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*Costa Verde District Newsletter*

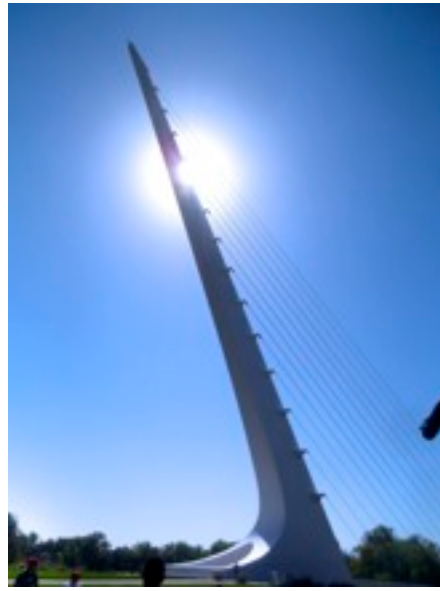
## DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to another year of enjoyable district events. We've got only three programs plus the Holiday Party so let's make the most of these opportunities to greet and meet new friends within the district. Stretch yourselves out of your comfort zone, it's a great feeling to "get out there". Please encourage your members to attend if they haven't yet done so. They'll be pleasantly surprised.

The Winter Board Meeting will be held in Fresno at the DoubleTree on Feb. 2-5, 2015.

The CGCI 84th Convention, June 8-12, 2015, will be held in Reno, Nevada, at Circus, Circus for only \$49@night. Please plan to attend.

Yours for another year!  
Kitty Guzman



Sundial Bridge in Redding, is a pedestrian bridge, beautiful due to its aqua green, opaque glass deck, strips of granite; and smooth, white imported Spanish tile. The 217 ft/ pylon and cable stays act as a sundial, telling time on a tile covered garden border on the north side of the bridge. It resembles a bird in flight.

CGCI's Fall Board meeting in Redding, was held June 3-6, 2014, during 100 degree heat. Shasta Dam was at its second lowest level since construction in 1938. Residents and farmers are on drought alert as all are concerned and doing their best with water conservation. Below are Art & Kitty Guzman enjoying the tour's dam sights.



COMING SOON!

## CVD Events



### September

#### CVD Board Meeting

SCBG 9:30 a.m. Classroom B  
Presidents, if you cannot attend, please send a substitute. There will be much new information.

### October 1

#### District General Meeting Classroom B

SCBG 9:30 a.m. Brunch  
Speaker: Ken Ueda Rare Fruits  
**Host Clubs:** Gardeneers, Hermosa, Long Beach  
Fee \$2.00

### December 3

#### Holiday Potluck Party & Program

Speaker: Gudy Kimmel will demonstrate holiday floral designs which will be sold in a Silent Auction. We'll also have a Holiday Ornament Decorating Contest w/ prizes.

Special guests: CGCI President Rita Desilets and Robin Pokorski

All clubs please bring potluck salads and dessert for eight.  
Fee at door \$5.00 10:00 a.m.

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# Floral Designs by Cascade Arrangers Guild



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY LANDSCAPING



Happy LBGC gardeners who eagerly accomplished a rewarding neighborhood community service at a new Habitat home in Long Beach. Co-presidents are Bonnie Goldberg and Fran Woods. Congratulations and thank you!

**Long Beach Garden Club** jumped on the bandwagon of CGCI President Rita Desilets' Project, *Habitat for Humanity Landscaping*. Working on a hot August summer day with ten club members, they installed a beautiful landscape in record time, for "many hands make light work". The Habitat project manager remarked that this was the first time they had worked with a garden club and was very impressed with the friendly and hardworking members. He was thrilled with the end result which is presently being enjoyed by the new homeowner and her two teen daughters. This is a simple and fun one day work project. Contact your local Habitat for Humanity, they'll be so glad to hear from you. It is easier to accomplish than you can imagine.

Apply for *free Ames Garden Tools* at National Garden Club website <http://www.gardenclub.org/projects/ongoing-projects.aspx>

Tools may be left as a gift for the new home owner!!!



# Presidents' Check List

1. **Rainbow Forms must be filled and sent to your District Director *before Oct. 1st.* It will then be sent to chairman Sue Bennett by Oct. 1, 2015, the deadline.** It's a conservation survey requested by Pacific Region. Your club program from last year will provide you with the information needed to fill the form that can be downloaded from CGCI's website. A form will be available at the board meeting on Sept. 24.
2. Are all your members signed up for a FREE subscription to Golden Gardens?
3. Albert Chang, Scholarship Chmn., needs & requests donations for CGCI Scholarship Endowment.
4. For free Waconiah e-Newsletter (Pacific Region), please register with Robin Pokorski.
5. There are new CGCI Bylaws/Standing Rules so use your new yearbook and don't use the old.
6. CVD website has links to all our district club websites. CGCI's page for our district has links to the district club websites.
7. When creating your club's websites, keep it simple, don't go more than 4 links down. FYI more district don't have websites than do. Hopefully, your club will create a website. Contact Jane McKee for help if needed, she'll be happy to create a basic website for your club at no charge.
8. Clubs can use Facebook for social media as communication.
9. **Vision of Beauty Calendars needs an order of 25 for discount price of \$6.00 @. See Gudy Kimmel at board meeting or phone 310-530-2382. Please order as soon as possible.**
10. 1023EZ for 1023 replacement; visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) for details. Chairman: George Perko
11. Be certain that all IRS information is current and reported on time.
12. Inform members that volunteers can deduct \$.14 @mile to charitable work projects.
13. Alexis Slafer-Landscape Design Series 26-sponsored by Luther Burbank District, Oct. 23, 2014.
14. Please continue to save used stamps for Doris Nagy (SPGC) Ph.310-831-2835
15. Chuck Goodin-Recycle Chairman, requests reports as to what clubs are doing to "Reuse, recycle, repurpose", how and what. E-mail info to District Director who will share your ideas w/ district clubs.
14. Please put your club banner outside your meeting places as an invitation to those passing by.
15. Communications Director Jane McKee gave a presentation at the Fall Board on the new upcoming CGCI website and the largest club in the nation with 548 members. Visit their website at: <http://www.modestogardenclub.org/links.html>
17. **San Francisco Flower Show \$15.00 CGCI special rate for groups. March 18-22, 2015. Make plans to carpool w/ your club. Super fantastic plans are in the works.**