



## Landscape Black Tie Awards

*KC Coverdell, Blue Sky Designs Inc., Awards Committee Chair*

Deadlines are approaching quickly! The months seemed to fly by this spring and we couldn't be more excited. The CLCA SFBA Chapter Achievement Awards judging is almost here. Have you submitted your entries?

The entire SFBA Chapter is eagerly anticipating the opportunity to view the hard work of fellow contractors at the awards banquet in June. Take note of these dates, and don't forget to enter your best projects.

- Friday, May 3: Deadline to submit entries - fee \$100 per entry
- Friday, May-10: Late entry deadline - fee \$150 per entry
- Saturday, May 11: Entry processing
- May 14 – 16 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday): Judging of entries
- Friday, June 21: Awards Dinner – University Club of Palo Alto**  
**Theme: Black Tie Awards**

Entry forms for the chapter awards can be downloaded from the SFBA CLCA website at [www.clcasfba.org/landscape-awards/](http://www.clcasfba.org/landscape-awards/). I hope you all have been contemplating what projects you want to enter.

Remember the awards banquet is meant to be shared with family, friends and employees, so don't forget to buy them all tickets so we can enjoy this prestigious event together.



*Mark Takeda of Devil Mountain Nursery sharing information at a previous Supplier Night.*

**April 18:**

### Supplier/New Member Night

Join us on Thursday, April 18, at Lyngso Garden Materials, 345 Shoreway Rd. in San Carlos for an evening with industry vendors displaying their wares and discussing their products and services. Bring a friend who is interested in becoming a member!

#### Where

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#### When

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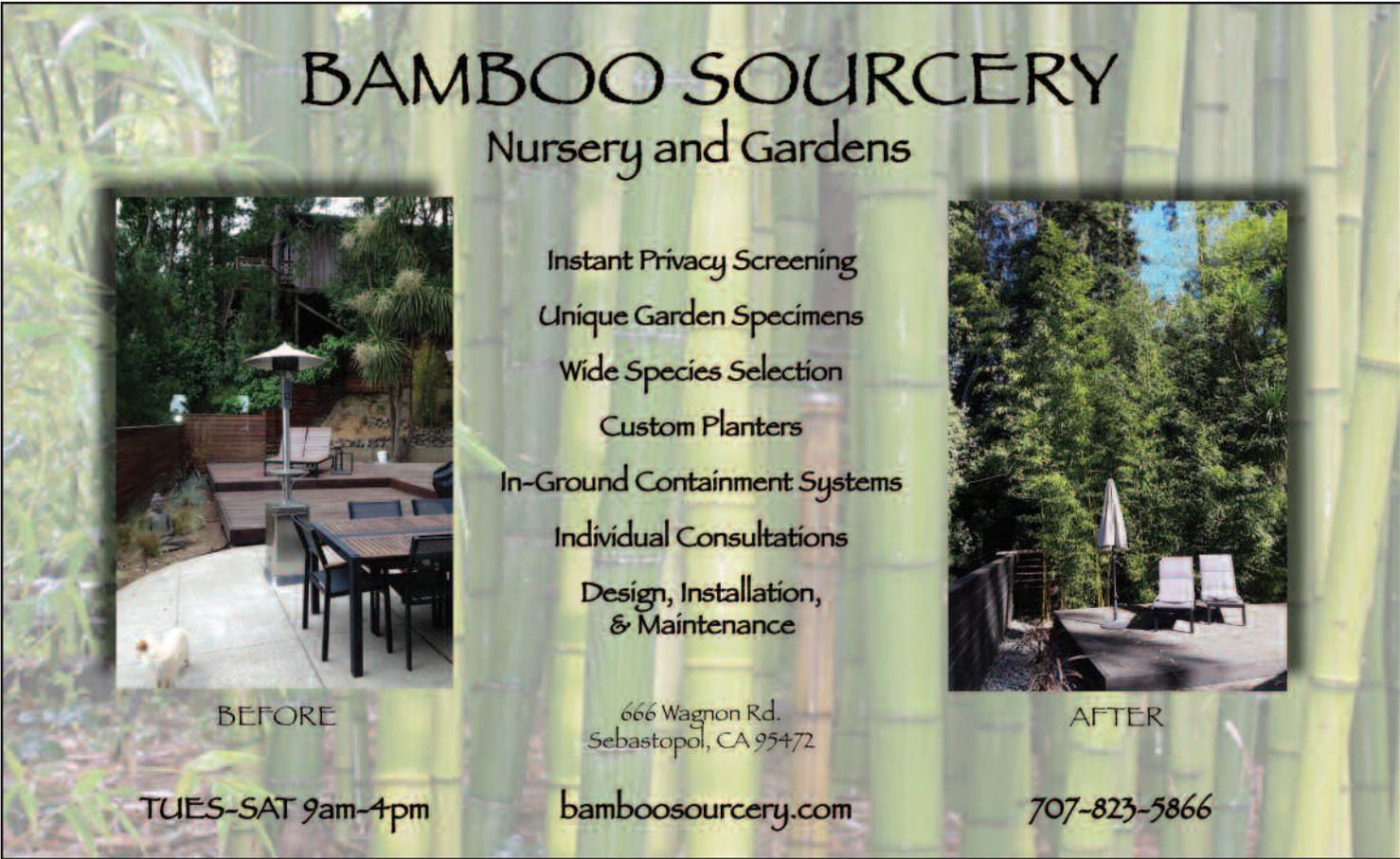
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Above: Camile Domine, Jean Lanusse, and Girvin Peters at the March 21 dinner meeting held at the Basque Center.



Above: Chapter President Gabriel Thompson, Ian Harris



Above: Lisa Tuccori won the tumbler and Starbucks card (see with Lesley Peters).



Above: Another lucky winner accepts a gift basket from Lesley Peters.



Above: Lesley Peters presents a gift basket donated by Marin Villalando to Bob Guglielmi.



Above: Gina Stanley from CLCA Insurance Solutions was the guest speaker March 21.

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## Auxiliary Report



Lesley Peters

Happy Spring! The weather certainly improved in March, although still very wet. With the change to daylight savings, the temperature went on a warming trend and spring officially arrived on March 20. Plants are ready to burst into bloom. It can't happen soon enough for me!

The March dinner meeting at the Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco was a lovely, intimate affair. We were a small but fun group. Thank you to Marin Villalpando from Zanker Recycling for donating three raffle baskets to our Auxiliary raffle and thank you also to the group from CLCA Insurance Solutions, Gina Stanley, Debbie Abele and Christi Buchanan, for donating the Yeti tumbler with a Starbucks gift card. Thanks to everyone who purchased raffle tickets, the Auxiliary raised \$225 to benefit the Landscape Educational Advancement Foundation, better known as LEAF. These scholarship funds are awarded each year to deserving students throughout the state who are studying horticulture. These folks are the future of our industry.

Winners in the raffle were:

- Bob Guglielmi won the first basket
- Girvin Peters won the second basket
- Lisa Tuccori with LCIS won the Yeti tumbler

• Paul Hazell with Rock and Rose Landscapes won the final basket. Thank you again to everyone who participated in the raffle.

Please save the date of Thursday, May 9 for our second Auxiliary meeting of the year. We will be having a potluck luncheon at the home of Charlene and Leo Ott. Invitations will go out in April, but please mark it on your calendar now. It will be fun and fabulous! We welcome all who are interested in joining the Auxiliary. An Auxiliary membership application appears on the next page. I would love to have my mailbox (snail mail and email!) flooded with applications. We really are a fantastic group of people, working together to make things happen in the chapter.

A big THANK YOU to all who volunteer for CLCA. I appreciate the time and energy that our members contribute in order for chapter events to take place. The Auxiliary can always use more hands and helpers to lighten the workload. I would welcome your participation on whatever level of interest you may have and wish to share.

Happy Easter and Happy Passover! I hope you enjoy the time with friends and family.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the dinner meeting on April 18 at Lyngso Garden Materials or some other CLCA event soon.

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## Calendar of Events

### April

- 11 4-7 p.m. Product Showcase.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.
- 18 Chapter Meeting. See page 1.
- 25 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.

### May

- 3 Landscape Black Tie Achievement  
Awards entries due.
- 7 Harrassment Prevention Training for  
Employees webinar. Sign up at  
ccla.org/harassment-prevention.
- 10 Late entries due for Awards.
- 14-16 Awards judging.
- 16 Chapter Meeting. Details TBA
- 23 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.

### June

- 4 Preventing Violence in the Workplace  
webinar. ccla.org/harassment-  
prevention.
- 21 Landscape Black Tie Ahcivement  
Awards Dinner – University Club of  
Palo Alto
- 27 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
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### July

- 18 Chapter Meeting. Details TBA.
- 25 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.
- 27 Earthquake Soccer Game.

### August

- 15 Chapter Meeting. Details TBA.
- 22 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.

### September

- 24 Chapter Golf Tournament. Spring  
Valley Golf Course, Milipitas.  
Details TBA.
- 26 Chapter Board Meeting. 5 p.m.  
Peninsula Building Materials, 2490  
Charleston Rd., Mountain View.

## An Open Invitation to All CLCA Members from the Auxiliary

On behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the Auxiliary, I would like to extend an invitation to you to become a member. Established in the early 1950's, the CLCA Auxiliary was formed as an assistance and support group to CLCA, but we are also equally interested in and involved in the future of the Green Industry.

Known as the Auxiliary since 2013, we lend a helping hand when needed throughout the year, whether in the form of organizing functions, providing refreshments during specific activities or just being there when the Association needs us. The Auxiliary, in it's continued dedication to the future of CLCA and the Landscape Industry, spearheads fundraising efforts for the Landscape Educational Advancement Foundation (LEAF). The Auxiliary established LEAF to generate, invest and award scholarships to Horticulture students throughout California. The Auxiliary meets three times per year (January, May and October) to work out the details of specific Chapter activities, along with several other fun events throughout the year. All representatives of CLCA members (regular, associate or affiliate) are eligible to be members of the Auxiliary.

We welcome your participation on whatever level of interest you may have and wish to share. Our dues are \$25 per year. \$20 goes to the State Auxiliary (\$15 to the General Fund and \$5 to the LEAF Auxiliary Fund), and \$5 stays with our local chapter General Fund. If you are interested in joining our diverse group, please fill out the form below and return it to me with a check for \$25, payable to CLCA SFBA Chapter Auxiliary. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

Lesley Peters

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### Auxiliary Application

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Would you like to receive the Bay Breeze at home?  Yes  No



**Board Profile**  
**Fanny Obadia,**  
**Chairman of the Board**

Fanny Obadia is the owner of Green Thumbs Up Inc., a design, installation and maintenance company started in 2005 that specializes in exclusive, personalized designs focused on the client’s needs.

Fanny has had a life-long love of horticulture and garden design. The climate

in Canada was not particularly conducive to a career in horticulture, but when she moved to California, the door to landscape design was opened. She studied Environmental Horticulture at Foothill College before opening her business 14 years ago.

Fanny loves the management part of her business as well as the interpersonal interactions with her clients and staff. One of her favorite parts of the process is recreating natural environments in the landscape that will attract birds, butterflies, beneficial insects and promote composting.

Fanny became involved with the CLCA as a student member while attending Foothill College. She joined the chapter as a regular member as soon as she gained her C-27 license. She has found the association to be very supportive of the industry and her business.

Fanny has been active in the chapter for many years and joined the SFBA chapter board of directors in 2015. She currently serves as the chairman of the board.

**SFBA Chapter Scholarship Funds**

The SFBA Chapter has established scholarship funds through the Landscape Educational Advancement Foundation (LEAF) with the following balances:

SFBA Chapter . . . . .	\$10,289.25
John Lyngso Honorarium . .	\$15,157.15
Herbert Frank Memorial . .	\$16,356.83
Hans Biland Memorial . . .	\$11,545.88
Bill Hayes Memorial . . . .	\$13,520.62
Klaus R. Hertzner Memorial .	\$11,544.49
G. Kunimoto Memorial . . .	\$12,770.00
Ken Jenner Memorial . . . .	\$12,201.99
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John Gachina Memorial . . .	\$14,135.00
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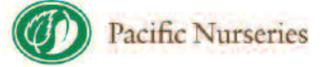
With all this wet weather, it may be hard to think about which of your (now soggy) projects to enter into the awards program, but I hope you all have at least one favorite to enter. The awards banquet is always a wonderful event and a great way to see what other contractors in the area are doing.

The awards program is made possible by the generous support of our many sponsors. Please thank them for their commitment to our chapter both with an "atta boy" when you see them, and also by supporting their businesses.

If you would like to become a partner, please contact me, Marin Vallalpando at 408.586.9292 or email [marin@zankerrecycling.com](mailto:marin@zankerrecycling.com).

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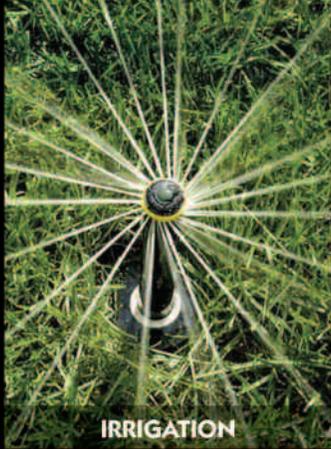
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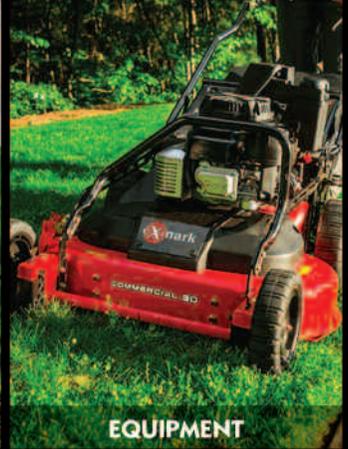
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