



# Oroville Botanic Garden and Education Center

## September Newsletter 2022

### Presidents Message

Greetings,

Saturday , December 21, 2021 OBGEC, FRR&PD and 30 volunteers planted 54 trees at the Martin Luther King park in Oroville. Saturday January 29, 2022 OBGEC, FRR&PD and 100 volunteers planted 87 trees at the Riverbend park in Oroville. Both days turned out to be terrific. Both were preceded by our Citizen arborist class opportunity. So we now have planted 245—of the trees from our CA RELEAF grant.. We have forty two Citizen Arborists and many other folks who showed up early enough to learn from our planting demonstration.

Thank you all!!!

*Susan Sims*

OBGEC President

Do you love to play with numbers? Are you a fanatic about keeping your checkbook balanced? Do you live to be a bookkeeper? How about you just kinda like keeping track of money?

If you answered YES to any of these questions OBGEC could use your help! We are currently in need of a treasurer/bookkeeper to keep track of our finances.

If you are interested please drop me a line and lets TALK!

Debi Upton obgecdebiupton@gmail.com or 530-282-3665

*Remember! Our meetings are always on the second Monday of each month! We look forward to seeing you!*

### September General Meeting

DATE: Monday, September 12, 2022

TIME: 6 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall

4790 Foothill Blvd

Oroville

### CA RELEAF GRANT

Our tree planting grant is winding down. We have until December 31st to plant our remaining trees. To date we have planted 245 trees throughout the Oroville area. The sites include: AAFCC community garden, Southside Community Center, OBGEC Garden at Dunstone Memorial Hall, Riverbend Park, Martin Luther King Jr Park, Nelson Sports Complex, Sierra Ave and Poplar Schools in Thermalito. We are hoping to get a number of trees planted at Nelson Ave Elementary School before December. It's been a crazy ride but, OH, so rewarding! Stay tuned for future planting dates.



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### KIDS CORNER

By Peggy Mitchell

This activity can be as simple or as elaborate as you care to make it. If you have an older child or teen that is interested in fashion, you can even have them try designing different hair styles using cut out models from magazines for the faces. For younger children, first have them collect autumn leaves (or pick green ones to dry, if you can spare them). The face (or whole body) can be drawn or cut out and glued onto greeting cards, cardboard, regular computer paper, and etc. Using tacky glue, arrange the leaves as hair for your drawing or cut outs and then glue all of them in place. Let them draw a couple of hours before trying to transport the art work.



This will be Peggy's last Kids' Corner contribution. We wholeheartedly appreciate Peggy's contribution to OBGEC and wish her much success and happiness in her new endeavors.

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## Eye Spy Insects



Sept. 9th  
8pm-  
9:30pm

Join OBGEC as we watch the small creatures of the night! During this free event, OBGEC volunteers will use white sheets and black lights to attract our favorite nocturnal insects where we will get up close and personal with them.

This is an excellent opportunity for kids and naturalists alike to learn about the ways of insects. Come on out & enjoy the night & watch the show!

We encourage all attendees to wear long sleeved shirts, bring mosquito repellents, & bring any snacks/drinks they desire.



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A big thank you to Luke Gibson from Gibson Tree Service for donating all the wood chips used in the OBGEC garden labyrinth! Still lots of chips left for other projects too! If you need tree work done talk to Luke and tell him OBGEC sent you.

Are you a fan of Amazon? If you are, every time you order something Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to your chosen non profit (we hope you will pick OBGEC!). It's easy to sign up, just:

1. Sign-in to your amazon account via [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)
2. Search for "Oroville Botanic Garden" in the search bar
3. Select "Oroville Botanic Garden"
4. Check "Yes, I understand that I must always start at smile.amazon.com to support "Oroville Botanic Garden"
5. Start SHOPPING!





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### WHAT HAVE OBGEC MEMBERS BEEN UP TO IN THE GARDEN?



- ◇ Creating a butterfly garden to draw more pollinators
- ◇ Adding a path made from tree trunk rounds, rocks and hard work leading into the butterfly garden and to a lovely bench. Soon we will be adding an arbor to shade the bench.
- ◇ A really cool labyrinth for people to walk. A place to contemplate, release your stress and anxiety. A place to mull over the day and find peace with the moment. The trip in and out is approximately 1/10th of a mile. Quite a distance for walking around a tree!

**Thank you** to the hard working members that made these beautiful additions to the garden!



Every month the Dunstone Garden Committee will be adding a new project to the garden.

If you are interested in helping us create more projects like these please drop me an email and I will get you connected!

Debi Upton

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For information only

For members that may have an interest  
in the continued health of our beautiful  
oaks.

This is not an OBGEC event

### 8th Annual Oak Symposium Sustaining Oak Woodlands Under Current and Future Conditions

**Oct. 31-Nov. 3, 2022**

**Embassy Suites, San Luis Obispo, California**

Presented by the University of California's Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the 8th California Oak Symposium is intended for anyone involved in research, education, management, or conservation of California's oak woodlands. This includes foresters, range managers, tribes, arborists, landowners, ranchers, community groups, land trusts, and policy makers.

Join us to:

Listen to science based talks from leaders in academia, industry and agencies.

View thought-provoking abstracts and posters from colleagues.

Experience tours of San Luis Obispo County's various Oak Woodland habitats.

Engage in discussions and network with other like-minded professionals, researchers, and scientists.

For registration information please go to :



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Eye Spy Insect Events

DATE: Friday, September 9

TIME: 8 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall  
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Due to the extreme hot weather projected for Friday we may be taking the show INSIDE! Susan, our resident insect pro, will present about our local insects.

Start time 8 pm

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JOIN US! WE HAVE LOTS TO TALK ABOUT!

#### Salmon Festival

We will have a booth at the Salmon Festival this year

DATE: September 24

TIME: 10 am—4 pm

#### Intermediate Citizen Arborist class

If you attended the first CA class you know you want to attend this one! Susan will go deeper in depth on how to take care of your trees.

DATE: Saturday, September 17, 2022

TIME: 9—12:30 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall, 4790 Foothill Blvd. Oroville

### UPCOMING EVENTS con't

#### Open Garden Tours

During the summer months we will be opening the gardens to the public for folks to tour. Come check out our newest projects! Catch the bug...come on out and give us a hand!

We will be open the following Sundays:

September 25 and October 23

TIMES: 11 a.m.—2 p.m.

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall  
4790 Foothill Blvd  
Oroville

#### Rummage Sale is BACK!

Saturday and Sunday Sept 30—Oct 1

Its coming up QUICKLY! We are now taking donations. Its going to be another GREAT sale so make sure to come out and find your treasures!! We will have it all. For moreinfo contact :

Trisha Barker at 530-990-6716

#### **Coming in October:**

**Seed and Scion Exchange, Soils class, and open garden ALL ON THE SAME DAY!** More info to come. Check our website and Facebook page for more information

#### Chico Home and Garden Show

We have been invited by the Chico Bonsai Society to have a booth so we are going to take advantage of this great opportunity!

Dates and times to come.



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### Visit Our Garden

Dunstone Memorial Hall

4790 Foothill Blvd

Oroville, Ca 95966

### Volunteers

### Needed!!

We need more members to help with our events, plantings, and general OBGEC business. If you would like to lend a hand your help is greatly needed! You don't have to have a green thumb! We can find something for anyone to do! Please give us a call or drop us an email.

Debi Upton 530-282-3665

Susan Sims 951-453-2651

If you would like to see something in particular in the OBGEC newsletter please drop me a line! I'm always looking for more to add!

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#### OBGEC Board Members

President	Susan Sims obgecsusansims@gmail.com
Vice President	
Secretary	Bonnie Villarreal
Treasurer	
Membership	Patricia Barker
Newsletter	Debi Upton

#### Other Member Representations

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OnlineAdvertising/web master	Nicole Sims

Our Membership

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