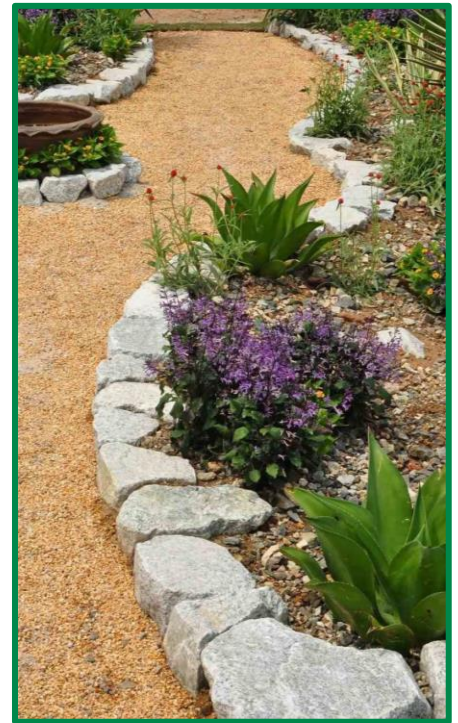




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Rise & Shine, It's Fishing Time!



We are all set for our 2023 Annual Crab & Cod combo trip out of Port SLO! The event is on our [CLCA SLO calendar](#) and guests can [register](#) and pay through the website.

Vendor support is coming out strong, and spots are limited, so sign up today before space runs out; you and your team don't want to miss this trip!

For just \$135/angler + license, you get a full day on the sea, and are guaranteed to come back with bags full of fish and crab.

Meet at the Port San Luis Pier (3975 Avila Beach Dr, SLO, CA 93405)
5am – Arrive at port
6am – Boat leaves for the open water
2pm – Boat returns to port and we all go home with a full bag!

Contact **Brandon Graber**, our 2023 VP of Events, at 805.459.9016, or visit the website for more information. Look for a recap of the event in next month's newsletter!

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President's Message

Hello Fellow CLCA members,

As a lot of you know I am Brandon West, your current CLCA SLO president. I would like to welcome everybody back to work after the rainy season we had, and back to the newsletter.

We had a fun cornhole event last month and are looking forward to the upcoming events in 2023. We have both new and existing board members that are critical to making things function, and we welcome any members to attend board meetings.

Please pass the good message of all the CLCA offers to new C-27 contractors or any potential new members. Let's have an awesome 2023! See you at the upcoming Fishing Trip on May 19th!

Legislation Update: Always Hire a Licensed Contractor

Property owners should always hire a licensed landscape contractor when contracting out for the installation of a landscape, especially water-efficient landscapes. Licensed landscape contractors are also allowed by law to design the landscapes they build. The Contractors State License Board (CSLB) tests, licenses, and regulates landscape contractors to protect consumers. All contractor members of CLCA are licensed, although consumers should still check license status on the [CSLB website](#) before hiring any contractor. To find CLCA-member contractors who work in any particular area of the state, go to the [Contractor Search](#) page of the CLCA website.

The CLCA SLO chapter is looking forward to making a difference on the Central Coast – if anyone is interested in joining a task force to discuss opportunities for unlicensed contractors to become licensed, please send an email to our board members, who's contact info is on the previous page.

For other important advocacies, stay informed with our monthly updates, or those from the CLCA state level: [Leaf Blowers](#), and [Water Use](#).

Beautification Awards: Submit your projects!

The CLCA SLO chapter awards encompass categories covering residential and commercial landscape construction, maintenance, and design/build, along with hardscape, outdoor lighting, and sustainable landscaping. Looking for inspiration? Check out the [award winners from last year](#), and be sure to start thinking about the projects you'd like to submit for 2023! Call for submissions coming soon!



Member Spotlight: Oakridge Landscape, Inc.



For 2023, the CLCA SLO Chapter welcomes **Oakridge Landscape, Inc.** and its Construction Branch Manager, **Brandon Schmiedeberg**, who will be serving as the Chapter's Secretary this year.

Oakridge Landscape, Inc. is an award-winning landscape company specializing in commercial landscape construction, maintenance, arbor care, erosion control and landscape design services. Family owned for more than 40 years, **Oakridge Landscape, Inc.** has grown to be one of the most prominent landscape service providers in Southern California and the Central Coast. They provide a complete array of services with an in-house staff, providing everything a client needs under one roof.

Over the years, the business has installed and maintained landscapes for master-planned

communities, HOA's, residential developments, apartment complexes, shopping centers, office parks, municipal parks and a variety of other notable projects.

Oakridge strives to develop award winning landscapes that will improve the lived experience for those within their community. They believe that it all successful projects start with the personalized care that their professionally trained team provides. Their goal is always to partner with their clients and ensure that their investments are protected, and to provide unmatched curb appeal. If you are looking for a complete landscape solution, **Oakridge Landscape Inc.** is ready to help!

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