

Produce

September – October 2024

General Meeting 12:00 PM September 4th, Fruitdale Grange

September 4th presentation: Mike Zerwer “All Around Rose Care”

September Salad & Dessert Potluck – Bring food in at 11:30

October 2nd Presentation: Stan Mapolski, the Rogue Gardener

A NOTE FROM THE PREZ

Thank you so very much to Joy Smith and Jennifer Edgerton who have served as our Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer the past 14 months. They both tendered their resignations from their position effective September 1st. The Club is very blessed to welcome Rebecca Hove who is stepping forward to take on the position of Treasurer for us for the rest of this term (and hopefully beyond)!

Birthdays are a new start, a fresh beginning, and a time to pursue new endeavors with new goals. Move forward with confidence and courage. You're a very special person. May today and all of your days be amazing!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Honeychurch	Carlene
2	Houghton	Tom
3	Brasher	Sharleen
3	Johnson	Barbara
11	Durante	CarolAnne
19	Radbourne	Lilly
20	Genovesi	Carole



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Lewis	Diane
1	Mitchell	Lori
3	Walstrom	Mary
4	Rewick	Donna
8	Demsher	Lynda
8	Florez	Miranda

Remembrance – by Donna Rewick

If you wish to have our club membership informed of any illnesses, deaths or other concerns please contact me by e-mail dlrewick@gmail.com or phone [\(808\) 220-9477](tel:(808)220-9477). I will submit this information for mass e-mailing on your behalf. If you know of a member who may be uplifted by receiving a card, please let us know.

NEW MEMBER:

Sandy Goodell wrote:

My husband Stan Goodell was my ticket out of California 21 years ago.

We have 3 beautiful daughters and 5 grandchildren. 2 labradoodles named Waffles and Tucker, who are stuck to my side 24/7.

I love working in our yard on the weekends - I still work with a brokerage firm implementing employee benefits for businesses/corporations, small and large.

Stan and I love hanging out with my sister Sue Cope and her husband Jeff, she's a member too;-).

And most importantly, Marylou Hansen invited my sister and I a few months ago to the Grants Pass Garden Club. We love it!

The End.



Tour To Shore Acres

On the Coast outside Coos Bay - July 15 & 16 – Learning, Having Fun and Seeing the Sights

Thank you to Linda Price, CarolAnne Durante & Lucy Saldana for sharing some pictures



1921
Sandy
Creek
Bridge

Many Club Members went on this exciting event and, from the comments I have heard, had a Wonderful Time and are very happy they went on this tour!

If you've not participated in any of the Tours our Club offers each year – do yourself a favor and go on some in the future. Linda Price does a fantastic job finding us great locations to visit!!!

Fun & Information at Joan Giles Home

August 2, 2024

On Friday, many members of the Illinois Valley Garden Club and some of the Grants Pass Garden Club members met at the Giles home. A tour of their beautiful gardens with many ooh's and ah's. A couple of members from the IVGC said they were going to go home and burn down their gardens after seeing how beautiful Joan's were...

After the tour, Joan, who was joined by Nancy Lester, did a training on how to prepare and present flowers for the Fair. It was very informative and many questions were answered. Refreshments were provided and some of the IVGC brought lunches so they could relax in the gardens that overlooked the river. A good time was had by all.



Showcasing Artistic Creativity in the Garden/Yard!

Submitted by Donna Rewick



For the September/October Produce are these pictures provided by **Jan Wyllie** of her bird feeder that is positioned on an oak tree in front of her *She Shed*. The history of this bird feeder stems from last December's Club Boutique when she was fascinated by a wire wreath that had attached votive candle holders on it. Jan mentioned to Donna Rewick how much she liked this "artistic piece" yet wondered how she'd use it. Donna said to her

that she could use it as a bird feeder. She loved that idea and purchased the item. She now joyously sits in front of her *She Shed* (can also view from inside of it, too) watching the numerous finches and other birds feeding.

Note the picture of the feeder on the tree and also a glimpse of the feeder in the other picture from the perspective of her shed. Tranquility brought about from something repurposed from a purchase at our annual Boutique. Thank you, Jan for sharing.

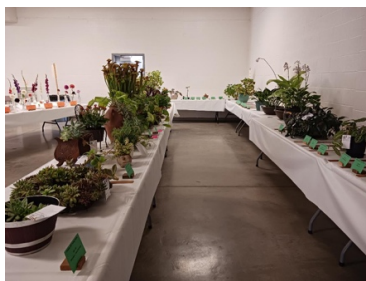
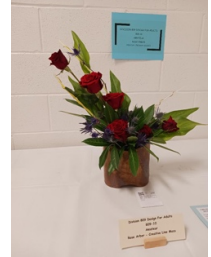
If you would like to share a picture of something in your garden or yard that brings you joy to be featured in the Produce . . . please do so.



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Thank you: Carole Genovesi, Stephanie Ratcliff and ALL the Volunteers for making this the Wonderful Event it turned out to be!!!



Donna Rewick, Community Director Report Grange Garden and Riverside Gardens

Grange Garden:

*Thank you to **Debbie Crook** for the work she does being the Grange Garden Chair.*

Thank you to the volunteers who helped at the Grange Garden these past two months:

July — **Brooke Foyt and Lucy Saldana**

August — **Debbie Crook and Katharyn McDonnell**

An Update regarding the Russian Sage: On June 22 **Carole Genovesi** started the process of cutting down the height of the Russian Sage, and later that day, volunteers **Budge Rewick, Ed Rilkoff** and **Lori Rilkoff** finished it off. **Donna** left a msg. call to the City on June 25 to determine who actually is responsible for trimming the sage. **Debbie Crook** was asked to maintain the trimming in the meantime. On July 27, **Debbie** did the trimming (Donna happening to be at the site for another reason), so **Donna** made a more determined phone call again to the City. This proved to be successful in the City giving an apology that the contractor hired to do the trimming had not been meeting the acceptable vision clearance standard. He let me know he would contact the contractor to make a better effort at maintaining the sage in that area. The sage grows so quickly, and with folks driving out onto Rogue River Hwy. from Eddy's Burgers and **particularly**, the **Fruitdale Grange** the height of it does impede vision. What is great, though, about the Russian Sage is that it makes for an aesthetic landscape feature in its being a hardy, drought tolerant perennial that likes full sun. It's a wonderful pollinator that attracts bees, hummingbirds, and butterflies. Take a look at the sage next time you're near and you'll notice the amazing countless number of bees that swarm on it.



Riverside Park Gardens:

A continued *happy hooray* for **Bonnie Shaw** who now is the Chair of the Riverside Park Gardens. Bonnie makes a weekly (and sometimes more) visit to the park to check things out. On July 3, she and I went to the sites of the Blue Star and Gold Star Markers and **Bonnie** placed the flags in front of each. A big Thank You to **Bonnie**!



Thankful for our GPGC members and all you do . . . truly, we are making a positive impact for our community.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Do NOT park in Eddy's Restaurant parking lot. If our lot is full, there is extra space for us across the street behind the recycling center. For safety, lock your car and be careful crossing the street.

During the meetings, please refrain from visiting with those around you while there are people up front speaking. Remember to either mute or turn off your cell phone. Wear your name badges to all meetings and events for the Club.

Help us clean up after the meeting. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. And, please push your chair in and throw away any trash around your space. **THANK YOU!!!**

Apple Fritters



Ingredients

- **For the fritters:**
 - 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
 - 1/3 cup milk
 - 2 eggs
 - 3 tablespoons applesauce
 - 2 large Granny Smith or Honeycrisp apples, peeled, cored, and diced
 - canola oil for frying
- **For the glaze:**
 - 2 cups powdered sugar
 - 1/4 cup milk
 - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Directions

Step 1 -In a medium bowl, sift together the sugar, flour, baking powder, cinnamon, and salt.

Step 2 -Create a well in the center of the sifted ingredients and add in the 1/3 cup of milk, eggs, and the applesauce.

Step 3 -Stir it all together just so that it combines, making sure not to over-mix.

Step 4 -Gently fold in the diced apples.

Step 5 -Next, over a medium-high heat on the stove top, in a heavy skillet or dutch oven, add in the oil until the depth is about 1 1/2 inches. Heat up the oil to 375 degrees F.

Step 6 -Making sure to work in batches, gently drop in about 1/4 cup of the batter into hot oil, this is the recommended amount for one fritter. Working in batches helps ensure the oil doesn't cool down during the frying process and thus ruins the texture of your fritters.

Step 7 -Carefully, spread the dough out slightly. You have to do it immediately after dropping to get the right shape.

Step 8 -Cook on each side of the fritter until it is golden brown, about 2 minutes on each side.

Step 9 -Finally, place the fritters on some paper towels or on a cooling rack to drain off the excess oil.

Step 10 -Whisk together the 1/4 cup of milk, powdered sugar, and vanilla to make the glaze.

Step 11 -When the fritters have cooled, drizzle or dunk each fritter in the glaze, turning it over to make sure each of the sides are coated to your preference.

Step 12 -Finally, place the fritters on a wire rack to allow the glaze to air dry and drip off any excess.

Step 13 -Serve warm!

Donna Rewick, Siskiyou District Director Report

Congratulations to our Grants Pass Club Members for the Oregon State Federated Garden Clubs Awards!

Photo Contest

Jenny Grippando 1st Place in Category *Animals*
for her pic of Vinny
Pam Zaklan 3rd Place in Category *Learn, Share,
Grow* for her pic of Duck in Garden



Club Directory

1st Place (Extra Large Club) Grants Pass
(Diane Lewis & Ruth Salvatore)

Directory Cover

1st Place (Extra Large Club) Grants Pass
(Ruth Salvatore)



District Directory

1st Place Siskiyou District Garden Clubs (Donna Rewick & Ruth Salvatore)



2024 FALL SEASON—A GREAT TIME TO CHECK OUT YOUR GARDEN!

Summer is winding down (hopefully the heat too!), and we can go out and survey our yard to see what we have that may have “taken more room than we wanted”! Perennials have a habit of spreading out a lot, and instead of ripping out the unwanted excess and throwing it away—just pot them up for our Plant Sale which is in the spring. The plants we pot up in the fall look sooo good in the spring, so it is a great time to do this. Also, if there are some plants you just don’t want to continue having in your yard (bored with them, maybe they just don’t look good where you have them, etc.) just pot them up too.

If you need pots or have any questions, etc. contact CarolAnne Durante directly at carolanne_durante@yahoo.com.

Thank you so much for everything you do to help our club!

Joan Giles

*To all you Holiday Fanatics in the club (and outside, if you know someone who fits the bill).
Three more months until the Garden Club Holiday Boutique (Saturday December 7th at the
Grange). Now is the time to start looking through your Christmas decor and possible gift
items and putting things aside for the sale.*

*Things that sell well: pre-decorated trees, fancy ornaments, cute animals, anything that could
be used for a gift, especially things that can be personalized with a picture or appeal to a
collector or hobbyist.*

*Things that don't sell: ordinary Christmas lights, most cloth goods, ordinary plain Christmas
ornaments.*

If you need somewhere to store things until the sale, see me.

*Carole Genovesi
Boutique Coordinator
(with Carlene Honeychurch)*

IT'S FALL!! TIME FOR OUR DIG AND DIVIDE EVENTS!!

Each fall your Club has Dig and Divide Events in preparation for our annual Plant Sale the following April. For new/newer members, these events are an especially wonderful opportunity to meet other members, talk gardening, learn about the plants we are potting up, and tour a local garden or county acreage. Club members, and non-members alike, donate their overgrown or unwanted plants to our Club. All we have to do is dig them up, divide them and pot them for wintering-over in our Club's "nursery!!" Each Dig and Divide Event lasts about two hours, and they are a lot of fun!! Lucy Saldana has volunteered this year to Chair the Dig and Divides. She will be sharing more information about them at our upcoming September 4th Potluck Meeting. CarolAnne Durante, Plant Sale Chair

THANK YOU!!!



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