

April 2012

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Meeting

April 13

Laguna Presbyterian Church

Tankersley Hall

415 Forest Ave.

Laguna Beach

Social 9:30 a.m.

Meeting:

10 a.m.—Noon.

Laguna Beach Garden Club, Inc. .



Herbal Profusion to Herbal Infusions

By Aenne Carver



The program for the Friday, April 13 meeting is all about growing and cooking with culinary herbs, although our speaker Aenne Carver is well prepared to keep us

informed on a myriad of gardening topics.

She is an accomplished communicator as well as an accomplished gardener who currently lives in Lakeside, CA in San Diego County. Her website thethriftygardener.com reveals that she appears on radio and TV to give gardening tips and advice, publishes articles in gardening publications, publishes topical newsletters from her website, has a great blog through the website and is an instructor at the San Diego Museum of Natural History.

This Master Gardener is also a floral designer and craft instructor.

Take a look at Aenne's website thethriftygardener.com and click on the blog link to the right. She publishes one every month. Each offering covers a different topic and leaves you



with a wonderful project to create in your own garden, kitchen or craft space. Everything is illustrated with

gorgeous photographs. The March 2012 blog is all about recycling and propagating succulents, a good follow up to last month's speaker. The September, 2011 blog tells you how to make 15-minute ratatouille using fresh basil from your garden.

See you on the April 13 for Aenne Carver's presentation.



The Plant table brought in \$586.00 at our last meeting! WOW!!

Gardening Basics



Welcome! New Member
Suzanne Phillips



Robert Henry 1919-2012

What a treasure we had in Bob Henry! He served as our president 1996—1998, with Annette, his wife, doing all the stuff he didn't want to do—he'd tell anyone that it was a team effort, the only way he would take the position.

Bob was fun, approachable, eager to enliven any meeting with his jokes and stories. Things got too serious when Bob wasn't around. He also was an avid lover of succulents—there's symmetry to that. Boy, will we miss him!

IN MEMORIAM

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Tea Cup Bird Feeder Green Thumb

*Your feathered friends could use a rest,
 A dainty teacup would be the best!
 A cup of water, a plate of seed,
 A tiny perch is all they need!
 A pretty spot surrounded with flowers
 And you'll be entertained for hours.*



When: Friday, April 20th at 9:30 a.m.
Where: 19192 Jasper Hill Road, Portola Hills
Hostess: Sandy Smith, 766-9456
Cost: \$10.00 for materials.

You will bring a teacup and saucer of any design, the stand and the paint to paint it will be provided. This is a really fun project, so come out and join in the Green Thumb fun! Questions? Call Sandy (see above) or Elaine Davis—493-8404.



The Water Department will be at our April 13th meeting to auction off the water barrel that was decorated last year by our Club member Sharael Kolberg. So don't forget your checkbook!



PHOTO CONTEST FOR THE COVER OF THE MEMBERS BOOK

Rules: *Enter early—don't wait for the deadline!*

- ◆ *Entrants must be Garden Club members*
- ◆ *The photo submitted must be of some part of your own garden*
- ◆ *Only one entry per member, vertical layout is preferred*
- ◆ *Deadline for entries is April 19, 2012*

To enter, send your photo to:

Laura McCants, 144 Westport, Newport Beach, 92660

Or Email to LauraMcCants@cox.net



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Pam Luttrell, Editor

Additional information about club activities is available at our web site www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org

**Tour the beautiful gardens
of La Casa Pacifica**



Madeleine Visca has arranged an invitation for us to tour the beautiful gardens at La Casa Pacifica in San Clemente. This is the Western White House of former President Richard Nixon. The estate is presently owned by Gavin Herbert, Jr. of Rogers Gardens.

When: Wednesday April 25, at 11:45 am (**Note new date**).

Where: Meet at the First Church of Christ, Science parking lot, corner of High Drive and Rose Place, North Laguna to car pool. Maps will be provided for the drivers.

We will lunch at *Thai This* restaurant in Dana Point (separate checks) and then proceed to San Clemente. Our tour is scheduled to begin at approx. 2:30 pm, we should return to the church parking lot at approximately 4:45 pm.

Any questions call Madeleine Visca 494-7307



**You Signed Up
to bring food for the
refreshment table on**

April 13th

- Synthia Scofield
- Brigitta Schoen
- Paula Knauft
- Joyce Hill
- Madeleine Visca
- Maggie Owens
- Jackie Souadjian
- Brooke Taylor
- Mary Graves
- Tom Hensel
- Diane Kloke
- Bonnie Smith

Centerpiece for Table

Ingrid Martinez

**Please arrive by 9:15 am
with your goodies.**

Thank you!



The Montage



We have again been invited to enjoy wine and appetizers in the beautiful gardens at the Laguna Beach Montage Studio Restaurant. This is a fund raising opportunity for the club. The donation is \$10 per person to attend, you may bring one guest, your reservations will be accepted by check or cash when you sign-up at the meeting April 13th.

Valet parking is \$8, so you may want to carpool or you can self-park or park on Coast Highway.

This event will be Tuesday, May 1st, from 5 pm to 7pm. You couldn't ask for a more beautiful or scenic location, so come enjoy this fun event.

DUES

Membership Dues for 2012-2013

Membership dues, \$35 per person, are payable by May 1st, delinquent June 1st with a \$10 penalty, plus you may not be included in the membership book for 2012—2013. There will be a dues renewal envelope with form on each chair at the April meeting. Please make your check payable to LBGCC and send to Maggie Siegel at 7 Lagunita Drive, L.B, 92651.

Or you can pay at the April or even the May meeting, so save a stamp and bring your checkbook !

For Your Approval...

2012-2013 Slate of New Board Members



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| President..... | Jeanne Yale |
| 1st Vice President, Programs | Lynn Jax |
| 2nd Vice President, Web site..... | Sue Goldberger |
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God made rainy days so gardeners could get the housework done.

~Author Unknown

Club and District Dates to Remember this month

- ◆ **Wednesdays, Every Month 9:30 a.m.—12 p.m.**—Get your hands dirty for a good cause at Hortense Miller Garden every Wednesday, come join the gang! Contact Nancy Kirschke for details—494-6693.
- ◆ **Friday, April 13, 9:30 a.m.—Monthly Meeting**, at Laguna Presbyterian Church, 415 Forest Ave, Tankersley Hall. "Growing & Using Culinary Herbs in your Cuisine", speaker Anne Carver. (see page one for details)
- ◆ **Friday, April 20, 9:30 a.m.—Green Thumb**, Tea Cup Bird Feeder hosted by Sandy Smith, Cost \$10.00. (See page two for details)
- ◆ **Monday, April 23, 9:30 am—Board Meeting**—Hostess Patricia Weier, 490 Myrtle Street, Laguna Beach, 497-1404. Committee Chairpersons welcome.
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 25, 11:45 am—Casa Pacifica Tour.** Lunch at Thai This in Dana Point, followed by the tour at Casa Pacifica in San Clemente. Carpool from Christ Science parking lot, see page 3 for details.