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# W eeder's Digest

## Cold Tolerant Orchids for Southern California by Charles Weckerle-Thrun

Meeting  
 December 11th at  
 Neighborhood  
 Congregational Church  
 340 St. Ann's Dr.,  
 Laguna Beach  
 Social 9:30 a.m.  
 Meeting:  
 10 a.m.—Noon.



**Plant Sales last month were \$270. Wow!**

This month bring in those Holiday items you no longer use, along with your plants, and cuttings.



Welcome  
**New Members**

Janet Anderson  
 Twyla Matsumoto  
 Allayn Stevens




December 11th our program speaker will be Charles F. Weckerle-Thrun, an orchid expert and well known orchid hybridizer, discussing the cultivation of orchids without a greenhouse

Charles, better known as "Butch", was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico where as a young

boy he became fascinated with the growth of orchids.

After studying at the University of Florida, Butch moved to San Diego where he became really involved in the hybridizing of orchids. Joining the San Diego Orchid Society in the early 1970's, he furthered his studies and knowledge and became a CSA and an AOS judge.

Today Butch is known and lauded for his humorous, educational and thorough presentation in the various

areas of orchid care and growing.

Butch, in addition to his full schedule of judging and lecturing manages his own orchid collections under the names of Rowland Collection and Lothlorien Orchids.

Please join us for our usual morning "greet and eat" starting at 9:30 a.m., with the meeting beginning

at 10:00 a.m., followed by this interesting and informative program



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# By-Law Changes—for your approval

We will be voting on these by-law changes at the December meeting, so please read and be prepared to vote yea or nay. Changes are as follows:

### ARTICLE III Membership

**Section 1.** Any adult interested in actively participating in the objectives for which the Laguna Beach Garden Club is formed; and has been is approved by the Board, is eligible for membership.

**Section 2.** An Honorary Life Membership may be awarded to a member who has served the club with distinction for a period of ten years-or more years. This award is to be recommended by the Board and approved by the membership.

~~Section 3. Honorary member status may be conferred upon a non member for one year to recognize service to the Laguna Beach Garden Club. Persons nominated for this recognition shall be recommended by the Board and approved by the membership.~~

**Section 3.** Membership Lists, including those in the Membership Directory, shall be for the exclusive and personal use of the members, and shall not be distributed to non-members.

### ARTICLE IV Meeting of Membership

~~Section 5. Notice of special meetings shall be given by mailing to each member a written notice thereof at least five (5) days prior to the time fixed for the meeting. Said notice shall state the purpose for which the special meeting is called.~~

**Section 5b.** A Budget Committee of five (5) persons shall be appointed by the President and the Board of Directors and announced at the February- January Board meeting. A prepared budget shall be mailed or emailed to the membership prior to the regular April business Meeting and voted on at the April meeting.

**Section 6f.** Notice of meetings shall be given by mail, email, or phone, by mailing to each member a written notice thereof at least ten (10) days prior to the time fixed for the meeting.

### ARTICLE V Board of Directors

**Section 4.** Regular monthly meetings of the Board shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month, unless otherwise ordered by the Board. Special meetings of the Board may be called upon giving five (5) days notice by mail, email, or telephone.

**Section 5.** Quorum at any meeting of the Board shall consist of five (5) seven (7) members.

### ARTICLE VI Annual Elections

**Section 1.** The Board shall be elected by the membership at the meeting in April of each year. They shall be elected to serve for one (1) year and until their successors are elected. Two (2) years of Club membership shall be a requisite for nomination for President, such office to be held for not more than two (2) consecutive terms years.

**Section 3.** The Nominating Committee shall submit a list of candidates to be mailed or emailed to the membership prior to the regular April meeting, and the election of same by the membership shall be at the regular meeting in the month of April. ]

**Section 4.** Election of Officers shall be by written ballot except where there is but one nominee for the office; in this case, ballot may be dispensed with a unanimous- two-thirds (2/3) oral vote of the membership attending the meeting.

### ARTICLE VII Officers

**Section 2.** All officers and co-officers, including the immediate Past President, shall be members of the Board, and cast -Each position shall cast one vote each-

**Section 3.** The President shall preside at all meetings; have general supervision of the affairs of the Club; shall, with the Treasurer, sign all contracts and other instruments authorized by the Board; with the approval of the Board shall appoint the Parliamentarian, the Auditor, the Historian and the Committee Chairmen; shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee; and shall have keys to all of the properties of the Club.

**Section 8.** The Recording Secretary shall keep the records and minutes of the Club and of the Board; keep in a book the Constitution and Bylaws of the Club; be Custodian of all records; and keep a running inventory of all corporate property and a record of its location; and read, provide, for the members, a copy of the minutes of past regular meetings.

**Section 10.** The Treasurer shall collect, deposit and disburse funds of the Club under the direction of the Board. The President, Treasurer and Recording Secretary shall be authorized to sign checks with two (2) of the three (3) signatures required. The Treasurer shall give a A-report shall be given of receipts, disbursements and balance on hand at each regular meeting, and also give an annual report at the May meeting, copies of which shall be filed with the Recording Secretary and President.

**Section 12.** The Past President shall be advisor to the Board.

**Section 13.** The officers shall perform such other duties as the Board may designate.

### ARTICLE VIII Dues

**Section 1.**

a. The annual membership dues shall be established by the Board of Directors and shall be set forth in the Standing Rules, dues for single members shall be \$25-00

b. The annual dues for couples shall be \$35-00- Membership dues -Dues shall be due and payable on May 1-Dues paid and delinquent after June 1, are delinquent- Members delinquent in their dues shall pay a and require a Ten-Dollar (\$40) late fee and may not be included in the membership book. The late fee shall be established by the Board of Directors and set forth in the Standing Rules. Delinquent members paying dues after June 1, may not be included in the membership book.

d. In unusual circumstances extension of time for payment of dues may be granted by vote of the Board.

**Section 2.** New members joining the Club after February 1 of any year shall pay \$15-00 for the remainder of the year, be admitted upon payment of a pro-rated portion of the current annual membership dues of the current year, that year being from September to May.

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Pam Luttrell, Editor

Additional information about club activities is available at our web site [www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org](http://www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org)

## Changes to By-laws continued...

**ARTICLE IX**  
**Monies**

**Section 2.** → No officer or member of the Club shall enter into any contract or obligate the Club financially or otherwise without the approval of the Board. ~~Any expenditure of more than \$100.00, other than regular monthly expenses, shall be presented to the Board for prior approval. Any expenditure of more than \$500.00, other than regular monthly expenses, shall be presented to the membership for prior approval by a simple majority vote of members present. Expenditure limits requiring Board and/or membership approval shall be established by the Board of Directors and shall be set forth in the Standing Rules. ¶~~

**ARTICLE XI**  
**Standing Committees and Duties**

**Section 2.** The Chairman of each committee shall ~~present a written report in duplicate at the May Board Meeting, one copy to be filed with the Recording Secretary and one to be presented to the incoming chairman. keep and maintain a book that lists the duties of their position. The book shall include a report of the activities of that year - a copy of that report shall be given to the President.~~

**ARTICLE XIII**  
**Order of Business**

**Section 1.** ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ The order of business for a ~~general membership regular~~ meeting shall be:

1. ~~Pledge of Allegiance~~
2. ~~An announcement that Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and treasurer's report have been printed and are available for those interested members.~~
2. ~~Treasurer's Report~~
3. Reports of the Board and Committees
4. ~~Unfinished Business~~
5. ~~New Business~~
6. ~~Other Announcements~~
7. ~~5. Program \_\_\_\_\_~~

**Section 2.** ~~The order of business for a Board meeting shall be:~~

1. ~~Reading of Board minutes~~
2. ~~Treasurer's Report~~
3. ~~Board Member and Committee Chairman Reports~~
4. ~~Unfinished Business~~
5. ~~New Business~~

**ARTICLE XIV**  
**Parliamentary Authority**

Robert's Rules of Order ~~Newly~~ Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for the Laguna Beach Garden Club, Inc. in all business procedures where it does not conflict with these Bylaws ~~and Standing Rules.~~

**ARTICLE XV**  
**Amendments**

**POWER OF MEMBERS** — ~~New These~~ Bylaws may be ~~adopted or these Bylaws may be~~ amended ~~after the Board has submitted the recommended updates to the membership via mail or email, and the recommended updates are passed or repealed by the majority two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at the next any annual, regular general membership meeting, or special meeting called for that purpose.~~

Revised April 1997  
Amended - November 2000  
Amended - March 2003  
Amended - April 2007  
Amended - Article XVI December 2008

**Article XVI Amendment to the By-laws**

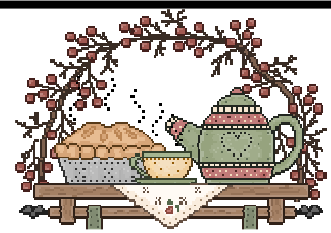
Requirements to be exempt as an Organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

**Article XVII ¶**  
**Website Links ¶**

~~The Laguna Beach Garden Club is a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of promoting activities consistent with the purposes as stated in Article I. ¶ The Board of Directors has determined that links on the Club's Web site should be consistent with the Club's organizational purpose and therefore limited to links to sites of similar organizations, with a bias to non-profit organizations. ¶~~

**¶**  
**By-Laws Revision History ¶**

Revised April 1997 ¶  
Amended - November 2000 ¶  
Amended - March 2003 ¶  
Amended - April 2007 ¶  
Amended - Article XVI December 2008 ¶  
Amended - Added Standing Rules, email, website links, etc. - December 2009 ¶

**You Signed Up**

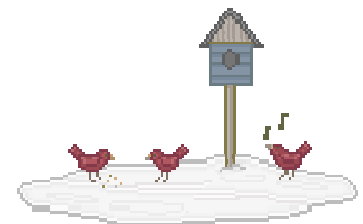
to bring food for the refreshment table on December 11th

Dot Benedict  
Gilda Marshall  
Vernetta Crandall  
Joyce Oliver  
Susan Clemente  
Sue Goldberger  
Lecia Davis  
Joan StClaire  
Pam Lask  
Diane Lannon  
Ruth Robertson  
Juneann Pribram

Centerpiece for Table  
Shahin Fazli

Please arrive by 9:15 am with your goodies.

Thank you!



## *It's that time again...*

*Our wonderful holiday tour of members decorated homes and gardens has always been a favorite. We will meet at the Church, on Friday, December 18, at 2:15 p.m. We will carpool to several member homes to enjoy their festive décor and to catch some great holiday spirit.*

Questions? Contact Madeleine at 494-7307



### Club and District Dates to Remember in December

- ◆ **Wednesdays, December, 9:30 a.m.—12 p.m.**—Weeding at Hortense Miller Garden every Wednesday, come join the gang and get your hands dirty for a good cause!
- ◆ **Friday, December 11, 9:30 a.m.**—Monthly meeting, at Neighborhood Congregational Church, St. Ann's Drive & Glenneyre, Laguna Beach. **Charles Weckerle-Thrun** speaker, Cold Tolerant Orchids for Southern California.
- ◆ **Friday, December 11, 11:45 a.m.**—LBGC Board will meet immediately following the regular meeting
- ◆ **Friday, December 18, 2:15 p.m.**—**Christmas Member Tour**, meet at Church parking lot, carpool to member gardens (see this page above for details).



# Happy Holidays