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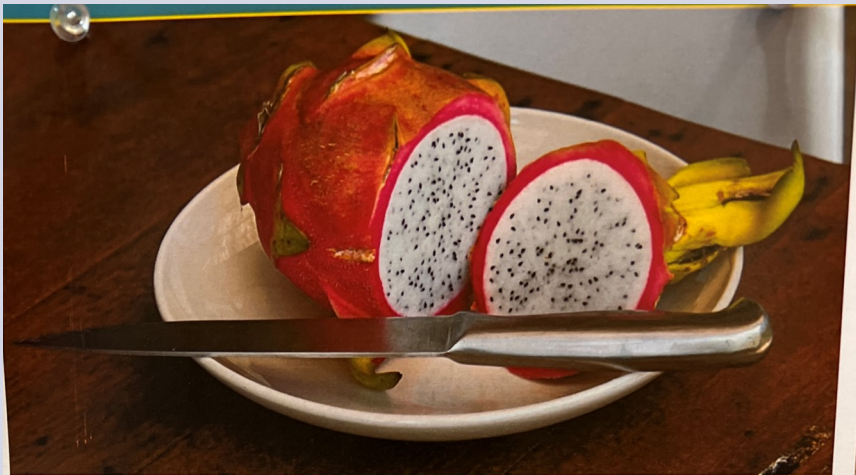


Scripps-Mesa Garden Club

Susan Castellana Steps Up to Lead Garden Club

Susan Castellana has responded to the Scripps-Mesa Garden Club board and accepted the position of President. Susan is anxious to bring new ideas and energy to the group. Her enthusiasm for her gardening hobby and her congenial manner will be welcomed by the club at the January meeting.

Susan's artistic talents, interest in plants and propagating beneficial insects like bees and butterflies make her Scripps Ranch garden a delightful experience.



How to Grow Subtropical Fruit in Your Backyard

With Michael Letzring from San Diego Zoo Global

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 • 6:00 PM • Community Room

Michael Letzring, Senior Plant Propagator with San Diego Zoo Global, will discuss how to successfully grow subtropical fruit such as bananas, starfruit, mangos, dragon fruit, cherimoya, lychee and tropical cherries in San Diego's climate. Learn how to grow coffee and subtropical spices too!

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Expert Fruit Grower To Speak at Meeting January 24th

An experienced professional gardener, Michael Letzring, will share his knowledge of raising subtropical fruit in local gardens. He will be the featured speaker at our January meeting on Tuesday, Jan 24 at 6 pm in the Community Room.

The program was arranged by our SR Librarian in support of our garden club. However, this meeting is open to all residents of the community whether they are members of the club or not. This would be the perfect opportunity to reach out to neighbors and invite them to enjoy the meeting and the speaker's expertise.

YOUR LIBRARY YOUR VOICE

Share your vision for the future of your library at a special community listening session.

Saturday, January 14th, 3:00 pm

Scripps Miramar Branch Library, Scripps Lake Dr.
858-538-8158



Learn more about the library master plan.
Become aware of how the plan meets our community needs and expectations.

Will the community room continue to support our garden club activities?



Cool Season Fruits and Veggies

Cool season fruits and veggies add to the benefits of year round gardening here in California. While some of our relatives are shoveling snow, we get to tend the compost heap.

(Left) Snap peas and Brussels sprouts are happy with the cooler weather.

(Right) Meiwa kumquats are flourishing while the temps are lower .

Photos by Susan Castellana

January Garden Chores



- Buy fruit trees & plant ASAP. Use worm castings & natural soil. Irrigate by drip 10" from the tree.
- Prune deciduous trees.
- Fertilize fruit trees.
- Plant deciduous ornamentals.
- Plant ornamental perennials and shrubs.
- Leave the leaves on the ground to keep down weeds, hold water, and fertilize the soil.
- Check mulch and add where needed.
- Check irrigation for leaks. Check spray heads to see if they are aimed correctly.
- Propagate succulents.
- Relish the experience of beginning of a new growing season.

ART ALIVE TO BE BACK IN BLOOM



San Diego Museum of Art will feature it's annual fundraising celebration of art and flowers late in March.

Left and right are photos from 2022's floral interpretations of works of art displayed at the Balboa Park Museum.

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Contributions of articles, suggestions, artwork, and gardening tips are warmly welcomed. This newsletter belongs to the Scripps-Mesa Garden Club members and is intended to reflect their gardening interests and experiences. Please take part in its mission and contribute an article or a photo.