



OVER THE GARDEN GATE

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President's Message

NANCY ROBINSON



Hoping all of you had a Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year celebration. We had a successful Elegant Holiday Luncheon and Table Viewing at Del Rio Country Club. I also hope everyone who was able went to the Holiday Home Tour. We had some absolutely beautifully decorated homes. Thank you to all the homeowners who shared their lovely homes with us.

We have some exciting times coming up in the next few months. We will be celebrating our Centennial. We look forward to the fun events Dan has planned.

Our biggest fundraiser for the year is coming up on April 20. It's the Spring Garden Tour. Lots of help will be needed to make this event successful. Be thinking about what you would like to do.

Planters & Groomers


GERRY YOCKEY

Happy New Year,

I want to thank all of the Planters and Groomers who participated in the decorating the office for the Holiday Tour.

I hope you were able to view the results of their efforts.

They transformed the office into a Christmas wonderland.

All of the trees and ornaments were donated and designed by these talented volunteers. They showed their love  for the garden club.

Happy New Year

Gerry



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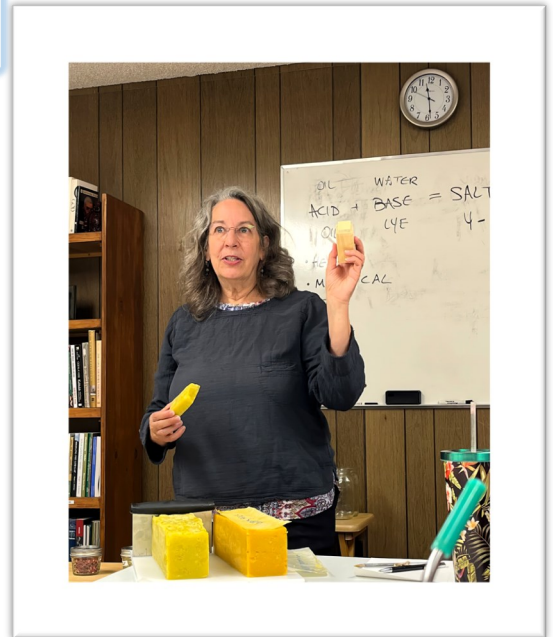
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affiliations:**



January Speaker

LAUREEN CAMPANA-SCHERMEISTER

Laureen by profession is a Nurse Practitioner and Adjunct Faculty at Columbia College in Sonora, California, where she has recently retired as Coordinator of Student Health Services. She is an Advanced Practice Holistic Nurse - Board Certified and is a graduate of the Sierra Institute of Herbal Studies (2009) and also the Integrative Medicine Fellowship from the University of Arizona (2016). Each summer Laureen teaches Edible and Medicinal Plants of the Sierra Nevada with Dr. Tom Hofstra at the High Sierra Institute at Baker Station. Laureen enjoys both growing medicinal plants in her garden and sustainably wildcrafting local plants that she will then turn into medicines. She lives with her husband in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains and has a passion for sharing the history and medicinal attributes of our local plants with other plant enthusiasts. She thanks you for asking her to present to the Modesto Garden Club.



Civic Affairs

DAN YOCKEY

Hello fellow gardeners,
Things are a little slow this time of year.
Late in December 150 Daffodil bulbs were planted in the small parklet at K Street and Needham. They should be beautiful in the Spring.
We still need a group to take care of the Flower Clock.
We need your help 🙏
The downtown pots are filling in nicely and will be beautiful in the spring.
We continue to have issues with the Gallo Center pots.
We have replanted them three times.
Hopefully the third time will be the charm.
Yours in gardening,
Dan

Centennial Update

DAN YOCKEY

Hello everyone,

With 2024 right around the corner things are starting to come together.

By the time you read this we should have final approval from the city for the Centennial Garden at Roosevelt Park along the Virginia Trail.

The first phase will be the placing of a time capsule on February 12, 2024. More information to follow on that event. If you have any items, you feel should be included let me know or bring them to the office.

The second phase will be the installation of the sign and the installation of plant material. We need to form committees to plan and develop both of these projects. If you wish to be a volunteer, email or text me your name and phone number. My information is in your Yearbook. More information will be available at the January meeting.

We are halfway to our fundraising goal. We need your help to reach our goal; any amount will be appreciated.

Fundraising

LEE LUNDRIGEN

I'm happy to be able to tell you we had a successful Holiday Home Tour. We had income of \$6,290, expenses were \$311. Income was \$290 above budget. The day was wonderful, the homes were beautifully decorated and everyone was in a festive mood!

Now it's time to change focus to the Spring Garden Tour. It's just around the corner. We have four homeowners currently busy getting ready for the April 20th event but would love to have one or two more. The current homes are located on both sides of North McHenry. If you know of anyone who has a lovely garden in that area please give me a call.

Volunteers Needed I am also looking for people interested in being on the Spring Tour Committee. The first meeting will be Wednesday, January 17, 10 am to 12 noon. We will be working on advertising, docents, tickets, refreshments, and raffatunity and set-up the day before the tour and the day of. It takes a large dedicated group of members to have a successful tour. Many hands can make light work! Please join us!

Give me a call or email me.

Lee Lundrigen

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Workshop

GINGER RATTO/LYNN BROOKS

CORK HEART WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

Location: MGC Office

Time: 10:00 am—1:00 pm

Cost: \$20.00

Supplies: Start gathering Corks!





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Upcoming Calendar of Events

January 1	Happy New Year 2024!	January 17	Spring Garden Tour Meeting MGC Office, 622 14th Street 10:00 a.m--Noon
January 2	Planters and Groomers		
January 11	MGCI General Meeting Trinity Presbyterian Church 1600 Carver Road, Modesto	January 24	Hands on Workshop – Cork Heart Club Office 622 14th Street
January 16	Planters and Groomers	January 25	MGCI Board Meeting
		February 8	MGCI General Meeting

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