



# SG & AC CHAT Newsletter

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## CALDENDAR

### TO BEGIN 2012: HAPPY NEW YEAR

JANUARY 14 SACRAMENTO POTTERS  
GROUP SECONDS SALE: **CALIFORNIA  
NORTHERN ART BY FIRE**

FEBRUARY 11 & 12 SACRAMENTO  
WEAVERS & SPINNERS GUILD OPEN  
HOUSE

FEBRUARY 18 & 19 SOGETSU-IKEBANA  
SHOW: **FLORAL SYMPHONY**

FEBRUARY 25 CYMBIDIUM SHOW AND  
SALE

Looking for Club information?  
Check our Website: [www.sgaac.org](http://www.sgaac.org)  
Contact Anne Fenkner for help  
accessing the website at  
[annefenkner@yahoo.com](mailto:annefenkner@yahoo.com)

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

Contact Mabel Lotz :  
916-808-8800 E-mail: [mlotz@cityofsacramento.org](mailto: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:  
[marylou2008@att.net](mailto:marylou2008@att.net)



## RESEARCHING NEW SOUND SYSTEM

Please get your thoughts and or comments  
about what a new audio/visual system should  
entail to Wayne Martinson via e-mail:  
[waynemartinson09@comcast.net](mailto:waynemartinson09@comcast.net)

Now is the time to voice your opinion.  
Discussion is anticipated at the January Board  
Meeting.



**Spring Sale Planning Meeting  
Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm**

**There are still two open positions in order to get  
this event moving: someone to contact the  
vendors and someone to oversee the take down  
of the center, including clean up.  
Please attend this meeting and volunteer so the  
show will go on.**

**Contact MJ Kelly at 916-929-3541 or  
[mjkelly72@yahoo.com](mailto:mjkelly72@yahoo.com) if you have any  
questions.**

**FROM THE BOARD  
SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETING  
November 7, 2011**

**Call to order at 7:08 pm by President Ken Rothaus.  
Secretary's Report and reading of minutes by Therese Ruth.  
Financial Report by Treasurer Ed Schroeder.**

**Scheduling/City Report by Mabel Lotz: two workshops have been scheduled by the Floral Guild Design and Porcelain Arts.**

**Bike rack: no update. It was reported that Sacramento Air is providing free bike racks and John Nelson will call them at 874-4876.**

**Event Committees: Kathy Norton, Co-Chair for the Fall Festival gave an overall report and acknowledged several individuals who assisted with the sale. MJ Kelly, Co-Chair of the Fall Festival, gave a summary of the wrap-up meeting for all those clubs and vendors who participated in the Fall Festival. She passed around a sign up sheet for manning the Spring Sale. If all eleven categories of sub-chair activities does not get a volunteer, the Spring Sale will not be held. The next meeting to discuss the Spring Sale will be on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.**

**Website: Anne Fenkner, Web Coordinator reported we have 30 friends on Facebook with occasional website updates being made. She went over how to access club information.**

**Bylaws Committee: postponed to January, 2012.**

**Friends of SGAAC: Ed Schroeder reported one new member, Shelly Berlant has joined.**

**Old Business: Stage rebuild - John Nelson will schedule with Mabel to get the work done.**

**Blackout curtains: John Nelson will contact Sierra Camera Club for their input.**

**New business: Shelly Berlant, Rich Heisler and Ed Schroeder will coordinate with Mabel to work on the sprinklers and see if they can be salvaged.**

**Suggestion was made to research going on an hourly rate for the Web Master, Dwight Fingers. Anne will look over our contract.**

**Kathy Norton reported the City will inspect the roof as the small conference room ceiling still needs repair.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.**

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**Summary of meeting December 5, 2011**

**Meeting called to order at 7pm by Vice President, MJ Kelly  
President Ken Rothaus is out of town on business.**

**Secretary Report and reading of minutes by Therese Ruth, Secretary.**

**Financial Report by Ed Schroeder, Treasurer.**

**City Report by Mabel Lotz:**

**Bike Rack: Laurie Lee reported Ed Cox from the City will provide and install the rack within the next 6 weeks.**

**Event Committee: Spring sale update: we still need help to display large banners and several men to set up and take down tables. Will look into possibly getting some Boy Scouts to help with this task.**

**Website: Anne Fenkner: reported the website has been updated.**

**Friends of SGAAC Report by Ed Schroeder: The Friends purchased a new coffee pot. We now have two large coffee makers. Ed will also check on the monies the Center was to receive from the Morris Mueller Estate.**

**Old Business: Stage rebuild by John Foster: John is coordinating a time with Mabel when work can be completed.**

**Blackout Curtains update by Charley Willard and John Foster. Bids have been obtained and will be presented as soon as information from two companies has been received.**

**Patio Sprinklers: Shelly Berlant and Rich Heisler checked the sprinklers and they are working. The fountain, however, is no longer working. The Board had previously decided not to have any further repairs done to the water feature in the patio.**

**Ed Schroeder reported the Satsuki Bonsai Club will plant new Azaleas in March and would like to keep the area with a Japanese Garden theme. Any individual, or club, interested in helping with the upkeep of the area would be most welcomed.**

**Annual Audit - Ed Schroeder reported it's time for the Annual Audit.**

**Kathy Norton and John Foster reported the roof repair has been done in the small conference room, the ceiling repair is yet to be done.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm**



Sacramento Weavers & Spinners Guild  
53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open House, February 11-12, 2012  
Saturday and Sunday, 10:00AM to 4:00 PM  
Shepard Garden & Art Center  
3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento

2012 Show Theme – “Fantasy Fibers”

FREE ADMISSION - FREE PARKING

**Highlights of this year’s show:**

[Spinning demonstrations](#) of a variety of fibers and equipment.

[Weaving demonstrations](#) – floor and table looms, card weaving, inkle loom, basketry, traditional Navajo weaving, kumihimo, and a variety of other types of looms.

[Displays and demonstrations of fiber techniques such as Dyeing, Felting, Knitting of handspun yarn.](#)

[Hands-On](#) – Guild members will help you spin and weave.

[Exhibits](#) of items made by Guild members.

Special presentation by the [Guild’s Saturday Meeting Group](#).

[Workshop Display](#) – Samples of work from Guild sponsored workshops.

[Drawing of member donated items. Need not be present to win.](#)

[Sales Area](#) – all items for sale are made by Guild members.

**General Information about the Guild:**

For over 60 years The Sacramento Weavers & Spinners Guild has kept alive the age-old arts of spinning, dyeing, weaving and knitting. The purpose of the Guild is to encourage growth and knowledge of weaving and spinning by the interchange of ideas, research and contact with experts in the field, to strive for higher standards in craftsmanship and design and to promote an appreciation of these arts in the community.

The Guild supports Linus Project International (blankets for people in need) with handmade blankets. An assortment of blankets ready for Project Linus will be on display and members will be weaving a Linus Blanket during the two day Show.

[Contact Co-Chairs Jan Leininger, janleininger1@gmail.com, or Betsy Gribble, betsy.gribble@gmail.com](#) for more information.

Sacramento perennial plant club  
[www.sacramentoperennialplantclub.com](http://www.sacramentoperennialplantclub.com)

14<sup>th</sup> annual sponsored bus trip to:

# San Francisco Flower and Garden Show

Wednesday March 21, 2012

bus leaves 7:30 am. return leaves show at 4 PM

**cost \$50.00 per person**

Thousands of flowers and plants, inspiring gardens, free seminars for all gardening levels, shopping from greenhouses to garden tools, bulbs to botanical arts, outdoor living, Bonsai, orchids, Ikebana displays and much much more

Bus will depart from the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd, Sacramento. CA  
REAR ENTRANCE

Snack will be served. We should arrive with plenty of time to browse before the first seminar starts. Show opens at 10 a.m. You can pack a lunch, or buy it there.

The \$50.00 fee includes the ticket to the show, a few snacks, and the bus ride that delivers you right to the entrance. THERE IS PLENTY OF ROOM FOR PURCHASES TO BE CARRIED HOME.

This bus tour is open to everyone, so tell your friends and invite them along! Friends and relaxed conversation on the bus, no driving or parking concerns, and **plenty of room to bring home garden goodies!!!**

for Show information including seminars & exhibitors visit their web site

<http://www.sfgardenshow.com>

cut along line and send with **check made out to: PERENNIAL plant club**

Mail to: elizabeth jones 1760 la playa way, sacramento, ca 95864 916-488-8465

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Wednesday, March 21, 2012

san francisco flower and garden show

san mateo convention center

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

phone # \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

## CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

### **Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery:**

*The mission of Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery is to promote awareness of the benefits of native plant habitat, encourage community involvement, and provide a source of local native plants for restoration projects as well as gardeners.*

**Seed Collecting Friday Walks 9:00-11:30** Each week we meet and walk on various American River Parkway trails and other areas along the American River watershed. Come EXPLORE with us! If you'd like to join us, please contact Chris at [LewisC916@yahoo.com](mailto:LewisC916@yahoo.com).

### **Wednesday Workday at the Nursery ~ 9:00-1:00**

Robin leads weekly propagating work. Please join Robin, Chris, Jim, and Brian. We really need more people in order to accomplish more! And you get a FREE LUNCH! Yes, a Peanut Butter & Jelly sandwich is available for all of our volunteers. If you're joining us for the first time, please email Chris at [LewisC916@yahoo.com](mailto:LewisC916@yahoo.com) so that we have enough for everyone!

**Nursery Location: 2140 Chase Drive , Rancho Cordova , 95670 at Soil Born Farms on the American River Parkway**

## **CNPS CHAPTER MEETING PROGRAMS CNPS MEETS THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT SHEPARD GARDEN AND ART CENTER**

**January:** Putah Creek habitat restoration - Rich Marovich,

**February:** Local efforts in Environmental Education - Eva Butler and Lesley McKillop

**March:** Geology of Sac County , demonstrated by building a cake - Bob Holland

**April:** Native Bees - Byron Love

For information about any of the above CNPS programs, please contact  
Mary Maret at [maretm@SacCounty.NET](mailto:maretm@SacCounty.NET)

## SPRING SALE PROGRESS REPORT

Thank you to all those who volunteered to step up and help with the Spring Sale. These people deserve roses.

Anne Fenkner -- PR for the CHAT, web-site and local papers.

Kitty Gerwig -- who will help with PR

Therese Ruth -- responsible for getting the yard signs up

Claudia Bordin -- PR hand outs and put up the big signs

Mary Scheidt -- set up for Friday

Mary Lou Brennan -- On site sub-chair

Pat Gaston -- Contact for all the clubs

Barbara Long -- Contact all the vendors

Kathy Norton--Schematic planner

I am still looking for:

1. another person or group who is willing to put up and take down the big signs.
2. a team of strong men who will be willing to come early Friday morning and set up.

As you see we have a number of wonderful people involved, but we would appreciate it if a few more people would volunteer to help.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT ME, M J KELLY [mjkelly72@yahoo.com](mailto:mjkelly72@yahoo.com) or 916-929-3541**

Many thanks,  
MJ Kelly



### HELP WANTED - ANNUAL AUDIT

Ed Schroeder (treasurer for the Center) needs help. He is looking for someone to help him with auditing the books. This is something the Center must do from time to time. The person or persons auditing can not be from the board and does not need to be a CPA. Ed told me that this would not require some special degree or financial training only interest an average understanding of bookkeeping. The time frame for this project would be about 3 hours.

This project doesn't require great physical strength, large commitment, restricted time frame, or a special degree...Maybe this is something you as a member could do to help the Center. Please contact Ed Schroeder 916-966-2831 [edzard34@yahoo.com](mailto:edzard34@yahoo.com)

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION  
The Uninvited Guest



Like many others, during the holiday season, I got my wires crossed and presented at an event that I was not invited to. As I approached the Shepard Garden and Art Center, and saw several familiar faces, I thought I was late for my club meeting. It turns out my club was not having a meeting that night, and I had intruded in on the Bonsai Clubs Christmas Dinner. Embarrassed? Yes. Unwelcome? No. Thanks to **Kitty Gerwig**, who insisted I stay and have something to eat, and who said "I will know if you leave, you're my guest".

Thank you Kitty. I consider myself very, very lucky.

To everyone else I can only say....I'm not the one that ate all that homemade apple pie.

Happy Holidays.  
Mary Lou Brennan

THANK YOU



*To all the Sacramento Floral Guild Members for the spectacular job you have done in decorating the entire Center. Your members gave a lot of time and effort in displaying their talents for all other clubs and guests to enjoy.*

*It's the first time I've seen a waterfall on stage!*

*A special holiday thank you.*

# JAPANESE FLOWER SHOW FLORAL SYMPHONY



The Ikebana Sogetsu Class (Japanese Flower arranging) in Sacramento will present a flower show to the public of our floral arrangements when we celebrate our 10th Anniversary of this class on February 18-19, 2012, from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

The show theme is "FLORAL SYMPHONY". There will be demonstrations on both days from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. There will also be containers and flower arrangements for sale as well as a raffle of prizes.

This class of Ikebana (Japanese flower arranging) is taught by a Master teacher from San Jose, Kika Shibata. The class meets once a month on the 2nd Thursday (9:45-2:45) from September through June of each year. We have both morning and afternoon classes - the morning class is based on specific designs from the text book, while free and creative style is emphasized in the afternoon class with a specific theme. As we complete our arrangements, our teacher critiques each one's work. Our class members seem to enjoy learning, and also enjoy the friendships and social contacts in this class.

Submitted by Helen Tashima, coordinator of the class  
For further information, call (530) 756-5750.



TO ALL THE CONTRIBUTORS OF THE CHAT NEWSLETTER

I want to thank all the members who generously give of their time to submit articles and multiple photos for inclusion in the CHAT.

I only put together what all of you provide.  
Thank you and see you next year.



*HERE'S TO A SAFE AND PROSPEROUS*

*2012*