Oroville Botanic Garden and Education Center

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Presidents Message

Hi all,

OBGEC continues to do good things for our community. This year wraps up our tree planting grant. By the time you read this we will have planted 266 trees. Time to be looking for new grants and fund-raisers.

Our members are our most valuable resource. Your skills can help OB-GEC grow and attain our goals. A green thumb is not necessary. Can you sell, build, do paper work, great guests, look for grants… On that note we have improvements to Dunstone Memorial Hall to make; a gazebo with floor, Chinese bridge, rose garden, succulent garden, kids garden and much much more. Our paths will be paved with fundrais-er bricks that we will sell and install.

If you can't think of a thing you can do sell or buy a brick!!!

At your service,

Susan Sims

OBGEC President

THANK YOU!

Al Upton and Dan Navaro for installing power and water to our shed! You guys are THE GREATEST!!

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

October General Meeting

DATE: Monday, October 10, 2022

TIME: 6 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
4790 Foothill Blvd
Oroville

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!

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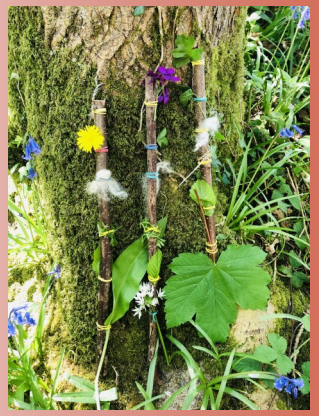

KIDS CORNER

Journey Stick kits will be available at our Oct Open Garden

By Raeshae Shane

Journey Stick (Ages 4+)

Tradition says the Aboriginal people of Australia created journey sticks to record their travels and help them retell their story to others. On each journey stick they would tie different objects that represented the places they visited, as well as the feelings, thoughts and experiences they had along the way.

What's magical about a journey stick is each one is unique. All of our journeys are different and there are so many ways to remember and represent them; A fallen acorn may represent a great oak tree that provided shade on a hot journey, a feather to represent the beautiful song of the birds, a sea shell to represent the smell of the nearby ocean.

This walk activity allows children to run around and feel free to pick up whatever captures their interest. It's creative and imaginative and allows children to be present in their surroundings. It develops curiosity in the natural world, as well as the communication skills and empathy to retell their story and to listen to others stories as well. It also helps to develop fine motor skills attaching objects to the stick.

Location for this activity is any natural environment, the park, woodland, beach, wherever your adventures may take you that day.

What you'll need:

A stick (if fallen ones are not available on the ground)
Lengths of string/wool in *different colors and/or rubber bands in *different colors for the younger children who may have a harder time affixing their objects to the stick with the string
The different colors may also represent for your child a feeling or emotion associated along the journey

Let's Begin!

Have a route in mind for your journey with a beginning and an end point. Tell your child you are embarking on a journey they may want to tell their friends or family about and that the journey stick will help them remember it. Let them find their own stick, if available on the ground in that area, that stands out to them.

Tell your child to gather natural objects and things that they like on their journey, to become a part of their sticks. As they walk, they can think about the sounds, feelings, smells, thoughts, trees and animals along the way that catch their attention. Remind them of the things they cannot pick up, such as poisonous plants, broken glass, or dangerous items you may encounter. You will put the first thing found at the top of your stick to represent the beginning and the last thing found near the middle or bottom of the stick to represent the end of their journey. This will help in the retelling of their story.

At the end, take time to admire their journey stick, talking about how colorful, interesting, unique and beautiful the stick has become. Encourage them to tell others about their journey using the various objects as prompts to remind them. Talk with them about the chosen items. Where do they come from? What do the plants or animals use them for? And what can we do to ensure these plants and animals are still around in the future.

Enjoy your journey!

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We want to welcome our newest interim board members!

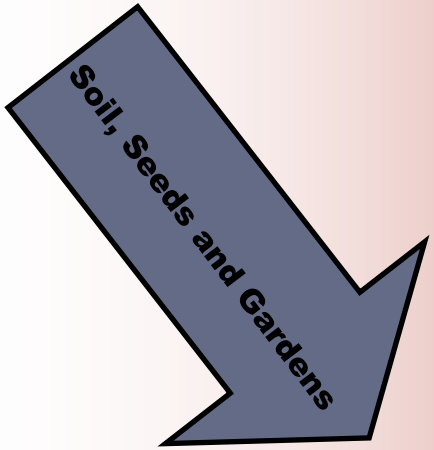
Marina Hynes: She comes with a plethora of experience and is, already, a great asset ot OBGEC. She is taking over the VP duties! Her energy and enthusiasm is contagious! Thank you, Marina!

Raeshae Shane: She is going to be a dynamite board member for OBGEC. She has many interests that meld well with our organization. Raeshae is now our Youth Programs Coordinator (see her great Kid's Corner article on the next page).

We look forward to both of your many contributions, ideas, and much needed energy!

ALL ON OCTOBER 23RD!

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS ONE



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
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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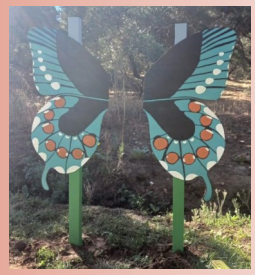
What have we been up to in the garden and around town?

Butterflies at Dunstone

Nelson Middle School tree planting crew

Swallowtail

Now all we need is a pedestal for the kids to stand on!



Pipevine Swallowtaiil

Monarch

TREE PLANTING

Looks like a Pistache!

Planting a Crepe Myrtle and pounding stakes.

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 obgecdebiupton@gmail.com

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Salmon Festival

We think the adults enjoyed the photo opp at our booth more than the kids did!

We had a ton of fun!

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All you avid rose growers and admirers will be interested in this!

Mark your calendars!

Thank you Lake Oroville Area Garden Club for sharing this information

Chico Rose Show marks 27th year

CHICO — An amazing display of locally grown roses will greet visitors to the Butte Rose Society's annual Rose Show. The event will be 1-4 pm. Sat. Oct. 29 at the Chico Community Center (CARD), 545 Vallombrosa Ave.

There is no admission charge.

There will be a photography display, arts and crafts, fragrant rose contest, youth activities, and certified Rosarians to answer questions. The show also features judged horticulture and arrangement entries. Details about submitting entries are available on the website.

Learn more about the roses that grow well in this area. Find out what may be causing problems with your roses. Rose experts will be available to answer questions, and discuss types of roses that you may want to add to a garden.

Youth through age 17 are encouraged to participate in a variety of activities including stamping, face painting, cookie decorating and more. There will be an emphasis on rose arranging with rose experts to help. Roses, vases and other supplies will be provided. Participant's arrangements may be exhibited during the Rose Show and then taken home by the participant.

Also plan to visit the adjacent Creekside Rose Garden, sponsored by Chico Area Recreation and Park District, that has more than 100 rose bushes.

More information is at www.butte-rosesociety.org or from Rose Show Chair Joanne Lester,
rosyjo65@yahoo.com or 530-893-3763.

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BRICK FUNDRAISER

Oroville Botanic Garden is excited to offer to the community this enduring, life-long opportunity. When you purchase a brick through our fundraiser it will be placed in the pathways at our heritage garden at Dunstone Memorial Hall. Beome a part of our history, leave a legacy; a way to leave your mark on the world!

You can find the order form and instructions on how to create your unique brick at:

https://donate.brickmarkers.com/obg

If you have any questions, please contact:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OBGEC October General Meeting

DATE: Monday, October 10

TIME: 6 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
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Oroville

JOIN US! WE HAVE LOTS TO TALK ABOUT!

Tree Planting at Dunstone

DATE: October 16

TIME: start 10a.m.

We will be planting seven maple trees and other various trees. The maple trees are part of our memorial fund. They are dedicated to a donor family that wishes to remain anonymous. Please come out and help us plant these beautiful trees.

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
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Eye Spy Insect Events

DATE: Friday, October 21

TIME: 7:30 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
4790 Foothill Blvd
Oroville

This event will have a Halloween theme (see flyer). Sweets and Halloween style activities and decorations for the youngins! Come on out and enjoy the festivities!

UPCOMING EVENTS con't

Open Garden Tours

We have decided to continue our Open Garden Tours throughout the year! Every month we will showcase, at least, one new garden feature. This month will be the completion of our pollinator pathway and bench as well as progress on our children's garden. This day is also dedicated to working in the garden.

We will be open the following Sundays:
October 23, November20, December 18

TIMES: 11 a.m.—2 p.m.

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
4790 Foothill Blvd
Oroville

Seed and Scion Exchange and Soils Class,

Seed and Scion Exchange

DATE: Sunday October 23

TIME: 11—3

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
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Oroville

Soils Class

This class will be taught by our very own Greg Phelan, an expert on soil and how to make it work best for what you grow. This will be an exciting class! It will take place right after the Seed Exchange.

DATE: Sunday October 23

TIME: 3:30 pm

PLACE: Dunstone Memorial Hall
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Chico Home and Garden Show

DATE: Saturday and Sunday October 22 and 23

TIME: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thanks to the Chico Bonsai Society we have been invited to have a booth at this event. We are looking forward to promoting our garden and all that we do for the community. If you are interested in working our booth for an hour or two please contact Susan Sims for more information at obgecsusansims@gmail.com

Our booth will be located inside the floral building. Look for the Chico Bonsai Society. We'll be with them!

Tree Planting at Plumas Ave School

Well, the Thermalito School District is really getting things done! We will be having another tree planting this month at Plumas Ave School. We will be planting 26 trees! Come on out and help plant!

DATE: Wednesday, October 26

TIME: 8:30 a.m. until finished

PLACE: Plumas Ave Elementary School

440 Plumas Ave

Oroville, Ca

UPCOMING EVENTS con't

COMING IN NOVEMBER and December

Thursday, November 10

Start time: 3 p.m.

We will be planting native perennials in our newly planted butterfly garden. Feel like getting dirty? Come on over and give us a hand!

Monday, November 14 and 15

Start time: 10 a.m.

We will be installing irrigation line throughout the garden area . This is an exciting and big undertaking for us. This will give our garden water access throughout allowing us to utilize more of our space.

More information to come but mark your calendar if you'd like to come out and give us a hand.

Monday, December 12

General meeting

This will be a Christmas themed POTLUCK! For those of you that didn't attend our last potluck you really don't want to miss this one! More info to come...

We would like to take this space to thank all of our members that have been so diligent in helping with our many projects and events. Your ideas, creativity, and dedication are admirable

Without you WE WOULD NOT EXIST!

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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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Visit Our Garden

Dunstone Memorial Hall

4790 Foothill Blvd

Oroville, Ca 95966

OBGEC Board Members

President	Susan Sims obgecsusansims@gmail.com
Vice President	Marina Hynes
Secretary	Bonnie Villarreal
Treasurer	Debi Upton (interim)
Membership	Patricia Barker
Youth Programs Coordinator	Raeshae Shane

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Web master	Nicole Sims
OnlineAdvertising	Kaitlyn Sievers
Newsletter	Debi Upton

Our Membership

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