

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at noon at the Olde Community Church, 9906 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, CA 92040 (unless otherwise noted) from August through June.



**June 16<sup>th</sup>** End of Year Party at Clara Arvai's Home 8860 Diamondback Drive Santee, CA 92071



Abby Moldenhauer, Cathie Robertson, Jean Cabanilla, and Betty Corvey presenting scholarships to our three winners at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cuyamaca College Botanical Society Scholarship and Awards Banquet.

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, the Cuyamaca College Awards Banquet was held at Marina Village. Jean Cabanilla, Betty Corvey, Abby Moldenhauer, and Cathie Robertson handed out \$750 scholarships to three deserving students. Those students were from (left to right) Hannah Palmer, Bridgette Taylor, and Francisco Bautista. It was wonderful seeing the variety of Ornamental Horticulture students who won awards in their respective areas.

Also at this banquet, one of our own long time members, Ester Croteau, was honored with a bouquet of flowers as a token of appreciation from the head of the department, Amy Huie. Amy was the first recipient of Ester's scholarship for single mothers when Ester first created the scholarship to help single mothers succeed. Amy thanked Ester and told her that, without that scholarship, she wouldn't be where she was today: running the program! It was heartwarming to see all of Ester's hard work of propagating and selling plants for \$1 each at her home to fund the many years of \$500 scholarships.

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# **AROUND TOWN**

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#### June 6<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm - 2:00pm

San Diego Oasis, 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, Ste. 269, La Mesa Betty Corvey discusses June Gardening To register for class:



#### June 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00am

tinyurl.com/27fayyfs

Walter Andersen Nursery, San Diego Container Gardening with Constance

#### June 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00am

Armstrong Garden Center, El Cajon Hummingbird Habitat For FREE tickets, visit: tinyurl.com/mschwsvy



#### June 7<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

Walter Andersen Nursery, Poway Native Plants and Firewise Planting with Greg Rubine

#### June 7<sup>th</sup> 10:00am - 12:30pm

Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College How to Hire a Landscaper Register at: tinyurl.com/b5hn488z



#### June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park San Diego Cactus and Succulent Society Show and Sale Saturday: 9:00am - 11:00am (members only) 11:00am -5:00pm (public). Show from 10:00am - 3:00pm Sunday: 10:00am - 4:00pm. Show from 10:00am - 4:00pm

#### June 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00am - 4:00pm

Cuyamaca College Free Friday at the Water Conservation Garden

#### June 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00am - 10:00am

Walter Andersen Nursery, San Diego Tropicals with John Clements

#### June 14<sup>th</sup> 9:30am - 10:30am

Walter Andersen Nursery, Poway Organic Gardening with Randy Ritchie

#### June 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00am - 10:00am

Armstrong Garden Center, El Cajon All About Plumeria and Other Tropical Plants For FREE tickets, visit: <u>tinyurl.com/yhjzbexe</u>



#### June 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00am - 10:00am

Walter Andersen Nursery, San Diego Call nursery for details.

#### June 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30am - 10:30am

Walter Andersen Nursery, Poway Water Plants with John Clements

#### June 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30am - 12:30pm

Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101 San Diego Bonsai Club

#### June 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00am

Walter Andersen Nursery, San Diego *Call store for details* 

#### June 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

Walter Andersen Nursery, Poway Plumerias with Mike Atkinson

#### June 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00am - 1:00pm

Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College San Diego Seed Swap

Register at: <u>tinyurl.com/r7fbbx7w</u>



### Field Trips:

There are no field trips scheduled as of now, but here are some ideas for you on your own:

**Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am - 3:00pm** Summers Past Farms *Lavender Day and Antique Craft Fair* 

Do you have a field trip idea? We'd love to hear from you! Let us know at the next meeting.



One of our early (and still present) members, Ester Croteau who was honored at the Cuyamaca Scholarship banquet.

### Things to Do in the Garden in June

- Continue planting drought tolerant plants •
- Plant bougainvilleas, perennials in bloom, succulents, • morning glories, and alstromeria
- Plant seeds of heat-loving annuals •
- Use bedding plants for instant color •
- Deadhead and pick roses and summer flowers •
- Prune Epiphyllums •
- Divide and repot cymbidiums
- Thin out fruit trees after June drop •
- Cut back euryops •
- Clip runners off strawberries •
- Give marguerites a butch haircut •
- Remove spent blossoms from daylillies
- Prune climbing roses once blooms have faded •
- Feed citrus and avocado trees •
- Check for chlorosis in citrus, gardenias, and azaleas and treat with chelated iron
- Fertilize veggies, perennials, roses, and lawns
- Fertilize camellias •
- Water all plants except for some well-established, • drought tolerant and natives
- Keep veggies watered, especially strawberries •
- Control slugs and snails •
- Watch for rose pests and diseases •
- Control gophers with the black hole traps
- Control weeds around plants with mulch
- Spray tuberous begonias for mildew
- Start harvesting veggies and enjoy

## **JUNE 2025, page 3**

#### Welcome New Members!

Kyle Icke Sue Cordova **Rustie Rhea** 

Aniko Makranczy Judit Makranczy Jessica Nantz



### Foods to Plant in June

Beans, beets, Cantaloupe, carrots, corn, cucumbers, egaplant, jicama, lettuce, lima beans, okra, parsley, peppers, pumpkin, radish, squash, strawberries, sunflowers, Swiss chard, tomatoes, watermelon

Most info from 'Pat Welsh's Southern California Gardenina: A Month-Bv-Month Guide.' Her book. "Pat Welsh's Southern California Organic Gardening, Month-by-Month" Chronicle Books is also now available and provides more detailed info.





Our own Jennifer Luke and our El Capitan Scholarship recipient, Kilee Kobszoff, at the award presentation.



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Our very own Cookbook! Available at the June Meeting for \$15 (cash or check)



### June Recipe Corner

If you have a recipe to contribute to the newsletter, please send to <u>cathie.robertson@gcccd.edu</u> This is a sample recipe from our cookbook:

### **Ceci Bean Salad** (Jeannie MacKinnon)

- 2 15 oz cans garbanzo (ceci) beans
- 1 cp chopped celery
- 1/2 cp chopped green peppers
- ½ tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/3 cp lemon juice
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cp olive oil
- 1 tsp garlic salt
- ½ tsp sugar
- 1/8 tsp pepper

Mix ingredients all together and chill for a least one hour. Great picnic or barbeque side dish!





# REFLECTIONS

For the past few months, we have included some thoughts and poems on gardening. If you would like to contribute a poem (an original would be great!) or some thoughts on the subject, please send to Cathie Robertson at <u>cathie.robertson@gcccd.edu</u> or give to her at the next general meeting. The same goes for any gardening tips!

# **JUNE 2025, page 5**

"June is when Earth feels like a child in a magnificent toy shop."

• Sigurd F. Olson

#### In June

A quiet hour beneath the trees; A little, whispering, lazy breeze; A perfect sky, Where, now and then, an idle cloud Strayed from its mates to wander by, And near the border of the wood A thrush that sang, serene and strong, The flute notes of the perfect song We almost understood; Then eventide-and in the light The mystery that preludes the night.

• Matilda Hughes

"And since all this loveliness can not be Heaven, I know in my heart it is June."

• Abba Louisa Goold Woolson

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"In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different."

• John Steinbeck

"Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June."

• Al Bernstein

#### June

June is here, the month of roses, month of brides and month of bees, Weaving garlands for our lassies, whispering love songs in the trees, Painting scenes of gorgeous splendor, canvases no man could brush, Changing scenes from early morning till the sunset's crimson flush.

June is here, the month of blossoms, month of roses white and red, Wet with dew and perfume-laden, nodding wheresoe'er we tread; Come the bees to gather honey, all the lazy afternoon; Flowers and lassies, men and meadows, love alike the month of June.

Month of love and month of sunshine, month of happiness and song, Month that cheers the sad wayfarer as he plods the road along; Spreading out a velvet carpet, green and yellow, for his feet, And affording for his rest hours many a cool and sweet retreat.

• Edgar Guest

