



GCII Newsletter 3rd^d Quarter, 2014



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings,

I hope all your flowers are blooming and your gardens are producing. Garden Club of Idaho, Inc., had our Annual Meeting in Coeur d'Alene on June 30th. We had a good turn out with 11 clubs represented and all 3 District Directors present to represent the clubs not in attendance. Elaine Gunderson, our Pacific Region Director attended our meeting and Linda Nelson, our National President made a short visit and offered words of wisdom.

We voted on forming a Ways and Means Committee to formulate money making projects. If you are interested in helping let me know.

GCII voted in 2013 to put on Gardening Study Schools and we need a club to sponsor this. It is a good way for a club to make money. Please contact Allen Deitz if you are interest at allen_deitz@hotmail.com.

Zone 4 magazine has offered to give GCII \$5 for every subscription GCII members buy. It is a great gardening magazine with information about gardening in the Rocky Mountain West. See more in this newsletter about this.

I met Tina Hood, the President of the Coeur d'Alene Garden Club, GCII's newest Affiliate. Through her and the Club we were treated to several of the garden club member's gardens. It was an inspiring afternoon.

The Pacific Region Convention was a wonderful success due to all your help. Thank you to Sandy Ford, Russ and their family for their dedication. Some of the most important things at the convention were education, entertainment and friendship with our fellow gardeners. Coeur d'Alene Resort treated us like Royalty.

I am excited to inform you that GCII has a new garden club, the Chinden Garden Club. Let us all do your most to congratulate and to welcome them, read more about them below.

Allen Deitz has been working so hard on updating our website. Please check it out. We want to have information about your clubs and activities on the site. Please send them our way. Allen_deitz@hotmail.com or janetnpeter@gmail.com

Our Fall Board meeting is October 6th at the Ashley Inn, in Cascade Idaho. Club Presidents and State Chairmen are asked to attend. Everyone is welcome. State Chairmen and District Directors are asked to give their 2 minute reports at this meeting. **PLEASE RSVP TO ME IF YOU ARE COMING AT janetnpeter@gmail.com**

If you cannot attend, please send a copy of your report to Karen Stack. kraestack@hotmail.com.

We All Live Downstream ~ Choices Matter

Janet Petersen, President/ Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.



2014 PACIFIC REGION of NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS CONVENTION
70TH Annual Convention – July 1-3, 2014
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
"A Jewel in the Gem State"



Thank You!

A big **Thank You** to all of the Garden Clubs of Idaho members who supported the Pacific Region Convention in Coeur d'Alene on July 1-3, 2014! Here are a few of the things Idaho did to make this convention so enjoyable:

The **Silent Auction** was completely put together by Idaho garden clubs. Nearly every club in our state donated an auction item. We had 16 items that produced \$1,000. This was a major contributor to making this convention financially successful.



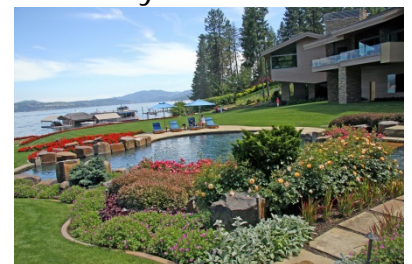
The **Sales Table** had so many beautiful handmade items from our members! The money from this table went directly to Garden Clubs of Idaho.

Every one of the meals had the tables decorated with **table favors and centerpieces** that were made by members. At the end of each meal, these were given as prizes to those seated at each table.



At one dinner, **Idaho members provided entertainment** with "**Dueling Pianos**" that also accompanied the "**Choir Ladies**" singing group. Several Idaho members joined Pacific Region members to "harmonize" old tunes to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Pacific Region Conventions. This will be remembered by those attending for a long, long time!

Our members assisted in the logistics to ensure our **tours** went smoothly and were always there to provide information about Idaho and the points of interest on the tours. Nearly each tour was sold out – a **History Tour of Coeur d'Alene** and one to **Wallace** to visit silver mine were a big hit. The hit of the convention was the **boat tour**, with 122 people, on Coeur d'Alene Lake with a famous **Idaho Potato Bar Lunch** followed by a one hour visit to **Duane Hagadone's** (owner of the CDA Resort) **private garden** at his home on the lake.



I wish I could share all the emails and thank you notes that I received since the convention. We may be a small membership state, but we are mighty when we all come together to get a job done! Thank you!!

Sandra Ford, Convention Chairman

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Garden Club Awards 2014

As a member of National Garden Clubs, Pacific Region and Garden Clubs of Idaho, you have the opportunity to apply for awards and certificates that recognize and reward your participation in the goals and mission of our organization. Many awards offer monetary benefits and clubs throughout our state have received thousands of dollars over the past several years in addition to trophies and certificates of merit.

Applying for awards and certificates may seem overwhelming...my goal as State Awards Chairman is to guide you through the maze of rules and encourage members, clubs and districts to apply. There are hundreds of awards with an average of four categories within each award. It truly is mindboggling when you first look at the list, but my hope is to demystify the process so you will apply and earn recognition for your contribution of time and talent.

On the GCII website www.gcii.org you will find the following documents:

- GCII Awards Application
- GCII Awards List 2013
- GCII Award Letter 2014
- GCII Awards Descriptions

Please visit the GCII website for more information or contact me if I can assist you apply for an award.

Pat Baker
Garden Clubs of Idaho Awards Chairman
Phone 208.870.1299 or email patbaker@live.com



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“Choices Matter, We All Live Downstream.”

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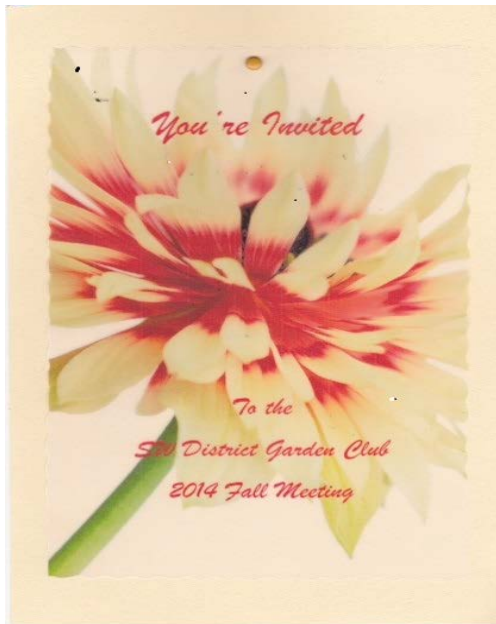
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Item	Size	Color	Quantity	Each	Total
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Note Cards		-	-	12.72	
TOTAL DUE					

Cost Each includes Tax

Mail Order Form with Check made out to Laurie DuRocher, 3375 E. Echo, Boise, ID 83712



Fall for Gorgeous Mums

Menu

Pork Tenderloin on Rolls

Kale Salad

Twice Baked Potatoes

Fruit Tray

Dessert

When: September 29, 2014, 9:00-3:00
Where: Phipps-Watson Marsing American
Legion Community Center
126 2nd Street North
Marsing, Idaho
Hosted by: The Owyhee Gardeners

R.S.V.P. by Sept. 8, 2014 with a list of attendees
and \$15/person to:

Chris Harris,
6608 Sunset Lane
Marsing, Idaho 83639
Ph: 208-546-1843

Please note: the cost increases to \$20/person after 9/10/14.

It is requested that each club bring a gift to donate for door prizes.

Calendar – What’s Buzzing this Fall ????????

- 8-29-14 Southwest Fall Meeting, Marsing, ID See registration information in this newsletter.
- 9-5-14 8:30 a.m. – 1p.m. University of Idaho, College of Agricultural and Life Science, Parma Research and Extension Center [Pomology and Viticulture Program Annual Fruit Field Day. Information below in this newsletter](#)
- 9-6-14 10 a.m., Check out the Perennials, Idaho Botanical Garden (IBG)
- 9-8-14 6:30 p.m., Firewise for Horse Properties, (IBG)
- 9-15-14 (part I), 6 p.m. Concrete Leaf Workshop, (IBG)
- 9-22-14 (part II), 6 p.m. Concrete Leaf Workshop, (IBG)
- 9-23-14 6:30 p.m., Annual and Perennial Seed Saving, (IBG)
- 9-17-14 6:30 p.m., Firewise Landscape: Concepts & Techniques, (IBG)
- 9-24/28-14 NGC Fall Board Meeting - Des Moines, IA
- 9-27/8-14 The Greater Idaho Orchid Show & Sale Fall 2014 AOS Judged Show. More information in this newsletter.
- 9-27-14 Sawtooth Botanical Garden Fall Festival http://sbgarden.org/adult_classes.php
- 10-1-14 6:30 p.m., Saving Vegetable Seeds, (IBG)
- 10-6-14 Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc. Fall Board meeting Ashley Inn, Cascade, Id.
See registration information in this newsletter
- 10-9-14 6:30 p.m., Four Season Beauty, (IBG)
- 11-1-14 9 a.m., Fall Bird Walk, (IBG)
- 11-15-14 9 a.m. Evergreen Wreath Workshop (IBG)
- 12-5/6-14 Sawtooth Botanical Garden Festival of Trees with Senior Connection http://sbgarden.org/adult_classes.php
- December 2014 Sawtooth Botanical Garden, Lights in the Garden
- Thanksgiving thru New Years, (IBG) Winter Garden Aglow. Check website for schedule: <http://idahobotanicalgarden.org/winter-garden-aglow>

University of Idaho, College of Agricultural and Life Science, Parma Research and Extension Center
Pomology and Viticulture Program Annual Fruit Field Day



The University of Idaho Annual Fruit Field Day will be held on **Friday September 5, 2014 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at the U of I Parma Research and Extension Center Pomology Orchard and Vineyard site, about 4 miles north of Parma, Idaho.** The registration will start at 8:30 am and program will start at 9:00 am (sharp). Several cultivars of new table grapes, peaches, nectarines, apples, plums, quince, Asian pears, and other alternative fruits will be presented during the tour. Participants can taste many of these fruits. Highlights of this event will be:

- 1) The field day will start at the **U of I Pomology Orchard Site** with discussion on fruit research and production, orchard mechanization, visiting several fruit-industry commercial booths, and the opportunity to taste several types and cultivars of fruits.
- 2) Tour of the U of I comprehensive research projects on 'Fuji' apple irrigation, fruit nutrition, chemical thinning, and pesticides uses.
- 3) Tour of the modern super high-density apple orchard with new architectures and rootstocks.
- 4) Mechanization for stress evaluation and tree/vine training to reduce labor.
- 5) Tour of the stone fruit selection research orchard.
- 6) Tour of the alternative fruit crops, including quince, Asian pears, persimmons, Jujube, Haskaps, etc.
- 7) Tour of the national apple rootstock selection research (NC-140).
- 8) Tour of the peach and pluot research.
- 9) Tour of the table grape vineyards, new grape canopy research.

Note: All tours include discussion/questions/answers on various cultural practices of fruit crops, including planting, growth regulators, pruning, thinning, girdling, irrigation, pest and disease control using models and timely application of chemicals, and safety in chemical application.

Directions:

Electronic/GPS/Google Map Users: Use the following address: **31727 Parma Rd, Parma, Idaho 83660**

From Ontario: Take I-84 East about 4 mi. Take Exit 3 toward Payette/Parma. Turn right onto US95 toward Parma and continue for 9.7 mi. Turn left onto Pearl Road continue 1 mi. Turn right on Parma Road approx. 0.2 mi to orchards/vineyards on right.

From Boise/Caldwell: Take I-84 West. Take US20/26 Exit 26 toward Notus/Parma. Turn left onto Hwy 20/26 and continue for 18.0 mi. Turn right onto Pearl Rd and go 1 mi. Turn right on Parma Rd and go approx.0.2 mi. Orchards and vineyards will be on the right.

From Parma R&E Center: North on U of I Lane 0.4 mi. Turn right onto Klahr and continue for 0.4 mi. Turn left onto Parma Road and continue for 1.8 mi. Orchard/vineyards will be on the left

When: Friday, September 5, 2014, 8:30 am till 1:00 pm

Cost: The Event will be Free of Charge. Catered Lunch can be purchased in the orchard at your own expense.

Who Can Participate? Open to the Public. Those interested in fruit production, including commercial growers, small farm growers, alternative fruit growers, home gardeners, Master gardeners, horticultural professionals and graduate students, extension and research faculty/staff, horticultural hobbyist, and fruit industry representatives and advisors are welcome. **Pesticide Credits** will be offered to those who attend the entire field day. Please Call 208-722-6701 ext 228 Or **Dr. Essie Fallahi** (efallahi@uidaho.edu) at 208-722-6701 Ext. 225 if you have questions. OR send an email to maurineb@uidaho.edu

**The Greater Idaho Orchid Show & Sale
Fall 2014 AOS Judged Show
September 27-28, 2014 at the
Best Western Vista Inn, Airport Convention Center, Boise, ID**

To all Garden Clubs,

Host, Magic Valley Orchid Society and sponsors, An Orchid Affair and Jolah Orchids cordially invite you to participate in the Greater Idaho Orchid Show and Sale at Best Western Vista Inn, 2645 W Airport Way, Boise, ID 83705.

This is an open show so the general public may enter their orchids. Registration will be from 12:00 noon to 7:00 PM on Friday September 26. We encourage you to enter your orchids in the show. We also will have professional and novice classifications for arrangements featuring orchids. We currently have AOS judges coming from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah and Colorado,

Saturday, Sept 27, 2014, ribbon judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. MDT followed by AOS judging. If you are interested in participating in ribbon judging or observing during AOS judging, please contact James Huffman at jolah@fmtc.com or call 208-739-5574.

We plan on having information and repotting seminars both Saturday and Sunday.

Our vendors include Botanica, Ltd., Missoula, MT; Ecuagenera, Ltd., Ecuador; Crist Orchids, Nampa, ID; Jim's Orchids, Payette, ID; An Orchid Affair, Boise, ID; Jolah Orchids, Ontario, OR and Pottery by Kathie, Twin Falls, ID! If you wish to pre-order, check out the websites of Botanica and Ecuagenera!! The sales area will open to the public for shopping on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come join us to have fun and learn more about orchids!

Thank you,

James Huffman, Jolah Orchids

RAYS OF LIGHT

A SPOTLIGHT ON IDAHO'S NEWEST - "CHINDEN GARDEN CLUB"

On July 7th the vote was unanimous to begin the first garden club in Garden City to be federated with the Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc. Our name will be Chinden Gardeners in honor of Chinese gardeners who grew vegetables that supplied the tables of Boise residents at the turn of the twentieth century. Chinden is a combination of two words, Chin (Chinese) and den (garden). We hope to incorporate the Chinese symbol for Gardener into our logo.

We currently have eight paid members and are actively recruiting to increase our numbers. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Meadow Creek clubhouse at the intersection of Lakeshore, N. Riffle Way, and Cattail in the Riverside Village. If you are interested in membership, or attending our meeting, please contact me at 804-22-9380 or c.a.hambacker@gmail.com

We are working on our first community service project. Through a grant received from the Idaho Horticultural Society and a partnership with Garden City, we will be responsible for two 5 ft. x 20 ft. planters located on the east side of the city building. The City will soon break ground for a lovely patio/amphitheater to serve the citizens in a park like setting around the City Hall and Library. We hope our water wise, child friendly, colorful, four season garden planters will contribute to its beauty.

Respectfully submitted by Claudia A. Hambacker, President

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Newsletter: The deadline to submit information or contribute articles for the Winter Newsletter is December 15th. Send your submissions and any great photos to Marj Dougherty at marjdougherty@gmail.com

HAVE A GREAT FALL!