



# FORT BRAGG GARDEN CLUB

## News & Notes

June 2022

### A final message for the 2021-2022 year

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#### **Greetings Gardeners and Happy Summer!**

We are writing one last letter to thank the membership and the board for a successful year and a great experience as your co-presidents.

Among this year's accomplishments was the expansion of our scholarship program, due in part to the generosity of the late Patricia Marien. Attached you will find a report on our Scholarship Winners for 2022. Special thanks go to Peggy Martin, Joan Woods and Kay Rex for their work on this.

We often welcome new members in the fall; this year we have three new members later in the year. Welcome Carmen Magana, Kate Finnegan, Katydid Bean and thank you each for jumping right in and engaging in activities.

We hope to attract new members in the fall by reaching people at the Farmers Market and other possible events.

#### **Our Zoom Gathering**

Thanks for the fun pivot to the new season. It was great to see so many of your faces (without masks), sharing thought and plans, and, of course, laughing. Yes, we missed some of you and hope that you are enjoying a getaway and/or your garden.

#### **Help Pollinators for Summer Solstice**

A perfect way to celebrate the first day of summer: Join the June Bee Garden Planting Event, this Tuesday, June 21 at 2PM.

#### **Expectations for the Summer**

We are on our own until August 11:

- Thursday, August 11 — First board meeting of our new year

- Wednesday, August 17 — Possible tabling at the FB Farmers Market
- Saturday, August 20 — FBGC Yard Sale; Set-up day on the 19th

Please mark your calendar now and expect details in August.

### **Welcome to our 2022-24 Board**

Co-Presidents: Cornelia Reynolds and Kay Rex

Vice-president: Laura Welter

Recording Secretary: Peggy Martin

Corresponding Secretary: Simone Pisas

Treasurer: Donna Worster

Parliamentarian: Joan Woods

### **A message from Johanna**

**Many thanks to our very dedicated board for consistently stepping forward, completing the tasks of your office, but more importantly sharing your thoughts and energy on all the projects we undertake. I have enjoyed being on the board for these past four years. While I will not hold a position next year, I look forward to finding ways to support our goals and nurture our friendships.**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again in September.

Thanks for reading.

Your Co-Presidents,

Johanna Brekke-Brownell & Cornelia Reynolds



## 2022 FBGC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Each year Fort Bragg Garden Club presents college scholarships to deserving high school students who plan on majoring in a field leading to a career that is associated with or promotes plants and/or gardening. From agronomy to plant pathology, botany to urban planning, the opportunities are almost endless. After reviewing applications from well-qualified high school seniors, the decision is always difficult.

Fort Bragg Garden Club is proud to recognize and announce the three students who have each been awarded a \$1000 college scholarship:



**Dylan Shawn Hutchinson**, from Fort Bragg High School, will be attending Pitzer College. She plans on majoring in Environmental Analysis with an interest in pursuing a career in Environmental Policy or Environmental Public Relations. “The natural world has always been an integral part of who I am.” Dylan intends to use her growing knowledge to help cultivate positive actions and sustainable solutions that will advance the cause of protecting our planet.

**Emily Rose Nadeau**, from Fort Bragg High School, wants to study Psychology at California Polytechnic University in San Luis Obispo. A born nurturer and avid houseplant enthusiast, Emily discovered, “Like plants, people are unbelievably complex and have differing desires and needs”. Drawing on her desire to make a positive difference, and her experience and love of caring for houseplants, she plans to use her insights to help and support individuals based on their mental and emotional needs.



### Patricia Marien Scholarship

Patricia Marien a longtime member of Fort Bragg Garden Club was devoted to our program to promote gardening and horticulture through scholarships for high school seniors. Before passing away in February of this year, Patricia made a donation to our Scholarship Fund. In her honor, we present the first \$1,000 Patricia Marien Scholarship recipient,



**Maxwell Deacon Brown**, from Mendocino Community High School. He will study journalism and screen writing at California State University in Monterey Bay. Maxwell’s goal is to “create content that is meaningful”. Using his writing to evoke a sense of wonder while incorporating a world view of having a small environmental footprint. “I feel very strongly about taking care of our natural world.”

We would like to congratulate these outstanding students. They are excellent role models for our communities, and we wish them continued success in the classroom and beyond.

*“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” Nelson Mandela*