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Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.



President's Message

Our Earth, Our Future—Renew and Protect It

Your

recycled President is standing in front of our new recycled Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc. banner updated by Janice Teft of the Clearwater District. Thank you, Janet!

In review, our major goal the past 2 years was to dissolve Idaho Garden Clubs, Inc. in order to become a tax exempt 501 (c)(3) new organization called Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc. This was a process involving a lawyer, votes from all the membership and new by-laws. With effort, time, and energy by some of our very dedicated members we have now accomplished what we set out to do 2 years ago. The culmination of this effort is the Blue Book (our State Directory), which includes the By-Laws, Memberships, and Policy and Procedures which help us to operate our organization. All District Directors, Club Presidents, and State Chairmen should have received theirs following the state convention last month.

Mission Statement

Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, will create, promote and further interest in horticulture, gardening, civic beautification and natural resource conservation through educational, charity and community improvement projects.

Our elected state officers for the 2011-2013 term are: President, Robyn McCarthy; Vice President, Karen Mallon; Recording Secretary, Joyce Parr; and Treasurer, Maxine Smolowitz. Our appointed officers are Parliamentarian, Louisa Cone and Historian, Karen Mallon. All were installed by Regional Director Debbie Hinchey.

All three Resolutions described in your April newsletter passed by majority vote. The exact number of votes may be found in the minutes posted on the website, from your District Director, or Club President. The Future of GCII Committee led by Chairman Elmer Hurd is working hard and will be reporting at the Fall Board Meeting in Cascade, ID on October, 17.

Motions carried: 1.) The State Horse Appaloosa ornament was adopted for a state fund raiser and is available for order. 2.) The 2012 Scholarship will total \$1000. 3.) GCII will support the September Clearwater Flower Show School Course II in the amount of \$1000. 4.) Updated Life Membership cards will be printed. 5.) The "Plant it Pink" Angelique Double Tulip will be a GCII fundraiser for 2011-2012 and is available for ordering. Information about the ornament, Flower Show School and the tulip fundraiser is in this newsletter.

The fifty-five attendees at our state convention had a great time being edu-

cated by our speakers, tempted and seduced by the sales tables, and enjoying the sights of Idaho Falls. Many members enjoyed getting to know our new Regional Director Debbie Hinchey among their many activities. Heartfelt gratitude is due to the Convention Committee and Chairman, Molly Graeber for never letting us experience a dull moment.

This year we are adding to our "Plant It Pink" focus with a contest of photos taken from members', clubs' or districts' pink gardens which will be judged at our October 17, 2011 Fall Board Meeting at the Ashley Inn in Cascade, Idaho. My pink poppies are already blooming!

See you in Cascade!

Robyn



GCII Elected Officers (L-R): Recording Secretary Joyce Parr, President Robyn McCarthy, Vice President Karen Mallon, and Treasurer Maxine Smolowitz

2011 GCII Convention Photos



Idaho Horticulture Society Club President Elmer Hurd poses beside photographs of his \$1000 award winning Civic Project with Native Plants



2011—2013 District Directors (L-R): Constance Blyth (Southeast), Inez Thomason (Southwest), Jodene Caldwell (Clearwater)



GCII Convention Committee (L-R): Convention Chair Molly Graeber, Convention Co-Chairs Linda Carter-Beck and Janice Zabriskie



Pacific Region Director Debbie Hinchey wearing the GCII cap and holding the GCII ornament



Flower Power—Youth Style



CRITTER

On June 18, 2011, two Coeur d'Alene children took top honors in the Youth Division at the World Association of Flower Arrangers (WAFA) World Flower Show—"This Glorious Earth". Lily DiGiovanni and Isaac Wall, both age 10 entered the youth dried plant material class, each took a first place ribbon for their creations.

The class required a critter made entirely of dried plant material; it could be real or imaginary. Lily made an imaginary critter out of a dried artichoke flower, fern, pea seeds, and poppy pod tops. Isaac made a piglet out of a gourd, soybeans, horsetail rush, and curly bamboo. There were 28 youth entries from 7 different countries. The first place entries were

then judged against one another for the top awards. Lily was awarded the Silver Medal and Isaac was awarded the Bronze Medal! End result---one extremely proud Grandma!

With a passion for artistic floral art, I have been encouraging and passing on the knowledge to the youth in my life to enter the various shows at our local fairs. In the past, Lily has entered the Latah County Fair Flower Show, so she is the pro. However this was Isaac's first entry in a flower show. They have already decided to enter the next World Flower Show three years from now in Ireland. The spark has been lit and our youth will brighten the future with a continued passion of our natural world.



PIGLET

Boston Flower Show - Second Place



TIARA

The Boston Flower Show is a Standard flower Show presented by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and the Massachusetts Federation of Garden Clubs. It is one of the longest running flower shows on the east coast. I submitted a tiara made with mustard seed, persimmon tops, horse tail rush-buds, allspice berries, peppercorns, sea oats and bear grass - all dried plant material placed on a wire frame. The Tiara won second place.

Joyce DiGiovanni, Moscow Garden Club

Annual Report of the Southwest District Director—June 20, 2011

The Southwest District Garden Clubs of Idaho met twice during this past year. The September 2010 meeting in Marsing was hosted by the Owyhee Garden Club and the March 2011 meeting was held in Payette, hosted by the Payette Valley Gardeners Garden Club. Both meetings were well attended by members of garden clubs throughout the district.

During the 2010-2011 term, the Southwest District awarded a \$500 scholarship to a horticulture student at the College of Western Idaho funded by the "Penny-A-Day To Educate" program. The district also adopted a one mile section of Highway 55 (Eagle Road) between State Street and Chinden Boulevard in Boise/Eagle/Meridian area to clean-up twice a year. The Adopt-A-Highway program is sponsored by the State Department of Transportation and there are two signs on the section that recognizes Southwest District Idaho Garden Clubs.

On May 11, 2011, the district dedicated a Blue Star Memorial Byway Marker at the Boise Airport; the ceremony was attended by Southwest District members, Blue Star Mothers, active and retired military, Airport Director and others. The location between the parking garage and terminal is well travelled and it was an honor to place this marker where it can be seen by thousands of people each month.

At the March 2011 meeting, Inez Thomason was installed as the new Southwest District Director; Pat Peutz, 1st Vice Director; Karen Mallon, 2nd Vice Director; Nita Broomhall, Secretary-Treasurer.

Pat Baker, Southwest District Director

Annual Report of the Clearwater District Director—June 20, 2011

Clearwater District is comprised of five active Garden Clubs with a combined membership of 172. All clubs actively participated in GCII, Pacific Region and National Garden Club Projects.

Our March 17th District meeting "Springtime In The Valley" was a great success. Our new District Officers were installed—Jodene Caldwell, District Director, Lorraine Smith, 1st Vice Director, LeeAnn McMaster, 2nd Vice Director, Joyce Parr, Secretary and Treasurer, Lorraine Smith.

Fund raising projects included Plant Sales, Evergreen wreath sales, a Spaghetti Feed and others. Community Service activities and contributions were important to the clubs as they assisted Food Banks, Meals on Wheels, Community and Children's Gardens, Horticulture Workshops, Scholarships, and Flower Shows.

Hill and Valley Garden Club has had a very busy year with Community Programs—It gave \$400.00 in Scholarships, Contributed \$500.00 and many hours of work to restore the Kendrick Grange Hall to be used as a Community Building. They sponsor five different youth programs involving a total of 85 youth.

Moscow Garden Club has an on-going plant propagation program where they produce plants for their Spring plant sale. This club hosted a workshop where other district club members were invited to learn the propagation techniques.

Nezperce Garden Club member and Master Gardener Lorna Inglet presented a program on (GOOD, BAD, AND UGLY BUGS,) to Nezperce School 3rd and 4th grade students at a school assembly. After the assembly club members taught students how to pick out seeds. The students picked out their own seeds from a catalogue that the club ordered from and presented to the students at a school assembly last January to plant in the Spring.

Valley Club planted daffodil bulbs around signs where once stood one room country school houses in Idaho County.

All Season's Club planted daffodils last fall and bedding plants this spring at their club meeting site, Lewiston's Seventh Day Adventist Church. The club presented four Good Neighbor Certificate Awards to three Lewiston Gardening Supply businesses and to the developer of Clarkston, WA Community Garden site,

A series of four Flower Show Schools, two a year for 2011 and 2012 is being held under the auspices of the Clearwater District, GCII, and the National Garden Clubs. Course 1 was held at Clarkston's Quality Inn April 25 -27. Instructors have been hired for Course 2, to be held in Moscow, ID at the Fairgrounds September 27—29 2011. Twenty one students were enrolled in Course 1 with 17 taking the tests. We look forward to the remaining schools in hopes to create a pool of accredited Flower Show Judges.

Edith Cole, Clearwater District Director

Annual Report of the Southeast Vice District Director—June 20, 2011

Each club of Eastern Idaho have had their own projects that they have worked on through the years and we have had many enjoyable district meetings. I want to talk about the members of the district that I have had the privilege of working with in the past.

In our district we have and had both men and women who shared their time, talent, knowledge and friendship with us. There are those who are Master Gardeners who have worked with the young people in learning the art of gardening. There is a Master Naturalist who went with a mall school to Camas Creek and spent the whole day teaching and observing the birds and wild life.

We have a member who is 92 and still working as a school librarian. She puts in six hour four days a week and has a job come fall. One who spent last Thanksgiving serving the holiday dinner to those in need of a meal and company. The Grandparent program finds this one at school and the staff has made it possible for her to teach art to each class. For her 70th birthday this one went sky diving and she also scuba dives.

Though there are many who have medical, financial, and other trails of life, they are always willing to help others. We can and do learn from our members who are from other countries. So no matter what phase of life or what challenges you have you can and do make a difference to those you are around.

Thank you.

Billie Calder, Southeast Vice District Director.



Theme – Looking In and Reaching Out

Debbie wants garden clubs to toot their own horn. She wants garden clubs to tally the hours, money, and types of activities they give to their communities. This impressive data can give hard numbers to back up claims of community involvement and can be used for publicity and articles. We are reaching out and telling everyone how we contribute.

Debbie asks us, “Why do memberships grow? Are we supporting projects that excite our members? Are we involved in community development as much as we could be?” Are we having a good time while we are learning? ...and ...perhaps we need to learn the art and science of public relations and advertising while we tally up our contributions.

2011-2013 Pacific Regional Director Debbie Hinchey

“It Is Time”

Tall Beard Iris is one of the easiest plants to grow but they do need to be separated every 3 – 4 years. If they become overcrowded, the flowers get smaller or they even stop blooming. Sometimes some varieties crowd out others and disease problems develop.

It is best to dig out the old clumps. Separate parts of the existing clump. On the large rhizome fan ‘Mother’, carefully break off the side rhizomes of the plant. These are the babies and the ones you plant. The mother plant only blooms once so you never keep it. The reason we divide Tall Beard Iris in July, August and September is so the Iris can develop a root system before going into winter.

It seems hard to throw away the largest rhizomes but it is the new babies that bloom and become the mother plant and the cycle goes on.

Remember to keep your Iris beds clean and free of weeds and debris. When planting, the tops of the rhizomes should be exposed and the roots spread out facing downward into the soil. In very light soils or in extremely hot climates, covering the rhizome with one inch of soil may be desirable. Firm the soil around each plant and then be sure to water to help settle the soil. Irises do need good drainage.



Happy Irising!!

Louisa Cone, GCII Parliamentarian

LeeAnn McMaster is the GCII Garden Club Woman of the Year

Editors Note: This is a summary of the submission entered by Lorna Inglet, Nezperce GC

A member of Nezperce Garden Club for 3 years and President since June 2009, LeeAnn demonstrates a 'can do' attitude and leadership style that motivates her club members and benefits her community. As a result of her efforts, the impact the small Nezperce Garden Club has on its community is exceptional. Examples of community contributions are:

- Organizing a Junior Garden Club in cooperation with the school district;
- Timely newspaper articles about gardens and gardening with photos;
- Leading beautification efforts of the Nezperce post office landscape, promoting the annual Arbor Day/Tree City celebration, and heading a Daffodil Project planting over 150 bulbs in the Nezperce Memorial Garden;
- Introducing a recycling program, including transportation to the recycling site, to Nezperce School grades K – 12 and planning with the city to provide recycling bins serving the entire community.



LeeAnn, and Robyn McCarthy,
GCII President

LeeAnn has a gift – enthusiasm – that enables her to awaken the dormant or potential gardener. Her leadership style motivates the members of her Nezperce Garden Club. She also has – and uses - excellent graphic arts, fundraising, and organizational skills. The club's website, facebook site and yearbook are award winners. One fundraiser, a wall calendar, has won NGC national honors. She has also made pens, t-shirts, coffee mugs and full color flyers to promote club functions. Club meetings sponsor garden tours, professional floral design demonstrations, creating and firing ceramics ("Nature Themed Planters"), and presentations on interesting topics from horticulture to environmental protection. As a result, during the last two years, she has added 8 new members into the club to increase its total to 20, a 66% increase!

LeeAnn McMaster has made and will continue to make an outstanding contribution as an involved citizen and active garden club president. Her projects fill need and benefit many. Her leadership of a small garden club and the involvement of its inspired members make a big difference to the Nezperce community.



Phil Martin

GCII Website Improvements

Earlier this year, we submitted our Website into a National Garden Club Competition. Although we did not win, we received glowing compliments on its' content and layout. There were however a couple of minor criticisms, it was felt the size of the default text on most of the pages could be a little larger and the structure was sometimes difficult to navigate. This prompted me to give the whole Site a major overhaul, addressing the above comments and at the same time making the design easier to use and work with.

Visitors to the site will hopefully see some obvious changes, the pages are now larger and so is the default font. But move your mouse over the menu bar at the top of a page and a whole new "**drop down**" menu system is available. Here you can find in "**one click**", any Page, Document or Photo Gallery on the Site. In addition the "**Contacts**" button gives access to details for all GCII, District and Club Officers, in addition to Flower Show Judges and general details on Clubs. There is a new "**Galleries**" button which gives you a drop down list of current photo's on the Site. Select a Gallery and you will be presented with a page showing the photo's in both "Thumbnail" or full size.

Websites are always in a state of development and the www.gcii.org site is no different. Please email any comments/suggestions you may have to me at webmaster@gcii.org We are always willing to accept your photo's (with Story) of local Club Events or activities.

Phil Martin – Your Webmaster

Editor's Note: I second Phil's offer soliciting your comments and suggestions. Is something missing? See an error? Can something be improved? The website is for you and we need your help to keep it current, relevant and accurate.



2011– 2013 National Garden Clubs
President Shirley S. Nicolai

With a theme of **NGC: Proudly Serving our Members and Communities**, Shirley looks forward to simplifying some of our administrative tasks and encourages clubs to be visible, vocal and proud of their community service. She also challenges clubs to meet the needs of younger potential members by hosting quality programs and convenient and short meetings.

Her national projects are “**Planting for Public and Special Places**” to encourage clubs to serve their community by focusing on Gardens with Edibles, Container Gardens, and Trees and Shrubs. “**Protecting Aquatic Ecosystems**” emphasizes environmental protection by encouraging clubs to safeguard at least one local aquatic ecosystem. Finally, “**Photo Archiving of Accomplishments**” will help clubs provide continuity from one administration to another.

A Blue Star Marker was dedicated at the Boise, Idaho Airport on May 11, 2011. The Marker was sponsored by the Southwest District of Garden Clubs of Idaho (Pat Baker, District Director). The marker is near the entrance to the airport ensuring good access to the public.

**Dedication of Blue Star Memorial Marker
Boise Airport May 11, 2011**

- ★ WELCOME—Pat Baker, SW District Garden Clubs of Idaho
- ★ PRESENTATION OF COLORS—V.F.W. Post #63
- ★ INVOCATION—Tom Monson, Chaplin V.F.W. Post #63
- ★ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Elmer Hurd, President Idaho Horticulture Society
- ★ HISTORY OF BLUE STAR MEMORIAL MARKERS—Sandra Ford, Past Director Pacific Region National Garden Clubs
- ★ UNVEILING OF MARKER—Inez Thomason, Director SW District Garden Clubs of Idaho
- ★ DEDICATION OF MARKER—Pat Baker, Past Director SW District Garden Clubs of Idaho
- ★ ACCEPTANCE OF MARKER—Richard McConnell, Director Boise Airport
- ★ TRIBUTE OF FLOWERS—Louisa Cone, Blue Star Memorial Chairman, Garden Clubs of Idaho
- ★ BENEDICTION—Tom Monson, Chaplin V.F.W. Post #63
- ★ TAPS—Ryan Worthington, Capitol High School



The Blue Star Memorial Program has been a project of National Garden Clubs since WW II.

Garden clubs have been erecting these memorials for 67 years across the United States to honor men and women in the Armed Forces of the United States—those who previously served, are currently serving or would serve in the future.

The Blue Star Byway Marker being dedicated today was sponsored by the Southwest District Garden Clubs of Idaho and is one of thirteen across the State erected by individual garden clubs and districts.

Highway and Byway markers can be found in Idaho at the Roberts Community Park; Lenore rest stop; Idaho/Oregon border; Moscow rest stop; Jerome Ag Museum; Idaho Falls Sportsman Park; Marsing Community Garden; Kooskia rest stop; Lewiston Highway 12 and the Idaho State Veteran’s Home; Boise Veteran’s Hospital, Capitol Park and Airport.

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All to see...Lest we forget...
Those who help to keep us free

Polly Henderson, Louisville KY, past NGC Blue Star Chairman



Wildflowers Committee Report

From June 2009 through June 2011 I had a state Wildflower Photography competition. Idaho is blessed with thousands of beautiful wildflowers. A few were captured in full bloom and gorgeous colors. Idaho Wildflower Photo winners are:



Wildflower Photo Entries



- First Place:** Linda Symms – Owyhee Garden Club
- Second Place:** Linda Symms – Owyhee Garden Club
- Third Place:** Ellen Dines – Owyhee Garden Club
- Honorable Mention:** Bill Addington – Owyhee Garden Club

Photography was judged by Cloe/Marr Photography, Boise, Idaho. Congratulations to the winners!

Inez Thomason, Chairman

KAREN MALLON OF GOLDEN GARDEN CLUB IS OUR NEW GCII VICE PRESIDENT 2011-2013

Editor's Note: Karen was asked to provide her informal bio that follows.

Did you know that gardening is genetic? I am living proof. As a child, my early memories include learning the names of mom's roses, geraniums, gardenias, camellias, oh, and watermelon. Little good that did me when we moved from California to Nevada. Then, I learned bleeding heart, sweet peas, oriental poppy, elderberry, sagebrush, aspen, oh, and zucchini (the neighbors were Italian).

I have lived in California, Nevada, Arkansas, Pennsylvania, Arizona, Washington, and now finally (I hope), Idaho. Military? No.....construction. When I think back, I remember some faces, but I am more inclined to tell you about the plants I grew at each and every location.

The first garden club of which I was an 'honorary' member was in the 1950's in Folsom, California. The dearest lady, Ida, would include me in all their drawings and it was amazing how lucky I was!

Before moving to Boise, I was honored to be a member of Grubby Knuckles, Lewiston, Idaho. Although the members were all mature, some very mature, I found their will to be productive growers, appreciative plant enthusiasts, and slave drivers when it came to projects and work, daunting. Sadly, this club is no longer. This loss is what has motivated me to be your vice-president. Their histories, wealth of knowledge, and laughable experiences have become dust. I believe these intangible assets; our provenance, should be preserved by our organization and available to all members to review. My preference, though, would be the continuation of the club by support from state, district, and all members before their floundering ceases, before they become dust.

Easy to type. How?

Just like a plant; light, water, nutrients. The **light** is information; introduce them to projects, programs, and information that is customized for their requirements and abilities. **Water** is the flow for communication and support. We need to be more than an email address. Let's put a face to these names and get to know their interests and wishes. **Nutrients**... the right organization and structure to help define each goal, plan the implementation, follow through to the finish, and then with their documentation, assess the final outcome, successful or not. This is what accomplishment is about.

It would be nice to say I am going to jump right out there and bring our state membership back up to 1000 from the current 500. I can't yet. I have to have something I believe in wholeheartedly to sell it. I **can** work to help make this an organization that all members can be proud of, and that all future gardeners would gladly join.

And that is what I shall do.



Butterfly Committee Report

From June 2009 through June 2011 I had a Butterfly Photography competition. Entries included Idaho and the Pacific Region states. Each state had their winners who competed for Region honors. The Idaho Butterfly Photo winners are:

First place: Russ Ford – Idaho Horticulture Society

Second place: Jan Haneke – Merry Tillers Garden Club

Third place: Sandra Ford – Idaho Horticulture Society

Honorable Mention: Robyn McCarthy – Garden Talk Garden Club

Photography was judged by Cloe/Marr Photography, Boise, Idaho.

Congratulations to the winners!



Russ Ford's 1st Place Butterfly Photo: Two-tailed Tiger Swallowtail on Summer Phlox

Inez Thomason, Chairman



Flower Show School

Course II

September 27, 28, 29, 2011
 Latah County Fairgrounds
 1021 Harold
 Moscow ID 83843

University Inn Best Western
www.uinnmoscow.com
 Toll free 800-325-8765
 Local 208-882-0550

LaQuinta Inn
www.lq.com
 208-882-5365

Super 8 Motel
www.super8.com
 208-883-1503

Palouse Inn
www.palouseinn.com
 Toll free 888-882-5511
 Local 208-882-5511

GCII President Robyn McCarthy
 State Flower Show Chairman
 Allen Dietz

Local FSS Chairman and Contact:
 Joyce Parr (208) 883-3051
dj.parr@frontier.com

Sponsored by Clearwater District Garden Clubs

Jodene Caldwell, District Director
 Member of Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.
 Pacific Region GC, and National GC



REGISTRATION FORM

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE II

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

7:30-8:00am Registration
 8:00 Announcements
 8:15-10:15 Flower Show Procedure
 10:15 Break
 10:30-12:30 Horticulture
 12:30-1:15pm Lunch
 1:15-3:45 Horticulture
 Practice Point Scoring
 3:45 Break
 4-6 Point Scoring Exam
 Horticulture

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

8:30-9:00am Registration
 9:00 Announcements
 9:15-11:15 Design
 11:15 Break
 11:30-12:15 Lunch
 12:30-1:30 Design
 1:30 Break
 1:45-3:15 Design and Practice
 Point Scoring
 3:15 Break
 3:30-5:30 Scoring Exam Design

Thursday, September 29, 2011

(optional)
 9am – Noon Exam

All classes, exams and lunch will be held at
 the Latah County Fairgrounds, Moscow ID.

Instructors

Flower Show Procedure: Marva Lee Peterschick
Horticulture : Marva Lee Peterschick –
 Container plants/foilage - Coleus; Fruits,
 Veggies, Nuts & Herbs
Design: Mary Lou Waitz – American Creative Design

Required Reading

The National Gardener Handbook for Flower Show, 2007 Revised Edition
Outlines of Period Flower Arrangement-Hannay
Designing by Types- Osbourne
Essence of Creativity – A Legacy - Thomas
Table Settings for All Seasons – Woods & Smith
Hortulana, Revised - Heber
The Houseplant Expert - Hessayon
Tree and Shrub Expert - Hessayon
The New Flower Expert - Hessayon
The Bulb Expert - Hessayon
Plants and Their Respective Families
Plant Families Frequently Used in Flower Shows
Guide to Exhibiting Fruits, Vegetable, & Nuts – Heber
Units I, II Floral Design for Beginners - Wittgartner

name _____

address _____

city,state,zip _____

e-mail/phone _____

Garden Club (if applicable)

Please make check payable to

CDGC and mail with completed form to
 Edith Cole, 1012 Hwy 12 East, Pomeroy
 WA 99347 (509) 843-1010

Fees

Registration – 2 days
 (inc. lunches) \$ 90.00

Registration – One day
 Tuesday only Wednesday only
 (inc. lunch) \$50.00

Taking course for credit? yes no
If yes, add \$5.00 to your fees for the EXAM. \$ 5.00

Late registration fee (after Sept 20)
 \$10.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

2011 GCII Awards



GCII Garden Club Person of the Year	LeeAnn McMaster (Nezperce G.C.)	1st Place	\$10
Standard /Small Flower Show	Idaho Horticulture Society	1 st Place	\$10
Civic Development - Club	Owyhee Gardeners	1 st Place	\$10
Yearbook			
Under 20 Members	Idaho Horticulture Society	1 st Place	\$10
	Long Valley Gardeners	2 nd Place	\$ 5
30-44 Members	Valley Garden Club	1 st Place	\$10
45-69 Members	Moscow Garden Club	1 st Place	\$10
Publication/Comm. (Facebook)	Nezperce Garden Club	1 st Place	\$10
Publication/Design(Calendar)	Nezperce Garden Club	1 st Place	\$10
Youth Involvement	Nezperce Garden Club	1 st Place	\$10
Wildflower-Native Flora-Club	Idaho Horticulture Society	1 st Place	\$10
Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Participation	Owyhee Gardeners Nezperce Garden Club		
Membership Awards	Presented by Constance Blyth, 1 st Vice President and Membership Chair		

2011 Pacific Region NGC Awards

Yearbook Club (30-44 members)	Valley Garden Club	Honorable Mention - Certificate	
Plant Society	Idaho Horticulture Society	2 nd Place - Certificate	
Club Standard Flower Show Schedule	Idaho Horticulture Society	Honorable Mention - Certificate	
Other Publication (Garden Calendar)	Nezperce Garden Club	1 st Place	\$20
Small Membership-State Convention Program Booklet	Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.	1 st Place	\$20
Civic Beautification			
Small Club	Idaho Horticulture Society	2 nd Place	Certificate
Medium Club	Owyhee Gardeners	1 st Place	\$20
Fundraiser-Club	Idaho Horticulture Society	2 nd Place	Certificate
Smokey Bear Winner – Grade 5	Ana Alvarez, Marsing, ID	Owyhee Gardeners	
Woodsy Owl Winner– Grade 4	Riley Fuchs, Nezperce, ID	Nezperce Garden Club	

2011 National Garden Club, Inc. Awards

\$1,000 NGC Certificate of Merit	Idaho Horticulture Society	for 'Civic Project with Native Plants'
NGC Certificate of Appreciation	Nezperce Garden Club	for their calendar
NGC Certificate of Appreciation	Garden Clubs of Idaho, Inc.	for their website
NGC Certificate of Achievement	Idaho Horticulture Society	for a Standard Flower Show "Autumn Breeze - Falling Leaves" staged in a public building
National Smokey Bear Winner—Grade 5	Ana Alvarez, Marsing, ID	Owyhee Gardeners

Plant It Pink

Promoting the Planting of Tulips Across Idaho

Purchase One Bag For Yourself
One Bag For Your Community

Tulips are full of grace, beauty, elegance ... strength. The women in Idaho—and around the world—who are battling or have battled breast cancer can be described in a similar manner. That's why we are painting the streets pink in honor of those affected by breast cancer with the Plant It Pink campaign.



ANGELIQUE DOUBLE TULIP

A beautiful double peony flowering tulip of baby pink with light pink edges. Its unique color and flower shape will provide striking accents in your yard. They will become your favorite in the garden and for long-lasting bouquets with a pleasant fragrance. 15 to 18 inch stems blooming from mid to late spring.

Please complete ALL sections listed below:

Garden Club _____

Your Name _____

Street _____

City _____

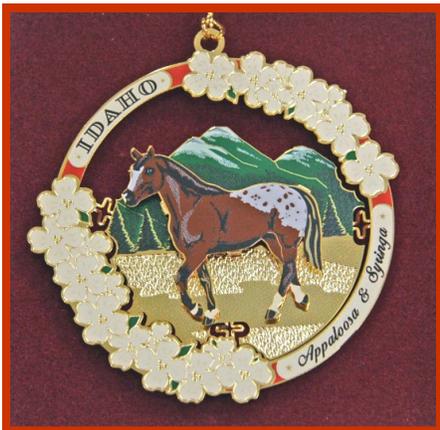
State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____

E-mail _____

of Bags _____ \$10/Bag – 10 Bulbs per Bag)

Total Amount Due \$_____ Please attach check payable to GCII. Mail order form with check to: Maxine Smolowitz, 3925 E 97th N, Idaho Falls, ID 83401



2011 Appaloosa and Syringa GCII Ornament

Our newest fund-raiser ornament featuring Idaho's State Horse and Flower will be available beginning October 17th for pick up at the GCII Fall Board Meeting at Cascade, Idaho.

This ornament makes a wonderful gift for any occasion. Cost is \$20 each, paid on receipt. You can call Louisa Cone, Ornament Chairman, at 208-459-2209 and let her know how many you would like.

Please promote this fund-raiser for GCIII!

GCII Members Honored at 2011 Memorial Service

A Memorial Service honoring members who died during the past 12 months was conducted by Edith Cole, Clearwater District Director at the June 2011 State Convention. An opening prayer of gratitude and thanks was offered in remembrance of those beloved gardeners. In turn, a candle was lit by their Club President or Director, special remarks were offered and each obituary was read when the name of the honored person was called.



CLEARWATER DISTRICT

Nezperce Garden Club

Lona Stole

Valley Garden Club

Lorraine Quinn

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Garden Talk Garden Club

Beth Swendsen

Hal McGary

Idaho Falls Garden Club

Louise Henderson

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Early Morning Gardeners

Leverne Lehmkuhl

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Petal Pushers Garden Club

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Organic Codling Moth Control

Codling Moths, the infamous, "worm in the apple", are tough to manage in the home orchard, and gardening organically makes it an especially difficult task.

At the Community Garden where I work with children we have 12 small apple and pear trees. We garden organically, no chemicals allowed. Seeking a remedy for our "wormy" apples we tried hanging homemade bait traps recommended on a USDA website.

We started last summer but did not get them hung until after the first of July when the apples were already several inches in diameter. We caught hundreds of moths but in our area we have two generations of the Codling Moth each summer. As the apples dropped in the fall we cleaned them out of the orchard. A friend took the drops to feed to her chickens as the worms emerge quickly from drops to pupate. We had some success but still plenty of worms.

Fast forward to this summer – we hung our traps early (just before blossom). Each tree has its own trap. We are catching lots of flies, but no moths. Our apples so far have no worm holes. What happened? I think that even though our traps were hung too late last summer to catch the first generation of moths, they still reduced the population by impacting the second generation. Removing the drops immediately eliminated many more.

If you would like to try this method, fill a plastic gallon milk jug with 1 Cup of vinegar, ½ Cup of molasses, 1/8 Teaspoon ammonia, and 5 Cups of water. Cut a two inch hole in the jug just below the shoulder and hang 1 – 3 traps per tree depending on the size of the tree. Pick up the apples as soon as they drop and do not compost them; rather dispose of them with the garbage.



Patty Huston, Horticultural Chair

Announcements and Upcoming Events

2011

- **National Fall Board Meeting,** Sept. 20—25, St. Louis, MO
- **GCII SW District Fall Meeting,** September 26, Boise
- **Flower Show School Course II** September 27—29, Moscow
- **"Plant it Pink" Awards application due to Maxine Smolowitz by October 1**
- **GCII SE District Fall Meeting,** October 8, Idaho Falls
- **GCII Fall Board Meeting,** October 17, Cascade
- **GCII Clearwater District Fall Meeting,** October 20, Kendrick

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Then pendant o'er flower
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