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# Scripps-Mesa Garden Club

## Native Landscape Expert To Be Featured at October Meeting



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Lucy is a life-member of the San Diego Horticulture Society, a UCCE Master Gardener, and a horticulture chair on the board of Friends of Balboa Park. She has also written several wonderful books on CA Native Landscaping.

The meeting will take place Tuesday, Oct. 25th at 5:45 at the Scripps Ranch Library Community Room

**Annual Autumn Potluck**  
**Coming on November 15**  
*It's an unusual date, so mark your calendar*



See page 2 for 2 Special Events



Ikebana demonstration  
by Sensei Rumi Rice,  
Riji of the Sogetsu  
School of Ikebana

Following the Program  
**Container Sale**  
Newly added from an  
estate donation (cash/ck)

[ikebanasandiego.org](http://ikebanasandiego.org)

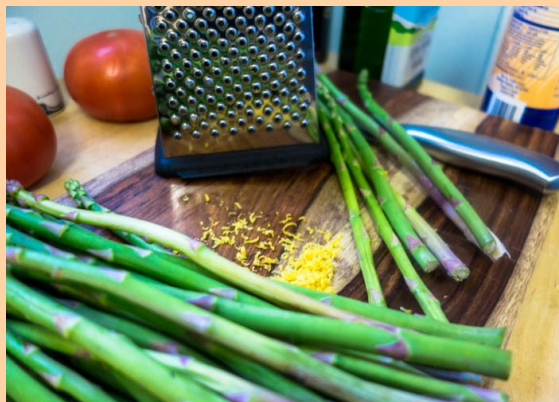


## A DOUBLE PROGRAM Ikebana & Bonsai

**Wednesday, October 26, 10:00 am**  
**Balboa Park, Casa del Prado, Room 101**

*Free -- Guests Welcome*

Guest speaker,  
Ignacio de la Torre,  
President of the  
San Diego Bonsai Club  
"Bonsai for Beginners"



# Cool Season Veggies

with Farmer Roy

**Saturday, Oct.15th, 1:30 pm**  
**Scripps Ranch Library**  
**Community Room**

*Soil prep, pests, varietal selection,  
fertilization will be discussed*



## Sept. Meeting Was All About Bees

Minutes by Erica Berick

Meeting started around 6 p.m. We had 14 attending the meeting

Plant sharings

Subject for the evening : Bees

Guest speaker: Denise , Vice President of the San Diego beekeeping Society

Information about bees shared included :

Bees pollinized 80 % of all flowering plants as well as almonds,& vegetables. Honey bees are the sole pollinated for almonds in the U.S.

1/3 of food we eat has been pollinized by honey bees.

Honey bees are the only insect to produce human food

**Interesting facts about bees shared :**

One queen bee per hive

All work including feeding the queen, cleaning the queen is done by the worker bees.

Only royal jelly is given to the queen

The queen bee is the only one that can fertilize the eggs

Sole purpose of the drone is to mate with the Queen. Then he dies

The queen bee communicates to the worker bees through her scent

The worker bees communicate to others in a waggle dance to identify the source of their nectar

Honey is 19% or less water & won't spoil

Bees need water for cooling of the hive

Information concerning humane removal of hives can be gotten through the San Diego Bee Society.



### Refreshments for the October Meeting

*Thank you*

*Erica Berick*

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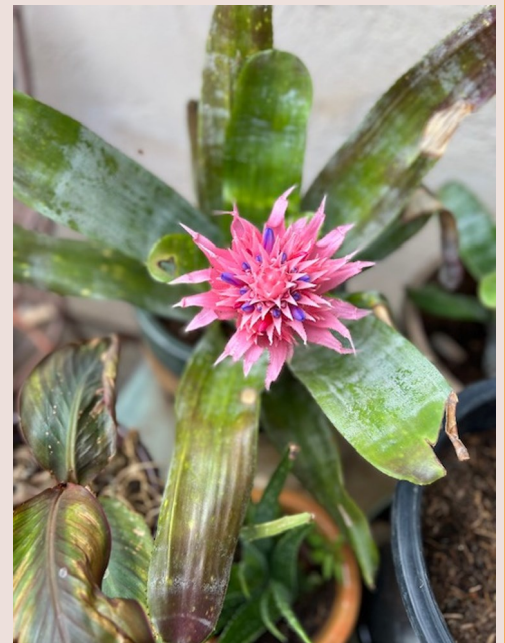
*Debbie Honeycutt*



**Blooms in Susan  
Castellana's Garden**

**(Left) Epiphyllum**

**(Right) Bromeliad**



# October Garden Chores



- Drain any remaining water from rain barrels before our rainy season begins
- Get garden soil tested so deficiencies can be corrected
- Collect seeds from perennials. Mark the bags. Save for spring planting
- Leave some food behind for the birds
- Plant trees and shrubs when weather cools
- Buy bulbs for spring. Refrigerate until weather has cooled, then plant
- Spread compost that's ready and allow it to mellow into the soil
- Gather leaves and compost for mulching later on
- Plant cool season veggies like garlic
- Ready your herbs to be brought indoors easily if nights get cold
- Plant California natives and ground covers
- Fertilize lawns from bags with "winterize" on the label



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