleen Sodos and Deb Stephenson to be our delegates at the GCA Annual Meeting in San Francisco in April 2018.

If you are interested in being a delegate for any of the GCA meetings in the future, please let Cathleen know.

Stay overnight during the GCA Annual Meeting in April

If you would like to spend a night or two or three in San Francisco, during the GCA Annual meeting next April, contact Dona Snow, (254-1982) who has rooms blocked at The Harbor Court Hotel, at a great rate of \$179 (less expensive than the rooms at the Hyatt) and is only a block away.

Roster Correction

Please note correct email address for Phoebe Kahl is phoebekahl@gmail.com



Let the Holidays Begin

You are cordially invited to
Orinda Garden Club's

*Holiday Tea and Boutique
& Wreath Decorating*

Friday, December 1, 2017
Orinda Country Club

8:30 a.m. Wreath Decorating for Members
10:30 -12:00 Holiday Tea and Boutique Shopping
for Members and Guests

Holiday tea is \$9 per person
Sign up online or you may send your check by November 21st
payable to OGC to Dona Snow, 10 Heather Lane, Orinda.

Please help to hang wreaths around Orinda
Saturday, December 2nd, 9:00 am
Bank of America Parking lot, Rain or Shine
Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

[Click here to Pay Online](#)

The Piedmont Garden Club invites members of the six Bay Area Garden Clubs to an upcoming photography demonstration on capturing the translucency of botanicals.

This demonstration is a great opportunity to witness an artist at work and experience her creative process first-hand, even for those who do not consider themselves a photographer or never intend to dive deeper into photography. <http://lucybeckphotography.com/portfolio>

Parking is difficult during school hours, so attendees will likely need to park at Piedmont Community Hall or in the neighborhood.



Tuesday, November 7

“Capturing Translucency”

Lucy Beck demonstrates how to create photographs that highlight the translucency of botanicals.

Piedmont Center for the Arts
801 Magnolia Ave, Piedmont

9:00 AM coffee; 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM program

Cost: \$20.00 at the door



OGC Calendar is now available on our website.
[Click here](#) to view the Orinda Garden Club Calendar

Orinda Garden Club Calendar		
Hort Workshop for Annual Meeting Flower Show	10:00- 11:00am	November 3, 2017 14 Lavenida Dr
Conservatory of Flowers Field Trip Docent led tour/Butterflies & Blooms special exhibit	9:30am - 2pm	November 3, 2017 Conservatory of Flowers, San Francisco
Willing Weeders Wanted at the triangle	3:15pm - 4:45pm	November 9, 2017 Across the street from Orinda Motors
Board Meeting at Sandra Holland's	3:15pm - 4:45pm	November 9, 2017 21 Owl Hill Rd, Orinda
Deadline to submit photo for In-House Show	noon	November 10, 2017
Bouquets at Carole Wolfman's	10:30am - 11:30am	November 13, 2017 236 Sundown Terrace, Orinda
Fabulous Tissue Flower Workshop at Carole Wolfman's	11:30am - 12:30pm	November 13, 2017 236 Sundown Terrace, Orinda
Partners for Plants (P4P)	December 3, 2017	November 14, 2017
General Meeting *Close to Home: In-House Photography Show	9:30am - 12:30pm	November 16, 2017 Orinda Country Club
Wreaths & Holiday Tea	9:00am - 12:00pm	December 1, 2017 Orinda Country Club
Wreaths around Orinda	9:00am - 10:00am	December 2, 2017 B of A Parking Lot
Bouquets at Chris Stoneberg's	10:30am - 11:30am	December 11, 2017 693 Ironbark Circle