



**LAGUNA BEACH  
GARDEN CLUB**

**GROWING & GIVING**  
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# *Weeder's Digest*

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## **Editor's Note**

Fall has arrived and like the words of Hubert Wolf in his 1936, *Peoples, Landfalls, Mountains - "Listen! The Wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves. We have had our summer evenings, now for October Eves"*, I am sure many of you are ready for our weather to turn cooler.

As our summer fades away and the busy fall holiday season begins, remember to take some time out for yourself. Take advantage of our club and the wonderful things it has to offer this month. Whether you take pride in your city and spend some time maintaining our Sister City Garden, or sit down and learn something new at our Green Thumb, you'll be sure to melt your stress away!



## **October General Meeting**

**Friday, October 9**

Laguna Presbyterian Church - Tankersley Hall, 415 Forest Ave., LB

**9:30 am Social - 10:00 am Meeting**



# Upcoming Events

## OCTOBER SPEAKER

### Frederick Law Olmsted: Environmental Visionary

Our speaker this month will be a highlight of our season's presenters. Kirk Brown will dress in period costume of the 1850's and take on the persona of Frederick Law Olmsted and give a dramatic presentation on the life of the father of Landscape Architecture, who created cities out of the American wilderness, and began a conservation movement still challenging the world today.

Frederick Law Olmsted had been a *New York Times* correspondent to the Confederate states and the manager of a California gold mine. He did not start his career as a landscape architect until he was 44 and had no formal training in the field. Yet he changed the landscape of America: starting with the design of New York's Central Park in 1858 and continuing with Biltmore, Buffalo's parks system (the first of its kind!), the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago, the grounds of the U.S. Capitol, the establishment of the National Parks and so much more. The Olmsted Partnership designed parks for more than 5500 towns and communities throughout North America.

Come hear Frederick Law Olmsted (as interpreted by Kirk R. Brown) speak about design and his fascinating influential life. It is a presentation you will not want to miss!!

## **Green Thumb - Succulent Wreath**

**Friday, October 16, 9:30 am - Cost: \$15.00**

**Jeanne Yale's Home, 502 Pearl Street, LB**

**Join us as Jeanne once again helps us to create our own beautiful drought-tolerant succulent wreath. Our beautiful creations, when maintained properly, will last us for many months to come! This event always fills up quickly, so be sure to R.S.V.P. at our October general meeting to reserve your spot!**

## **Tours and Travels**

### **Bluebird Canyon Farms**

**This month's Tours and Travel takes us to our very own Bluebird Canyon Farms. Join us as we get a guided tour by owner/operator Scott Tenney. We will also be visiting two of our member's gardens.**

**We will meet at St. Catherine's Church on Temple Terrace at 8:45 am and leave no later than 9:00 am. Bring a brown bag lunch to enjoy.**

**Hope to see you there!!**

## **Sister City Garden Maintenance**

**Come join us on the first, third, and fifth Monday of each month at 10:00 am at the Sister Cities Garden in Heisler Park. The cross streets are Jasmine Street and Cliff Drive. Please bring your favorite gardening tools and thank you in advance for your participation!**

**Please contact Cathy Bosko if you are interested in helping to maintain our beautiful Sister Cities Gardens. Her contact information is in your membership booklet.**



# October Reminders



Please remember to pick up for 2015-2016 Membership Book at our October meeting if you have not done so already. It has all the information you will need to keep you informed of all our club events the whole year through.

## From Elaine Davis, LBGC Ways and Means and District Director

1. Please sign up for the Orange District Meeting, held in Laguna Beach on October 19, details on page 6.
2. Orange District is hosting the 2016 State Convention May 19 - 21 at a hotel in Irvine. Please plan to attend one or more of the lunches, dinners and workshops.
3. We are collecting shoes (from heels to boots), wine corks, and forks for workshops for the convention. Please bring any of these items that you may have to donate to the October meeting, and each meeting through May.
4. I was contacted by a woman who was moving her mother from Costa Mesa to live near her in San Diego. She asked if the club would like to have items from her mother's yard. I picked up a truckload of stuff, some of which I will bring to the plant table at the October meeting. All proceeds from this sale will go to the scholarship funds. There is also a very heavy 3-piece wrought iron set, which will be available from my house. The suggested donation is \$100 and includes delivery to your home.

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## Needed:

### Garden Club Volunteers to encourage a new Generation of gardeners.

Where: Top of the World School Gardens

What: You will be paired with parent volunteers and given lessons by an Ecology Center Mentor

When: You could volunteer weekly or just 3 times a year

Who: Contact Kelly Osburne at: [kellyosbourne@gmail.com](mailto:kellyosbourne@gmail.com)

Thank you to our wonderful members who signed up to provide us with our refreshments for this month:

Laura McCants, Gale Whitaker, Marilyn Ghere, Lisa Mahar, Ingrid Harris, Janet Smith, Colleen and David Friedly, Chris Ranabarge, and

Janet C.



## LBGC

### WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

## Susan Neal

The centerpiece for our October refreshment table is being provided by the fabulous Diane Lannon

Don't forget to visit our plant table before the general meeting. You never know what treasures you may find! Also, bring anything you don't want any more. One man's trash is another man's treasure!



## Orange County District Meeting

Monday, October 19, 9:00 am

"Dry Farming & More Dry Farming"

Home of Gloria Broming

604 Anita St., Laguna Beach

Cost: \$10.00

Please sign up at our October meeting



### Our Club is a Member of:

National Garden Club, Inc. - [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

Pacific Region - [www.pacificregiongardenclubs.com](http://www.pacificregiongardenclubs.com)

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



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