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On the cover: Los Gatos Residence, by Gardeners Landscaping, winner of the Medium Residential Installation and Excelsior Award at the 2021 Trophy Awards. See page 2 for more chapter winners.





CLCA SFBA Members Win Trophy Awards

Members of the CLCA SFBA Chapter made a good showing at the recent CLCA Statewide Trophy Awards held in Hawaii. Congratulations!

At left: Woodside Wonder by Frank & Grossman Landscape Contractors, winner of the Stuart J. Sperber Memorial Sweepstakes Award. Frank & Grossman also received awards in the Special Effects and Residential Estate Unlimited category.



Above right: San Mateo County Coroner by Bayscape Landscape Management, Outstanding Achievement award in Xeriscape.

Above: Davies Residence by Scenic Scapes, winner of the Design/Build Unlimited award. Scenic Scapes also won the Outstanding Achievement in this category and first place in the Large Residential Installation category.

Below: Park Life at Home by Gardners Landscaping, winner of the Residential Estate Installation award.



Above: Willow Glen Place by Medallion Landscape, winner Small Commercial Installation. Medallion also received awards in Large Commercial Maintenance and Apartment/Condo/Townhouse Maintenance. At left: O&M Roof Renovation by Gachina Landscape Management, Achievement in Landscape Renovation.

From the President



Charging Into the New Year

Juan Carlos Esparza, *Urban Scapes*

As we start the new year, I would like to thank KC Coverdell for his hard work as President in 2021. The job was made doubly difficult by Covid 19 issues. He responded by keeping the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter active through on-line meetings and other events. One of my goals for 2022 is for us to have more in person events so that the members, old and new, can meet each other. Some of those events will be social and others will be educational.

I would like to welcome Charlene Ott back to the SFBA chapter board as auditor. She brings with her a wealth of experience and knowledge. She will be a valuable resource for all of us.

We have created a tentative calendar of events for 2022. First up will be a Smart Controller Irrigation Seminar on January 13 at Michael's at Shoreline. This promises to be a good opportunity to learn more about smart controllers and other developments

in irrigation. This seminar is sponsored by Hunter Industries, Hydro Point, and Rain-bird. Their representatives will be present to provide information and answer questions. The cost is \$35 per person, which includes lunch. Thank you to our sponsors for underwriting the cost of lunch.

On January 24, we will be hold our first general membership meeting of the new year at Campo Di Bocce of Los Gatos. One of my first clients is an expert on the bocce courts. I may need to take lessons from her.

An equally important event is the return of the NorCal Nursery and Landscape Expo February 3 at the San Mateo Event Center. The show was cancelled last year because of the pandemic. This is a great place to meet vendors and see their products.

I look forward to meeting you. Let's move into the new normal by greeting old friends and colleagues and getting to know new people.

Seminar: Web Based Controllers

Stay on the cutting edge of landscape irrigation technology. Join us on Thursday, January 13, from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Michael's at Shoreline, 2940 N Shoreline Blvd. in Mountain View to learn about wifi based controllers from manufacturers' reps. Lunch is included.

The discussion will center around wifi based controllers and other new landscape products presented by Jeremy Yearton from Hunter Industries, Luke Timmns from Hydro Point, and Nate Acosta from Rain Bird.

Smart irrigation systems utilize a combination of advanced intelligent irrigation controllers to automatically adjust the watering of your landscape to optimal levels. These controllers regulate when and for how long your sprinklers/drip run. When www.clcasfba.org

programmed properly, smart irrigation systems can be much more efficient than manual sprinklers.

With a smart system, water output automatically adjusts itself based on weather and soil conditions. In turn, this can reduce your water bill. You can also save time with a smart irrigation system. Once the system is set up, you don't have to spend much time tending to or adjusting irrigation.

A smart irrigation system is incredibly convenient, as it can adapt to seasonal weather changes with little reprogramming. It's ideal for complying with any local watering restrictions, and it's a nice-to-have for people who frequently travel. Come to the CLCA SFBA Smart Controller Seminar.

Monday, January 24

Kick-off Event

Come join the SFBA CLCA for a rollicking good time at Camp Di Bocce on Monday, January 24. Let's kick off the CLCA SFBA year with a fun event that offers plenty of opportunity to connect with fellow chapter members.



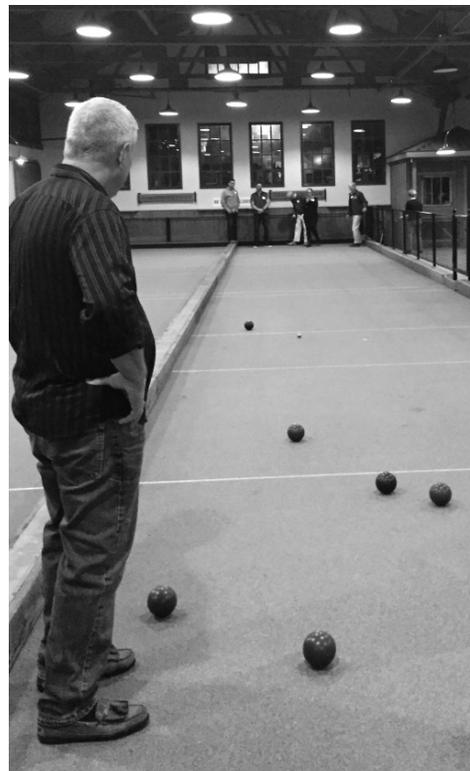
There will be appetizers and plenty of great Italian food while we play. So come out and play bocce (it is so easy to play and so much fun), hang out with old friends and make new ones, and eat some great Italian food.

Where

Campo Di Bocce
565 University Ave., Los Gatos
408.395.7650

Info and RSVP

Watch your email for more information and to RSVP.



Auxiliary Report



Happy New Year! I hope everyone had bright and shining Christmas and New Year celebrations, amidst the surging COVID omicron virus. I have high hopes for 2022 and returning to some semblance of normal.

Our chapter is moving toward more normal operations. We held a successful holiday party in December at Testarossa Winery. There were lots of familiar faces and many new ones. Thank you to everyone who joined us. Look for photos from the event in this issue of the Bay Breeze.

Plans are underway for more in person events and trainings in the new year. There are a couple of new faces on the chapter board, who will no doubt bring new ideas and energy to the group. To that end, I would like to welcome and congratulate Juan Carlos Esparza, our 2022 chapter president, and Kenny Chavez who joined the chapter board as secretary. Thank you

for stepping up to the board, and thank you to the entire board for your leadership and continued support of the chapter.

I'd like to say thank you again to our Auxiliary board (Vice President Girvin Peters, Treasurer Rick Camin, and Secretary Vicky Parrott) for continuing on with your Auxiliary roles. The Auxiliary is all about helping the Chapter, promoting education, and friendship. I appreciate your continued support and encourage everyone to consider joining the Auxiliary. We have a lot of fun and provide invaluable support to the chapter. If you would like more information on joining our group, please give me a call.

The Auxiliary will have a meeting Thursday, January 20, 2022, with details still to be determined. I will email everyone the specifics soon. Looking forward to everything the New Year has in store! Take care and keep wearing your mask.

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G. Kunimoto Memorial	\$12,770.00
Ken Jenner Memorial	\$12,201.99
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Edron Schneider Memorial	\$11,574.81
Dr. Barry Cohen PhD Honorarium	\$ 8,915.08
Tanouye Memorial	\$ 5,250.82
Steve Whitehill Memorial	\$ 6,383.50
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Christmas Holiday Party Full of Fun

Another fun time with friends and family at the Christmas Holiday party on Sunday, December 5, at Testarossa Winery in Los Gatos. Thirty-seven people came together, many for the first time in 2021, to celebrate the holiday season. I am glad everyone felt comfortable attending and I appreciate everyone's support of chapter events.

After saying our hellos, we were treated to a tasting of five excellent Testarossa wines and tasty hors d'oeuvres. We socialized and sipped for an hour, catching up on everyone's activities during the pandemic and for the upcoming holidays. The tables were festively decorated with a seasonal bouquet, courtesy of the winery. The buffet lunch was delicious and everyone saved room for the brownie bites and lemon tarts for dessert. Yum!

After lunch, Auxiliary President Lesley Peters presented 2020 Chapter President Jeff Henninger with his historian book, a chronicle of his year as President. The pandemic caused upheaval in his year, but there was still plenty going on in CLCA that made for a memorable book. Congratulations Jeff!

Up next was the Auxiliary raffle. Our first winner was Marin Villapando, winning a Starbucks sampler basket, donated by Mary and Barry Cohen. Lesley Peters won a bottle of Testarossa Chardonnay, Ernst Lehmann won a bottle of Testarossa 2019 Pinot Noir and Elle Takeda won a bottle of Testarossa 2018 Pinot Noir. The wine was a contribution from the chapter. Thank you to Mary and Barry Cohen and the chapter for their donations.

Thank you everyone who attended and made the start of the holiday season a real joy for me. I look forward to next year's holiday party, whatever that may look like a whole year from now.

Reported by Lesley Peters



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Support the CLCA SFBA chapter by becoming a Partner for Success in 2022. Your support helps make dinner meetings and special events possible and affordable. Registration and payment for our Partners Program MUST be received by Monday, January 31, 2022. If you have questions regarding the Partners Program, contact Marin Villalpando at 408-586-9292.

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- Admission to Membership Night
- Admission to all Educational Seminars

Partners for Success

By Marin Vallalpando

Thank You for Your Continued Support

Thank you to all the companies who stepped up in 2021 to support the CLCA San Francisco Bay Area Chapter. Your generous support went a long way in helping us provide top quality events to our chapter throughout the year.

If you would like to help support our chapter in 2022 by becoming a partner, please look over the Partners information on page 6 of this issue or contact me, Marin Vallalpando at 408.586.9292 or email marin@zankerrecycling.com.

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