



Hello Blue Ribbon Manteca Garden Club Members,

Happy Summer! I sure hope this message finds you well during these unusual times. I've heard from many of you that you are finding peaceful times while enjoying your gardens. It's also so wonderful many garden club members are reaching out to touch base with each other. Our club is educational and also fun social club too. We are missing our meetings, field trips and gatherings together.

Congratulations once again to our club for the Blue Ribbon Achievement and more! Thanks again to our webmaster, Barbara Stoner, for achieving California Garden Club Inc (CGCI) recognition for our garden club website. We received our \$20 award already! And be sure to check out our National recognized Facebook page.

Barbara reminds all of us to read Cate White's Gardeners' Corner on our website. Cate is sharing valuable summer tips including water wise gardening (important with these hot days) and a July garden check list.

<https://mantecagardenclub.org/gardeners-corner/>

The heat is sure bringing out those rose buds at our Manteca Senior Center and they are popping out in beautiful color! Thank you to the rose teams for keeping the rose garden trimmed and looking fresh, full of color. Hank is now home and we hope he will be back as our rose team chair soon! In the meantime, the teams are doing a great job!

Garden club chairs are continuing to work for you this summer; Bev doing treasurer commitments such as banking, membership, and all of the fun state business. Beth as Sunshine is sending out greetings to members from the club, Barbara is too, with at least monthly website updates, Cate writes monthly the Gardeners' Corner, Anita and I update FB, and the rose teams are trimming through the summer to keep the rose garden in shape. Also, Gloria and Pat, V.P.s are starting to plan next season, while Tom is waiting to hear from the city on new beautification projects and Michele can't wait to get started as our secretary. We meet September through June but as a group we are always doing something to support our non profit club.

Please continue to send in your dues, \$25 to our P.O. Box 23, Manteca, Ca 95336. Dues are due by September 15 for this season. We will pay our Valley Lode District dues, CGCI dues, and complete our club yearbook after that date. Also, we purchase insurance for individuals and the tour through CGCI.

Thanks to those who have made donations to help supplement our scholarship funds as we didn't have a tour this year. It's wonderful all of the tour homeowners want to be in the 2021 tour, May 8th. Mark your calendar!

Also, as a reminder, you may sign up to get the monthly CGCI newsletter in your email by going to their website and then newsletter. Barbara also has website links to that newsletter as well as the monthly, VLD newsletter under the Community Resources link.

We hope we can meet in September. Only time will tell. In the meantime, continue to keep in touch with each other, enjoy our website, send Barbara your garden pictures for blog posting, check out our FB page and leave a picture or comment finally, please feel free to send any information or questions you have to share with the club directly to me. I'd be happy to get it out to all members via email.

Wishing you a safe and fun 4th of July holiday. Please take care, stay well and hope to see you soon.

Paula