

Point Loma Garden Club

"Survive and Thrive."

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE **Happy New Year**

January is a true leap forward into a sparkling, fresh New Year poised with opportunity!

My New Year's Resolution is:

Gardening

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What's yours??

The Holiday Social was a great success and many members enjoyed it so much that they want to make it a tradition! I hope you were able to join us and enjoy nibbles, holiday shopping and a good chat with fellow members. It was a lovely start to the holiday season and the start to a bright new year. By the way, we made about \$2,000. Thank you to everyone who participated. I hope your holidays were special.

Speaking of tradition, I would like the club to get back to our roots and do more learning workshops, gardening and teaching gardening skills to others. Let me know what you think.

Good friends are like snowflakes: all different and all beautiful. Looking forward to gathering more in the year to come.

I wish you health, happiness, and all good things for 2022!

Remember what Mother Teresa said, **"Do small things with great love."** Good words to live by. Don't miss our speaker this month. You're going to love her and check out our new Wild Apricot website. Look forward to gardening with you soon.

Jane Clifton, President

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WAYS AND MEANS

Many thanks to all who helped our Holiday Social and Bazaar be such a stunning success! To Susan Nance for sharing her beautiful new home and letting us mess up her garage for a couple days, to those who delivered fresh greens and allowed us to gather some trimmings. Thanks to those who helped create those beautiful designs, both at workshops and at home, to those who helped set up the hall, to those who came and shopped and bought gifts for themselves, their friends, and their families, to those who brought food to share, and to those who helped clean up. The success of the event was a direct result of so many helping hands and creativity!

It was a beautiful way to start some holiday celebrations and maybe even the start of a new tradition for Point Loma Garden Club!

We will be letting you know about workshops for our Spring Plant Sale. The only Saturday that is open at the hall this spring is April 16, which is Easter weekend. Hopefully that works for our volunteers and our customers!

The following donations are needed for Back Table sales:

- ❖ New or gently used, vintage or handcrafted garden and home items are needed. Please no chipped, cracked, broken, stained or dirty items. These items will not be accepted. Christmas items are not needed at this time. All items donated should be clean and ready for sale.
- ❖ The Back Table sales team would also like to get back to our gardening roots and have fresh produce ready for sale. At past meetings, the following produce was popular for members to purchase: lemons, limes, avocados, cut stems like protea, rooted succulents, seeds and other seasonal produce items

(If you wish to donate produce items, please make sure all produce is clean and ready to sell).

Thanks again for making all the sales positive and profitable for Point Loma Garden Club.

Happy Gardening and Happy New Year
Sherry Hebert and Kathleen Honeysett-Ways and Means



Holiday arrangements on the front table at the Holiday Social



Look at all the food for the Holiday social.



Jill West working the food table



Jim Tullar, Dale Rekus, Dan Dannison and Bob Pels
The Four Musketeers

Next Meeting
Portuguese Hall
Wednesday, January 12
9:30 a.m. - noon

Hospitality:

Cynthia Eng, Margaret Farrell (DeeDee), Brian Feretic, Brenda Ferich, Donna Flaherty, Maureen Flores, Barbara Franklin, Merrie Fridberg-Shinn, Angela Geis, Shelby Goad, Sheila Goddard, Carol Grant, Joan Greenhood, Karen Greenwald, Debbie Hall.

Buffet Floral Design: Dale Rekus

10:00 a.m.: General Meeting

5 Minute Presentation- Mason Bales on How to make kokadamas (plant in a moss ball)

Program- San Diego's "Opera Singing Chef"

Elizabeth Podsiadlo will entertain us with singing and storytelling. She has written three culinary mystery novel ghost stories, her latest being **Sonoma's Gold**. She is a passionate chef who imparts her beloved recipes with a story, song and a memory.



MEMBERSHIP

We had five new members in December. We look forward to meeting you at the January meeting.

Patricia Albano

1250 Cleveland Ave. G-301
San Diego, 92103
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Patricia said: "I'm a retired teacher. My gardening interest is focused on my small patio garden, which is mostly shade. I enjoy volunteering, and presently I am on the board of the Assistance League of San Diego (Resource Development Chair)"

Helen James

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Helen said: "I'm a retired teacher, coordinator of library media services, and professor of children's literature. I'm the author of over twenty books for children. I'm a native San Diegan. I live in Pacific Beach and have a historic cabin in Mount Laguna. I enjoy walking around Mission Bay and volunteering for Cuyamaca State Park, where I'm a member of the interpreters assistance unit. I love to travel including cruising."

Lina Pei

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Dale Rekus doing a little crafting

Lina said: "I'm a long-time neighbor of Susan Petit. I'm a certified floral designer and a Realtor. My real estate business has been focusing on investor-based activities. I also partner with my husband to manage our Point Loma based company Inside Prospects Inc. We provide B2B marketing databased

services in San Diego and Orange counties to companies cross of types of industries.

I have an MBA in marketing. My professional experience focuses on marketing, research and branding consulting. I am passionate about gardening, particularly edible and floral design gardening. I love nature and all arts. I have a son who is in high school and looking forward to his Independence Day (as am I).

I also have twin cats who are extremely affectionate. My son and my cats are my inspiration.

My volunteer work has been centered around children's causes, such as art programs and gardening programs taught to school aged children, PTA, Boy Scouts, Joyce's Wings Foundation, (children's cancer support foundation) and my church group. It's an honor to join the Point Loma Garden Club."

Karla Rody

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Note: This membership is a surprise gift from Karla's brother-in-law. She doesn't know about it yet. We look forward to learning more about her when she finds out about it.

Cathy Hirsh

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San Diego, 92106
619-414-4322

Cathy said: "I have lived in beautiful Point Loma for six years and feel fortunate to be a part of this community. I was born in the mid-west but have lived in California for 38 years now, predominately in the Inland Empire area. I have two adult children and five grandchildren. I have been retired for 3 years and previously owned a small business, and have a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Management. My gardening skills could use some improvement, and I hope being around creative and talented people who share a love of for nature and plants will help me hone my skills. It always inspires me when I see beautiful gardens!"

POINT LOMA LIBRARY FLORAL DISPLAYS

Thank you to Lina Pei did a wonderful job of supplying an arrangement for Dec. 1, 11, and 18.

Ken Fernandes make a lovely arrangement on the 24th, Christmas Eve. Thank you both of them.

January Floral displays

Date of:	Volunteer
January 1	
January 8	Sherry Hebert
January 15	Jan Kugler
January 22	
January 29	

Volunteers are still needed for January 1, 22 and 29. To volunteer contact Barbara Thomas 773-259-2872 or at btcondor@yahoo.com



So many beautiful items for sale at the Holiday Social

FIELD TRIPS

Raise your hand if you are good and tired of making "mature" decisions about where to go, when to go or how, and where to sit when you get there (are you too close to your neighbor?) or whether a mask will be required. I most certainly am!! So, it is with our very maturity in mind that I'm not inviting you on a field trip in January 2022. For now, I will put plans away with the hope that we will all feel confident about sharing such adventures in the near future.

Jill West



HORTICULTURAL TABLE

Our club started having the Horticultural Table in September of 2017. This is the table located in the rear corner of the Hall, where each month you can display any unique or interesting flowers, fruits, vegetables, plants or designs from YOUR garden. Other members will be able to admire what you have brought in and perhaps even learn something new or discover which plant they may want to have for their own garden. We can even help you identify and label your specimen.

At our December meeting, we did not have a Horticultural Table due to our Holiday Tea and Bazaar. Our January Horticultural Table offering is sometimes sparse due to the seasonal cold weather, short daylight, and rain. That said, it is hoped that someone will still have a late-blooming Christmas cactus or a home-grown poinsettia to show off. Also, a nice fern or succulent could be displayed. There might even be a blooming abutilon or grevillea to bring in.

Let's get 2022 off to a good start with a fine array on our display table. Later in the season, we might even have a "Name that Leaf" contest. This photo is from our October 2018 meeting.

Jim Tullar

Horticultural Table



The Horticultural table October 2018



Mary Curran and Valerie Bronson



Sherry Hebert

January Calendar

January 5rd -9:30 a.m. Board meeting at the home of Sherry Hebert

January 12th- Portuguese Hall
9:30 a.m.-Light Brunch
10:00 a.m. -General Meeting

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