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



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 Digest

## Smart Vertical Gardening for Small and Large Spaces



**Rebecca Sweet** is a landscape designer, author, and lifelong gardener based in Northern California.

Rebecca shares her secrets to successful garden design in her column "Harmony in the Garden" featured in *Horticulture Magazine*, and has been a radio guest on GardenLife and Martha Stewart Living. Her gardens have also been featured in *Fine Gardening*, *Women's Day*, *Country Almanac* and *American Gardener*.

der-utilized side yards. Urban or suburban, large or small, every garden can benefit from gardening up.

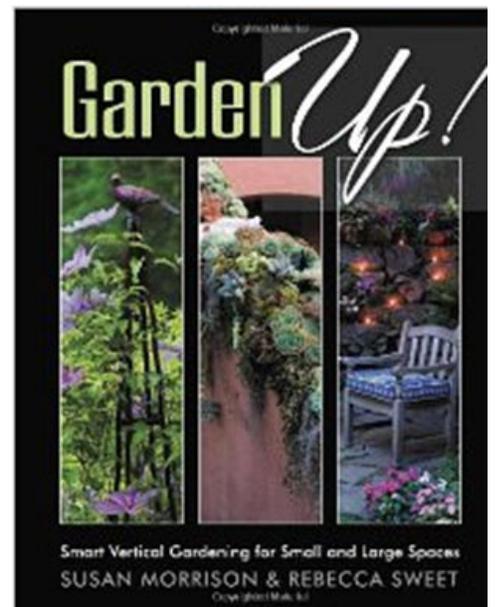
If your interest is skinny space gardening, edibles, urban gardens, living walls, design solutions or plant picks, you will enjoy hearing Rebecca speak. You will be able to purchase the book, *Garden Up! Smart Vertical Gardening for Small and Large Spaces* at the discounted price of \$18.00. Please pay with cash or check.

### The Plant Table needs your donations!

Bring in your cuttings potted or not, holiday stuff, pots, garden magazines, just about anything pertaining to gardening.



For many, the term vertical gardening brings to mind the vast, multi-story living walls found in urban centers and public gardens throughout Europe and the U.S., but there's a place for vertical gardening in home gardens as well. There are living wall options that are simple enough for beginners to install and maintain, not to mention a whole range of vertical strategies for skinny planting beds, blank walls and fences, edible gardening and un-



**Welcome!**  
**New Member**  
 Barbara Wiseman



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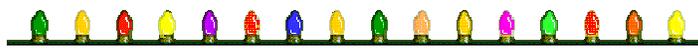
## Deck the Halls Holiday Member Tour

Our wonderful holiday tour of members decorated homes and gardens has always been a favorite in our club, as I'm sure it will be again this year!

Friday, December 16, at 1:00 p.m. we will meet at the parking lot for the First Church of Christ, Science (at the corner of High Dr. and Rose Place), We will car-pool to several members homes enjoying their festive décor and rev up some great holiday spirit!



Questions? Contact Madeleine at 494-7307





### Calling New Members, Old Members, All Members

The Laguna Beach Garden Club will have several openings on the Board of Directors next year, if you've ever thought you might like to participate in, and help drive, the direction of the garden club here are the positions that will be open for 2012—2013 :

- ◆ President
- ◆ Programs
- ◆ Publicity
- ◆ Ways and Means
- ◆ Financial Secretary



If you want to know what each of these jobs entail, contact Lecia Davis our President, or the person who does the job now, they will be pleased to share their insights and the duties relating to their specific office.



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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)



# Big Sale

The Garden Boutique in the church courtyard is more commonly known as the **Plant Table**, but thanks to Gloria Manders it should be called "Plants and More", much more!

Gloria and her "staff" have worked very hard and as a result last year quadrupled the revenue from the Plant Table, all this extra revenue goes to support our club projects. Gloria truly sees the glass half full and endless possibilities for what might sell on that plant table. She loves garage sales and she even propagates plants from her own collection to donate to the boutique.

But alas, since our move to our new meeting site the donations to the plant table have dwindled, as a matter of fact without a few of our members magnanimous contributions of orchids, proteas and succulents we would have little to offer for sale. So Gloria is sending out a S.O.S. in hopes of getting you to search around your home for something you could offer for the plant table for December.



If you would like to donate to the Plant Table, these are some of the best selling items: unique well made baskets; designer vases; cachepots for small plants; bird houses; and blooming plants, although most plants sell well whether blooming

or not. December is a good month to bring holiday decorations, books, etc.

Gloria and staff will even provide curbside service—just drop your donation off at the back alley entrance to the courtyard, then park and join the line up for coffee, refreshments and just maybe you'll see a treasure on the plant table you can't do without!



Thanks to Gloria and her staff for all the work they do, every month, in assembling, pricing and selling our donations. Great job!



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

**December 9**

**Nancy Wade**

**Liz Wetzel**

**Dot Benedict**

**Gayle Brown**

**Synthia Scofield**

**Shirley Case**

**P.J. Gerrard**

**Chris Lutz**

**Dianne Gooding**

**Ingrid Martinez**

**Dana Victorson**

**Jackie Knauer**

**Suzanne Stocker**

**Centerpiece for Table**

**Shirley Forden**

Please arrive by 9:15 am  
with your goodies.

Thank you!



*It's the things in common that  
make relationships enjoyable, but  
it's the little differences that  
make them interesting.*

~Todd Ruthman

# November Green Thumb—looks like fun...



## Club and District Dates to Remember this month

- ◆ **Wednesdays, Every Month 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! Contact Nancy Kirschke for details—494-6693.
- ◆ **Friday, December 9, 9:30 a.m.—Monthly Meeting**, at Laguna Presbyterian Church, 415 Forest Ave, Tankersley Hall. Our Speaker: Rebecca Sweet "Vertical Gardening for Small and Large Spaces" (see page one for details).
- ◆ **Friday, December 9, 11:45 a.m.**—LBGC Board will meet immediately following the regular meeting
- ◆ **Friday, December 16, 1:00 p.m.—Christmas Member Tour**—meet at First Church of Christ, Science, parking lot (at the corner of High Dr. and Rose Place). (see page two for details).



# Happy Holidays