



Castle Pines Village Garden Club

Board 2018 - 2019

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Spectacular Holiday Tables

CPVGC MEETING

FRIDAY, November 2, 2018

10:00 AM

The Country Club at Castle Pines

DETAILS ON PAGE 3

SAVE THE DATE

2018

Fri Nov 2 – Meeting @ CCCP

Fri Dec 7 – Annual Xmas Brunch @ Cherokee

2019

Fri Jan 11 – Meeting @ Specialty Appliance kit.

Fri Feb 1 – Meeting @ Danielle's in Village

Fri Mar 1 – Meeting @ CCCP

Fri April 5 – Meeting @ DBG @ Chatfield

TBD May – Luncheon and Style Show

TBD May – Opening Day Both Gardens

June 16-21, 2019 – 7th Away Trip Victoria, BC

SIGNUP & PAYMENT DEADLINES

Oct 26 RSVP lunch Deadline for Nov 2 meeting

Nov 14 RSVP Deadline for Dec 7 Cherokee

Castle Brunch –fills up fast RSVP early

Sign up for Waiting List to Victoria Away Trip



**And now a word from our president, Janice Wright
Nov-Dec President's Letter**

The Garden Club continues to flourish and grow. We welcome back all previous members and new members. Our total membership to date is 157 ladies.

This has been a busy fall in the Garden Club. We had our final Wine in the Garden party in September and enjoyed the opening luncheon at the Country Club. We closed the Serenity Garden and Cherokee Ranch Garden for the winter. Both Marsha Wiedelman and Nancy Kirschke are already making plans for next year's gardening season.

The new member welcome coffee was recently held at the home of Terri Sundermann. Ethel Parrington and her committee did an outstanding job preparing this welcome event for our new members. Don't forget, new members, to contact Ethel if you are interested in being paired with a mentor.

Our educational programs started in September and are scheduled through March of 2019. Jennifer Dengler and Cheryl Porter have planned some excellent educational programs for us.

The current focus of Kim Watson, chairman of the communications committee, is to update the Garden Club website and Monday morning eblast. Kim has recently announced that this will be the final newsletter for the Garden Club, since our information and pictures are now being disseminated on line on the website and eblast. Thank you, Kim, for the many years of dedication in writing and presenting the newsletter. We will still be well informed with our updated methods of communication.

We are all looking forward to the annual Christmas brunch at the Cherokee Ranch. Please get your reservation in as soon as possible because this event is always a sell out!

Wanda Ford has been busy promoting our charity events. You will be learning more about the charities we support at our upcoming meetings.

I would like to thank our officers, committee chairs, and committee members. As president of this organization, it is my pleasure to work with each and every one of you. Keep up the good work! You are the best!

Making Your Holiday Table Spectacular

Presented by Tasha Carrington



Tasha Carrington, owner of L'Arrangement Floral Design will show us how to create a beautiful holiday table and make your home festive with tips from Tasha on the "how to" of her simple, yet elegant, decor and table designs.

How to Register:

All reservations must be received

by October 26, 2018

If you are NOT a member of the Country Club, please send your \$20 check, made payable to Castle Pines Village Garden Club (CPVGC) to

Jennifer Dengler

639 Ruby Trust Way

Castle Rock, CO 80108

Jenniferdengler@me.com

410-693-8477

If you ARE a member of the Country Club, please email your name and your club member number to Jennifer. No email reservation is confirmed until you receive a confirmation email from Jennifer.

When:

November 2, 2018

10:00 AM

Where:

Country Club of Castle Pines

6400 Country Club Dr.

Castle Pines Village

Donate:

Please bring cash for our

Door prize tickets:

3 for \$5

to support our charities.

Bring \$5 for food/gas cards for Crisis Center clients

What's for Lunch:

Our \$20 menu includes

Soup:

Cream of Chicken and Mushroom with Herb

Gremolata and Sourdough

Croutons

Salad Bar:

Baby Spinach, Roasted Turkey

Breast, Diced Honey glazed

Ham, Candied Pecans,

Pomegranate Seeds, Feta

Cheese Crumbles, Sliced Apples,

Pomegranate Vinaigrette

Dessert:

Macerated Raisin Bread

Pudding



HOLIDAY BRUNCH AT CHEROKEE CASTLE

6113 North Daniels Park Road, Sedalia, CO 80135

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018

10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM



Come celebrate the holidays and join us for our traditional Holiday Brunch and mini-tour of Cherokee Castle!

COST: \$55 (Your check payable to CPVGC)

Mail RSVP FORM & CHECK by Wednesday, November 14, to Darcey DeRose
Your RSVP and check will be confirmed by email.

Giving Tree donations will support The Crisis Center

RSVP FORM FOR HOLIDAY BRUNCH AT CHEROKEE CASTLE

Your RSVP and check for \$55 payable to CPVGC will be confirmed by email. Please note that space is limited. Reservations and table assignments will be taken on a first come first served basis. This event may sell out before the RSVP and Cancellation Deadline of Wednesday, November 14, 2018. Please indicate on this RSVP form if you would like to be seated with a specific club member.

Please mail **RSVP FORM & INDIVIDUAL CHECKS** to:
Darcey DeRose, 326 Paragon Way, Castle Rock, CO 80108 (310-869-6426)

Name _____ Phone _____

Email Address _____ Check # _____

RSVP & CANCELLATION DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

If you fill out the form below, and bring it with your \$\$\$ donation, to put on the Giving Tree, you will receive a thank you and a tax receipt from the Crisis Center. More questions about any charity event? Contact our charity liaison, Wanda Ford at wford@livesir.com or 720-320-8901.

**Castle Pines Garden Club Holiday Brunch
Crisis Center Castle Rock**



Name _____

Address _____

I wish to receive a tax receipt for my donation.
If you would prefer to mail your donation individually, please send to this address:

Crisis Center
P.O. Box 367
Castle Rock, CO 80104

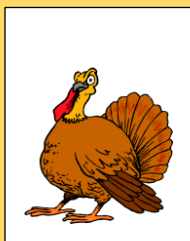
There are 2 additional charity events taking place this fall:

**Crisis Center 11th Annual
FUTURE FOR FAMILIES GALA**

Friday, Nov 2, 2018
6-10 PM

At the Vehicle Vault in
Parker CO

For tickets and more information see next page or visit
www.thecrisiscenter.org



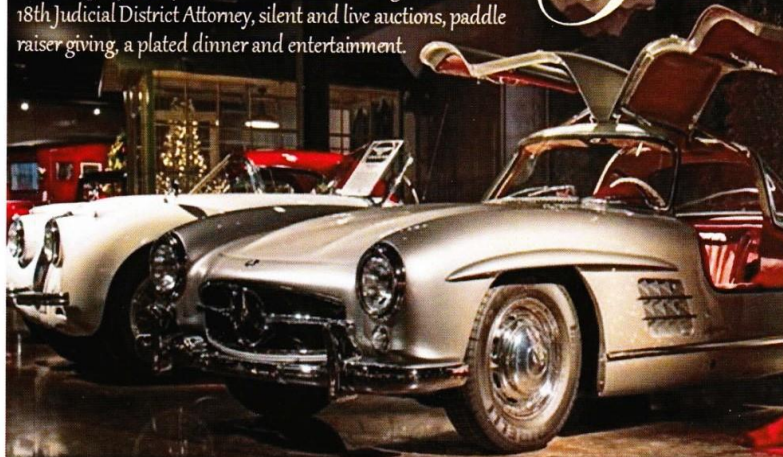
**DE Task Force 14th Annual
TURKEY ROCK TROT
5K FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK/STROLL**

Thanksgiving Day, November 22, 2018
7:30-11 AM

At the Douglas County Event Center
For more information visit
www.helpandhopecenter.org

17th annual
Future for Families Gala

Featuring keynote speaker The Honorable George Brauchler,
18th Judicial District Attorney, silent and live auctions, paddle
raiser giving, a plated dinner and entertainment.



A celebration benefiting:

Crisis Center

Friday, November 2, 2018 · 6 - 10 p.m.

Vehicle Vault · 18301 Lincoln Meadows Pkwy, Parker, CO 80134

*Not your average car museum, the Vehicle Vault is a unique and beautiful building
housing a fabulous collection of rare and exotic automobiles from all over the world.*

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT www.TheCrisisCenter.org

Reserved table of 10: \$1,350 ~ Reserved table of 8: \$1,080 ~ Individual ticket: \$135

Save \$10 per guest until September 3

Special thanks to:



CPVGC Seventh Annual Away Trip to Victoria, British Columbia

JUNE 16 –21, 2019



The Field Trip Committee is proud to announce the details of our first international away-trip. We will be visiting public and private gardens in and near Victoria, British Columbia.

This member-only trip is limited to 30 participants. Because this is high season in the Northwest, we could not secure a group rate at our hotels. However, if you book rooms as soon as you are confirmed for the trip, you will have no trouble securing rooms at reasonable rates.

CONTACT JOMIE HEFTYE OR TERRI SUNDERMANN IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS TRIP.

Sunday, June 16 - Arrival in Seattle, Washington



We begin our trip in Seattle, which is an easy flight from Denver. We will be spending one night at **The Paramount Hotel**, a modern boutique hotel in downtown Seattle that is close to many of Seattle's historical and cultural attractions. You will want to visit the world famous Pike Place Market which is just a 10 minute walk from the hotel. You can gather in the hotel lounge for a glass of wine and then go out for a casual dinner.

Monday, June 17 – Tour of Chihuly Glasshouse and ferry ride to Victoria



In the morning we'll visit the Chihuly Glasshouse and Gardens, which provides a look at the inspiration and influences of the glass artist Dale Chihuly. The complex has eight interior galleries, a lush outdoor garden and a stunning Glasshouse. There is also a wonderful gift store and café. You'll have plenty of time for a leisurely lunch before boarding the Victoria Clipper for a 3-hour afternoon journey to the Inner Harbor of Victoria on Vancouver Island.



Victoria Clipper arriving in Victoria, BC



The Hotel Grand Pacific

We will be staying four nights at The Hotel Grand Pacific, a 4-star hotel located on Victoria’s Inner Harbor. This full-service hotel features three dining options and a fully equipped Fitness Facility, including a swimming pool. Tonight’s dinner will be at the one of hotel’s restaurants.

Tuesday, June 18 – Butchart Gardens and the Gardens at HCP

This morning we board a bus that will take us north of Victoria for a full-day visit to two of Vancouver Island’s most spectacular public gardens. We will be joined by Joan Looy of Victorian Garden Tours, who is a vital part of the gardening scene in Victoria. Joan, who grew up on a farm just north of Butchart, will provide plenty of historical information and local gardening knowledge to personalize our visit. Our first stop is Butchart Gardens, a group of floral display gardens including the Rose Garden, Japanese Garden, Italian Garden and Mediterranean Garden. Joan will recommend routes depending upon what is in bloom and your possible previous visits. You can have lunch at The Blue Poppy Restaurant and any number of seasonal food and drink options around the gardens.

After lunch, we will drive a short distance to the Gardens at the Horticultural Center of the Pacific, a 103-acre educational and display site located at the Pacific Horticulture College. The many areas include an herb garden, heather garden, native plant garden and the largest outdoor Bonsai garden in Canada. This public garden is maintained by volunteers, staff and students. Joan will be one of our guides, along with two additional Master Gardeners. There is a café and a wonderful gift shop that features gardening tools and locally-made products. We’ll return to our hotel late in the afternoon. Tonight we will divide up into small groups for dinner at some of the best restaurants in Victoria.



Wednesday, June 19 – Free Day to explore Victoria

Today is a free day. We have a long list of possible activities for you to enjoy that includes a Walking or Bicycle Tour, Whale Watching or a Harbor Tour. You can also just relax or go shopping.



Thursday, June 20 – Private Garden Tours and High Tea



This morning we will visit two private gardens with our local expert, Joan Looy. Lily's Garden has repeatedly won the award for the Best Residential Garden in Canada. Across the street we'll visit the Waterfront Garden that is exposed to mist from the ocean which results in an unusual microclimate.

We will have High Tea at the Teahouse at Abkhazi Garden. The seasonal menu showcases regional and Abkhazi Garden-grown produce. You can also visit the Gift Shop which features local artisan artwork, pottery, jewelry, teas and jellies.

After lunch, we will tour the Abkhazi Garden. It has dramatic rocky slopes and gorgeous vistas. The garden flows around the rock with Japanese maples, 70-year old rhododendrons and carpets of heather, irises and daylilies.

We'll return to our hotel mid-afternoon. Tonight we will divide up into small groups for our last dinner in Victoria.



Friday, June 21 – Cruise back to Seattle on the Victoria Clipper

We will return to Seattle aboard the Victoria Clipper. When we land in Seattle at 2:15 PM, we've arranged for transportation to the airport, or to Cedarbrook Lodge, a lovely hotel which is close to the airport. You can either fly back to Colorado that night or spend one last evening and depart on Saturday morning. Whatever your choice, you will return to Colorado with fond memories of your days spent in colorful gardens with good friends.

PAST EVENTS

Wine in the Garden – Summer of 2018

Sharon Winders and her committee would like to thank both the Porter's and the Percival's for offering their homes in June and September of this year for Wine in the Garden. We had a total of 125 people attend both events. Lots of wine, food and good times were had by all of us. The parties give all of us a chance to get to know the other members better and to get to know everyone's spouses or friends in beautiful settings.

Cheers from the committee! See you next summer!



Our Sept host and hostess, the Percivals





CASTLE PINES VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB

Summary of the Opening Luncheon, September 14, 2018

Written by Grace Gehret

On a beautiful warm sunny day, approximately 58 members of the Castle Pines Village Garden Club gathered at the Country Club to celebrate our new season of inspiring programs and social activities. Although the meeting officially began at 10:30 AM the Board arrived early to have group and individual pictures taken by the professional photographer, Shannon Harp.

The welcome table was decorated with vases of purple dahlias, donated by the club. There was also a gorgeous bouquet, created by Liz Clarke, duplicating the flowers used as the theme picture on the invitation, menu, favors, and place cards. Yellow and purple flower buds decorated the name tags for members. Guests choosing vegetarian lunches were given purple place cards made by Mary Sharon Balakas and Judy Manchester who also fashioned the party favors.

Adjoining the dining room was a tent to which the group adjourned after the social hour. Upon entering the tent one could watch the slide show that our historian and photographer, Carol Kingsley, had set up. The show featured our members as they participated in events of the past year.

At 11:00 AM President Janice Wright introduced herself and welcomed the guests. Stressing that our club, of 151 members, is focused on a “strong foundation” she introduced the Executive Board as well as committee chairs. Janice talked about all of our activities including WITG, field trips, educational programs, special events, our charities and the gardens that we maintain. The chairs of our two gardens were introduced and we were all encouraged to spend some time at each.



New members were introduced and were reminded to RSVP to the New Member Tea, October 15, at the home of Terri Sundermann.

Janice noted also, that there were handouts at the welcome table. These included a list of committee chairs and descriptions of committee functions as well as the Speaker Forum for this year and information about our charities. Janice explained that we will sell door prize tickets and gift cards at future meetings.

The last item of business was the issue of communications. Stressing that members need to read eblasts and RSVP within deadlines Janice explained that reservations must be given on a first come, first serve basis. At this point Janice introduced Kim Watson, Chair of Communications. Kim explained that she and Mary Kay Henry are working on our Website. Kim had placed a questionnaire at each table and asked each member to fill it out. This form asked our members how often they used the website and whether or not they read the eblasts and newsletters. The goal is to find the best and most effective method to communicate with our members.

Following the business meeting Terri Sundermann and Nancy Kirschke honored Sue Navaro who is stepping down from her Board position as Chair of Serenity Garden. Sue has been on the Board for over 9 years and was instrumental in creating the garden. She has graciously opened her home for club events and has volunteered in other areas as well. She was presented with a beautiful orchid plant as well as a CPVGC tote bag.

Before closing the meeting, Janice recognized Michele Volkl and Darcey DeRose, as well as their committee, for the hard work that they put into planning this lovely event. She also thanked Carol Kingsley for the slide show, enjoyed by everyone, and the annual year book that Carol creates.

Michele thanked members of her committee for their help. She explained that Velvet Hannig, events person at the club, had been a pleasure to work with and very helpful in planning this event.

The luncheon was then served. Velvet had decorated the tables with purple dahlias and matching purple napkins. At each place there were beautiful menus printed in yellow and white on purple paper that included the picture of the themed flowers. The First Course included pan seared salmon, saffron orzo pasta, arugula, cherry tomatoes, grilled broccolini, lemon vinaigrette, and citrus salsa. Mushroom ravioli with spring vegetable primavera, house-made marinara with zucchini, yellow squash, cherry tomatoes, and braised Cipollini onions was the vegetarian option. The dessert course was chocolate and blackberry mousse bomb with blackberry sauce, violet sugar and chocolate flowers.



Guests did not walk away empty handed. At each place was a garden tool that was decorated with tulle and purple ribbon. Each favor had a card that read “Friendship Blooms in Garden Club.” This is how Garden Club members felt as they left this very enjoyable affair. We thank Michele and Darcey who always work so hard to create these special events for our garden club.



Program chairs Cheryl Porter & Jennifer Dengler

NEWS ON OUR 2 GARDENS



We closed the Cherokee Ranch memorial garden on Friday October 12. Thanks to the dedicated and very professional group who has helped all year. We dead headed, weeded and raised flagstones, which added to the definition and beauty of the garden. We have plans in place for plant changes and additions to the garden for the 2019 gardening year.

Marcia Wiedelman, Cherokee Ranch Memorial Garden Chair

It's a wrap at the Serenity Garden for the year! A last minute crew took advantage of the good weather on Friday. We were able to trim back what needed cut back, and finish planting our bulbs in the grass areas leading up to the garden. Big day!! A special thank you to Dianne McOmie, Kit Ziedins, Marcia Wiedelman and Jane Niederbrach for helping me at the last minute. All the Serenity Garden helpers have been terrific, we'll look forward to next year!!!

Nancy Kirschke, Serenity Garden Chair

Photos by Dianne McOmie:





Summary of “Gardening in the Fall and Beyond” Presented by Douglas Ravnholdt, October 5, 2018 Written By Kathy DeFore

The Castle Pines Village Garden Club met for their first regular meeting of the season to hear Douglas Ravnholdt’s presentation about gardening in the fall and beyond. Mr. Ravnholdt gave us all a great general overview of gardening tips and shared valuable material in a handout.

Before he spoke, Janice welcomed new members to the club and announced a new member’s gathering would be held on October 15. She also reminded us to buy our Christmas luncheon tickets. The event always closes rapidly as there is a very high demand. It’s a beautiful way to ring in the holidays at the Castle, with good friends, so make your reservations now!

Cheryl Porter introduced Douglas County Master Gardener, Mr. Ravnholdt, and told us that “Doug grows flowers, vegetables, and wine.” We all had a good laugh on that one and Cheryl was reminded that he actually grows “grapes.” Mr. Ravnholdt reviewed some plants that can be successfully cultivated in our area and showed us how to plant root balls. He reminded us not to plant trees too close to our houses and told us about a mulch site in Castle Pines. He also informed us that we can request free site evaluations regarding how to mitigate fire hazards caused by plants on our properties, and he went over frost dates and normal temperatures for various times of the year. He reviewed appropriate planting times, as well.

Mr. Ravnholdt showed pictures of his orchard rack which he uses to store vegetables at 55 degrees in his workshop. He gave us a recipe for deer repellent as well as a list of gardening resources. He asked me to share his email address with everyone in case they had any questions or comments or needed a handout. It is douglasravnholdt@comcast.net.

We all had a great time seeing each other once again, and many of us stayed for lunch. We look forward to our next meeting on November 2nd.



Our speaker and his plant seeds!



NEW MEMBER TEA

There were 16 new members at our annual New Member Tea, and many CPVGC board members present as well. President, Janice Wright introduced all the new members, explained what our club is about, and then introduced all the board members, who each said a few words about their committee or office. The mentor program was discussed, and it was explained that any new member could have a mentor, who would take them to meetings and introduce them to other members, to help the new member become better acquainted. Terri Sundermann was thanked for opening her home for this meeting, and Ethel Parrington and her committee were thanked for organizing this event.





This will be the last CPVGC Newsletter produced. The results from the survey showed that most of our membership receives their garden club information through the Monday Morning Eblasts. The same information is available on our website and in the eblasts that is then also listed in the newsletter. I have enjoyed doing the newsletter for the past 11 years, and I will stay on the board as the Communications Chair. I have been trying to convince the board of this for quite some time.

Within the next month we will be unveiling our new website, and a new layout of our eblasts. CPVGC member, Mary Kay Henry, has been working hard designing both of these, and we are excited to show these to you all soon.

Sincerely, Kim Watson

