I was born a mid-westerner. October was always my favorite month with all the leaves turning splendid colors. This year my husband and I are going on a “leaf-peeping” cruise from Canada down to NYC in search of the best color in the US. Although I’ve lived in So. Cal. for 40 years, I still miss autumn color. However, I do know where to find So. Cal. color in November! So back in San Clemente, inspiration from the SCGC has turned into my annual succulent pumpkin project. They are so easy and impressive, lasting months. You can make a large front door decoration or mini pumpkin place holders for Thanksgiving dinner. All you need is a little sphagnum moss, succulent cuttings and a glue gun. I’ve attached two you-tube links for easy instructions.

I hope you were able to attend the Dana Point Library Succulent Pumpkin Workshop. https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=you+tube+succulent+pumpkins&view=detail&mid=3D5025B437645EDA3470&FORM=VIRE

Happy October, happy Halloween and happy succulent pumpkins!

Don’t Forget - December 4, 2019
* Holiday Luncheon *

Reservations will be taken at the Oct. 2 meeting and will be due by November 13, 2019. Please bring an unwrapped child’s gift to be donated to FAM. Please donate a Silent Auction packaged gift for our Raffle. The gifts need to be brought to the Talega Golf Club at 11:00 am in order for them to be displayed properly.

NOTE: All members please send news requiring “get well,” “thank you,” “condolence”, etc., to me as it will spare the current president from having to notify me each time she gets a call or email.

Carol Glasheen, Correspondence Secretary carolglasheen@cox.net
Board Meeting - 10/2
Wednesday, Oct. 2, 10 am, at the VIP Lounge at the Outlets.
You’re welcome to bring in food or drink to the meetings.

Orange County District, State, and National News/Events

DISTRICT MEETING:
Monday, October 14, 2019, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Fall Plant Sale, Saturday, Oct. 12
from Freda D’Souza

Fall is the time to plant vegetables and herbs, seeds and bulbs, flowers and perennials, succulents and cactus, shrubs and to purchase indoor plants. The San Clemente Garden Club’s annual fall plant sale offers homeowners and renters alike a twice-yearly opportunity to spruce up their gardens and planter pots with bargains galore at the Community Center on Del Mar at Seville. Plus, there will be horticultural advice available. The sale begins at 8 am on Saturday, October 12, 2019, with setup at 7 am, and ends at 1 pm. For additional information about the Fall Plant Sale, visit the San Clemente website at sanclementegardenclub.com or Facebook. We also love to learn, have fun and build lifelong ‘garden buddy’ friendships. Our monthly meetings help us do just that.

Field Trips from Lana Doyle

The October field trip is Rancho Los Alamitos, in Long Beach, on Wednesday, October 23 for a tour. Lunch is available. The box lunch would be approximately $18 (veggie lunch is available for an extra $5) and that would include the gratuity. Please email, text or call me and let me know if you are interested. BTW: I have had several members ask about a trip to the Nixon Library. Admission is $17 for seniors but if we want a guided tour it is $19. I would like to schedule the trip for Thursday, November 21. There are a food cart and tables outside if anyone is interested in eating there.

Please let me know if you are interested so I can confirm the date with the museum. There needs to be at least 15 to schedule a private docent tour.

Make Hypertufa Oct. 25, 9:30 am

Create a rustic, textured pot(s) from Portland cement, perlite (or vermiculite), and water. All materials are provided but bring your own custom container(s) in the size, shape and look of your choice to be the mold for the hypertufa. This workshop will have a fee.

RSVP to LaunaG@cox.net

October Meeting Program

Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2019
Time: 1 pm
Place: St. Andrew's by the Sea Methodist Church
2001 Calle Frontera, San Clemente 92673

Subject: Making Our Homes Safe From Wildfires
Speaker: Juan Huerta, Orange County Fire Authority

Vegetation Management is the controlling of plant materials to prevent wildfire spread when wind driven embers come into contact with vegetation.

It will reduce the chance of ignition from direct flame, firebrand showers and radiant heat coming from outside of your home’s defensible zone.

Come learn from Juan Huerta, a Fire Prevention Specialist with the Orange County Fire Authority, how to protect your home from wildfires.

The Sale is in the Multi-Purpose Room of the San Clemente Community Center. It includes a variety of plants propagated and grown by club members.

The members will begin setting up at 9 am, Friday, Oct. 11, and again at 7 am on Oct. 12 (for an 8 am opening). Customers will be lining up early so get an early start!
**Garden Therapy** from Suzi Klickstein

Dolly Latteier, Simone Costes, Kieu Doan, Barbara McLaughlin, Sandy Cushman and Suzi Klickstein met at the RIO on the third Wednesday in September to assist the terrific RIO clients in making cute little fireflies, which were fashioned from empty water bottles. The clients attached wings and inserted glow sticks into the fireflies. Everyone enjoyed the craft and the clients were anxious to take the fireflies home to see them glow in the dark.

In October we will be doing a Halloween craft. We will meet at the RIO on **Wednesday, October 16, at 12:45 pm**. We will be preparing craft materials at Suzi’s house on **Friday, October 11, at 10:30 am**. Hope you can make it for one or both of these activities. If you have any questions, contact Suzi at suziklick@gmail.com.

**Civic Beautification** from Kieu Doan

On Tuesday, Sept 10, Jim P., Kieu D., Monica C. and Sarah C came to Park Semper Fi to work in the gardens. It was a perfect day since the temperature was in the ’70s, and the sun stayed hidden all morning long. We trimmed the Cleveland Sages, cut back all the old stems of the Matilija poppy and pruned the Blue Plumbago shrubs. There were still many more flowering shrubs to tend such as yellow and pink Lantanas, orange Cape Honeysuckle and African Blue Basil.

Bill B., Carol N., Kieu D. and Sarah C came to Casa Romantica on Thursday, Sept 12, instead of Sept 19 since the garden was closed for a week to prepare the grounds for the “Toast to the Casa” gala. We deadheaded many spent Yarrow flowers, trimmed the African Blue Basil and Cup of Gold Vine and many other shrubs and plants. Time went by fast while we were busy working and chatting about all things related to gardening.

Come join us next month as we continue to work to beautify our community gardens.

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L to R: Sarah, Kieu, Carol and Bill at Casa Romantica.

Monica and Sarah at Park Semper Fi.

L to R: Jim, Monica, Kieu and Sarah at Park Semper Fi.
Ralphs Community Contribution Program
from Weej 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. Easy and painless! It’s easy to set up the link to your Ralphs card.

(You can search for our club alphabetically, or use our code AY273.)


The directions are printed at the end of this newsletter.

Closer to Zero
from Weej Baggaley of the Green Team

The Green Team’s goal for this year is to get our monthly meetings closer to Zero Waste. Thank you to our members and guests, and to our Hospitality Sistas, for getting us close to that goal at our September Welcome Back Luncheon. Considering September’s heavy load of people and food, the Green Team is very pleased with how little went to the landfill!

To the wonderful people who volunteer to bring in treats for future meetings: we’d love to benefit from your culinary wizardry and sample lots of homemade goodies. We’re betting that your favorite recipes can beat the packaged stuff any day. Bring along a copy of your recipe, and we’ll feature it in our award-winning Garden Trellis newsletter! Weej Baggaley, weej@me.com, (949) 547-4693.

A Buckwheat in Every Garden!
from Kris Ethington

BIOBLITZ Campaign by OC-CNPS

Join the Orange County Chapter of the California Native Plant Society’s (CNPS) effort to add 1,500 native buckwheat plants to Orange County gardens. California buckwheats are flowering machines and will provide valuable nectar and forage for our native pollinators, butterflies and other animals. These buckwheats are locally grown by Tree of Life Nursery. One plant per residence, while supplies last. In exchange for each free buckwheat, residents will provide their street address and city for mapping the Bioblitz through iNaturalist. For more details, go to:

https://www.occnps.org/

San Clemente Garden Club members and general public will have the opportunity to receive a FREE (4 inch) California Buckwheat ‘Dana Point’ selection during the Club’s participation and distribution date Wednesday, Nov. 6 when our Program Speaker will be Brad Jenkins, President of Orange County Chapter of CNPS, “Wildland Plants for Your Urban Nature Garden.” You’ll want not to miss Brad speak! The public is welcome!
Louise Lopina’s Yearbook Cover Art from Lisa Spinelli

Louise Lopina donated the beautiful original Plein Air drawing on our new 2019-2020 Membership Directory. Lisa Spinelli worked with her in designing the cover, which creates the image of San Clemente’s brilliant native Mustard & Lupin blooming in spring with ocean as a backdrop. President Cindy Burn’s theme for this year, “Seeds of Inspiration” was the inspiration.

Louise has been an award winning nature artist/painter for many years and is a Signature member and former Exhibition Chairman for the Society of Animal Artists, a member of the Southern CA Plein Air Painters and the United Society of Pastel Artists. She is listed in Who’s Who in American Art and The World Dictionary of International Biography and is in San Clemente Art Association. Visit her website at www.louiselopina.com and enjoy her wonderful animal and nature work. In addition, her own impressive garden is all native! Thank You, Louise and welcome to the club!
## San Clemente Garden Club Activities

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Seeds & bulbs,
Flowers & perennials,
Succulents & cactus,
Shrubs & house plants

Horticultural advice available
sanclementegardenclub.com

Free Admission

2019 Fall Plant Sale

Saturday, October 12th
8am - 1pm
SC Community Center
Del Mar @ Seville

In partnership with the City of San Clemente Beaches, Parks, & Recreation Department
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

WEBSITE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE

NOTE: We have a secured website, these procedures apply to everyone who has not entered their email address and assigned a password.

1. Log in to www.ralphs.com
2. Click on ‘No Account’ Register
3. Follow the easy steps to create an online account
4. You will be instructed to go to your email inbox to confirm your account
5. After you confirm your online account by clicking on the link in your email, return to www.ralphs.com and click on ‘Sign In’, enter your email address and password.
6. View all your information and edit as necessary
7. Link your card to your organization by clicking on:
   a. Community Rewards - Enroll
   b. Type your NPO number or Name of your Organization
   c. Remember to click on the circle to the left of your organizations’ name
   d. Click on Enroll to finish your enrollment process

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ON-LINE

(This means that you have already entered your email address and assigned yourself a password)

1. Log in to www.ralphs.com
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email address and password
4. Click on ‘Your Name’ (In the top right hand corner)
5. View all your information and edit as necessary
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Thank you,
Community Contributions Staff