

The Leaflet

July 2024

A Newsletter for the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club

Summer Is Definitely Here! *A note from your Executive Director*



With temperatures finally beginning to increase in June and more sunshine filled days in July, our latest "heat wave" has clearly announced that summer is in full swing.

The club has had a couple of field trips, and the weather was actually pretty cooperative. On June 25th, we took a trip to the Blue Barn Lavender Farm in Sage, CA (near Hemet). Since our day began at 10:30 am at the farm, the heat was manageable especially since there was a cool breeze that blew over the plateau of the farm. We picked some fragrant French lavender and enjoyed

the gorgeous view from the farmhouse. Many of us indulged in purchasing some of the homemade lavender products available for sale. As a super fan of lavender, I have to say that those were some of the most fragrant lavender products I've ever smelled! After we finished at the farm, a group of us stopped at the Calloway winery on our way back to enjoy lunch. [Click Here to See Photos.](#)

Our second outing happened this past week on July 8th at the Agrarian Institute Farm. As many of you may recall, the garden club partnered with the Agrarian Institute last year by awarding them a \$100,000 grant paid over four years. It was such a treat to see how far the farm has come over the past two years and learn about how they are giving back to the community through regenerative farming and their plans for future expansion. We were treated to morning snacks and mimosas followed by a lunch of freshly harvested arugula salad with blueberries, feta cheese and grilled chicken. We definitely felt very pampered! It was warm outside, but shade covers were set up and since the farm is on a hill along highway 76, we had a wonderful ocean breeze providing some cooling respite. We also had a personal tour of their "U-Pick" blueberry farm which consisted of about 86 blueberry bushes. The blueberry farm generates income to help support the farm. There is an entire area of the farm sponsored by RSFGC and they are in the process of obtaining a much larger sign to acknowledge the club for our support. [Click Here to See Photos.](#)

Please scroll down to learn more about our final summer events and to register.

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer and I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Fondly,

Natalie

Have You Forgotten to Renew Your Club Membership?

Our new membership year began on June 1st, but did you remember to renew? We know life gets busy as we approach summer and it's easy to forget to renew in May. We have so

I have a funny feeling
I'm forgetting something...



many great events lined up for the remainder of 2024 (Farm-to-Table Dinner, Annual Brunch *(both of the aforementioned events being member-only events)*) and our ever-popular workshops in October and December. As a member, there is no charge to attend the majority of our events/workshops. Even if you simply attend the October and December workshops, as a non-member you would pay \$65 for those events. Annual membership begins at only \$115 and includes the **entire membership year of events** -- again, some of them being member-only events.

You can renew (or join) online by going to [Join/Renew Now](#) and pay via PayPal using your PayPal account or credit card. You may also download and print the application and send it via USPS mail. The application includes instructions on where to send your application and check.

If you are not a current member of the club, you are welcome to check out our website at www.rsfgardenclub.org and obtain more information about the club including our philanthropic focus, details of past and future club events and the option to join!

For any questions, please contact Ms. Natalie Kaczur, our Executive Director, at natalie@rsfgardenclub.org.



Enjoy a Beautiful Summer Day in the "Fairy Garden" - Monday, August 5th

Perk up your garden, patio, entryway, etc. by adding a whimsical conversation piece! Fairy succulent gardens are fun and easy to do -- and the possibilities are endless! Instructor Erin Trissler will be on hand to spark your creativity with an array of decor to add to your garden. Normally Erin teaches these workshops using artificial succulents, but we will be using live succulents (after all....we are a garden club!). An assortment of succulents, rocks, gnomes and other decor will be provided but if you'd like to bring some of your own, just remember that the terra cotta bowl will be 10" in diameter so make sure your succulent plants/cuttings or other decor is on the small side.

Morning snacks, coffee, and iced tea will be available. Don't miss this fun workshop!

P.S. Space is limited to 30 people. So that we may accommodate as many members as possible, at

this time the workshop is for members only. However, as the date draws nearer and there is space available, we will open it up to guests.

Member Fee: No cost

If you have any questions, please call or text Natalie Kaczur at natalie@rsfgardenclub.org or at 760-522-8461.

For More Info or to Register



You Are Cordially Invited
to the Third Annual
Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club
Farm to Table Dinner

Wednesday, August 21st, 5:00 pm
at Coastal Roots Farm

Enjoy farm fresh delights with other Garden Club Members and their guests for a family style dinner.

Cost: \$50 per person includes four-course dinner, iced tea and wine.



For More Info or to Register

Let's Welcome Our New Members!



- Ruthanne Annaloro
- Stephanie Arger
- Carol Arms
- Jennifer Buckner
- Daphne Fletcher
- Breanna Gaynor
- Doreen May
- Erin McLaren
- Allison McGee
- Teri Phillips
- Nazila Shahri
- Kristi Simmons
- Claudia Wilson

A very warm welcome to each of you! If you are a new member and your name is not on this list, please contact Natalie Kaczur at natalie@rsfgardenclub.org. The omission is truly not intentional.

Member Survey

Many thanks to those of you who completed the member survey sent out last month. Your input is greatly appreciated, and we will use it in planning future events and in continuing to make our club member centric.



A HUGE Thank You to our members, friends and the Rancho Santa Fe community for your kind donations to our resale shop!

Our shop is full of great items for sale! Stop on by and check us out. If you have items to donate, please drop them off at the shop during regular business hours. After hours you may leave items in our donation shed located at the entrance to the shop. Once again, thanks...we truly appreciate all donations!

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RSFGC 2024 Calendar of Events



Monday

Aug 5-10:00 am

Workshop: Living Fairy Garden
Succulent Planters
Instructor: Erin Trissler

Wednesday

Aug 21-5:00 pm

Annual Farm-to-Table Dinner
at Coastal Roots Farm
Limited seating

Monday

Sept 9-10:00 am

Speaker Series: Beloved and
Maybe Bewildering Bonsais -
Kyle Icke, SD Bonsai Society

Monday

Oct 14-10:00 am

Workshop: Succulent Pumpkins

Monday

Nov 11-11:00 am

Annual Holiday Brunch with
Guest Speaker

Monday

Dec 9-10:30 am

Workshop: Annual Holiday
Wreath-Making



Click below to join our club, check out our website or see the upcoming events for the remainder of the year.

Become a
Member

Visit our
website

Live Calendar
of Events

With your support, we are proud to make a difference in our community!

Membership in the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club is open to everyone.

Please reach out with your questions or ideas to:

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