



OVER THE GARDEN GATE

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President's Message

"Rain Rain go away". I guess somebody heard me because the weather at the January meeting was perfect. We had the largest attendance since the virus started! I was so happy to see so many familiar faces. The new meeting set up in the Telle center seems to be working out just fine.

January's programs were some of the best so far this year. Dede kept us all entertained with her explanations on how gardening can be great whether it is large or small. Wow, I was surprised a school teacher could be so funny! Thank you Dede for the inspirational video of our long past special actors singing God Bless America. ***If you missed it check it out on Facebook.***

Spring is just around the corner and the Spring Garden Tour is coming up **Saturday April 22**, with some spectacular homes on the tour. Please support the Garden Club with your participation and buy a ticket, be a docent, bring a friend!

February 9th meeting is our **VALENTINES DAY** meeting. Please wear that special spring hat and pink or red outfit.... get gussied up! Lets make this meeting special and colorful.



Carol Bone ~ February 9th Main Speaker

Carol is a native Californian and a 43 year resident of Manteca. She retired from her ***first love... Education***, in 2006 after a 31 year career. She subsequently joined the Manteca Garden Club and also completed the UC Davis Master Gardener Program to learn more about gardening and proper care of her ***second love... Roses!***



Carol's home has been featured on five garden tours throughout the years! For over 30 years she has contributed to her community through numerous service clubs and organizations. She has also owned a traveling notary service and manages her own rental property.

What does Carol do in her spare time? She is a 20 year Feng Shui Master, wherein she applies these ancient skills to her ***third love... Interior Design***. She delights in sharing her love of gardening and her gardening skills with others.





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 THESE
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Anne Schellman ~ February Learn and Grow Speaker

Anne started a blog in 2007 with the title Anne of Green Gardens and has been writing gardening tips ever since! She noticed there weren't many books available about miniature gardening, so she decided to write one in 2013. She credits her grandfather for fostering her love of plants, and Modesto Junior College for helping her discover a career in horticulture. Anne graduated from Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo with a degree in environmental horticultural science, and a master's degree in community development from UC Davis. She currently works as the UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Coordinator for Stanislaus County.

Make sure not to miss our February Meeting where Anne will be discussing and demonstrating how to make a beautiful miniature garden. Her book will be on sale just in time for the next month's (March) *Members' - DIY Miniature Garden Contest*.



February Contest - "DIY Valentine Project"



CONTEST RULES:

February Members' Contest will get your Love Bug Going!

1. For Club Members only
2. Make any "Valentine Themed Entry" of your choice
3. Bring entry to Telle Center from 9:30 to 10:00 on Thursday, February 9th

*If you need to hang your entry, please call Janis at 562.307.5954
 Have fun and make us all MOONSTRUCK!*

Planters and Groomers - "Christmas in January" ~ by Gerri Yockey

I will start by saying, went to the office as usual to clean up any debris from the many storms in the last couple of weeks. The ladies were not happy to see so many articles of debris on the ground! It took all morning to clean up and get the yard back to where it was before. It has been so wet that it's hard to do much except rake. I will be so happy when the ground gets dryer.

The real story is when we went to Judy Crisp's house for lunch. So many of the girls helped Judy with the food. It was a team effort and turned out beautifully! Judy's house was still dressed up as Christmas with all the lights and Christmas bulbs. She wanted us to enjoy Christmas one more time before it is all taken down... and that we did! What a joy to see so many colors and sparkle.... Thank you Judy for giving us such a treat. And the food was excellent.

Planters and Groomers meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the office to maintain the grounds and plant new flowers twice a year. You've noticed our handiwork when you visit the office and see how lovely the grounds are. We're a fun group, so consider joining us and get your hands dirty!

January
Volunteer
of the
Month
Teresa Seifert



January DIY Lawn Art Winners
2nd Place Ann Crossman, 1st Place Shirley Stewart, 3rd Place Nancy Robinson

Book

SALE

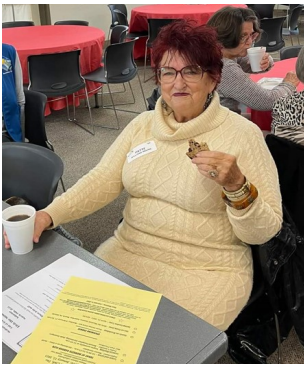
Anne of Green Gardens

Miniature Gardening

By Anne Schellman
Photos by Holly Guenther & Mark Tovar

AT OUR FEBRUARY MEETING
Cash Only \$15

Candid photos from the January General Meeting. Be a Sweetie and join us on February 9th





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Dates to Remember

February 7 9:00 am	Planters and Groomers MGC Office 622 14th Street
February 9 10:00 am	MGC General Meeting 1600 Carver Road, Modesto
February 14	Valentine's Day!
February 20	President's Day
February 21 9:00 am	Planters and Groomers MGC Office 622 14th Street
February 23 9:00 am	MGC Board Meeting Club Office—622 14th Street