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### "SEEDS FOR GROWTH" President's Message

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I am looking forward to this year as president of the San Clemente Garden Club. We are growing! We ended last vear with over 200 members! This is

exciting! The best way to grow is to get involved. We have so many opportunities.



We can help at the Casa, Park Semper Fi, the elementary schools, the Boys & Girls Club, and our Plant Sale in October. We can even pick up trash at the beach. We can learn by attending our meetings where we have some great speakers lined up. You could also attend one of our workshops or field trips. The whole idea of the Garden Club is to learn more about gardening and share ideas with each other like-minded members. Your participation should be fun and interesting. Let's have a great year. With your help we will!

### Welcome Back Garden Club Members!

**Business Meeting and Welcome** Elyse Crane, President

THE FALL PLANT SALE (Need Trucks!) Saturday, October 14, 8 am - 1 pm We need **volunteers** Oct 13 (set up) and Oct 14 (the sale)

#### September 6 Meeting Program **Bob Gordon, M.D., Master Falconer** and his Partner Huxley

Dr. Gordon will help us expand our knowledge of the natural history of local raptors and the birds of prey we welcome to our landscape as partners in controlling the gophers, mice, rats, and other rodents who assume our gardens are being maintained for their sole pleasure.

A master falconer, Dr. Gordon gives regular monthly presentation on birds

of prey, falconry, and human/ wildlife interaction at the San Diego Natural History Museum and the Mission Trails Regional Park's Visitor Center accompanied by his winged partner Huxley, a Harris Hawk, perched on his fist to make sure he gets things right.





# PLANT SALE, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 8 AM -1 PM

It's time to make plans for the fall Plant Sale. Mark your calendars for the morning of FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, from 9 am-noon. It's a nice time to catch up with garden club friends while you help set up and price plants, etc. Then join us anytime from 8 am to 2 pm on Saturday, October 14, to assist customers during the sale and help wrap up afterwards. Join us any time, stay as long as you like, we need your help! We will welcome volunteer sign ups at our "back from summer" meeting on September 6.





# **Seeking Nominations** from Weej Baggaley Front Yard Garden Committee

Is there a garden in your neighborhood that you admire? Perhaps one along your route that makes you smile? We are seeking nominations for our **Front Yard Garden Contest**. Please let us know the address of the garden (residential or business), and why you think it's special. We will gather a few Garden Club members to view the nominees, and winners will be announced at our Fall Plant Sale.



Donna and Ginnie retrieving donated geraniums. Healthy, beautiful white geraniums!



Gardeners at work retrieving donated plants for the Fall Plant Sale October 14.



# **September Succulent Art Workshop** from Kim Neal

The next SCGC workshop will be held on **September 26** at **9 am** at the home of Launa Gould. The cost of the workshop is \$5. This covers the cost of the materials that will be provided to create your one of a kind succulent



art dish. This dish may be displayed indoors or outdoors.

What do you need to bring? A low container-plant saucers work great and are available in a variety of sizes. A medium to large size container is recommended and drainage is not necessary. While there will be some clippings available, please take a walk through your garden and prune some succulents to use and share with the other participants.

Be sure to bring hand clippers and gloves. All other materials will be provided.

Advance registration, no later than **September 12**, is required to ensure that enough materials are on-hand for all participants. A sign-up sheet can be found in the back of the room at the September monthly meeting or you may email **Kim Neal** at **kim\_neal@cox.net** 

## **Future Workshops:**

Hypertufa Workshop Friday, November 10, 2023

Host: Launa Gould

In this workshop you will learn how to mix the materials necessary to create your own hypertufa pot.



#### Propagation Workshop Friday, January 12, 2024

Host: Teresa Whitney

Learn new or refresh your old skills while propagating plants in preparation for **GardenFest 2024**.



#### Succulent Wall Art Workshop Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Host: Launa Gould

Learn how to create a living picture utilizing succulents that you can display in your home.



### San Clemente Dreamin' from Weej Baggaley

We had a hot and sunny day to pick up litter on the beach, and then we got to see the Jr. Guards jumping off the pier.

Next Eco Warriors beach cleanup will be **Monday**, **August 28.** Meet at **8:30 am** at the **pier**.





### **Eco Warriors** from Weej Baggaley

We had a beautiful day for cleaning up our beach on **June 26**. Unfortunately, we found loads of trash, recycling, abandoned beach toys, etc.



#### Civic Beautification from Kieu Doan

**DeAnne Hanley, Sherry Christensen,** and **Donna Vidrine** came to **Casa** in **July**. Thanks to all enthusiastic Civic Beautification participants who came out in the summer months of **June, July,** and **August** to help water, trim, weed and tidy up our community gardens. We also had fun visiting, sharing our summer travels, family time activities, and community news while enjoying the beautiful blooms of the gardens and the crashing waves of the ocean.

Our community gardens are thriving nicely but they could use some more help from garden club members as we want to weed and trim back all the overgrown plants and shrubs. Come out and join us at 8:30 am on the **second Wednesdays** at **Park Semper Fi** and on the **third Wednesdays** at **Casa Romantica** gardens.

Pictures of the following members (Diane Riopka not pictured): Amanda Quintanilla, DeAnne Hanley, Deborah Spang, Donna Vidrine, Kim Neal, Sherry Christensen, Wayne Eggleston, Weej Baggaley.

At the Casa:









At Park Semper Fi















\$10,000

\$2,500

\$2,450

\$2,000 \$100

\$48,600

(\$10,875)

\$500

## Read over Carefully! We will Vote on it Sept 6

**Scholarships** 

Website

Workshops

Yearbook

NET

\$4,000

Ways & Means

**TOTAL EXPENSES** 

Misc.Postage, awards, misc. Misc.Unbudgeted - Specific

adhere to non-profit status.

\* Note: We are specifically budgeting more expenses than revenue to bring down our bank balance to

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Budget 2023-2024	
REVENUES	
Awards - State/National Clubs	\$25
Donations/Contributions/Gifts/Grants/	\$1,000
Sponsors	\$4,000
Garden Tour Annual Event Ticket Sales	\$18,000
Membership Dues	\$6,000
Ways and Means:	
Plant Sales	\$6,500
Raffle	\$1,500
Workshops	\$200
Apron Sales	\$500
TOTAL REVENUES	\$37,725
EXPENSES	
Civic Beautification	\$1,500
Donations Nat'l, State & Local	\$3,000
Dues & Fees (State/District/IRS)	\$1,000
President's Expenses	\$300
Convention	\$1,400
Eco Warriors	\$250
Field trips	\$100
Front Yard Garden Contest	\$200
Garden Therapy	\$500
Garden Tour - Printing, Postcards,	
Banner, Flyer, misc.	\$5,500
Hospitality/Welcome Event	\$200
Insurance	\$350
Jr. Gardening (Potential New Schools)	\$1,000
Concordia	\$500
Las Palmas	\$500
Lobo	\$500
MarbleHead	\$500
Our Lady of Fatima	\$500
Palisades	\$500
San Clemente High School STEPS	\$500
Shorecliffs	\$500
Truman Benedict	\$500
Vista Del Mar	\$500
CGCI Life Memberships	\$300
Luncheons	\$3,000
Membership	\$500
National Garden Week/Memorial Day	\$400
Newsletters	\$150
Officer's Expenses	\$200
Programs	\$2,200

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#### **Scholarship Winner**

The Orange County
District of Garden Clubs
raise funds at their June
meeting for a scholarship
to be awarded to a
club recipient. Four
clubs submitted their
choice recipients. San
Clemente's scholarship
winner, Christine
Villa, was awarded
the Orange County
District Scholarship.
Congratulations to
Christine!

Launa Gould

Orange County District Director

## Orange County District, State, and National News/Events Fall Board Meeting

September 18-20, 2023 Harris Ranch, Coalinga, CA **Winter Board Meeting** (Virtual) January 29-31, 2024

**92nd Convention** 

June 2024 (Dates TBD) Sacramento, CA

# Peace Rose & What The Park Will Be from Laura Bard

On June 27, a small ceremony was held to rededicate the revamped Memorial Rose Garden in Max Berg Park. Our club dug the holes for and subsequently planted 12 new rose shrubs, all with names that evoke peace and remembrance. Jim Gatacre provided the roses, soil, and fertilizer as well as some beautiful markers. Randy Little from city maintenance helped facilitate the new irrigation.

The club was happy to donate \$600 to Mr. Gatacre's non profit group, the Handicapped Scuba Associations. This donation covered the cost of the roses we planted.

We received the following from Mr. Gatacre:

Thank you very much for your support in planting the beautiful Veterans Memorial Rose Garden! The roses are growing like crazy!

I really appreciate the generous donation that covers the cost of the roses! We just launched the new Handicapped Scuba Association website, two years in the making! It will carry the programs forward past my involvement, very important to a lot of people worldwide. So the donation is going into a great cause.

Stop by and have a look at the new garden, the roses are in bloom and are beautiful!





### **Propagation Workshop 7/26** from Kim Neal

Did you miss the propagation workshop? On Friday, July 26, a workshop led by Launa Gould was held at the home of Teresa Whitney. Attendees learned propagation techniques and refreshed their skills by propagating plants that will be sold at the Fall Plant Sale on October 14. Photos from the workshop can be found in the Photo Albums section of the website under the Members tab or by clicking here. If you missed this workshop, another propagation workshop will be held on Friday, January 12, 2024.

A video on the propagation techniques demonstrated at the workshop can be found on our club website under the Members tab by clicking on Presentations and Handouts or by clicking on this: https://www.sanclementegardenclub.com/presentations-handouts







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#### **Garden Therapy** from Suzi Klickstein

Garden Therapy will continue to meet at the local Boys & Girls Club on the second Monday of each month at 2:30 pm. We do nature and garden related crafts with 15 eager students each month. If you are interested in joining Garden Therapy at the Boys & Girls Club, contact Suzi Klickstein at (949)922-3734 or Suziklick@gmail.

#### A business note:

The Boys & Girls Club does require volunteers to complete a volunteer application and the background check is done free of charge for the applicant at Coastal Postal. It takes about 10 minutes and involves fingerprinting. If you would like to volunteer to help with Garden Therapy at the Boy's and Girl's Club, please contact **Suzi Klickstein** at **suziklick@gmail.com** and request that the paperwork be mailed to you, or Suzi can bring you the forms at the next Garden Club meeting.

#### Plant A Fall Garden from Ginnie Churchill

Saying good bye to tomatoes, squashes, corn, green beans, and melons is hard as we see summer coming to a close in our gardens.

But we can start thinking about winter vegetables we can grow here in Southern California. The best time to sow seeds is Fall for broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, kale, lettuce, parsley, spinach, and brussel sprouts. Also, the weather is more gardener friendly during the fall.

Any of the above veggies taste so much better if you have grown it yourself. I have fond memories of the huge head of cabbage I grew in a window box on my balcony.

Alternately, a collection of herbs at our kitchen window is sure to brighten up our days as well as encourage more adventurous cuisine.

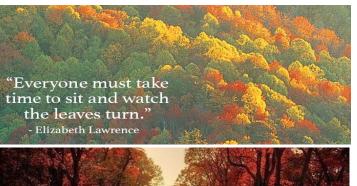
So to all my buddies who also love dirt in their finger nails, I say, more fun is coming. Ginnie Churchill, ginniechurchill 1@me.com

# **Ralphs Community Contribution Program**

from Weei Baggaley

Our San Clemente Garden Club has partnered with Ralphs to raise money for our club through the Ralphs Community Program. After you link up your Ralphs card, Ralphs will donate a percentage of every purchase you make to our club, every time you shop and use your Ralphs card or linked phone number.

https://www.ralphs.com/i/community/ community-contribution-program





# 2023 Installation Luncheon and Spring Social







P.O. Box 3891 San Clemente, CA 92674-3891

San Clemente Garden Club Activities			
	September 2023		
September 6	Board Meeting	10 am	
September 6	Meeting and Program	1 pm	
September 11	Garden Therapy-Fall craft	2:30 pm	
September 13	Civic Beautification		
	Park Semper Fi	8:30 am	
September 20	Civic Beautification		
	Casa Garden	8:30 am	
September 26	Succulent Art Workshop	9 am	





by visiting:

## San Clemente Garden Club Membership Form 2023-2024

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