



# Into the Garden

The Gardeners' Club  
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## Bill the Bulb Baron

We are fortunate to have the world's leading authority on Tazetta Narcissus living close to us. William Welch, or Bill the Bulb Baron as he's called, was captivated with the Single Chinese Narcissus growing in his back yard as a child, when no one knew much about them. He was amazed by their ability to thrive on neglect. The clumps of single and double Chinese growing everywhere showed how drought tolerant Tazetta Narcissus are, making them ideal for our area.



Today, all of Bill's waking moments are spent working in the field digging, growing, picking and hybridizing Narcissus and other bulbs. He decided to grow Tazetta Narcissus bulbs for a living, so he would be able to work on hybridizing them every chance he got. Since no one else seemed interested in preserving the old varieties that still exist, he made it his mission in life to collect as many as he could find. At his field at Moss Landing he has the largest collection of Tazetta Narcissus in the world. He uses many of these varieties for pollination to create new types of Narcissus. His goal is to develop varieties with different shaped cups, different colors, double petals, and also varieties that have different fragrances, different seasons of bloom and ones that multiply well in the garden.

Bills says, "As easy to grow as weeds! Ideal for the worst soils—clay/adobe, rocky, gravelly, sandy, too-hot, too-dry, etc. Plant 'em and forget 'em—ideal for the 'brown-thumb' casual gardener. Absolutely permanent in most locations—sun or part shade. No water required, no summer water required. Five-six—month bloom sequence of varieties (Oct./Nov. until April 1st). Most varieties not available elsewhere! All my bulbs are very highly drought resistant and most of them are deer, squirrel and gopher-proof! I grow plants that work. My bulbs are ideal for problem soils

and other hostile conditions!"

"I am the world's leading authority, AND hybridizer, of Tazetta narcissus, with the most genetically diverse collection in the world...my entire life is dedicated to the betterment of Tazetta narcissus—they are truly my family! And I probably have the world's most diverse and color-advanced collection of Amaryllis belladonna hybrids which I have developed as well...and most likely the main breeder of Amarcrinums."

"These bulbs are the best quality and the most numerous they have ever been...the warming climate here has made for more bloom and more bults than ever on Narcissus, Amaryllis, Amarcrinums, Oxbloods, etc. You can find heirloom freesia that smell sweeter than modern hybrids, heirloom nerine, heirloom Byzantine (spring-blooming) gladiolus, plus Oxblood Lilies--RED and PINK!--and numerous AMAZING Amaryllis belladonna hybrids & Amarcrinums--they are way easy."

Bill will bring a wide selection of bulbs for sale after his talk While he is able to process credit cards at the talk, cash or check is preferred, as it is so much quicker and free of glitches in the feeding-frenzy of serving everyone's bulb-buying needs all at once before they have to rush off at the end of the talk!

He has such a stunning variety and it will be challenging narrowing your choices, so if you want to learn more about varieties, growing information, etc. before the meeting go to his website at <http://www.billthebulbbaron.com/index.htm>. Some of his bulbs can also be purchased at San Lorenzo Garden Center, The Garden Company and Scarborough Gardens.

Thursday, NOV. 8th, 7 p.m at the Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr.  
Refreshments will be served. Thank you to Janine Canada,  
Julie Prendergast and Marge Gregory.

Wonderful Thanksgiving and Holiday items will be available at the 33rd annual Wreath & Gift Sale! Local artists join forces with talented Arboretum volunteers to produce one-of-kind living succulent wreaths and dried floral wreaths, floral centerpieces and other artwork for the sale. These beautiful botanic decorations will make the perfect seasonal accent for your home, or holiday gift for loved ones!

This is **the only collection you will find** that draws upon the Arboretum's rare and extraordinary succulents and dried plants. From amazing Australian Banksias to South African Proteas, the Arboretum has a world of natural materials to inspire. Succulent pumpkins and dish gardens will also be for sale! These are the perfect decorations and centerpieces to last through the holidays.

Get creative! The artistry of these volunteers may encourage you to buy plants or dried flowers to make your own creations. **Wreath making demonstrations and a wide variety of succulents will be available.**

Memberships will be available at the door or sign-up now by visiting <https://arboretum.ucsc.edu/support/index.html>

Interested in being an event volunteer? Sign-up here: [www.volunteersignup.org/M3RHW](http://www.volunteersignup.org/M3RHW)



UCSC ARBORETUM & BOTANIC GARDEN'S  
33RD ANNUAL  
**GIFT & WREATH  
SALE**  
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 17TH, 2018  
MEMBERS' PRE-SALE 9AM-10AM  
GENERAL PUBLIC 10AM-4PM  
FREE ENTRY



## The Gardener's Year



"We say that spring is the time for germination; really the time for germination is autumn. While we only look at Nature, it is fairly true to say that autumn is the end of the year; but still more true it is that autumn is the beginning of the year. It is a popular opinion that in autumn leaves fall, and I really cannot deny it; I assert only that in a certain deeper sense autumn is the time when in fact the leaves bud. Leaves wither because winter begins; but they also wither because spring is already beginning, because new buds are being made, as tiny as percussion caps out of which the spring will crack. It is an optical illusion that trees and bushes are naked in autumn; they are, in fact, sprinkled over with everything that will unpack and unroll in spring. It is only an optical illusion that my flowers die in autumn; for in reality they are born. We say that Nature rests, yet she is working like mad. She has only shut up shop and pulled the shutters down; but behind them she is unpacking new goods, and the shelves are becoming so full that they bend under the load. This is the real spring; what is not done now will not be done in April. The future is not in front of us, for it is here already in the shape of a germ; already it is with us; and what is not with us will not be even in the future. We don't see germs because they are under the earth; we don't know the future because it is within us..." —Karel Čapek, 1929



The UC Santa Cruz Arboretum & Botanic Garden and the  
Ray Collett Rare and Extraordinary Plants Lecture Series presents:

# Liv O'Keeffe

*What People Don't Know*

Lessons from Two Years with the California Native Plant Society



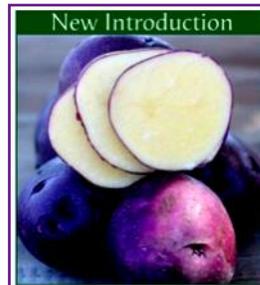
**Thursday, November 1, 2018**  
**7pm, Hort II Meeting Hall**  
UCSC Arboretum & Botanic Garden

In 2016, marketing and communications professional Liv O'Keeffe left a thriving corporate career for a once-in-a-lifetime chance to join one of the worlds' most influential botanical conservation organizations. Hear

the three things that blew her mind and what she wants every Californian to know. Liv O'Keeffe was born and raised in California, where she nicknamed her first houseplant at age 8, caught polliwogs at the nearby swamp, and imagined the natural world to be her Narnia. A journalist by trade, she went on to become a digital and content strategist, most recently serving as the digital marketing director for the Northern California-based Sutter Health, an organization of 50,000 employees. Today, she is the Senior Director of Communications and Engagement for the California Native Plant Society where she's working to help her fellow humans appreciate the intersection between our deep need for beauty, our native plants and places, and, ultimately, our survival.

**Free Community Event**  
More information at <https://arboretum.ucsc.edu/education/ray-collett>  
or (831) 502-2998  
Donations Welcome!

## Renee's Garden Potatoes



**Organic Seed Potatoes**  
**Huckleberry Gold: The**  
**First Low Glycemic**  
**Potato!**

You can order Certified Organic Seed Potatoes now from Renee's Garden, for delivery at the right time for spring planting. They have some outstanding selections, including this exciting new

variety. Developed at Montana State University, it is not only exceptionally high in antioxidants, but, unlike other potato varieties, Huckleberry Gold has a low glycemic index. That means anyone watching their carbohydrate intake can literally have their potatoes and eat them too! Diabetics can enjoy these potatoes because they do not cause the rapid spike in blood sugar that normally comes with eating starchy foods.

Growing your own potato crop offers the opportunity for wonderful choices. Homegrown potatoes are delicious, easy to grow, nutrition-packed and high in fiber. Check out some of the possibilities at <https://www.reneesgarden.com/>

## SEED NATURE CRAFT CLASS

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH**  
**10AM TO 2PM**

**UCSC ARBORETUM AND**  
**BOTANIC GARDEN**

Come gain hands-on experience with seed saving, learn strategies for habitat restoration, and explore the life cycle of select native plants.

- observe and make field sketches of plants in the garden
- Learn how to winnow seeds, separating seeds from chaff
- take home a collection of native seeds to start a garden

**And...**print a silkscreen image on a seed-collecting bandana that shows the life cycle of four select natives



**Instructors: Vincent Waring**  
**and Melody Overstreet**

To secure your space for the

workshop, register & pay for the class, call the Arboretum office Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm at 831-502-2998. If you are unable to make the class, notice of cancellation must be received by the office by 12 noon on the Wednesday prior to receive a refund. No refunds will be granted if notice of your cancellation is not received by this time

## Growing A Greener World YouTube Channel

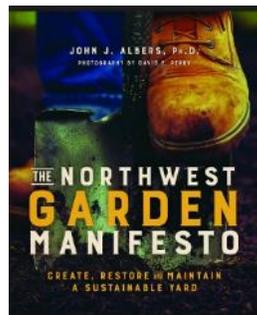
The latest episode (909) of Growing a Greener World showed recently on PBS, featuring the remarkable, sustainable - landscape of John Albers Ph.D. in Bremerton, Washington. You'll be happy to know that, even though we can't watch Joe Lamp'l's excellent TV series in our area, he now has a YouTube channel where we can watch any of the episodes whenever we want. Go to <https://www.youtube.com/ggwtv> and learn so much.



John Albers wasn't always a gardener. He was, and is, a medical researcher and Research Professor of Medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine. Two decades ago, John began to develop an interest in gardening. He took evening horticulture classes, and then, he took what he learned to a whole new level.

John the researcher eagerly put his newfound knowledge to the test, transforming his four acre property into an exquisite example of gardening at its finest. As he experimented with plantings and gardening methodologies through the years, seven key principles and the importance of sustainability began to form his thinking and his landscape.

John's skill and passion for teaching eventually brought him to the front of the horticulture classes in which he began as a student. As he taught other new gardeners, he gave tours of his property and developed a book—[The-Northwest Garden Manifesto](#) - to encourage others to think sustainably in their own gardens.



Published in 2017, the book features the seven principles of sustainable gardening which took root in John's landscape:

- \* Create, Conserve & Protect Healthy Soil
- \* Maintain Healthy Plants
- \* Conserve Water & Other Natural Resources
- \* Protect Water & Air Quality
- \* Protect & Enhance Wildlife Habitat
- \* Conserve Energy
- \* Use Sustainable Methods & Materials

Joe Lamp'l says, "Each one on this list is important in its own right; but together, they create a symphony of beauty, wildlife diversity, ecological responsibility, and a richness of experience that

feeds the senses. In this episode, we explore how every gardener can weave these methods into their own corner of the world. Well-known photographer, David Perry was invited to capture visually John's principles on living display in the landscape. David, an accomplished gardener in his own right, was captivated and inspired by what he saw in Bremerton. I think you will be too."

### Recommended Podcasts

Friend Barbara Vorlop, long-time Gardeners' Club member and Arboretum volunteer, moved to Portland, Oregon, where she is excitedly starting a new garden. I'm so jealous

that she doesn't have gophers. She shared a couple of podcasts that she has been enjoying:

The first is "Let's Argue About Plants," .the podcast for people who love plants—but not always the same ones. Brought to you by the



editors of Fine Gardening, this fun, informative podcast tackles all things topical in gardening. You'll listen to the insights (and arguments) of Editor-in-Chief Steve Aitken

and Senior Editor Danielle Sherry as they discuss various horticultural subjects on a deeper level. You will also hear from today's leading horticultural minds who will offer their wisdom and opinions about what you might want to grow in your garden. They guarantee you'll be entertained and feel like a better gardener. Listen free on iTunes (<https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/lets-argue-about-plants/id1230090911?mt=2>).

Then there's one just called "Gardening Show." It's from Melbourne, Australia. Barbara says, "Of course, when they talk about native plants, they mean plants that are grown and sold at the Arb. The hosts and guests get quite excited about it when they hear of people in other places appreciating their native plants. They are very serious about drought! I heard one exasperated reference to the fact that their government doesn't recognize global warning. A fun little thing is that, as you know, the seasons are reversed. The first one I listened to, their daffodils were just blooming. In the more recent one, the tulips are finished. Also, they speak of harsh, drying north winds. It plays with your brain. I like it because, in general, they assume that the listeners are plants lovers who didn't take it up last week."

Go to <https://www.3cr.org.au/gardening> to have a listen.

### Sow Biennial Seeds Now



Biennial seeds can be broadcasted at this time with the promise of flowers come next fall. Hollyhocks and perennial foxgloves are good prospects.



I have thoroughly enjoyed being Treasurer for the past 4 years. I've gotten to see many beautiful gardens and attend lots of great pot lucks! Not to mention by being a Board Member you get

first pick at the monthly plant table, and an equal say as to what our goals and missions are. However, effective January 2019, I need to leave my post. Here are some of the duties:

- 1) Manage the check book, pay all bills, rent, and make all monthly deposits. Check the bank statement monthly and give a report to Board and membership
- 2) Bring the money box monthly to the regular meeting and then count it afterwards. For other money-makers do the same.
- 3) Prepare a end-of-the-year report for Board.

If you are responsible, can manage a checkbook and make a yearly report...you are the person for the job. I will be there to guide you the first month or so as needed. Everything is current, organized and up to date.

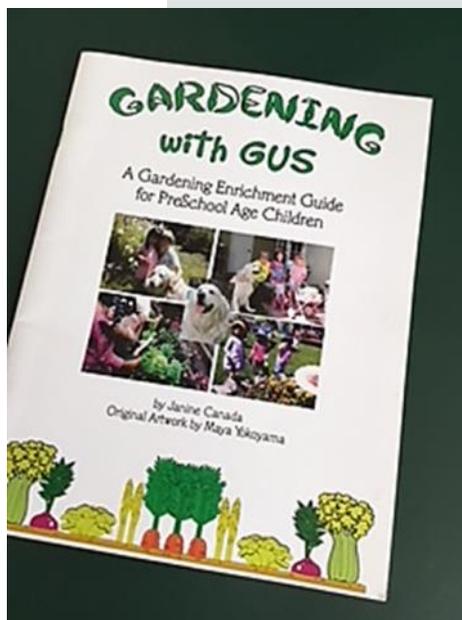
Would you please consider?  
Thanks! Denise Rossi



## Gardening with Gus (and Janine Canada!)

The book Gardening with Gus was written by our own Hospitality Chair, Janine Canada, in September, 2008. At the time, she owned and operated Sunflower Kids, an in-home, half-day enrichment program. It focused on the garden and outdoor activities including worm composting, growing veggies and cooking activities, to mention a few of the activities.

Janine was recently contacted by Life Lab and they're interested in using her book at Pre-School Teacher Workshops and posting the book on their website for teachers to download (she is already featured in the Life Lab publication The Growing Classroom Activity



Guide.)

Janine says, " I adopted Gus when he was 1 1/2 and he was SO happy when I started Sunflower Kids! He loved the children and they adored him....he even took naps with a few of the kids when they were picked up in mid-afternoon. For those children who didn't have pets, he became 'their' pet and he was a comfort for the shy children. We even had



a birth-day party, with all the families, when he turned 10!

Gus—Original Watercolor by Christina Olson



Here is one of the pages of the book. It was illustrated by Maya (that's her in the photos) , who was 10 at the time, and was Janine's first Sunflower Kid. She's 20 now!

## Last Call for Planting Garlic



Aim to get your garlic planted by the end of this month. Member Nikolara Dunbar-Jansons suggested

<https://www.keeneorganics.com/>

checking out Keene's Organic Garlics for their

selection and resources,

They suggest soaking your garlic before planting, something I never heard of: "You may choose to do a fish emulsion soak to give them a fertilizer boost and reduce diseases that could be carried with the garlic. I highly recommend this step!!!! After the cloves are separated, put them in a bucket of warm water with a tablespoon of Baking Soda and a tablespoon of Fish Emulsion. Soak the garlic in the mixture for 1 hour to 12 hours (the longer the better). Drain. Put cloves into a bucket of Vodka, so they can soak for 10 minutes.

**San Lorenzo  
Garden Center,  
235 River Street  
Santa Cruz**



## Propagating Rhododendrons from Cuttings

**Saturday November 10, 2018 | 10am-12pm**

Experts from the **American Rhododendron Society of Monterey Bay** will be here demonstrating how to create plants from cuttings.

**This is a hands-on project!** You will be able to create your own plants and take them home. Featured will be cutting material from the Maddenii Series and Vireya Series Rhododendron which thrive in our climate.

Presented by the Monterey Bay Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society, the take-home cuttings you create at this workshop should be blooming in three to five years. "Maddenii Series and Vireya Series rhododendrons are rhododendrons that are superb for our area but are unfortunately not provided by nurseries like they should. Many maddenii and vireya hybrids, which are in the nursery trade, were created in California. Maddenies and vireyas are ideal for our climate, make good container plants, and many have fragrant flowers. Presenter Mike McCullough is a charter member of the De Anza Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society, a longtime associate member of the Monterey Bay Chapter, and has been growing rhododendrons for many years.

### Caring for Anna's Hummingbirds



**Anna's hummingbirds spend all winter here. Keep your feeders stocked. This may be their only source of food during the winter months.**

**Don't adjust your sugar solution. Keep the ratio of sugar to water the same: 1 part white sugar to 4 parts water.**

**Hang more than one feeder. Anna's hummingbirds don't share well! Multiple feeders will reduce competition.**

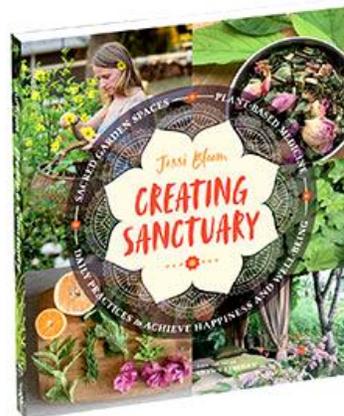
**Make sure your hummingbird feeders are clean—wash and sterilize every two weeks to prevent the spread of disease.**



### **Ground Rules: 100 Easy Lessons for Growing a More Glorious Garden**

By Kate Frey

Gardening doesn't have to be difficult, and Kate Frey—expert gardener and designer—makes it easier than ever with her new book, Ground Rules. Frey distills the vital lessons gardening into 100 simple rules that will yield a gorgeous, healthy, and thriving home garden. Discover tips on garden design, care and maintenance, healthy soil, and the best ways to water. You'll also learn how to create a garden that encourages birds and butterflies, how to choose healthy plants at the garden center, how and when to re-pot a container, and much more. With bite-size chunks of expert information and inspiring photographs, Ground Rules is your new go-to resource.



Coming this month:

### **Creating Sanctuary: Sacred Garden Spaces, Plant-Based Medicine, and Daily Practices to Achieve Happiness and Well-Being**

By Jessi Bloom

Photographs by Shawn Linehan

*In this beautiful, inspiring, and hands-on, practical book we are invited to look deeply at the landscape around us and create sacred respites from our busy worlds. -Rosemary Gladstar, herbalist and author*

We all need a personal sanctuary where we can be in harmony with the natural world and can nurture our bodies, minds, and souls. And this sanctuary doesn't have to be a far-away destination—it can be in your own backyard. In Creating Sanctuary, Jessi Bloom taps into multiple sources of traditional plant wisdom to help find a deeper connection to the outdoor space you already have—no matter the size. Equal parts inspirational and practical, this engaging guide includes tips on designing a healing space, plant profiles for 50 sacred plants, recipes that harness the medicinal properties of plants, and simple instructions for daily rituals and practices for self-care. Hands-on, inspiring, and beautiful, Creating Sanctuary is a must-have for finding new ways to revitalize our lives.

## Green Tomatoes



Cooler weather is here to stay, but don't waste all the green tomatoes left over at the end of the growing season. If it is still over 50 degrees during the day, leave fruit on the vine as long as possible. Remove any flowers and small fruit, and decrease watering. When daytime temps are consistently below 50 and before first frost, harvest all fruit. Place it in a well-spaced single layer in a box lined with newspaper. To speed up

ripening, add a couple of apples. Cover loosely with brown paper bags. Check weekly for ripened tomatoes and remove any rotted fruit.

You can freeze green tomatoes whole and unskinned. You can make them into a sauce, soup or curry to freeze. You can also try this: wash and slice the tomatoes. Pour out some yellow cornmeal in a shallow dish. Coat the tomatoes well. Stack the slices in baggies and freeze. Next time you want fried green tomatoes, just place them in your buttered pan, without defrosting, and fry! Salt, pepper or seasonings can be added at this time. More tips on freezing green tomatoes are at <https://www.thriftyfun.com/Freezing-Green-Tomatoes-2.html>

There are many, many recipes to use green tomatoes, either to preserve or eat as part of an autumn/winter meal.

Here is a simple sauce which is delicious served over pasta.

### END OF HARVEST ROASTED GREEN TOMATO SAUCE

(Adapted from recipe by Deborah Mele)

Ingredients:

4 Pounds Fresh Green Tomatoes, Coarsely Chopped\*  
1 Small Onion, Peeled & Chopped  
3 Garlic Cloves, Peeled & Minced  
1/4 Cup Extra Virgin Olive Oil  
Fresh or dried basil (optional)  
Salt, Pepper and Red Chilli Flakes To Taste

\*This sauce has little tang to it. You can mix in some ripe red tomatoes if you want to mellow the flavor, or you can add a tablespoon or two of sugar.

Directions: Preheat oven to 400 degrees F in heavy Dutch oven or oven-proof casserole dish, place the tomatoes, onion, garlic, and olive oil and stir. Season with salt, pepper and red pepper flakes. Place in oven and roast for 1 hour uncovered, stirring once. Check the sauce, stir well, and cook until it has thickened, about another 30 to 45 minutes. You can serve it as is, chunky, or blend the sauce once it has been cooked to create a smoother texture.

Don't stop now—how about dessert? Try this recipe from Renee's Garden.

## APPLE AND GREEN TOMATO PIE

This memorably delicious pie is a hands-down winner – not too sweet, but with real texture and body. You'll find it becomes one of your signature recipes and a great way to use end of the season tomatoes.

Ingredients:

- \* Pastry for a double crust 9-inch pie (pre-prepared uncooked pie crust from the market is fine for this recipe)
- \* 2 T orange marmalade
- \* 1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- \* 1/2 cup sugar
- \* 1/4 cup quick cooking tapioca
- \* 1/2 cup golden raisins
- \* 1 T orange zest
- \* 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- \* 1/4 tsp ground ginger
- \* 1/4 tsp salt
- \* 6 medium green tomatoes, thinly sliced
- \* 4 large Granny Smith or Gala apples, thinly sliced cored and peeled
- \* 2 T cold unsalted butter or margarine, cut in pieces



European-style pizza topping: green tomato and a good scatter of fresh chilli.

Preheat oven to 425° F. Use a 9 inch pie pan. Divide pastry in half; roll out one-half pastry leaving a 1 inch overhang. Brush marmalade evenly over bottom of pastry. In a small bowl, mix sugars, tapioca, raisins, zest, cinnamon, ginger and salt until well combined. Layer tomatoes, sugar mixture, apples and a few pieces of butter repeatedly until all ingredients are used. Roll out the remaining pastry and lay it over the filling. Crimp edges together to seal and make several small slits on top. Put pie pan on cookie sheet lined with foil to catch any juicy drips. If desired, brush with milk or melted butter and sprinkle with sugar before baking. Bake in preheated oven for 15 minutes at 425° F, reduce heat to 325° F and bake 35 to 40 minutes longer. Note: You can make 2 single crust deep dish pies from this recipe by doubling the filling, lining each pie with pastry and covering both with your favorite crumb topping before baking. Baking time will be the same.





Autumn Wreaths with a Twist Workshop  
November 17th \$ 85.00

Holiday Wreaths with a Twist Workshop  
Offered Multiple Dates \$ 85.00

**November 17th, 2 p.m.**

Try this fun, Autumn inspired workshop creating wreaths perfect for your front door when welcoming Thanksgiving guests. Learn how to make long-lasting wreaths from scratch! Made from traditional pine and fir, they will be adorned with gorgeous, fresh and locally grown foliage such as leucadendrons, pepper berries and eucalyptus. Also included: the gorgeous elements of succulents and airplants that you can use in your garden and home later on. Cost is \$85. All materials included. This is one of Dig's most popular workshops and it fills up quickly, so do not delay in signing up!

Sign up : <https://diggardens.com/collections/workshops>, phone: (831)466-3444;email [diggardens@gmail.com](mailto:diggardens@gmail.com).

**Autumn Wreaths with a Twist Workshop**

**Offered Multiple Dates**

More fun, holiday inspired workshops creating wreaths perfect for your front door or for the gift giving season. Learn how to make these long-lasting wreaths from scratch! Made from traditional pine and fir, they will be adorned with gorgeous, fresh and locally grown foliage such as leucadendrons, pepper berries and eucalyptus. Also included: the gorgeous elements of succulents and airplants that you can use in your garden and home later on. Cost is \$85. All materials included. These workshops fill up quickly, so do not delay in signing up! Dates: Saturday, November 24th at 2PM; Sunday, November 25th at 11AM; Wednesday, November 28th at 5PM; Thursday, November 29th at 5PM; Thursday, December 6th at 5PM; Friday, December 7th at 2PM.

**A Few November Gardening Suggestions**

Fruit trees will benefit from a generous addition of chicken manure worked into the ground now. Hopefully, winter rains will allow this to penetrate deeply into the ground.

Clean up debris and fallen leaves around fruit trees, and remove any dried fruit from branches. To control brown rot on apricots, spray with a Bordeaux mixture (hydrated lime and copper sulfate) or other fungicide containing copper. For peach leaf curl on peach and nectarine trees, spray with lime sulfur after leaves fall. Apply sprays on dry days when rain isn't predicted for at least 36 hours. Thoroughly cover the branches, stems, and trunk as well as the ground beneath the tree.

Continue to feed citrus trees throughout the winter. If leaves are yellow, add liquid iron and zinc to the soil.

You can sow baby blue eyes, forget-me-nots, sweet alyssum, sweet peas and spring wildflowers directly in the ground.

Clean up perennials. Pull out dead leaves and rotting stems on plants like lamb's ears (Stachys byzantina 'Big Ears'), snow in summer (Cerastium tomentosum) and other perennials that are starting to look shabby. For plants like New Zealand flax (Phormium spp.), use this as an opportunity to reduce their size, cutting back outer strappy leaves all the way to the base.

**Two More DIG Workshops:**



**SUCCULENT PUMPKIN CENTERPIECES- SAT., NOV. 10TH, 2PM \$ 60.00**

**STAGHORN FERN MOUNTING WORK.SHOP -SATURDAY, NOV. 3RD AT 2PM\$ 65.00**



**November Board Meeting**

Our next board meeting will be November 26th at the home of Marge Gregory,129 Ramada Lane, Aptos at 6pm. All are welcome to attend.

# The Gardeners' Club Membership

The time has come for membership renewal. Annual membership dues, which include all benefits, are only \$15.00, due by January 1st. The membership year lasts through the end of December, 2018. Dues entitle members to all club educational programs, our special events, plant trades and our awesome monthly newsletter. The "green" option is to receive an electronic PDF FULL-COLOR version of the newsletter by checking the newsletter e-mail option below. And...with gift-giving season almost here, consider sharing your passion for gardening, and supporting our club, by giving your favorite gardening enthusiast an opportunity to connect,



share and learn with us. A gift membership is a gift nobody will want to return!

Ours is a club celebrating the joys of gardening, friendship, community, learning, nature and growth. We have a history of giving to the community, and have focused this giving in the last few years on scholarships for high school and Cabrillo College students who are working towards careers in horticulture. Because our dues are so low and we'd like to be able to continue to give at least one additional scholarship, we are giving you the option of making an additional gift with your membership. Thank you!

## Your Membership

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter Preference (check one):  Full color PDF via e-mail  Paper copy (B&W) via snail mail

## Gift Membership

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter Preference (check one):  Full color PDF via e-mail  Paper copy (B&W) via snail mail

Enclose check for \$15 per member, plus any additional contribution to our scholarship fund, made out to *The Gardeners' Club*.

Mail to The Gardeners' Club  
c/o Suzanne Caron, P.O. Box 3025, Ben Lomond CA 95005.

Membership amount	\$ _____
I would like to make an additional gift	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

# 1 HOUR BACK



**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS AT 2:00 AM ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH. SET YOUR CLOCKS AN HOUR BACK.**

## The Gardeners' Club

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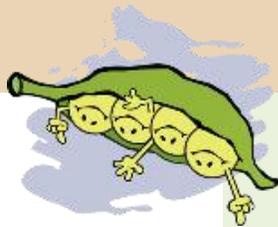
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