

May 2019



Round Up!

A brief review of Fort Bragg Garden Club happenings and member activities, a glance at what's coming up, and a couple announcements.

All Garden Club members are encouraged to join in the fun and make nominations for our **Sidewalk Gardens to Bragg About Contest!**

Residential gardens visible from the sidewalk, located within the Fort Bragg city limits, are eligible. So next time you walk the dog or drive through town, make note of the homes with gardens that attract your eye.



Garden addresses can be called-in or texted to me at 707-397-5824, or emailed to

thepeggy martin@hotmail.com Please use

“Gardens to Bragg About” as the subject.

Deadline for nominations is May 27. Unfortunately, Garden Club members gardens are not eligible. So, make your neighbor smile by nominating THEIR garden!



And, **bee** alert to pollinator and bee-friendly gardens. The Bee City U.S.A. Committee would like to give a special Pollinator Garden Award in recognition of the upcoming Pollinator Week (June 17-23).

Want to help with the Sidewalk Gardens to Bragg About **judging**? We will meet at Tina Delucchi’s home (225 E. Pine St.) at **9:30 on Thursday, May 30**. All are welcome. **Awards** will be presented on **June 10**, at the Diederich Center, **6:30-7:30**.

Sidewalk Gardens to Bragg About Criteria:

Visual Appeal (initial reaction, overall impression, balance)	Plant Variety and Health (blooms, trees, shrubs)	Design (layout, color, form, texture, levels)	Creativity (special features, imaginative ideas, artwork)	Maintenance (cleanliness, neatness, weeded, deadheaded)	Comments (Example: drought tolerant, pollinator friendly , succulents, etc.)



A good time was had by all who attended our Luncheon at the Mendocino Hotel Garden Room. We were all quite pleased with the food and service. (And we'll just not talk about that pesky little bit of confusion we had, with folks not knowing what they ordered.)



The highlight was to award Simone Pias the Penny Pines Certificate for her participation as a club member and board member. Simone has made a difference by playing a part in planning and achieving success in most of our events and activities. Whether digging and weeding or preparing a dish of food or cookies, Simone is gracious, thoughtful and creative. She can be counted on to follow through with any task she accepts. Did you know, those beautiful teacup and saucer bird feeders we sold at the Spring Plant Sale were Simone's idea?



Our donations to Penny Pines are used by the USDA Forest Service to replant burnt or otherwise damaged trees, in conjunction with federal funds. Our contribution goes toward the cost of planting seedlings on about an acre of National Forest land in California.



Next year in May we will hold an Installation of Officers event. Our term in office is two years. If you are interested in holding an office, or even chairing a committee, talk to any board member or join us at a board meeting. See your Yearbook for a listing of Offices and Committees.

Next board meeting will be on June 6, at 1:30 at Laura Welter's home (552 S. Harold St.).

If you have not paid your membership **dues**, it is **\$25**. You can pay at an upcoming GC event, contact Kathy (707 964-0317) or Donna (707-937-1692), or mail to P.O. Box 492 Fort Bragg, CA 95437. **Thank you!**