

# READ ME FIRST RENEWING MEMBERS 2024

La Jolla Village Garden Club

## Membership Process

Welcome to the La Jolla Village Garden Club membership page! We are so happy that you would like to **continue** your membership in the club. It is our members who breathe life into our meetings and further our mission. You are encouraged to carefully read this document before you enter the online site to use the electronic membership form.

THE FIRST PART OF THE FORM COLLECTS PERSONAL INFORMATION TO BE USED IN THE Club database. None of this information is shared EXCEPT in the yearbook, which is only distributed to members. Carefully reviewing the information you submit will help the club avoid errors.

THE SECOND PART OF THE FORM ASKS YOU TO SELECT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY. Your selection will prompt the form to add the correct amount for your dues to the club on the payment page.

Our club has four categories of members:

**Active Members** are expected to attend a minimum of five general meetings during the club year, which meets monthly between September and May. In addition, Active Members are expected to serve on at least one committee or participate in a major project. Also, Active Members are expected to provide refreshments several times a year. Active Members may vote and sponsor new members and receive copies of the monthly electronic newsletter and the annual yearbook. The current dues for Active Members: \$80. New members: \$90 (which includes the fee for a personal name tag).

**Supporting Members** are members of five years or more who elect to be exempt from the duties of Active Members. They do not retain voting rights and sponsorship privileges. Supporting Members receive copies of the monthly electronic newsletter and the annual yearbook. The current dues for Supporting Members: \$110.

**Friends** are former members who relinquish their membership and the rights and privileges of membership. They are given priority if they later reapply for membership. They will receive copies of the monthly electronic newsletter. They may attend meetings as guests of the club by paying the guest fee. The current dues for Friends: \$25.

**Life Members** will retain their Life membership, which carries with it the rights and privileges of Active Members without the obligation of paying annual dues. **This category of membership is no longer open.**

THE THIRD PART OF THE FORM ASKS YOU TO CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION TO OUR IMPORTANT CLUB PROJECTS. DONATIONS MAY BE MADE IN ANY AMOUNT AND ARE OPTIONAL. PLEASE KNOW THAT DONATIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR CLUB AND ARE ALWAYS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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The committees and projects that accept donations include:

Bouquet of Thanks for Veterans  
Commemorative Tree Planting  
Penny Pines Forest Restoration  
Schoolyard Gardening Grants  
Speakers Fund  
Wreaths Across America

You will be asked to designate the dollar amount you wish to give to each of these projects. All of your donations to the civic projects are tax deductible and the club will provide a letter to document any donations totaling \$500 or more. Your credit card statement acts as your receipt for all donations. You can complete the form without donating by simply continuing. At the end of this section, you will be asked to enter your credit card information for your dues and donations. **This information will not be saved nor shared with anyone else.**

In the next section of the questionnaire, you will be asked to select committee assignments or other activities for the next year. IF YOU ARE AN ACTIVE MEMBER, you may select as many as you wish but no less than three. Other categories of members may simply scroll through these options but are encouraged to select an assignment. The club needs lots of workers!

That's it! Once you complete the questionnaire and your dues payment is accepted by the club, you are registered as a member for the next year. Thank you for your participation!

ARE YOU READY TO COMPLETE THE FORM?

ENTER HERE: [MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL LINK](#)