

October 2023

Register Now for Our Annual Succulent Workshop



RSVP now for this popular annual event! Come and explore your creativity as you have fun designing a succulent pumpkin to add to your Fall decor. In fact, this pumpkin will last far beyond the Fall season and can be "planted" to create a beautiful succulent container garden! The club will provide everything you need to create your masterpiece -- pumpkins of all sizes to choose from including traditional orange, white, and blue-green fairy tale pumpkins. We'll also have a variety of succulent clippings and decorative elements for embellishment. You are welcome to bring your own pumpkin should you want a specific size or would like to use a different variety or color (e.g. pink Cinderella pumpkins, blue pumpkins, etc.) Also, your "donation" of succulent cuttings to use and share will

provide added variety for everyone to choose from. You may also bring embellishments that you would like to use for your creation.

There are only about ten spots left, so register now. For more information on the event or to register, click on the button below.

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Pumpkins, Pumpkins and More Pumpkins!

Hurry into Bloom Again to purchase your Halloween and Thanksgiving pumpkins. We have a wide variety of shapes and sizes to choose from - the standard orange variety, blue-green fairy tale, and white. Proceeds from each sale directly support **two** non-profit organizations; the RSFGC and the Graves Disease and Thyroid Foundation. So hurry in for the best selection and lowest prices around. In addition, **if you buy three pumpkins you'll receive 20% off!**

And while you're in the shop, check out all of the new items that arrive every day. Christmas is just around the corner and we have plenty of one-of-a-kind gift ideas!





2023-2024 Annual Grant Cycle

The RSFGC has begun its annual grant cycle. Request for Proposal (RFP) Letters will be sent out soon via email to past applicants as well as any new non-profit organization interested in applying for a grant. The RFP letter delineates the criteria that potential applicants must meet to submit an application and be considered for a grant. "We are so excited to once again be able to support

local schools, religious organizations of all denominations, and other charitable groups with their community projects. Last year, the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club awarded over \$130,000 to worthy San Diego organizations, and partnered with The Agrarian Institute to provide a \$100,000 grant to be distributed over four years," said Steven Winters, president of RSFGC.

The deadline to submit an application is **Friday, December 8, 2023**.

For an application, email the club administrator, Natalie Kaczur, at natalie@rsfgardenclub.org or for questions, call (858) 951-1885. The RFP letter and grant application form may also be downloaded after October 9, 2023 from the RSFGC website at www.rsfgardenclub.org

Upcoming Events for 2023 - Mark Your Calendars Now!

- **Annual Holiday Brunch** - Join fellow club members and guests at our **Annual Holiday Brunch on Wednesday, November 15th at 11:00 am!** Not only will you enjoy a delicious brunch and sparkling mimosas, but we will have a presentation about the importance of our native bees in our ecosystem. We will also have some amazing holiday-themed raffle items at this event!
- **Annual Holiday Wreath Making Workshop** - Mark you calendars for this ever popular workshop scheduled for **Monday, December 4th at 10:30 am**. As in the past, all materials will be provided and we'll enjoy some festive holiday tunes, and warm, home-made mulled apple cider.

After both events, we will open our resale shop for a special private shopping opportunity for event attendees who will receive a 20% discount on their entire purchase!

Stay tuned for more details and registration information on both events to come via separate email.

We Need You at Bloom Again!!!



Our resale shop, Bloom Again, is truly a treasure in the Rancho Santa Fe community and beyond. The shop regularly has a collection of interesting one-of-a-kind items as well as everyday household items, clothing, home decor and more. The shop manager, Liz Lovelace, is doing a fantastic job maintaining and promoting the shop as well as managing our Bloom Again Instagram account which provides followers with information on new

donations, "spotlight" items, and sales.

Liz is able to effectively manage the shop with the help of her amazing team of volunteers. However, she is in desperate need of additional volunteers. As mentioned, the current staff is great, but some days there is simply not enough volunteer coverage to ensure the shop operates smoothly and has steady sales. Because of vacations, sick days, other commitments and unplanned appointments, we fall short of volunteers on a regular basis. **That is why we need your help to ensure the success of the shop** There are different jobs available at the shop that will suit your interest, as well as your choice of day and time to volunteer. We need **regular volunteers** each day we are open from Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*. We are set on Saturdays, but you can volunteer to be "on call" for Saturday...or actually any day of the week!

Please help us to keep our resale shop open and profitable by volunteering one day a week for a four-hour shift. But if you cannot do an entire shift, we are willing to work with your schedule. (FYI - for safety reasons, we do not open if there is only one person to "man" the shop).

And...volunteers receive a 20% discount on all purchases! ***If you are interested in helping, please contact Liz Lovelace at 858-756-1554 or email her at liz@rsfgardenclub.org. WE DO NEED YOU! Thanks!***

* **NOTE:** As of Tuesday, October 15th, shop hours will be changing back to the original hours of Tuesday - Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. We found that being open until 3:00 pm did not generate an increase in shoppers, and the extended afternoon hour was difficult for some volunteers to fit into their schedules.

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

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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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