

November 2009

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Monthly Meeting  
 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 \$137**

**Don't forget to  
 bring plants,  
 slips or cuttings  
 to sell and cash  
 to buy!**

Welcome



**New Members**

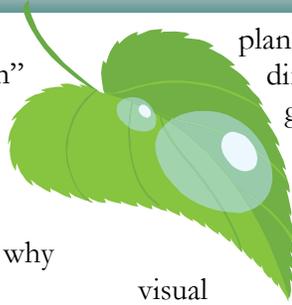
Nancy Boone  
 Liz Davis  
 Becky Dombrowski  
 Marion Habis  
 Susan Longerot

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**Gardening Green in Orange County by Ron Vanderhoff**

“Gardening Green” - aren't most plants green? What exactly does “gardening green” mean, and why should we care?



Ron Vanderhoff, Horticulturist and Roger's Gardens Nursery Manager will be here to share all his secrets about creating a garden that conserves our natural resources, is friendly to the Orange County environment, with no pollution—a garden that “fits” the region.

As he brings us along on this “green” journey he will help us identify some of our natural resource issues such as water, pollution, green waste and invasive plants. Then sharing his strategies we will learn what is needed to overcome these issues with better

plant selection, different irrigation techniques and composting. He will have visual examples of attractive local “green” gardens.

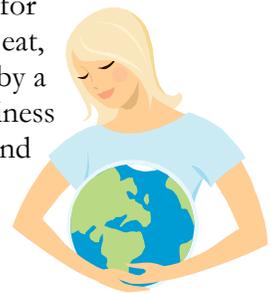
Ron enjoys sharing his passion for plants and gardens and is particularly interested in experimenting with new plants and new techniques.

Ron writes a popular weekly newspaper column, The Coastal Gardener, and has contributed to many newspaper and magazine articles as well as radio and television programs. He is a special contributor to The Sunset Western Garden Book, the most popular gardening book in the western U.S.

Within the nursery industry, Ron is considered an industry leader, and his insights into garden and business trends are well known.

Currently, he reminds us that gardening is changing—people want a fresh approach—a garden that is friendly to the environment, does not pollute and that conserves our natural resources. Almost certainly this is a garden that reflects a sense of place, which “fits” it's region—both in plants as well as spirit.

So, please join us on Friday November 13 beginning at 9:30 a.m. for greet and eat, followed by a short business meeting and then our program.



**Silent Auction**

The second annual “CREATIVE CONTAINER” event will culminate with a silent auction, so don't forget your check book! Come early so you have the time and opportunity to bid on your favorite. The money from this event will go towards our scholarship fund.





### Blue Ribbon Winners and a Live Auction!

Joyce Conway and Chris Lutz both entered the District Garden Club's flower show at Sherman Gardens and came away with three 1st place blue ribbons, a 2nd place red ribbon, the arboreal award and several honorable mentions! Joyce won for her winter blooming Proteas, and Chris won for his bromeliads. They will be showcased on one of the side tables with their respective ribbons.



Chris Lutz will be auctioning off to the highest bidder an example of his Blue Ribbon winner Bromialiad Neoregelia "Strawberry". He says, "this plant has two pups already and has been a good reliable producer of pups."

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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)



**DON'T FORGET!**

### Creative Containers for Silent Auction

Participants need to be sure their planted containers are at the church and ready for auction by 9:00 a.m. Bid sheets will be provided and you will be required to set the initial bid (\$8 for pot plus cost of material).



Our dedicated Plant Table lady, Gloria, is looking for two or three volunteers to help unload her car, set up items on the plant table, price items and sell them at our monthly meeting. You would need to arrive at 8:45

a.m., and stay after the meeting to help sell those last minute items and help her pack up the leftovers and take them to her car. If you are interested in helping call Janene Freitas at 497-9920

You  
Signed  
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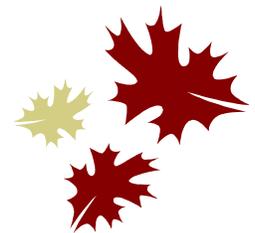


to bring  
food for the  
refreshment table on  
November 13

- Jeanne Yale
- Shirley Bowen
- Mary Paulsen
- Gilda Marshall
- Liz Wetzel
- Synthia Scofield
- Gayle Brown
- Martie McClusky
- Wendy Caulfield
- Kathleen Kane
- Cheryl Moeller
- Dorothy Goldberg

Centerpiece for Table  
Shirley Forden

Please arrive by 9:15 am  
with your goodies.



Thank you!

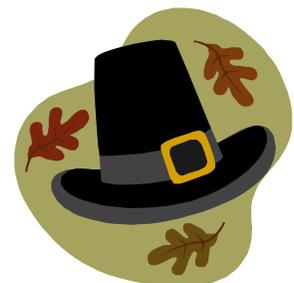
# Happy Thanksgiving



## October Green Thumb Forum at de la Rose Florist

Participants gathered at the quaint Laguna florist, de la Rose, for a wonderful class of hands on instruction in the art of floral design. We observed two techniques for arranging and preparing roses and orchids. Each member brought home a beautiful arrangement!

Green Thumb will not meet in November or December due to the holidays. Our January class will meet Friday January 15. Please plan to join us as we learn the art of making a succulent wall hanging.





## *Share the Joy of the Season...*

Madeleine Visca, our tour chairperson is looking for a few homes and gardens to visit for our Christmas members tour. If you decorate for the Holidays and want to share the joy of the season, contact Madeleine at 494-7307



## Refreshments

Due to a scheduled remodel of the church kitchen, we will not have access to the kitchen until completion of the remodel.

Members bringing refreshments please bring your item ready to serve and with proper serving utensil.

REMEMBER—Coffee is now being purchased from Laguna Coffee, the charge is \$1 per cup.

Thank you for your cooperation. Bon Appetit!

## Club and District Dates to Remember in November

- ◆ **Wednesdays, November, 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, November 13, 9:30 a.m.**—Monthly meeting, at Neighborhood Congregational Church, St. Ann's Drive & Glenneyre, Laguna Beach. Ron Vanderhoff speaker, (see page one for details)
- ◆ **Monday, November 23, 9:30 a.m.**—LBGC Board meeting, Hostess Pam Luttrell. Committee Chairs welcome. 25791 Delta Ave., Mission Viejo 768-9406
- ◆ **Thursday November 26—Happy Thanksgiving!**