

October 2024

October Meeting and talk on Bulbs by Yu Linda Song

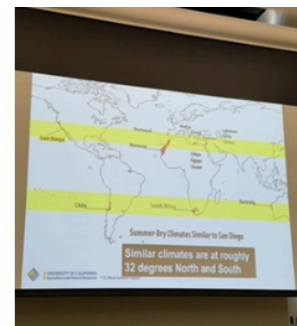
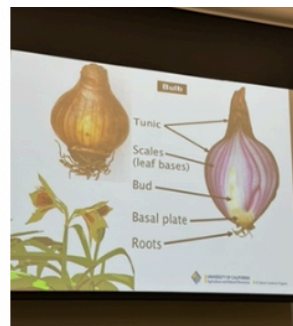
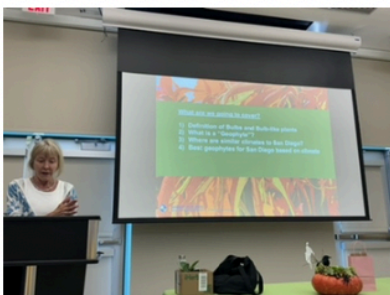
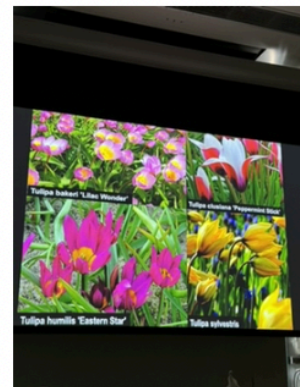
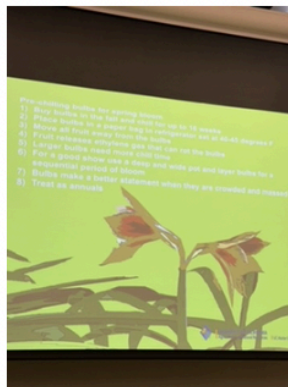
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Master Gardener Sharon Reeve spoke to us at our October Meeting on Bulbs in SD. It was a fantastic presentation where she shared many varieties of bulbs that can be grown in our garden zone and optimum way to plant and manage them.

One huge takeaway for me was to clump or group new bulbs when planting or they would look like soldiers in a row. Sharon also keeps bulbs in pots to avoid them being eaten by gophers or rabbits. [Notes](#) on Bulbs. October Business Meeting [Presentation](#) for your review.

Shared a lot of strawberry cuttings. Golden Shovel pins were awarded.



Golden Shovel & Bees Pin Momentos

Worker Bees are on the Planning team
Their commitment is 2 years
They lead events, social media, seed library or other committees



Golden Shovel Recipients

1. Members who volunteer for over 20 hours in different capacities as time permits.
2. Members who donate \$250 or more
3. Members who contribute in ways that represent the above two



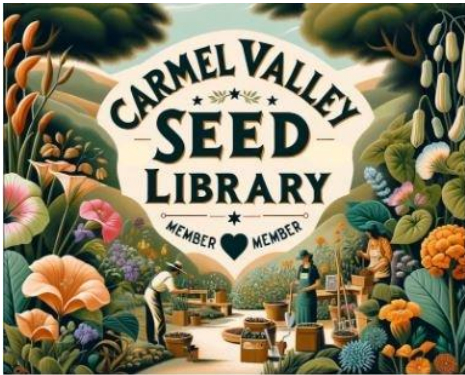
Golden Shovel Pin Awards



October Library Flowers for a Smile:

Flowers fitting for Halloween month or out of an Edgar Alen Poe novel by Shital Parikh and replenished by Hallie Worsley with home grown Zinnias in Day of the Dead theme after two weeks. We invite all members to [SIGN UP](#) and donate homemade flower arrangements to the library each month. Your contribution will help spread the beauty of nature throughout our community.

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SEED LIBRARY UPDATE

The seed library has 32 members who have registered with the library! We have received the native pollinator seeds from SD Audubon. They have changed their name to SD Bird Alliance. Thanks to Chris Ross and all other members who have volunteered their time to make this endeavor successful..

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Habitat Restoration Native Pollinator Garden

[Link to Native pollinators](#) that can be successfully grown in our region.

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Club Food Blog: Olivia Hansen & Raquel Sutton

Featuring [Butternut Squash Soup with fried Sage](#). Butternut squash, apples, and sage announce the arrival of fall. It is loaded with beta-carotene, vitamin A, and fiber.

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Butternut Squash Soup with Fried Sage Leaves



Belden Community Garden Update: The residents painted the garden sign calling it the Friendship Garden. Next workshop is on Thursday, October 24, from 10-11 am, led by DMMGC member Barbara Summer. If you'd like to participate, please email Barbara at barsummer4231@gmail.com.

Tasks for 10/24/24 : Finish painting the sign, plant seeds, and fertilize. It's a rewarding experience that leaves you with a warm glow! Plus, you'll get to meet some incredible gardeners and explore beautiful vegetable gardens. We hope to see you there!



Welcome Back
BARBARA METZ

WELCOME BACK
DEBORAH REGOTEZ

Welcome Back
Yin Gu

**Renew
Membership
Today**

Membership Drive is ON for 2025

Please join 21 members and [renew membership](#) today!! Invite your friends to join. New members will get 4 months free!! Exciting workshops and talks are coming your way. Green club totes until supplies last.

Perfect Gift For Garden

A GIFT FOR A GARDEN LOVER

Annual Year 2024-25
DATE

Minnie Farr
MEMBER NAME

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

GIFT FROM: Chris Ross

DEL MAR MESA GARDEN CLUB

Website: <https://www.friendsdmm.org> Email: info@friendsdmm.org

Enthusiasts: Customized GIFT CARD

To purchase a customized gift card, simply pay \$30 [online](#) or write a check to Friends of Del Mar

Mesa. Then, email the first and last name of the recipient to info@friendsdmm.org. It's that easy to give the gift of a whole year of gardening fun! Thanks to member Chirs Ross for buying a Gift card .

Club's Social Media

Invitation to join our club's member private [Facebook group](#)_. [Click here](#) to request membership. Post photos of summer adventures with nature on our Club's [Instagram](#) page. This private facebook group is open to invite your friends and family to learn more about gardening

Welcome new and returning members for 2024 -25!



Calling all
Gardeners
DEL MAR MESA GARDEN CLUB

PROGRAMS

- Monthly Meetings
- Workshops & Speakers
- Seeds & Plants Sharing
- Food, Fun & Garden Crafts
- Monthly Newsletter

JOIN NOW

EMAIL: INFO@FRIENDSDMM.ORG
<https://www.friendsdmm.org>

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP \$30

2024 Fall Monthly Meetings & Events

Wednesday, September 4th, 11am @ Carmel Valley Library
Topic: Introduction to Bonsai
Guest Speaker: Kyle Icke, Member San Diego Bonsai Club

Bonsai Workshop: TBA (Members only)

Wednesday, October 2nd 11am @ Carmel Valley Library
Topic: Planting Bulbs
Guest Speaker: Sharon Reeve, Master Gardener

Sunday, October 6 or 13, 2024
Workshop: Succulent Pumpkin Centerpieces
Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Location: Del Mar Mesa Member Garden (Members only)

Wednesday, November 6th, 11am @ Carmel Valley Library
Topic: Deciduous Fruit Tree Pruning
Guest Speaker: Hudson Elliot, Armstrong Garden Centers

December 5, 2024 Wreath & Swag Making Workshop
Time: 9:00 am - noon (Members only)
Location: Belden Senior Living Community Room

Help Spread the Word!

Please share our flier on your Facebook, email, or other social media. You can also print and display it at local rec centers, stores, churches, HOA, PTA, or any group you belong to. Your support helps our club grow—thank you!

October Garden



Photo by: Proven Winners

Garden Design with Foliage adding texture to your garden. Oct - Feb are good planting months. Check out this [very useful article to incorporate colorful foliage](#) in your garden. We are in zone 10 and can tolerate foliage from zone 9. The article has plants with zones.

Bulbs

Plant this month: freesia, watsonia, oxalis, paper whites, babiana, crocosmia, Sparaxis, China lily, Narcissus and ipheon. If you purchase lilies, plant them as soon as you get home. Buy and chill for planting later: crocus, hyacinths, and tulips should be purchased in October so they can spend six to eight weeks in the refrigerator before planting. Keep them in a separate bag away from fruit such as apples, pineapples and bananas.



Divide clumping bulbs such as daylilies, ginger, irises, and clivias. Water before dividing.

Bulbs Lasagna Planting for longer bloom time: Sharon Reeve had mentioned planting bulbs in layers. Please check the [article](#) to do that and let us know how you did in spring.

Buy to plant in November: ranunculus, grape hyacinths, anemones, Dutch irises and daffodils. Store them in a cool dry place and plant them when the ground temperature cools next month. Buying early will give you a better choice of healthy bulbs.



Roses: Continue deadheading. Apply fertilizer for the final time this year.

[Roses: Cultural practices and weed control](#)

Fall color: Plant cool season annuals such as calendulas, snapdragons, delphiniums, cyclamen, stock, pansies, violas, nemesia, and flowering cabbage or kale.



Chrysanthemums are a fall favorite that will grow back every year.

Trees that provide fall color in Orange County are liquidamber, Gingko biloba (be sure to get a male tree), floss silk tree (*Chorisia speciosa*), Hong Kong orchid (*Bauhinia*), and flamegold tree (*Koelreuteria elegans*).

Fall is a great time to plant trees, because our rainy season starts in November and will help with the new trees' water needs. For more choices, consult [Selectree](#).



Cool season vegetables: If you have not yet planted your cool season vegetables, it's not too late!

Check our [vegetable planting chart](#) for a list of when different crops can be planted. Prepare the garden beds by removing/chopping up dead and dying warm season vegetable plants and placing them in your compost pile. Add in soil amendment, manure and an organic fertilizer as indicated on the product labels. Be sure that the organic fertilizer is high in nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium for optimum growth and vegetable production. Manure should be well composted to avoid introducing pathogens into your edible garden. Never use fresh

manure around edibles.

If your cool season vegetables are already in the ground, remember to apply fertilizer. Follow package directions as to amount and frequency of application.



Strawberries

If your strawberries have grown runners, cut the runners off of your strawberry plants and gently shake off all of the dirt. Using your sharp garden shears, cut all but 2-3 leaves off of each runner. Next, put the runners in bunches into a plastic bag and place it in the back of your refrigerator (or another location that will NOT freeze them.)

Remove the bag from your refrigerator after 20 days and plant them in a different location than last year's strawberry crop. Once these plants are established and growing in the ground, they will be ready to produce more fruit and less vegetative growth.



Lawn care

Adjust irrigation timers to reflect cooler weather and fewer hours of sunlight. Fertilize cool season turf such as bluegrass, fescue, and ryegrass. Dethatch creeping grasses if they feel bouncy when you walk on them. Overseed warm season grasses with annual rye if you want to maintain a green appearance.

The [UC Guide to Healthy Lawns](#) will give you more information about year-round lawn care. [Source:](#)

District News Floral Design Forum Series: We are a nationally accredited garden club under Palamore district. They are offering a series of amazing workshops on flower arrangements at \$15/- workshop. Do register to attend, and share photos on our club facebook page or info@friendsdmm.org, 2024-2025

When: 1st Mondays: October thru May 12:00 NOON

Where: Rancho Penasquitos Public Library*

13330 Salmon River Road, San Diego, CA 92129

Objectives: To bring the finest floral designers to San Diego County; promote appreciation of floral art forms; develop skills in critiquing floral art; improve individual skills for in-home floral decorating; learn skills for flower show exhibition; encourage members to enter flower shows and promote floral arts in the community. The forum is open to anyone interested in floral design. [Click here for Registration Form](#)



November 4, 2024 – Carvill Veech, Master Judge, well known for her creative designs brings us Imagination. Come and learn how she gets there.

Please, note: location change! Poway Library, 13137 Poway Rd, Poway, CA

December 2, 2024 Rene van Remes. AIFD Christmas in Europe, and the Netherlands with the master designer.

January 6, 2025 Gail Vanderhorst, Judge. She is spreading her wings on her first time on our stage. Be ready for some new experiments and fun.

February 3, 2025 A special designer, Dyanna Madro brought Miniatures last year. This year Full size Designs “with Love” from the Winningest Designer at the San Diego Fair this year. A NGC Master Flower Show Judge

March 3, 2025, Barbara Weiller, Master Flower Show Judge. Not only an incredible Designer but also a fantastic Horticulturist. Watch what she brings to the Table.

April 7, 2025 Welcome to Debra Warriner from the Ichiro School of Ikebana. Learn some of the changes from other schools and appreciate beauty and elegance of design.

May 5, 2025 - The "Grand Finale: “FLOWER POWER” Our most popular Program. Watch as 4 local college student designers race against the clock to complete a *Surprise Package* design from material, container and theme. Then, like a 3 ring circus, they show a “signature design,” a “round robin” and then a “wrap up” design.

Start time Noon Arrive at 11:30 a.m.

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Upcoming Events Sign up & Save Date

By Yu Linda Song & Philippa Farrar

October 20th 2024 Composting Backyard Basics

Talk: Solana Center organized by DMMGC Yu Linda

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: Carmel Valley Library Free. Yu Linda has worked very hard to bring this extra event for everyone to our library.

Sunday, October 27th 2024 @ McCaw Family Home

Workshop: Succulent Pumpkin Centerpieces

Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Location: Del Mar Mesa Member Garden (\$25 includes pumpkin & succulents, encouraged to bring succulent clippings to share)

MEMBERS ONLY, RSVP on [Sign-Up Genius Required](#)

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[SIGN UP](#)



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Facebook Member Contributions

Hallie Worsley Pumpkin Dog Art
Shital Parikh Spooky pumpkins. Yu Linda Song
Zinnias



Shital Parikh
Admin Top contributor · 3 days ago · 🌱
member yin Gu had brought 🌱 seedlings of golden berry at the July tea party. Mine is doing great and ready to bear fruit. Thanks Yin. Do share your seedling stories. It would be greatly satisfying for the donating members to know their seed growing and seedling sharing efforts are bearing fruits .. literally. Also my poppy's first bloom this season!



Member Hallie W. donated extra zinnias to member Kellie Pease's flowers for a smile.



Sandi Hwang Adam
Admin · 4 days ago · 🐦
Would anyone like a baby bird of paradise? It volunteered in my garden.

