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**Meeting**  
December 14, 2012  
Laguna Presbyterian Church  
Tankersley Hall  
415 Forest Ave.  
Laguna Beach  
Social 9:30 a.m.  
Meeting:  
10 a.m.—Noon.



**"Aussies Among Us: Low Water Australian Plants for California Gardeners"** by Nan Sterman

**Wow!**  
The Plant Table brought in \$301.00 last meeting. Keep up the great work!



**Welcome!  
New Members**



This month the Laguna Beach Garden Club is very happy to present Nan Sterman, an award winning gardening author, designer and botanist as our speaker.



From kangaroo paws to pincushions, plants from Australia include some of the most unusual and amazing low water, low maintenance plants for our gardens.

As the title of her program suggests, Ms. Sterman will be sharing with us the names and habits of some of the plants from Australia that find our Southern California climate an excellent alternative to that country "down under".

She has dedicated her career since 1970 to creating climate

appropriate and sustainable gardens. She has written several books on the topic and has had articles appear in the LA Times, Sunset, Better Homes and Gardens, and has a regular water-wise column for the San Diego Union Tribune. She shares her gardening expertise on the radio and on television.



As a matter of fact, Nan will be hosting a new TV show in San Diego beginning in May 2013 called "A Growing Passion." About all the ways that San Diego "grows", it will be airing on KPBS, public television in San Diego and will also be available to view online through her website as well. And if you have a little wanderlust ~ Nan is leading a garden tour to England next year in early July.

Check out her informative website at [www.plantsoup.com](http://www.plantsoup.com).

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# Help!

## Volunteers needed!

Nancy Boone is looking for a few members to help out with the weekly maintenance of the Pocket Park Garden. Volunteers pick one week out of the month, and for thirty minutes or so you pull weeds, pick up leaves, sweep, etc. Your garden tool tote should contain: Gloves, clippers,

trowel, trash bag, small broom and a kneeling pad. Sign up with a friend, half the time twice the fun!

Nancy will be at the monthly meeting to answer questions and encourage your participation in this worthy civic task.



## OC District Garden Show

A belated congratulations to Jane Johnson a new garden club member who entered and won a Blue Ribbon at the O.C. District Garden Show for her design entry titled: "At The Movies". Wow!



Weeder's Digest is published monthly from September through May for the members of the Laguna Beach Garden Club.

Pam Luttrell, Editor

Additional information about club activities is available at our web site

[www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org](http://www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org)





## *Holiday Tour*

Madeleine Visca, our tour chairperson, has again managed to put together a wonderful Holiday Tour for you of members decorated homes and gardens. This tour is always a favorite. We will meet to carpool at the parking lot for the First Church of Christ, Science (at the corner of High Dr. and Rose Place), on Friday, December 21st at about 1:15 p.m. We will carpool to four member homes to enjoy their festive décor and to catch some great holiday spirit. We will be enjoying the festive holiday tour from 2 p.m. until approx. 4:30 p.m. Any questions call Madeleine at 494-7307.

# *Joy!*



*Multiplies when shared with friends*



### **2012—2013 Membership Books**

Our new directories will again be available for pick-up at our November general meeting. Any books that are not picked up by the **December** meeting will be used for new members, as needed.



**You Signed Up**  
to bring food for the  
refreshment table on  
**December 14th**

- Linda Humes
- Stephanie Irving
- Carla Eddome
- Bonnie Smith
- Fay Bowman
- PJ Gerrard
- Jorja Puma
- Maggie Owens
- Synthia Scofield
- Sally Pack

### **Centerpiece for Table**

Linda Humes

Please arrive by 9:15 am  
with your goodies.

Thank you!



### Club and District Dates to Remember this month



**Wednesdays & Thursdays, 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, December 14, 9:30 a.m.—Monthly Meeting**, at Laguna Presbyterian Church, 415 Forest Ave, Tankersley Hall. Our Speaker: **Nan Sterman** "Aussie Among Us: Low Water Australian Plants for California Gardeners" (see page one)
- ◆ **December Board Meeting will follow the meeting.**
- ◆ **Friday, December 21, 1:30 p.m.—CHRISTMAS MEMBER TOUR**— See page 3 for details. Questions? Call Madeleine Visca 494-7307.

◆ **\*\*HANDOUTS: Please Note:** To be environmentally conscious, all handouts will be posted on LBCG website: [www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org](http://www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org) Please print a copy prior to the meeting. For those who do not have Internet access, ask a fellow member to print a copy for you.

# Have a wonderful Holiday!

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