

PACIFIC REGION GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

78th Annual Convention

April 25-27, 2022

"Respect the Region"

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

All activities at Nevada Garden Club Center (NGCC) except as otherwise noted.

Monday, April 25, 2022 Theme: Reuse

Breakfast and lunch on your own.

- 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Set -up Repeat Boutique, Exhibits, Silent Auction baskets
- 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration
- 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Committee Members Only Meetings – **Plaza Hotel**
- Finance Committee: Lana Finegold's Room
- Organization Study Meeting: Greg Pokorski's Room
- State Presidents' Meeting: Anne Sullivan's Room
- 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch Break on your own
- 1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Meetings TBA – **Plaza Hotel**
- 3:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting - Officers, State Presidents - NGCC
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Social Hour
- 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Awards and Design Banquet - "Repurpose, Recycle, Reuse"

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 Theme: Repurpose

- 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration, Repeat Boutique, Silent Auction
- 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting, - Executive Committee plus Chairmen - NGCC
- 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Convention Opening Ceremony – Repeat Boutique closed during ceremony
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Convention Business Meeting #1 - Repeat Boutique closed during meeting
- 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch - Nocturnal Pollinators - Master Gardener
- 1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Workshop – Create something new from something repurposed
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Workshop - Parliamentary Procedure
- 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Workshop - Create an Ikebana design
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Social Hour
- 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Banquet and Fashion Show

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 Theme: Respect the Region

- 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration, Repeat Boutique, Silent Auction
- 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Convention Business Meeting #2 - Repeat Boutique closed during meeting
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Box Lunch in the Park - Tree Planting
- 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tour of Republic Services Recycling Plant and/or Neon Museum - TBD
- 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Workshop - Sustainable Living
- 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Workshop - Create a Facebook page/Website
- 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Enjoy the selection of items at the Repeat Boutique and Silent Auction or stroll through the Garden of the Pioneer Woman (weather permitting)
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Social Hour
- 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Life Member Banquet - Speaker: Mark Hall-Patton: "*Respecting our History*"
Results of Silent Auction

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This PRGC Convention is completely made possible by the efforts of all of our wonderful Convention Committee members. All of YOU deserve a HEARTFELT THANKS on behalf of all PRGC members.

Life is like a helicopter. I don't know how to operate a helicopter.

Pacific Region Convention in Las Vegas

by Vicki Yuen, Convention Co-chairman

Convention is coming right up, and will be here before you know it! The dates are April 25-27, 2022. Our theme is **RESPECT the Region – Recycle, Reuse, Repurpose**. Some of you probably remember the hilarious R-E-S-P-E-C-T performance by Kristie Livreri and her crew at the Oregon Pacific Region Convention in August.

State Presidents, please note that you are expected to attend the Monday morning State Presidents' meeting, and then the Executive Committee meeting, the Board of Directors meeting, and all the Convention meetings. If for some reason you are not able to come to the Convention, please arrange for a substitute.

There will be a **Fashion Show** on Tuesday evening, with highlighted outfits featuring various recyclable (or non-recyclable) materials. Each State President received a popsicle stick with the type of material to be highlighted in the outfit. I hope you State Presidents remember what you chose! (If you don't remember, just contact Kristie at kristabelle7@aol.com) Whether or not you yourselves will be the models, I hope you will spearhead the development of the outfit. You may of course make more than one, and use a variety of materials. Brynn Tavasci will be our Fashion Show announcer, so she will need to know about your garb before the show.

Hotel reservations may be made at the Plaza Hotel, at 1 Main Street in Downtown Las Vegas. Reservation line is 800-634-6575. (Open 7 a.m.-10 p.m.). Group Code is SNVGRDN. The last day to receive the group rate (which varies by day) is Friday, March 25, 2022; reservations may be cancelled without penalty 72 hours or more before scheduled check-in (4:00 p.m.). To book online, use the link <https://book.passkey.com/go/SNVGRDN>. Make sure which days you need to be there before you confirm your reservation. State Presidents and people who are involved with the Region's Finance Committee or Organization Study Committee might want to arrive on Sunday for Monday morning meetings at the hotel. Others might want to wait to arrive until Monday as the Executive Committee meeting isn't until Monday afternoon at the Nevada Garden Club Center (see Tentative Schedule on the next page). The first meal in our meal package (the Awards and Design Banquet) is Monday evening. Meals on Monday and Tuesday are buffet style. Wednesday includes a box lunch and a plated dinner.

The **Nevada Garden Club Center** is at 800 Twin Lakes Drive, in Lorenzi Park. It is about a ten minute drive from the Hotel. We will make every effort to arrange carpooling, by contacting those who are driving and asking if they are willing to take a rider along. You can also get back and forth with Uber or Lyft, or a taxi. Most of the clubs in Nevada Garden Clubs meet in this building, which we have been using for 50 years. We even have an agreement with the City to take care of the Rose Garden nearby. Maybe there will even be roses in April!

One attraction of the Convention will be the **Repeat Boutique**. Many lightly used items will be available for purchase (bring small bills!). In addition, the latest children's book from NGC, *Network With Nature*, will be available for \$12. Earnings from the Repeat Boutique will go towards costs of the Convention, and book sales income will go to the Region.

Details on a **Wednesday afternoon tour** are still being worked out. The Republic Services recycling plant is a wonderful tour, but that one has been on hold until at least March, so it might not be available to us. If not, or possibly in addition, we will visit the Neon Museum and get up close and personal with many of the old Las Vegas neon signs. A one-of-a kind experience. As the details are worked out, you will hear more and have a chance to sign up for the tour.

We are also expecting a short visit from our **National Garden Clubs President**, Mary Warshauer! She should be there on Tuesday evening. Don't miss this chance to get to know her.

This Convention is only made possible by the efforts of all of our wonderful Convention Committee members. Kristie and I could certainly never have put it together without their help!

Come and enjoy!!!