

# Castle Pines Village Garden Club

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**CPVGC WINE IN THE PINES AT PERCIVALS** 

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018

**215 HIDDEN VALLEY LANE** 

**DETAILS ON PAGE 3** 

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Sept 7 – 2<sup>nd</sup> WITG @ Percivals Fri Sept 14 – Fall Luncheon @ CCCP Fri Oct 5 – Meeting @ CCCP Fri Nov 2 – Meeting @ CCCP Fri Dec 7 – Annual Xmas Brunch @ Cherokee Fri Jan 11 – Meeting @ CCCP Fri Feb 1 – Meeting @ CCCP Fri Mar 1 – Meeting @ CCCP Fri April 5 – Meeting @ CCCP TBD May – Luncheon and Style Show June 16-21, 2019 – 7<sup>th</sup> Away Trip Victoria, BC

#### **SIGNUP & PAYMENT DEADLINES**

Aug 31 RSVP Deadline for Sept 14 Fall Luncheon Sept 5 RSVP Deadline for Sept 7 Wine in the Garden Oct 10 RSVP Deadline for New Member Coffee



And now a word from our president, Janice Wright Sept-Oct President's Letter

As summer turns to fall, I am reminded of all of the wonderful events and parties we enjoyed this summer as members of the Castle Pines Village Garden Club. I am so grateful to all of the committee chairs and volunteers. We are fortunate to have so many capable members who know how to make wonderful things happen!

Our two special trips this summer were to Santa Fe, and Vail. We enjoyed beautiful garden tours, wonderful restaurants and most of all, fun and friendship. Jomie Heftye and Terri Sundermann always out do themselves in organizing and executing the plans for our trips. Thank you also to Sharon Winders, who hosted a cocktail hour, at her wonderful cabin in Vail, before our dinners that evening. As you know, next year's field trip to Victoria is currently sold out. However, if you are interested in joining us, you may contact Jomie and put your name on the waiting list.

Darcy DeRose and Michelle Volkl and their committee members organized a fabulous summer party. We all enjoyed being at Linda Hanson's lovely home on the golf course. We are all looking forward to their next event - the opening luncheon at the Country Club on September 14.

Once again, we thank Cheryl & Mike Porter, and Sharon Winders and committee who hosted our first summer Wine in the Pines. We are looking forward to our final Wine in the Garden this summer at the home of Leslie and Mark Percival on September 7.

The workdays at the Serenity Garden and the Cherokee Ranch will come to an end in the last days of September. Marcia Wiedelman and Nancy Kirschke will both create a plan on how we can improve the Gardens.

Cheryl Porter has secured some excellent speakers for our upcoming educational programs. Jennifer Dengler, co-chair of the committee, will be preparing the flyers, taking reservations and coordinating the upcoming events. We are looking forward to some excellent programs and "field trips."

#### WINE IN THE PINES Come Welcome in Fall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018 5:30 – 7:30 PM AT THE HOME OF LESLIE AND MARC PERCIVAL 215 Hidden Valley Lane Castle Rock, Co. 80108



Members, their spouses, significant other or a friend are invited to attend. Please bring a bottle of wine or beverage of your choice and a presentation ready appetizer with serving utensils to share. Dress is casual and wear comfortable shoes For garden paths, stairs and deck in the house.

RSVP to Nancy Barley <u>nbarley2@gmail.com</u> how many people in your party will be attending by September 5<sup>th</sup>.

The party is limited to 70 guests.

You will be given clearance by Leslie on Dwelling Live if you live outside CPV. Parking at the Percival home will require a parking attendant. Please carpool. Park on the East side of Hidden Valley and the South side of Equinox as directed by Security.

> Special Thanks to Leslie and Marc for Hosting! Looking forward to seeing you!

## **"FRIENDSHIP BLOOMS IN GARDEN CLUB"**

CASTLE PINES VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB OPENING LUNCHEON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018 AT 10:30 AM AT THE COUNTRY CLUB AT CASTLE PINES



Please join us as we kick off our exciting year with a fun social time, brief meeting and delicious luncheon!

Pan Seared Salmon (GF) Served over Parmesan Risotto, Grilled Broccolini with Lemon Vinaigrette and Citrus Salsa OR Cornucopia – Vegetarian (GF) Roasted Butternut Squash, Fried Brussels Sprouts, Charred Baby Carrots, Kale, Cranberries, Toasted Walnuts, Danish Bleu Cheese \*\*Fresh House Rolls and Butter

Chocolate and Blackberry Mousse Bomb (GF) for Dessert

Attire is country club casual

PLEASE NOTE SPACE IS LIMITED FOR MEMBERS ONLY & THIS EVENT MAY SELL OUT BEFORE RSVP & CANCELLATION DEADLINE – 4PM ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2018

## **RSVP FORM FOR OPENING LUNCHEON**



<ul> <li>Please mail RSVP FORM and check for \$30 Made Payable to Castle Pines Village Garden Club (CPVGC)</li> <li>To Michele VolkI to be received by Friday, August 31, 2018.</li> <li>Michele VolkI, 5059 Vermillion Drive, Castle Rock, CO 80108 303.799.0180 <u>mvolkl@comcast.net</u></li> <li>Cancellations will be accepted up to 4:00 pm on Friday, August 31.</li> <li>Michele will confirm all reservations with an email.</li> </ul>
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AS NO CHANGES CAN BE MADE AFTER THE
RESERVATION DEADLINE.
PLEASE NOTE SPACE IS LIMITED FOR CPVGC MEMBERS

## LAST 2018 DATES FOR WORK DAYS IN BOTH GARDENS

**Cherokee – Fridays:** September 7, September 21

Serenity – Wednesdays 9 AM: August 29, September 12, September 26



Our 2 garden experts! Left Nancy Kirschke, and right Marcia Wiedelman at Cherokee Castle Memorial Gardens

EDITOR'S NOTE: ATTENTION CPVGC MEMBERS - PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO ATTEND THE LAST 2 WORK DATES AT CHEROKEE CASTLE MEMORIAL GARDENS – SEPT 7 & 21 – ATTENDANCE HAS BEEN MEAGER AT CHEROKEE THE LAST FEW WORK DAYS.



**Serenity Garden** 



The story behind the above photo -- At the last Serenity Garden work day an angel by the name of Ken Floyd stopped by the garden with his dog Max. He thanked us for all our hard work and complimented us on the beautiful garden he, his wife and mother-in-law so enjoy. Well, we recruited him to help us removing the grass surrounding the rocks. A task we were struggling with. He jumped right in and in 15 minutes it was all done. Needless to say we needed to get a picture of the ladies with Ken and Max. A real prince!

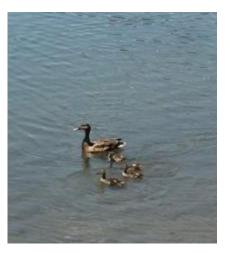
Serenity Garden is blooming with the help of the "Serenity Garden Ladies"! We've fertilized, added compost, added a few new plants, moved some Iris's, dug a border around the edging of the gardens, continue to dead head so our flowers keep on blooming, and a whole lot of weeding. While working at the garden we've watched a duck family grow, a beautiful blue heron who has now moved on. The pollywogs are turning into frogs, we hope. A lot of fish in that pond. We've been serenaded by the bull frogs on several of our work days.

It's been awesome to hear the thank you's from our Castle Pines neighbors. They have truly appreciated the garden clubs efforts.

A big thank you to Jean Aveyard, Linda Cole, Kathy Dennis, Grace Gehert, Karen Hager, Jomie Heftye, Bobbi Kay, Carol Kingsley, Liz Lively, Susan McGuinn, Dianne McOmie, Sara Nation, Sue Navarro, Jane Niederbrach, Ethel Parrington, Kathleen Scribner, Janet Sennett, Terri Sundermann, Marcia Wiedelman, Carol Varian, Sharon Winters, Janie Wright, Kit Ziedins for your hard work!!! It has been great to get to know all these ladies better, lots of laughs and fun! I apologize if I forgot any of you. There's still time for those who expressed interest but haven't been able to come. We always welcome everybody who would like to join in on our final work days for this summer.

#### A big THANK YOU!!!! Nancy Kirschke









## Fall Gardening and Beyond With Colorado Master Gardener Douglas Ravnholdt

Join us as Colorado Master Gardener Douglas Ravnholdt helps us get the most from our Castle Pines Gardens fall through spring. Douglas will give us his picks for best plants and shrubs that change with the seasons, suggest pruning techniques and tools, and help us put our gardens to bed.

## October 5, 2018 10:00 AM

Country Club of Castle Pines 6400 Country Club Dr. Castle Pines Village

Please bring cash for our door prize tickets: 3 for \$5 to support our charities, \$5 for food/gas cards for Crisis Center clients. Our \$20 menu includes Soup Bar: Autumn Bisque with Cilantro Walnut Pesto, Spiced Crème Fraiche and Toasted Pumpkin Seeds

Salad Bar: Spinach and Mixed Greens, Roasted Butternut Squash, Crumbled Goat Cheese, Orange Segments, Red Seedless Grapes, Roasted Walnuts, Poached Pears, and **Blood Orange** Vinaigrette **Grilled Chicken Breast** and Marinated Flank Steak **Dessert**: Assorted Seasonal Small **Bites** 

All reservations must be received by Jennifer Dengler by September 28, 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.



For All New Members Who Have Joined The Castle Pines Village Garden Club in the Past Year

You are Invited for Coffee

To Get to Know Each Other To Meet Our Board and Committee Chairs To Learn How You Can Get Connected

Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.

At the Home of Terri Sundermann

85 Crestone Way

Castle Pines Village

Please RSVP by Friday, October 10th

303.955.7382

ethelparrington@gmail.com

Please Notify Us if You Will Need Access to the Village



## A note from our Charity Liaison, Wanda Ford

### **Mark Your Calendar**

An Evening of Help and Hope ... Saturday, September 15 2018 ... 5:00pm-9:00pm

We hope you will join the Douglas / Elbert Task Force for the annual Evening of Help & Hope Dinner

It will be a fun evening, with great food, a silent and live auction and a chance to hear first-hand about the difference the Task Force is making in our community.

**Details coming soon!** 

### SAVE THE DATES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER EVENTS

NOVEMBER MEETING DATE IS FRIDAY NOVERMBER 2, 2018 AT COUNTRY CLUB AT CASTLE PINES DECEMBER BRUNCH AT CHEROKEE CASTLE IS FRIDAY, DEC 7, 2018

DETAILS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER AND IN THE MONDAY EBLASTS

### 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.

#### <u>Monday, June 17 – Tour of Chihuly Glasshouse and ferry</u> <u>ride to Victoria</u>



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.

#### <u>Wednesday, June 19 – Free Day to</u> <u>explore Victoria</u>

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.

## **CPVGC SPECIAL EVENIS PARIY, JULY 20, 2018**

## "A SUMMER SUNSET SOIREE" Summary by Darcey DeRose, Special Events Co-Chair

On a beautiful, balmy summer evening, one hundred and fifteen Castle Pines Village Garden Club members and their spouses attended the Garden Club Special Events Party, "A Summer Sunset Soiree". The event was held from 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM at the lovely home of member, Linda Hanson, located at 397 Orofino Drive in Castle Pines Village.

Tables inside the home and on the spacious patio overlooking the Castle Pines Golf Club were decorated in a color scheme of raspberry and periwinkle tablecloths with lovely centerpieces created by Liz Clarke and Jonie Heftye. Guests were treated to appetizers consisting of custom fresh fruit, cheese and nut platters and mini chicken quesadillas with salsa. While listening to the steady backdrop of music from "The Vail Valley Trio", guests mingled between two bars: one set-up on the edge of the golf course and the other in the bar room of the house, filled with music/entertainment memorabilia. The lively bartenders were Garden Club Board member spouses, JimDeRose, Michael Volkl, Mark Parrington and Rick Kingsley. In addition to the wine, beer and soft drinks served at the bars, hostess, Linda Hanson, provided her specialty margaritas.

Flying Horse Catering Company provided the savory and bountiful buffet dinner which consisted of Chicken Vera Cruz, a seasoned pan seared chicken breast topped with fresh tomato, avocado slices and Monterey Jack cheese, served with Mexican style rice, a medley of Chef's vegetables, mixed greens salad with vegetables and house made vinaigrette, and fresh baked dinner rolls with butter. Dessert followed with a variety of lemon, pecan and caramel apple dessert bars, white chocolate cherry and butter pecan cookies and layered brownies.

Always a highly anticipated and well-attended event, Garden Club President Janice Wright, took a few minutes to thank the Special Events Co-Chairs, Darcey DeRose and Michele Volkl, the hostess, Linda Hanson, the Special Events Committee and others for their contributions to making the evening a fun party and huge success.

Following dinner, the music from "The Vail Valley Trio" turned upbeat and the guests closed out the party by dancing on the patio under the stars to hit tunes from the 1970's – the present. As guests departed, they were given a party favor to remember the night made by Special Event's committee member, Mary Sharon Balakas.

It was truly "A Summer Sunset Soiree" with a fun time had by all!

### PHOTOS FROM THE SUMMER PARTY AT LINDA HANSON'S HOME





LINDA'S BACK YARD





ABOVE LEFT - OUR HOSTESSS, LINDA HANSON. THANK YOU LINDA. ABOVE RIGHT DARCEY DE ROSE, WHO IS SPECIAL EVENTS CO-CHAIR, PRESIDENT JANICE WRIGHT, AND MICHELE VOLKL, SPECIAL EVENTS CO-CHAIR



OUTSTANDING MUSIC FROM THE VAIL VALLEY TRIO



EVEN THE HUMMINGBIRDS HAD A WONDERFUL EVENING!



2 OF OUR 4 BARTENDERS EXTRAODINAIRE - MARK PARRINGTON AND MICHAEL VOLKL



LINDA'S BACK YARD





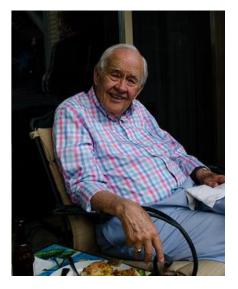














GARY RAY ENJOYING THE MUSIC & EVENING

**MARK PARRINGTON & RANDY NIEDERBRACH** 



ABOVE - 2 BEAUTIFUL HARDWORKING CPVGC BOARD LADIES – JOMIE HEFTYE & LIZ LIVELY



#### BELOW AND PRECEEDING PAGE – A FEW OF OUR CPVGC MEMBERS & SPOUSES













## Field Trip to Betty Ford Alpine Gardens in Vail, Colorado August 7, 2018 Submitted by Jomie Heftye

Twenty-seven of our members participated in a beautiful day trip and optional overnight in Vail enjoying our private, docent guided two hour tour of the Betty Ford Alpine Gardens. These gardens, now 22 years in the making and believed to be the highest alpine gardens in the world, were started by a group of local enthusiasts with the mission of educating the public about what kinds of plants can be grown at 8,200 feet in the alpine environment. There are now more than 3000 plants co-existing in the gardens, about half of which are native plants.

Our tour guides took us through the Mountain Perennial Garden which blooms in intense color from June until the end of August, the Meditation Garden featuring the waterfall and floating rock which closely resemble the many waterfalls and pools present throughout the Rocky Mountains, and finally the Alpine Rock Garden featuring a rushing mountain stream surrounded by trees and plants all native to the Rocky Mountain area. One of the most surprising things we learned on our tour was that the land that was originally dedicated for these gardens was completely barren. Every single tree, plant, rock formation and water feature in the gardens has been meticulously moved, placed, planted and created specifically for this alpine ecosystem!

Our group enjoyed refreshments on the rooftop terrace of the Educational Center at the Gardens, followed by lunch at a local bistro. Those who chose to stay overnight were treated to a very special creek side cocktail hour at Sharon Winders' family cabin in West Vail before going to group dinners in town that evening. Many thanks to Sharon and her family for graciously inviting us into their home and for their generous hospitality. Ask Sharon about her signature cucumber sandwiches. Simply delicious!







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Betty Ford was one of the most beloved first ladies of our time. Through the years, she was well regarded for her ability to overcome adversity, and our nation appreciates her willingness to serve as an example of fortitude, so that we may all find strength in meeting life's challenges.

Mrs. Ford will be known forever as the First Lady of the Vall Vallay for all she did to promote our mountain community. We are indebted to Mrs. Ford for generously bestowing her name upon our gardens.



















THANK YOU TO FIELD TRIP CO-CHAIRS JOMIE HEFTYE & TERRI SUNDERMANN EVEN TIME FOR A LITTLE SHOPPING IN VAIL VILLAGE! THERE GO JAN BEHLER AND GRACE GEHRET!



PART OF OUR GROUP OF 27 CPVGC LADIES





SHARON WINDERS GORGEOUS VAIL CABIN. THANK YOU SHARON, FOR HOSTING THE COCKTAIL HOUR! THE END