

THE WEEEDER

JUNE 2026

Volume 38 Issue 6

2026 CALENDAR

We meet on the fourth Monday of each month, 7:30 pm at the Brentwood Community Methodist Church, 809 Second Street in Brentwood. Board Meetings are held on the first Tuesday (after the 1st Monday) of each month, 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Delta Informal Gardeners encourages gardening through education and beautification of the community.

2026 General Meetings

- January 26- Auction: Early time 6:00 pm
- February 23
- March 23
- April 27
- May 18*
- June 23 - Members Potluck
- July 27
- August 24
- September 28
- October 26
- November 23
- December 7*- Holiday Potluck

2026 Board Meetings

- | | |
|------------|-------------|
| January 6 | July 7 |
| February 3 | August 4 |
| March 3 | September 8 |
| April 7 | October 6 |
| May 5 | November 3 |
| June 2 | December 1 |

2026 Plant Sale: May 9

At DIG's Garden - 3900 Sellers Ave., Brentwood

* Adjusted due to Holidays

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone who worked on the plant propagation and sale program has recovered from all the hard work that you put in to make the sale a success. Now you can work on your gardens, relax, or get away on a vacation and enjoy the summer. September will be here soon and we can start the plant sale program all over again.

We will be forming a Nomination Committee at our next Board meeting. They will be searching for members to serve on the Board and Committee Chairpersons. Please consider serving, many of the current Board and Committee members have served for a long time and are getting older, so we need new members with new ideas to help. If you have any questions or would like to see any job descriptions, please contact me.



Remember that our next meeting is our annual potluck on June 22, see details further down in this Weeder.



Bob Selders, President 🌱



MEETING TREATS 🍌🍰🍇🍪

Thank you Juli, Joy, & Michele for volunteering to bring treats to our July 27th meeting.

Thank you to De-De, Elinor, & Bob for bringing treats to our May meeting.

Board Minutes

The June 2, 2026 Board Meeting was called to order by DIG president, Bob Selders at 7:02 pm. 🌸 Members present: Bob Selders, Robin Choate, Chris Choate, Debbie St. Hilaire, Chris Artz, Ginger Guider, Rachel Ortega, Juli Redford, Roger Marman, and Connie Miller. 🌸 Vice President: Chris C. Suggested we look at ways increase income and consider if the size our meeting place limits the number of members. What are our options for another meeting locations with more seating and parking. 🌸 Chris C. proposed that a committee to be formed to update the DIG website and to make the donation button be functional. Seconded by Roger, passed by the board. Chris C. will head up this committee. 🌸 Treasurer: Ginger and Rachel- The income statement and balance sheet were provided. Plant sale income reported. 🌸 Secretary: Juli proposed the approval of minutes from the May board meeting as printed in the Weeder. Seconded by Connie, the board approved. 🌸 Membership- Chris A.: We have 104 members. The Weeder will continue to be distributed to members by email only. 🌸 Programs: June will be our Summer Potluck, July a speaker on Bees, and August a speaker on Herbs. 🌸 Publicity: Roger proposed that we have three more banners/signs for next year's plant sale. A suggestion was made to advertise with small flyers next year at the Master Gardeners' tomato plant sale held at the Contra Costa Fairgrounds. Other sites for a-frame signs were discussed. Roger tendered his resignation citing family obligations. A new publicity chairman will be searched for. 🌸 Field trips: A visit to a five-acre rooftop garden in San Francisco is being considered. Debbie will do a preview trip. 🌸 Hospitality: June 22 is the member's potluck at ECCHS. Debbie has all supplies prepared. 🌸 Permanent Plant Sale Site: With the change in city manager and the assistant city manager, progress on the transfer of the property and the processing the agreement with Harvest Time has been stalled. Bob will contact the city manager this week to extend the MOU which expires in August. 🌸 Nomination Committee: Will be chosen in July for the board positions in 2027. 🌸 Donations: After a discussion of the finances, Robin proposed to postpone the June donation until August. One opposed, passed by board majority. Ginger will prepare statement of past donations for next quarter. 🌸 Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Juli Redford, Secretary 🌸

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 104 paid members. To pay your dues, please make your check out to DIG and mail to DIG, P.O. Box 66, Brentwood, CA 94513, ATTN: MEMBERSHIP. Kindly include a completed membership slip with your payment.

Chris Artz 🌸

Membership Chairman
925-234-0395

JUNE 23, 2026

SUMMER POTLUCK and CURIOUS CONTAINER CONTEST

Set Up 5:30 Dinner 6:00

Historical Society, 3890 Sellers Ave., Brentwood

Our Summer Members Potluck is a chance for us to get to know other members and celebrate another Plant Sale accomplished. We put in a lot of work and deserve to celebrate.

Please bring an entree, a side dish, a salad or a dessert to serve 6-8. We don't assign what to bring and usually end up with a fairly balanced selection. Occasionally we have a few more desserts than salads, but that just works with our informal nature.



DIG will provide plates, napkins, cutlery, and water. You may bring your own nonalcoholic beverages. ECCHS guidelines do not allow alcohol, dogs, or smoking.

The CURIOUS CONTAINER CONTEST



This competition has you being creative with your planting. In the past winners have been Thyme in a Clock, Passion flower in a Romance Novel, Bird of Paradise in a bird cage, and Hen & Chicks in a nest.



The judges will be selected at random that night and will choose their own categories and requirements. It's all in fun and there will be prizes! You will take your containers home with you afterwards.

Scholarship Recipients

Each year, we are proud to recognize the dedication and hard work of our members by awarding scholarships to two deserving high school students.

Omra Diwagali attends Freedom High School. She is fluent in three languages and is currently learning American Sign Language. Her extracurricular activities include tennis, badminton, Key Club, and UNICEF. Her tennis coach has praised her willingness to step outside her comfort zone, and she is also active in volunteer work throughout her community. Omra plans to study aerospace engineering at a four-year college.

Kylie Johnson attends Antioch High School and plans to attend San Jose State University. She participates in several sports, including tennis, cross-country, and track and field. Kylie is also a member of her school's Earth Team, Care Club, and Key Club.

We congratulate both exceptional students and wish them every success as they pursue their future goals.

Karen Hardee

New Board Members

It will soon be time to start looking for next year's board members. Several of the current members are ready to step back and let someone new take their place. We'd love some fresh faces & ideas on the Board. Interested members should contact Bob at 925-642-0080 or Robin at 925-759-0700. You may also be receiving a call from one of the nominating committee members.

Open positions may include Publicity, Membership, Secretary, Vice President, and Webmaster. Other positions may also be available.

Website Committee

We are seeking members who know about website design or management or are just interested in how our website looks and functions. This will be a working committee that will help decide what pages are needed and how it is mapped. Chris Choate will head this group. Contact him at 925-809-0695.

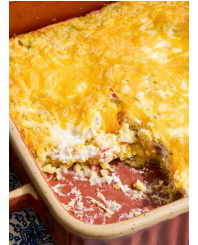


JIFFY CORN CASSEROLE

Prep Time: 20 mins. Cook Time: 50 mins Total Time: 1 hr 10 mins
Servings: 8 Yield: 1 (9x13-inch) casserole

Ingredients

- ¼ cup butter
- 1 large onion, diced
- ½ large green bell pepper, diced
- 1 (4 ounce) jar chopped pimento peppers
- 1 (8 ounce) package Jiffy corn muffin mix
- 1 (4 ounce) can diced green chiles
- 1 (15.25 ounce) can whole kernel corn, with liquid
- 1 (15.25 ounce) can creamed corn
- 2 large eggs
- 1 pint sour cream
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese



Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease a 9x13-inch baking pan.
2. Melt butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onion, bell pepper, and pimento peppers; sauté until tender, about 5 minutes.
3. Combine corn muffin mix, green chiles, whole corn, creamed corn, and eggs in a large bowl; stir in onion mixture.
4. Pour into the prepared baking pan.
5. Spread sour cream evenly over the mixture; sprinkle with Cheddar cheese.
6. Bake in the preheated oven until casserole is lightly browned and firm, about 45 minutes.

Cook's Note

Pick green chile peppers according to your spice preference (mild, medium, or hot).

Recipe by Janice Anderson on AllRecipe via Pinterest.



My mom just shared family recipe from my Great Grandma Ota. We had a good laugh, hope you do too.

Robin Choate

CREAMED CORN

Shuck corn
Cut off cob into pan
Put on roof to dry
Once dry store until needed

Add cream to rehydrate
Simmer until ready

DIG Membership

P.O. Box 66

Brentwood, CA 94513

Please complete the membership form and return it with your dues to the address above or bring to the next general meeting.

Individual Membership.....\$20

Family Membership\$25

Make checks payable to DIG

Name(s) _____

Address _____

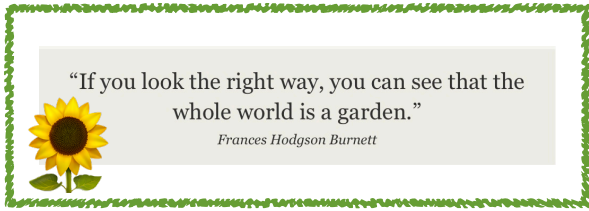
City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email address(es) _____

Phone _(_____) _____ HOME MOBILE

_____ New Member _____ Renewal



P.O. Box 66

Brentwood, CA 94513