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CIEDM Meetup on National Pollinator Week

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To celebrate the National Pollinator Week, June 20-26, 2011, CIEDM signed up the July 4 locavore of KGI's Food Independence Day and signed up with the Great Sunflower Project sponsored by GardenShow.com helping to shape bee conservation efforts by planting bee-friendly plants and observing bees this summer. In addition, a small group of CIEDM volunteers & guests will participate in the meetup in the afternoon on Saturday, 25 June, to work on maintaining and enhancing pollinator attractions in the Arcadia EcoHome's ground. The work will be done at the public parkways in front of the EcoHome and at flower, vegetable & orchard gardens of the EcoHome's Kitchen Garden which is registered with the Victory Garden Foundation and is a Certified Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation. Prior to the work, Dr. Huang will remind the attendants to enjoy the outdoor event in June - the National & California Great Ouitdoors Month, provide an educational briefing on the bee colony collapse disorder syndrome and the Pollinator Week which has been proclamed by the Dept. of Agriculture since 2007. He will also share with the participants the status of CIEDM's project on plantation of 3 community forests/organge grove and its need for volunteers. He then will give the participants a walk through to observe beehives in the property and to describe as to what works are needed to make the garden more pollinator friendly as well as ocean friednly, and will assign the works. Upon completion of the maintenance & enhancement works, organic fruits and vegetables will be harvested and shared with the participants.

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