CIVIC GARDEN CLUB OF SAN CARLOS

Editor: Joyce Sanns

APRIL 2017

Board Meeting

April 17 - 10:30 a.m.

Member's Meeting

April 21

Meeting - 11:00 a.m. Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

The Luncheon will be prepared this month by:

Edythe Miller, Olga Erlichman, Nancy Scharff, Luciano Galli, and Janice Fabbro

Program - 12:45 pm Claire Sebald : "Flower Arranging"

Dates to Remember

*See page 2 for details

April 6, 2017
Filoli Gardens
Meet at Casa to carpool
at 10:30 a.m. or at the
Visitors Center at
11:00 a.m.

April 22, 2017
Plant Sale*
At the Casa
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

May 9, 2017 Central Park Japanese Garden* 10:00 a.m.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members:

Our Nominating Committee will announce candidates for offices that are available for the next fiscal year at our April General Meeting. Nominations can also be made from the floor.

Don't forget our Spring Plant Sale on April 22. Bring your plants for the sale to our general meeting on April 21 or call Tom for pickup.

Our tour of Ladera Garden and Gifts with a no-host lunch following at Waterdog Tavern was enjoyed by all who attended. The nursery has an abundance of plants in excellent condition just ready for you to plant in your garden, patio, balcony or to diplay inside your living quarters. If you were unable to attend this tour you may want to visit the nursery on your own. The plants are arranged in a very attractive manner. See the pictures taken at the nursery on page 3 and 4 taken by Renate.

Our next tour is to Filoil Gardens on April 6. This is one of our most popular tours.

Our program for our April Meeting will be provided by Claire Sebald. By popular demand she will be demonstrating flower arranging.

See you at the April meeting.

Joyce

NOTICES



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Bill Barrons April 14 Victorina Jeffers April 17 Dolores Riviello April 27

The Club will donate \$1.00 to Pennies for Pines for each of our Birthday celebrants

> Officers and Directors For 2016-2017

President: Joyce L. Sanns Vice President: **Tom Davids Recording Secretary: Nancy Ruff Corresponding Secretary: Dolores Riviello Treasurer:** L. David Waterbury **Membership Chair:** Joanne Daniels **House Chairs:** Olga Erlichman **Barry Daniels** Parliamentarian: **Edythe Miller**

Please suport your board by serving on committees

Our Casa
Rental Website
Please direct members to
our rental website:
hhtp://www.sancarlosgardenclub.
org/casa-de-flores-rentals

New Member Ilona Frost 647 Fox Court E Redwood City, CA 94061 Home: 650-365-8360 Cell: 650-430-0537

Email: <u>icfrost@sbcglobal.net</u>
Birthday 5/26

Thank you to our March Lunch Committee and volunteers who helped prepare and serve our tasty March lunch. Lunch committee members were Monica Jung, Dolores Riviello, Linda Harrison, Joanne and Barry Daniels.



SPECIAL EVENTS

April 6
Filoli Gardens
Meet at Casa to carpool at
10:30 a.m. or meet us at the
Visitors Center at 11:00 a.m.
Lunch in the cafeteria or bring
your own
Chair: Tom Davids

April 5-9
San Francisco Flower Show
San Mateo Events Center
Features Edible gardening
workshops, cooking
demonstations, seminars on
design and horticulture.

*April 22
Annual Plant Sale
Casa de Flores
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Chair: Tom Davids

April 22-23
Gold Coast
Cymbidium Growers
Orchid Show & Sale
10 am – 4 pm
Rare & beautiful Cymbidiums
potting & cultivation classes
\$5 admission – kids under 12
Free
Community Activiities Building
1400 Roosevelt Avenue
Redwoood City, CA 94061

*May 9
Central Park
Japanese Garden
San Mateo
10: a.m.
Chair: Joyce Sanns

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June 10 – 18
San Mateo County Fair
https://sanmateo
countyfair.com

TOUR OF LADERA GARDEN AND GIFTS

PHOTOS BY RENATE

























A LITTLE FAUNA WITH THE FLORA BY CLAIRE SEBALD

This month we will turn our attention to those adorable furry gray creatures that we can love or grow impatient with – the squirrel. Where did they come from?

In 1877 a handful of these animals were first released in Central Park, New York City and since then the population has flourished.

There are 285 species around the world and three over-arching kinds: ground, tree and flying. Most of the gray squirrels can jump eight feet from a standing position. I have seen that, as they climbed up on a rake I had against the wall and the rascal climbed to the top rotate his hind feet 180 degrees and jumped to my hanging bird feeder. He had a great feast and went through half a block (a 4 X 4 block) that jump was a seven feet span.

Their four front teeth grow at a rate of 10 inches a year and they have to keep gnawing through the season to keep them short. They gnawed on a new chair-heavy plastic – such a mess! Now you can celebrate National Squirrel Appreciation Day, January 21.



This praying mantis is about to lay their buff colored eggs on twigs and leaves of the same coloring. At this time the female can deposit from 100 to 400 eggs. While she is laying the eggs a liquid released will harden and it creates a winter home that can withstand freezing temperatures.

Spring arrives and the little ones emerge. The female dies after laying her eggs. They can grow to about 6 inches in length and during summer their coloring is bright green and during the fall as colors change to shades of brown, tan or buff like the coloring of leaves.

They are skilled hunters and take care of months, crickets, grasshoppers, aphids, flies and have been known to kill hummingbirds that can be about their size.

They are very inquisitive as they can rotate their heads 180 degrees as they patiently wait for their next meal. They have two compound eyes and three simple eyes which gives them the ability to see without turning their head. They are skilled hunters. The eggs can be purchased, or very little tiny babies can be purchased in some of our local nurseries. I think I'll get some and put them on my roses as I do not use rose spray anymore. I'll keep you posted about the new "livestock" in my garden.



PICTURES TAKEN FROM MY YARD BY CLAIRE SEBALD





