

Garden Clippings

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August Meeting

Saturday August 2, 2008

510 E. Memory Lane/2615 Valencia, Santa Ana

Schedule

8:15 – 9:00 a.m.	Setup Plants 'n Things
9:00 – 10:45 a.m.	Business Meeting and Election of Officers
10:45– 11:00 a.m.	Plants 'n Things
11:00	Clean up

Members with last names starting with **A – H**, please bring a breakfast snack. Other members are also welcome to bring goodies. Also, remember to bring along any items you wish to contribute to our Plants 'n Things raffle and any gardening catalogs or magazines you'd like to share.

The business meeting will include guest speaker John Kabashima, PhD. UC Agriculture & Natural Resources, Cooperative Extension - Orange County, County Director.

For the Electronically Connected

Webmaster Scott Carroll passes along this message: "Here is good info on snails & slugs. I am still finding well over 100 slugs every nite (sic) that I go out after watering. 🐌"

<http://ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn7427.html>

We will hold elections and collect dues (\$20.00).

For more gardening events, check out <http://www.orangecountygardeners.org>

Gardening Events

Fullerton Arboretum. Pre-register for all classes by calling 714/278-3579 ext. 0.

Potting shed is closed July 27 – Sept. 5.

Sat. Aug. 9: Roger's 7th Annual Tomato Tasting! 9am at Roger's Gardens, 2301 San Joaquin Hills Road, Corona del Mar. Contact 949-640-5800 www.rogersgardens.com

Up to one hundred varieties of homegrown tomatoes to taste and compare! Steve Goto, the Tomato King, will bring as many varieties as he can muster for you to sample. Taste and rate each variety. Steve and Roger's Gardens use your taste results to choose next year's tomato selection.

Sat. Aug. 16: Annual Fruit Tasting Event with Fruit Tree expert Tom Spellman from Dave Wilson Nursery. 9 a.m. to noon at Blue Hills Nursery, 16440 E. Whittier Blvd., Whittier. 562-947-2013 www.bluehills.com

Tom will bring in the best of his harvest and will answer any questions regarding backyard orchard culture.

Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden Pre-register for all classes at 909/ 625-8767 ext. 224.

Mon. Aug. 18: Native Plant School Gardens Workshop with Lorrae Fuentes, Director of Education. 9 am – 3 pm. \$35.00

More funding from the Cal. Dept. of Education is being designated for school garden development. This workshop is designed to teach the basics of planning, planting and maintaining a native plant garden at a school site such as a native habitat garden for butterflies and birds, a water-conserving garden or a garden of plants used by

Native Americans. Garden design – soil preparation, hardscapes watering, plant selection and basic maintenance – will be discussed.