



SG & AC CHAT Newsletter

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CALDENDAR 2011

MAY 1 SACRAMENTO ROSE SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE

MAY 1 GARDENS GONE NATIVE TOUR

MAY 7-8 SACRAMENTO CACTUS & SUCCULENT SHOW AND SALE

MAY 14 SACRAMENTO GERANIUM SHOW AND SALE

MAY 21-22 SATSUKI-AIKOKAI SHOW AND SALE

JUNE 4 AMERICAN FUCHSIA SHOW AND SALE

JUNE 18 SACRAMENTO POTTERS CLUB SALE

**Looking for Club information?
Check our Website: www.sgaac.org**

**SHEPARD GARDEN CENTER
RENTAL HALF PRICE TO
MEMBERS**

Contact Mabel Lotz :
916-808-8800 E-mail: mlotz@cityofsacramento.org

Attention all Clubs:

Please send me names and e-mail addresses of new members so I may add them to the CHAT mail list, including their club affiliation.



Gardens Gone Native is a free self-guided tour of home native plant gardens and other landscapes in Sacramento and Yolo counties, organized by the Sacramento Valley Chapter of the California Native Plant Society. The tour features gardens comprised of at least 50 percent California native plants. They may also include other xeriscaping, an edible garden component, water gardens, bee and butterfly gardens and more.

Tour Basics

Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Free and open to the public.

Registration required by April 20 or until the tour reaches capacity.

Space is limited; register early to ensure a place.

How to Register

Send an e-mail to gardensgonenative@ecomail.org.

Include the following information:

Name and complete mailing address, "GGN Registration" on the subject line

Registration closes on April 20. We will then mail you the garden tour booklet.

Alternately you can pick up a garden tour booklet on the day of the tour at these locations.

- **Effie Yeaw Nature Center:** The Effie Yeaw Nature Center is located inside Ancil Hoffman County Park , off California Avenue , enter the Park on Tarshes Drive in Carmichael, Ca. 95608.
- **Native Plant Demonstration Garden , Historic City Cemetery:** 1000 Broadway, Sac. , CA 95818

For more information, visit www.SacValleyCNPS.org or email GGN co-chairs Maria Kochis or Dennis Dahlin at gardensgonenative@ecomail.org.

FROM THE BOARD

Summary of March 7, 2011 meeting

Financial Report by Treasurer, Ed Schroeder: our financials look good with \$129K in accounts.

Scheduling City Report by Mabel Lotz: No updates as Mabel is out ill and her return date is uncertain at this time.

Event Committees: Spring Sale, March 26 and 27 - 10 clubs participating, several jewelry vendors.

Bylaws Committee: next round of discussion, May 10th.

Web Page Design/Management: Mary Brennan reported on the meeting with President, Secretary and two Board Members and Dwight Fingers of Sacranet. Motion to hire Mr. Fingers was voted on and passed.

Anne Fenkner volunteered to act as liaison between the Center and Mr. Fingers.

Friends of SGAAC Report by Ed Schroeder: The Friends purchased Quikbooks program to aid the Treasurer in preparing financial reports.

Old Business: no updates.

New Business: The issue of a new sound system and video projector were brought up by Wayne Martinson. Wayne will get bids for both systems and report back.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Summary of April 4, 2011 meeting

Secretary's report - Kathy Norton, filling in for Secretary Genelle Dwyer, gave the report.

Event Committee - Kathy Norton gave a Spring Sale wrap up: a total of 1300 attended the event, despite the rain. There were some vendor cancellations due to the weather. Joanne Sprogis volunteered to be responsible to put up the larger signs for the event, as she has done in the past.

Bylaws Committee - no update; next meeting should be scheduled for May.

Web Page Design - presentation by Anne Fenkner regarding the new Webmaster, design of page and calendar feature. The new calendar feature will list all clubs, based on pre-designated categories, and will link to each club's website if one exists. Please contact Anne Fenkner annefenkner@yahoo.com for questions.

Friends of SGAAC Report - MJ Kelly filling in for Ed Schroeder announced the Friends are planning to hold a fundraiser at the end of the summer. Last year, the Friends, donated an evening boat ride on the Sacramento River, which was a tremendous success.

Old Business - Mabel Lotz: striping of the parking lot is done and looks fantastic. Mabel will submit work order for a new soap dispenser in the ladies' bathroom, roof repairs in the small conference room near the beam and ceiling repair work from a previous leak. It was suggested the Center provide dish soap and towels in the kitchen; Mabel reported when these items were provided before, they were always missing. Each club should bring their own dish soap and towels to their event.

Video Demo Cart - no update at this time on the video cart or new sound system.

New business - a new sign for the automatic door is needed to prevent people from pulling the door shut and causing damage. Mary Lou Brennan will look into signage options.

It was reported that the piano leg was again broken.

It was suggested the Center purchase our own pop-up coverings for the patio during "moist" days.

Anne Fenkner suggested renting pop-ups thru Neighborhood Services and will contact them.

It has been suggested for the Center's events, there be a booth height limit, to avoid blocking visibility of other vendors. The same should be written into the contract each vendor signs. Response time from vendors could be improved; one month prior to the event would be preferable.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL CLUBS

- 1. A member's wallet was stolen at the Spring Sale. Please secure your personal items as there is a lot of unsupervised traffic throughout the building during events. It was suggested to lock the door to the kitchen near the automatic door.**
- 2. A car became stuck in the mud at the Spring Sale when the driver parked on the lawn in the parking lot area. We can all help discourage people from parking on the lawn and, it might help, that the Police do ticket cars parked there.**
- 3. The piano leg is again broken. Please take care when setting up, or breaking down, equipment for meetings and events. Be especially careful when moving the large dolly loaded with chairs out of the storage room into the large conference room.**

CHAT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

I enjoy putting together articles for our CHAT Newsletter and welcome any articles, with photos, for member clubs of the Shepard Garden and Art Center.

I have a few suggestions to make your information attractive and in the correct format to add to the CHAT.

- 1. Do not send "protected" articles and photos. It literally takes me hours to try and re-format, or completely rewrite your article. Photos in a protected status are a mess to try and reduce, copy and paste.**
- 2. A limit of two photos per article is preferable. Anymore than that means the photos have to be reduced to a point where clarity is lost.**
- 3. If you send a photo of someone's work, please indicate the artist's name.**
- 4. I review submissions for spelling and grammatical errors only. I do not review for content or clarity.**
- 5. I believe CHAT is intended for Shepard Center clubs only. I do not believe we should be providing information for any event unless one of our clubs is participating or sponsoring.**
- 6. As you know, CHAT comes out every two months. The cut off date for submissions is the 20th of the month prior to the next issue.**

Thanks for your help producing the CHAT.

CHAT issue months: Jan/Feb March/April May/June July/August Sept/Oct Nov/Dec

East Sacramento Preservation to Volunteer at East Portal Pops in the Park

Mark your calendars for the East Sacramento [Pops in the Park](#) and [Screen on the Green](#) dates. We are proud to be one of the volunteer groups for the [East Portal Park Pops](#) event.

Pops

Saturday, June 4th – Tom Rigney & Flambeau at McKinley Park

Saturday, June 18th – Swing Masters at Bertha Henschel Park

Saturday, June 25th – Mercy Me at East Portal Park

Screen

Saturday, August 20th – Secretariat at East Portal Park

Elk Grove Artists 10th Annual Fine Art Show and Sale June 11, 2011 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM

On June 11, 2011 the Elk Grove Artists will hold their 10th Annual Fine Art Show and Sale at the Shepard Garden Center. The show will run from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Proceeds from this sale will go towards our high school framing workshop, scholarship and youth art programs.

This is our first year at the Shepard Garden and Art Center. We are looking forward to a great turnout to view all of the art mediums that will be present at this show.

For information concerning this show, please contact Russell Frank at: russell.frank@frontiernet.net.



Two Beauties - Apple Hill, CA by Russell Frank

PRESENTED BY
SACRAMENTO CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

MAY 7 – 8, 2011
SATURDAY, MAY 7TH – 9 AM - 5 PM (PLANT SALE)
SATURDAY, MAY 7TH – 10 AM - 5 PM (EXHIBITION)
SUNDAY, MAY 8TH – 9 AM - 4 PM

Free Admission

Free Parking

Plant Sale both days

Free Plant each day to the 1st 100 guests

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Selenicereus grandiflorus (Queen of the Night)



June Nature and Travel Program

On behalf of the Nature and Travel Division, plan now for our June Program, because it's going to be fun! On June 6, 2011, as part of Sierra Camera Club's 75th Anniversary celebration, we will be having a great evening of "Telling Stories"... with photographs, of course! You may submit a series or sequence of three to seven images that tell a story of our choosing.

The theme can be nature or travel, or a series of photographs that represent a theme. You may have a title slide if you wish, and you will be encouraged to speak to the group about what inspired you to create your story. No judging, just fun! Please submit your images, just as you would a sequence, to Jan Lightfoot by WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2011! I will be sending out an e-mail in mid-April with a reminder and further instructions for submitting your images. In addition, we will be offering appetizers and other goodies, so bring a bottle of wine (and a designated driver of course!), and let's tell some stories! Donna Sturla

Send images to:
Jan Lightfoot <comeflywithme@sbcglobal.net>

Two SCC Members in Auburn Art Show

Ron and Sande Parker will be participating in a show at the Old Library Art Studio. The venue was originally The Carnegie Library and is now an art studio for several artists. This event has been coordinated to coincide with the Amgen Cycling Tour.

The opening is:
Thursday April 14th from 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
175 Almond Street, Auburn
(530) 885-5670

Directions:
From Highway 80 Eastbound,
Take the High
Turn left on Almond.



PAINTING WHERE
THE WILD THINGS ARE

MAY 21, 2011
Gala and Art Auction 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.
At the Effie Yeaw Nature Center

The American River Natural History Association invites you to celebrate the
American River with:

- Art of the American River Parkway
 - Live and Silent Auction
 - Food and Wine
- Music by Sacramento Brass Quintet and by Lisa Phenix

Reservations are required, \$40 per person. When you make reservations, please give us the
names of all the attendees.

To make a reservation:

- Click this link <http://www.sacnaturecenter.net/gala.html> and pay through PayPal on our
website
 - Call 916-489-4918
 - E-mail info@sacnaturecenter.net

SIERRA CAMERA CLUB MEMBERS
KENNETH BOSANKO

Born February 13, 1930, Brittain, South Dakota. Entered into rest April 4, 2011, Roseville, California.

It was very sad to read of the death of Ken Bosanko. A long time member of the Sierra Camera Club, Ken was always there if needed when it came time to setup equipment for our meetings. He was a good friend as well as a hard worker, his passing is a great loss to our Club in many ways.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation be made in Ken Bosanko's name to The American Cancer Society.

LILA LINCOLN

Lila Lincoln passed away on Monday, April 18. No service will be held in accordance with Lila's wishes. However, a Celebration of Life is being planned by her family. Details about this will be forthcoming.

SACRAMENTO POTTERS GROUP / Northern California ART by FIRE

4th Annual SHOW AT THE GARDEN

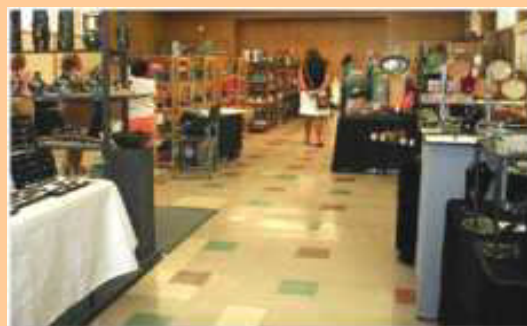
SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2011, 10 AM TO 4PM

Shepard Garden and Art Center
3330 Mckinley Blvd., Sacramento



The Sacramento Potters Group will be hosting their fourth annual spring pottery show at the Shepard Garden and Art Center on the day before Father's Day, Saturday June 18, 2011. Last year the show a huge success with over 30 vendors exhibiting their unique wares to over 700 people who came to enjoy the day, view throwing demonstration, and, for us most satisfying of all, purchase art.

The show is particularly unique as it is open only to those artists who make their art by using either fire or extreme heat in their processes. Such art and artists include those whose pieces are made of clay that has been fired in a kiln or created using Raku techniques where red hot pieces are doused in sawdust, newspaper or other materials to induce oxidation and instant combustion of the material. The swirling streaks of color are the result of the flames and variation in temperatures that occurs when the material is ignited by contact with the piece.



Also included would be metal art, a fast-growing craft where artists create everything from stars, suns, animals and geometric designs using welding torches and brazing tools. The resulting items can be used for display inside the home or in the garden. In addition to these two art forms, another form is art created artists working in glass. Their work will mainly feature "warm" glass work that ranges from beads and earrings to decorative pieces which have been formed by sandwiching various pieces of colored glass that is melted together to form the finished piece.

The show will be held on Saturday, June 18, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, Ca. (off 33rd near H Street, adjacent to McKinley Park tennis courts). In addition to the exhibit of art work, a throwing demonstration will be offered and there will be information regarding the Sacramento Potters Group available for any one who is interested in joining us on any of our upcoming field trips or in joining in our on-going discussions regarding how to creatively play with fire.

For additional information about the show and SPG, please contact Russell Frank, show coordinator, at russell.frank@frontiernet.net or 916-801-8237.





The Sacramento Branch of the American Fuchsia Society is having its annual show and sale Saturday only, June 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center , 3330 McKinley Boulevard , Sacramento . Many varieties of fuchsias not often found locally but projected to withstand higher temperatures will be available. Weather cooperating, a display of fuchsia club members' potted fuchsias and another of fuchsia buds are planned. Branch members will be available to answer questions about fuchsias and fuchsia club membership. Fuchsia related literature will be on display or for sale. **Admission is free.**

EAST SACRAMENTO PRESERVATION YARD SALE

It's time for the annual East Sacramento Preservation Yard Sale.

Each year brings a bevy of interesting goods and shoppers.

We hope you can make it to the sale, and donate some items. We especially need appliances, household goods and larger ticket items.

Call Will at 202-7956 to make a donation.

All items or cash donations are tax deductible.

When: Saturday, May 7, 2011

Where: 425 San Miguel Way

Time: 8am to Noon

SHEPARD GARDEN AND ART CENTER ANNUAL BOARD MEETING JULY 9th

BOARD POSITIONS OPEN ARE:

**PRESIDENT
TREASURER
RECORDING SECRETARY
DIRECTOR**

STEP UP AND BE A DEFINING FORCE IN THE OPERATIONS OF OUR CENTER



Annual Board Meeting 2010

Spring Sale



What's a little rain.....

March 26-27 2011 marked the Spring Sale at the Center and the weekend was accentuated with a little rainfall.....Alright—it poured on Saturday!

Despite the weather lots of clubs and vendors turned out to welcome our community to the event. We had over 1,300 guests attend the gathering and all of the garden clubs did well with their sales. We proved that Sacramento residents could handle a bit of rain as they came by to see us—shopping to stock their gardens!

Sale items included books, collectables, beautiful hats, honey, plants, seeds, bright and cute garden ceramics, orchids, African violets, self-watering ceramic pots, lots of beautiful jewelry, spectacular flower arrangements, marine ceramics, more plants, pretty candles, artwork, plenty of wonderful food, and more! At times joyful singing was added to the atmosphere by our delightful clubs and vendors in the large room which kept all of our guests happy and in the mood to shop.

The organizing team would like to thank Don and Mabel and all of the following clubs for all of their hard work in setting up this event. These groups include the Iris Society, the Fuchsia Society, the Sacramento Floral Design Guild, the Sacramento Potters Group, the Sierra Camera Club, the California Native Plant Society, the Geranium Society, the Perennial Plant Club, the Bonsai Associations (Capital City & American), Cactus & Succulent Society, Delta Gesneriad & African Violet Society, and Capital City African Violet Society. Thanks to all of you who made this fundraiser event possible!

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Festival on 1-2 October 2011! We are all hoping that it will be a sunny weekend!

Kathy Norton
2011 Spring Sale
Space Coordinator



Claire and pots



Irene and Oscar manning the table

GERANIUM PLANT SHOW AND SALE MAY 14TH



The **Sacramento Geranium Club** will hold their annual Show & Sale on Saturday, May 14th from 0900 (9:00A.M.)---1600 hrs.(4:00P.M.) at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento. Many beautiful varieties of Pelargoniums & Geraniums such as: Ivy Leaf, Martha Washington, Scented leaf, Fancy leaf, Angels & Pansy Face, Zonals, Species, and Hardy Geraniums will be on sale.

Come early for best selection.

For information--(916)808-8800, Shepard Garden and Art Center.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 10TH
7PM

SHEPARD GARDEN AND ART CENTER





THE END BY MELBA MARTIN, SIERRA CAMERA CLUB

AND THIS IS THE END OF THE MAY/JUNE CHAT....THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK THE TIME TO CONTRIBUTE.

