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Walter Andersen Calendar Available For Sale!

The second annual Walter Andersen Calendar is now available for sale at both nurseries. The 2004 edition is a 13-month hanging calendar which features garden tips, valuable coupons, and beautiful photography. Instead of using commercially available photographs, it was decided to use those taken by staff. Contributing photos this year are Ken Andersen, Vice President and GM; Connie Poss, bedding assistant; and Nicole Anderson, inventory manager. "Our first calendar was a 12-month version but we decided to make this edition more functional and include January 2005," said Andersen. This version also contains more pages which include plant growing information and a page saluting the history of the nursery since its founding in 1928 by Walter Andersen, Sr. Production of the calendar began early so that it would be available in time for holiday sales. The calendar retails for \$11.99. If you enjoy garden photography, you may see more photos taken by Nicole Anderson at www.beautyindetail.com



New Rose Released

Weeks Roses is introducing a new hybrid tea rose that will be available for sale at Walter Andersen Nursery this December. 'Neptune', is a fragrant lavender rose with a medium to long stem and dark green, glossy leaves. The rose is disease-resistant, has good bud form and an excellent petal layout. Neptune's lavender hue blushes purple on the very edge of the petals. There will be a very limited quantity of Neptune available, but you may purchase them now so your order can be held until the item is in stock. For more information, call David Ross at 858-513-4900.

Make a Note! Holiday Closings

Both Nurseries will be Closed on:
Thursday, November 27
Wednesday, December 24 at 2pm
Thursday, December 25
Wednesday, December 31 at 3pm
Thursday, January 1, 2004



Choosing A Holiday Tree To Last A Season

by David Ross



Success with cut Christmas trees can be attainable if you know the secrets to success. The most important is the tree itself. At Walter Andersen Nursery, we discovered a few years ago that the best trees seem to come from Washington, and the best grower we have found is a small grower in Mossyrock, who grows the finest trees anywhere. Mossyrock, even the name just SOUNDS like the right location for Christmas trees to grow up! Because they come from a small grower, cutting can be done later, closer to shipping time, assuring a fresher tree from the beginning.

There are four primary types of trees available each year:

- 🌲 **NOBLE FIR** – These are our most popular selling tree, with evenly spaced, nicely layered branches that allow ornaments to hang freely. Because they have relatively fewer, heavier needles, these stay the freshest.
- 🌲 **FRASER FIR** – This tree is short needled, and is sometimes called a "silverback" because of the silver color of the underside of its needles. It is compact and upright, and stays fresh a long time as well, though generally not as long as the Noble.
- 🌲 **GRAND FIR** – This tree has a pungent, distinct aroma, and looks like a Douglas fir on steroids. The needles are a little larger and of more substance, but this tree usually does not stay as fresh as long as the two above mentioned trees.
- 🌲 **DOUGLAS FIR** – A very full, dense, fine needled tree. Because of this, they dry out the quickest.

When selecting a tree, look for trees that are dark green and appear fresh, with firm needles that are pliable when folded, and only drop old, dead needles from the center when held and shaken. Not only is freshness paramount, but size matters also. Know the height of the ceiling in the room you'll display your tree and buy at least one foot shorter so you have plenty of room for the crowning ornament. Bear in mind the area the tree will take up and the foot traffic around it to help you decide your tree's fullness. If you are tight on room, the Frasier may make a good selection as they tend to be the 'thinner' of holiday trees.

To care for your tree, always use a stand that holds ample water. A fresh cut tree drinks a lot of water initially. Once a suitable tree has been selected, put a fresh 2" (approx) cut on the bottom to allow water to flow up into the tree. I also put a few vertical slices into the base of the trunk to allow additional water flow up the trunk. When the tree stops drinking, carefully re-slice up the sides of the trunk to allow water to flow again, taking care not to puncture the basin.

Add a commercial tree preservative, get the tree into water immediately, and keep your water bowl filled with a water/preservative at all times. Once the trees are delivered to the nursery (the week before Thanksgiving), they are stored in burlap to help retain moisture and moved to a humid area.

Holiday preparations don't stop with the purchase of the tree, so check our class schedules for seminars and workshops that will help you with your decorating needs.

Blushing Susie Available Only at Walter Andersen Nursery

We have a new *Thunbergia* called 'Blushing Susie' that is grown especially for us and Walter Andersen Nursery is the only nursery in San Diego where this plant is available. This is a variety of *Thunbergia alata*, or black eyed Susan vine. It is a perennial vine grown as an annual. It blooms all summer long and into the late fall with tubular flowers flaring out to 1" wide. These plants traditionally have orange flowers, but ours are in creamy ivory blushing to shades of apricot, salmon, and a deep wine red making a fantastic show of color when in full bloom. Usually all of these warm shades are present at the same time, making the impact quite spectacular. You can plant Blushing Susie in hanging baskets or window boxes, use as a ground cover or train on strings or low trellis. Ours are in 1-gallon containers climbing up stakes and are currently about 3'. This plant comes from Palomar Mesa Growers which were growing Blushing Susie exclusively for Roger's Gardens when it was suggested the exclusivity be extended to Walter Andersen Nursery. Our inventory manager saw photos of the vine and agreed it would make a rare addition to our stock.

Holiday Preparations & Shopping Is All Here!



PHOTO: NICOLE ANDERSON

If just thinking about preparing for the busy holiday season leaves you feeling frazzled, mark (in ink) Dec. 6 on your calendar and spend the evening at the nursery. We chose that date to coincide with the Second Annual Holiday Home Tour sponsored by the National Charity League Poway Chapter. Tickets to that event will be sold at the nursery. Tickets are \$20 and will include a coupon for \$20 off on purchases made at the nursery that evening.

On this date, our Poway location will re-open from 6pm - 9pm for invited guests and those on the nursery's preferred customer list. We know that during this time of year, the last thing you need is one more place to go, but come armed with your shopping list, bring the kids, as well as the HGTV addict in your family and be prepared to whittle your 'to do' list down to nearly nothing.

You'll have the opportunity to pick up your holiday tree, poinsettias, wreaths and greenery. There will be a holiday tree care class and a decorating with greenery demonstration. Kids can visit with Santa and watch the garden railroad trains run. Shopping assistants will be available to help you buy for even the most hard-to-shop-for person on your list. We'll have pre-made gift baskets available which include lotions, balms and scented oils from our 'Spa Line' or choose items you prefer and we'll create a basket. Give the gift that keeps on living and pick up a festive houseplant for somebody. Kids and adults will have fun creating a stepping stone from an easy kit to create a garden memory. Wind chimes, wind divas, statuary, bird feeders and garden accessories also make creative presents. Even refreshments will be available.

The Second Annual Holiday Home Tour will raise funds for the Poway Weingart Senior Center; Make a Wish Foundation and the Gayle Kennedy Memorial Scholarship Fund. Four homes have been selected for the tour which will be held from noon to 5 p.m. You can visit the homes, located in Poway and Ranch Bernardo, which will be decorated to showcase the beauty of the season. For more information about the National Charity League, visit the website at: www.nclpoway.org.

If you'd like to be added to the Preferred Customer List, next time you shop at the nursery ask a cashier for a card to complete. If this newsletter is addressed to you, you're already on the list!



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Our 75th Anniversary

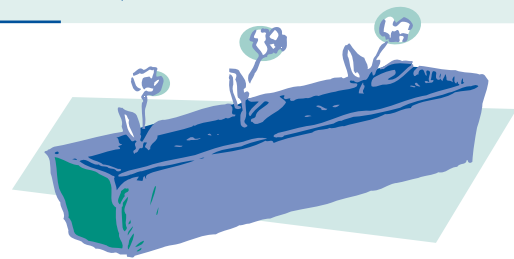
Brings Celebrations & Savings!

This month Walter Andersen Nursery celebrates its 75th anniversary in business with store-wide savings, events, food and activities.

There will be something to please everyone from kid's container garden planting to garden railway seminars to vendor presentations. Discounts will be given on all deciduous fruit trees, canned roses, trains, citrus and avocado trees, water plants, and bedding plants as well as other items.

You'll find a class schedule for both stores on page 4 of this newsletter. Below is a list that includes some activities already on the schedule. You can visit our website at walterandersen.com for an up-to-date list of events.

DATE	EVENT
Saturday Oct 4	Fall Rose Class in Poway Vendor Display by Hines in Poway Euro-American Class by Proven Winners in Pt. Loma
Saturday Oct 11	Fall Magic Class with Proven Winners, BBQ, & Kids Potting in Poway Fall & Winter Care in Pt. Loma
Sunday Oct 12	Live Remote with Kool 95.7 in Poway
Saturday Oct 18	Bearded Iris Class in Poway Vendor Presentation by Monrovia in Pt. Loma Houseplants Class in Pt. Loma
Sunday Oct 19	Vendor Presentation by Monrovia in Poway
Saturday Oct 25	Dormant Spraying Class in Poway FREE PUMPKIN WEEK with Purchase of \$10 or More! (while supplies last, 1 per customer) Azalea Class in Pt. Loma
Saturday Nov 1	Camellia Class in Pt. Loma Houseplants Class in Poway KPOP Live Broadcast, BBQ in Poway



Seasonal Recipe

Roasted Eggplant Salad

6 small eggplants, sliced lengthwise about 1" thick
8 sprigs fresh mint, chopped finely
8 large basil leaves, chopped finely
6 tbs. extra-virgin olive oil
4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
2 tbs. fresh lemon juice
2 cups chopped tomatoes
salt and freshly cracked black pepper to taste

Preheat the oven to 400°. Place the eggplant slices on a cookie sheet and season with salt and pepper. Roast for about 15 minutes or until they are soft. Cool the eggplant slices then cut into 1" wide strips and place into a serving bowl.

To make dressing, whisk together mint, basil, olive oil, garlic and lemon juice. Pour over the eggplant, add tomatoes and toss to coat. Season with salt and pepper.



We Proudly Carry Top-Quality Plants from Monrovia



Word From Walter

"Chemicals Make Weed Control A Cinch"

With Walter Andersen, Jr.



It seems like everything is growing so well but the hot days of summer and the subsequent invasion of ants and weeds got me to thinking about things we want to keep out of the garden.

We've found a few products many are not aware of that can be most helpful in controlling weeds. Grass B Gon by Ortho does a great job in killing most grass type weeds in ornamentals. You just spray it on the unwanted grass, including Bermuda Grass and it gradually dies. It takes about two weeks to see a significant change in the appearance of the grass but from then on it goes downhill pretty quickly. You can use it on almost any ornamental planting, the label has many suggestions, but from my experience most all perennial ornamentals don't even know it has been applied.

Ever try to get rid of Bermuda from a Carissa planting? You might just bleed to death. This is so simple, just spray it on the grass foliage and you are done, no digging the roots out of the ground, it just dies. I have used it many times in my yard and it works every time. Warm weather is the best time for optimum results. For larger areas, check out Ornamec. It is the same chemical but in a more concentrated form that you dilute with water and apply with a sprayer. Usually the pump type will give the best and most economical results. You might want to check out the Ornamec label which has literally hundreds of plants listed that you can spray it on with no ill effect.

If you are having trouble with Bermuda Grass in vegetables, check out the Grass Getter label from Monterey Chemical. The box it comes in says "Controls Bermuda Grass, Quackgrass,

Quackgrass, and other grassy weeds in groundcovers, flower beds, shrubs, vegetable gardens and near trees." Turflon Ester also by Monterey Chemical will help control Bermuda Grass in most lawns, so if you have one of the new Tall Fescue lawns you don't have to get down on your hands and knees anymore trying to pull it out by the root. This is the only product that I am aware of that makes this claim. Now there is no reason to let Bermuda Grass take over these wonderful new types of grass lawns.

Manage by Monsanto is formulated to take out Nut Grass in grassy lawns. This has been a great product for those who were about to 'throw in the towel' trying to rid their lawn of this horrible pest. It works on most sedges and since Nut Grass is a sedge, it is very vulnerable to this product. This one is a little different than most weed killers. It is a dry product that you mix with water and spray on with a tank type or pump sprayer. The directions say: "Mix .9 gram (this is what is in the box, in a small bag) in one or two gallons of water to treat 1000 sq. ft." The label recommends mixing a surfactant (spreader sticker type of liquid) with it for better control and it should be a pump type sprayer, not the type you attach to the hose. A second treatment may be required 6 to 10 weeks after the initial treatment. For best results you probably do not want to store any unused product. This is a post emergent product as are the ones above, meaning they will kill the weeds after they have come up and are growing. The weeds (grasses) have to have foliage to apply it to or it will not work.

Gardening In Good Taste

by Suzanne Brady



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Ahhh! Southern California, a place as close to heaven as a gardener can get. If you are not taking advantage of our year round growing season, we definitely need to talk. If you are, then you know the joys of fresh fruits, veggies and herbs from the garden. Ripe, red tomatoes, tender lettuce, and crisp cucumbers will make any mouth water. But, for a minute, think outside the carefully placed lines of the vegetable garden and take a look at flowers. Yes, flowers! Edible flowers were a culinary mainstay of our ancestors and the trend of using them in creative, healthy, and tasty dishes is making a big comeback. Flowers are an excellent source of vitamins and are incredibly versatile. You can fry 'em, stir-fry 'em, deep-fry 'em, use them in soups, stews and salads, brew them into teas or coffees, flavor vinegars, butter or mayonnaise, candy them, pickle them, or dry them. You get the picture; anything you can do with an herb can be accomplished with flowers.

If eating flowers sounds a bit strange to you, start simple. The flowers of herbs usually taste similar to the leaves and are much prettier. Next time you whip up some Mexican fare, garnish your dish with cilantro flowers. You get the same flavor but a much more attractive presentation. Or try some chive flowers in a salad. Once again, same flavor but the purple chive blossoms will make a colorful and delicious salad. Edible flowers range from the peppery Nasturtium to the musky Lavender. Marigolds can be used in place of saffron and can be used either dried or fresh. Roses are probably the most popular of all the flowers. They are extremely high in vitamin C and make a wonderful garnish for desserts. One of my favorite edible flowers is Rosemary which tastes similar to the leaves, but adds a slightly floral flavor. Try stripping the leaves off of a sturdy rosemary stalk, soak it in water for about 20 minutes then use the stalk as you would a shish kebob skewer. Garnish your shish kebob with some fresh Rosemary flowers for a delicious and different change of pace. Top off a scoop of lemon or lime sherbet with a slice of fruit and a scattering of blossoms. Just have fun by experimenting with the colors and flowers.

Edible flower gardening doesn't really require much space or any special equipment. You can grow in the ground or in pots; it all depends on your available space and needs. I would recommend doing some research before heading out to the garden. As lovely as a holiday turkey would look garnished with poinsettias you risk poisoning your guests. A good cookbook will provide you with all the information you need regarding the many different types of edible flowers as well as names of those flowers to stay away from. I highly recommend "The Forgotten Art of Flower Cookery" by Leona Woodring Smith and "Flowers in the Kitchen" by Susan Belsinger. Both of these books are filled with information on various flavors and uses, not to mention some wonderful recipes. "Flowers in the Kitchen" is illustrated with lovely and colorful photographs, so you can actually get an idea of how beautiful flowers can make a dish look.

Once you decide to experiment with edible flowers, visit Walter Andersen Nursery. Our knowledgeable staff can assist you in choosing the flowers best suited for your needs. We offer a large assortment of annuals and perennials as well as various containers for gardening on a smaller scale. We also carry a full line of soil, amendments, mulch and fertilizers. When fertilizing or treating for pests, keep in mind that you are going to be eating the flowers so be sure to use products designed with that in mind.

Beginners Basics of Landscape Design

by Ray Caranci, Landscape Designer



When planning your garden, whether you are starting with a blank slate or just need to fill in a few open areas, a landscape plan can make it easier to design and implement your ideas.

There are many common mistakes that can be avoided by planning ahead. Here are a few tips to assure success, or at least make the process less experimental!

- Sketch the area on paper. It doesn't have to be perfect, but measuring the distances will help establish the right proportions, and help you to relate to the size of the area.
- Observe the light levels in the areas, and note these on the sketch. This will help to narrow the choices for what plants will grow best there.
- Note where traffic needs to flow (walkways, access to meters, etc.) and where the best places for children's play areas or storage areas need to be.
- Make a trip to the nursery and list the plants that you like. You may not be able to use them all, but this will help to narrow the choices and customize selections to your personal tastes.

This is the point when you should decide whether to proceed on your own, or call in a professional landscape designer. Making such a decision will depend upon your plant experience and your time that's available to research the plants. Here are a few design basics that will help you arrange the plants.

Point of View Designing the area from where it will be seen is the first step. For example, stand at the approach to your front door, and arrange according to what you can see. Think of it as taking a picture.

Balance Try to make sure that plants or structures are not too heavy or dominating on one side or the other of the picture.

Continuity Make sure to repeat or tie in some plant combinations that will bring the picture together.

Arrangement Place the plants according to height (taller in back, medium, and then shorter in front). Don't forget to allow space for them to grow! If this leaves open areas at first, plant some annual flowers to fill in temporarily.

These tips can make it a little easier to design your garden, or to work more efficiently with a landscape designer. Both Walter Andersen nursery locations offer design and consultation services, or consult our nursery professionals!



Native Plants Meet California's Climate Challenges

by David Fross, President of Native Sons

PHOTO: NICOLE ANDERSON



A Western white pine is a good example of a native. This one was photographed in the Sierras where it keeps company with other natives such as other pines and firs. At the nursery, our best selling native plants include California lilac, manzanitas, and matilija poppies.

In California we garden in the generous light of a Mediterranean climate. One that allows us to indulge an amazing range of expressions provided we can continue to find the water to satisfy our collective desires. A fascination with exotic plants and the abundant use of water has been a consistent theme in California gardens since the Gold Rush. We utilize plants from the far corners of the earth and search out new specimens, adding to an already bewildering array of possibilities.

Little regard has been paid to the Mediterranean nature of our climate. Water has become a pivotal issue and defining issue. The climatic reality of a long dry summer, found at the heart of the state, continues to challenge our landscapes. Periodic droughts test our forbearance, but we return to our lawns when the Pacific storms return.

Traditionally, Californians have been more interested in imported styles than in a coherent California style. There are exceptions such as Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, El Alisal, and the Mediterranean collections at Strybing Arboretum, but the larger expression of gardening in California remains a strange mix of exotic species with little regional character and even less native articulation.

Gardening with native plants gives us an opportunity to find a style or regional identity that binds our communities and provides a meaningful sense of place. A cohesive theme could be developed among our diverse gardens that allow us to distinguish ourselves while acknowledging the wild and native frame that makes the California landscape distinctive. The genesis of such a shift will come from our native flora and a deliberate surrender to the constraints of a Mediterranean climate. Imagine a different California, a rediscovered landscape that includes sycamores and cottonwoods along our urban streams, drifts of basket grass in the medians of our boulevards and native oaks rolling out of the hills and down our suburban streets.

Amaryllis & Paperwhites Get The Bulb Season Rolling

PHOTO: NICOLE ANDERSON



It's just the right time to be thinking about bulbs, especially if you want a blooming amaryllis to make an appearance for you during the holidays.

A 10" container is sufficient for growing one amaryllis bulb. If you plant more than one bulb, choose a container that will be deep enough for

roots. Add potting soil to the container and hold the bulb in the top of the container so that roots can hang down freely. While holding the bulb in place, fill the container with soil, making sure that the soil is under and around the bulb. Eliminate any air pockets from under the bulb.

Once the flower bud is well out of the bulb, your amaryllis will need to be watered regularly and will require more water the larger it gets. When watering, avoid getting the top of the bulb wet and water when the top 1" - 2" of soil is dry.

Place the newly potted amaryllis in a warm, shady location for its first four weeks. Once the flower bud is 6" - 8" high, the container can be moved to a cooler, brighter location. These locations can be indoors or outside.

Plant bulbs four to six weeks before your desired bloom time. If you don't intend to plant immediately, keep the bulbs chilled in a refrigerator. If the bulb begins to sprout, plant right away.

Paperwhite narcissus can provide outdoor or indoor color and plenty of fragrance. Bulbs are available now for purchase and planting. They can be grown in water in saucers or vases with gravel from October through November and below is a planting schedule.

PLANT NOW	BL	OOMS AROUND
Oct. 17	Thanksgiving	
Oct. 26	H	anukkah
Nov. 2	W	inter Solstice
Nov. 13	Christmas	
Nov. 19	N	ew Year's Eve



Hint: For continuous blooms from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day, start saucers, dishes, bowls or vases of Paperwhites every two weeks beginning Oct. 14. Bear in mind that unseasonably hot weather will cause plants to develop more quickly than indicated in this planting calendar.



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Unusual Recommendation Good For Fall Color

by Damon Hedgepeth

When Walter Andersen Nursery asked me to contribute a piece for its quarterly newsletter, I was certainly pleased. Pleased but not surprised because I've had a working relationship with them since, well since I first got my driver's license.

That was the late '60s and I'd been given a 1955 Ford woodie as a birthday present. What a feeling of freedom; making a tour of the coast, searching for and finding surfing spots and nurseries, making excellent use of wagon space hauling concurrent loads of beach and garden supplies. I also made contacts and friendships that would last a lifetime.

In those days the nursery had just one site, at the eastern end of Rosecrans. That quickly became a favored destination.

It was through the nurserymen at Walter Andersen's that I learned San Diego's particular garden challenge; that our gardens grow 365 days-a-year, making for four seasons, each of which has to be addressed for both the present and future. Take, for example, fall color.

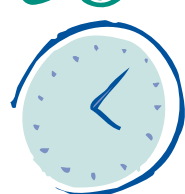
For most of the country, this means leaves and chrysanthemums, mere swatches on the color palette here in San Diego because we have many, many plants whose greatest glory is their fall color.

For evergreen and tropical gardens, there is no greater stunner than *Odontonema strictum* or firespike. This shrub, native to Central America, keeps perfect company with palms, gingers, camellias and other evergreen beauties. It has oval leaves, mid-green, and is rather succulent in appearance.

Odontonema prefers a protected sunny spot and decent soil (slow drainage is okay, but standing water is not). A solid feeding schedule is necessary. Apply camellia and azalea food in March, September, and June. Of course, water during the summer or during other protracted dry spells.

In return, expect a ravishing display of red flowers from September through winter. The blooms are born on long stems that look like red berries or buds on a candelabra. The shrub can grow to a good size; 5' x 5' is not uncommon. This makes a very dramatic specimen, guaranteed to spark the autumn garden much like fireworks lighting up the autumn night.

Editor's Note: *The nursery has five-gallon odontonema strictum available as well as odontonema callistachyum which produces purple tubular-shaped flowers.*



Poway Store Hours To Change Nov 1

Effective Nov. 1, store hours for our Poway location will be 9am until 5pm. With daylight savings time ending, the store grounds are plunged into darkness by 5pm which creates a situation that isn't conducive to shopping. Morning hours will be enforced to give employees the time they need to prepare the store for its daily opening. The daily chores that include watering, preparation of plant tables, sweeping, and stocking shelves has grown so much that we have found we can't adequately accommodate customers before 9am.



Unusual White Squill Bulbs Make Debut

Walter Andersen Nursery has received some of the biggest and ugliest bulbs around!

Most are as large as a soccer ball and weigh more than 8 pounds. Once their ugliness is buried beneath the soil, however, a magical transformation takes place and growing up to six feet is the unusual *Urginea maritima* or Giant White Sea Squill. Leafless spires are studded with white flowers that open in sequence from bottom to top making it prized by florists for its staying power in cut flower arrangements.

David Ross, Walter Andersen Nursery manager, is thrilled to have the bulbs in stock, which he first encountered years ago in Tunisia. "I have been looking for these for 10 years, ever since I first saw them blooming in the arid region of North Africa," said Ross. "In arid areas where all vegetation was dead after the heat of summer, these blooming flowers were striking and left me searching."

This Mediterranean native could be a welcome and low maintenance addition to any garden. They are relatively pest free, require no feeding, and like good draining soil and sun.

Plant bulbs in a sunny spot. In late fall, the bulb will begin to leaf out producing curving green leaves similar to *Agapanthus*. In the early summer the leaves will turn yellow and go dormant for about eight weeks then a flower stalk will emerge. The stalk will grow rapidly and by the time it is 4'-6' tall it will begin presenting a spire of white flowers that will twist and curve.

Despite thriving on neglect and adding a designer touch indoors as a cut flower, Squill also has medicinal value but can be toxic if eaten. Squill is used in rodent control and also contains properties used to treat asthma, bronchitis and heart disorders. Through the years, it has been used to heal neurological pains, skin problems, deep wounds and eye afflictions.

For more information about *Urginea maritima*, call David Ross at 858-513-4790 or visit www.whitesquill.com

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Fall Class Schedule

All classes are FREE and begin at 9:00am in Point Loma, 9:30am in Poway. On rare occasion we may need to make a last minute change. If you have any questions, call 619-224-8271 (Point Loma) or 858-513-4900 (Poway). Show up early if you don't like standing (some classes get crowded) and have coffee on us!

POINT LOMA

October

- 10/4 Euro American by Proven Winners
- 10/11 Fall & Winter Lawn Care
- 10/18 Houseplants
- 10/25 Azaleas

November

- 11/1 Camellias
- 11/8 Fall Perennial Care
- 11/15 Holiday Decorating
- 11/22 Dormant Spraying
- 11/29 NO CLASS SCHEDULED

December

- 12/6 Winter Rose Pruning & Bare Root Preparation
- 12/13 Pruning Almond, Peach & Nectarine Trees
- 12/20 Pruning Apple, Pear & Persimmon Trees
- 12/27 NO CLASS SCHEDULED
- 1/3 Pruning Plum & Apricot Trees

POWAY

October

- 10/4 Fall Rose Care
- 10/11 Fall Magic: Proven Winner Perennials, Kids Potting, BBQ
- 10/18 Bearded Iris: Secrets to Re-Blooming, Guest Speaker: Local Grower/Hybridizer Ken & Christie Pierson
- 10/25 Dormant Spraying: How & Why

November

- 11/1 Houseplants: Care & culture
- 11/8 Fall & Winter Blooming, Perennials, Shrubs & Trees, by Tom Piergrossi & Andy Maycen
- 11/22 Azaleas & Camellias, by Guest Lecturer Patrick Poitras of Monrovia Growers
- 11/22 Wreath Making & Decorating: A Demonstration of Home Harvest Wreaths
- 11/29 NO CLASS SCHEDULED

December

- 12/6 Keeping Living Christmas Plants Alive!
- 12/13 Rose Pruning & Mention of Bare Root Roses
- 12/20 Fruit Tree Pruning
- 12/27 NO CLASS SCHEDULED
- 1/3 Rose Pruning & Bare Root Roses



Halloween is Here Thanks to Department 56



Our indoor train is bravely chugging around a haunted village that is filled with witches, black cats, smoking cauldrons, and houses that emit creaks and groans into the scream filled night. Well, it seems like that. The folks at Department 56 have created a Halloween line that is spine-tingling fun and will give you the willies, and the heebie jeebies. From its Original Snow Village line, you'll find "Spooky Farmhouse", "Black Cat Diner", "Shipwreck Lighthouse", and "Dracula's Castle". We also have accessories to complete your village that include "Building the Scarecrow", "Trick or Treat Kids", and "Lighting the Jack-o-Lanterns"!

This product line is available at our Poway location.



PHOTO: NICOLE ANDERSON

New Products Debut In Time For Holiday Shopping!

We're adding some new products & enhancing existing apparel lines.

Muck Boots & Gardening Gloves

Just in time for winter gardening we'll have muck boots and more gardening gloves. We stock gloves from a company called Tahoe and are adding some new choices. The "Landscaper" design of gloves comes in mens and womens sizes and is made of deerskin with a keystone thumb reinforcement. The "Contractor" style features two way stretch Spandex with a palm of deerskin and an elastic wrist with Velcro closure. Muck boots are 100% waterproof with a fully insulated shell and offer easy on and off convenience. They boast slipper soft comfort and have reinforced toe, heel and soles.

Candles Candles can add a dramatic effect to your plant displays and are an inexpensive accessory. Archipelago is the manufacturer of long burning, deliciously scented candles with woody, floral and spicy aromas. They are hand poured using the finest lead-free wicks, waxes and complex essential oil blends.

Terranova Lotions, Perfumes, Soaps & Oils Finally, if you adore the scent of gardenia, plumeria, fresh rain, or pikake blossoms from Hawaii, look for lotions, perfumes, soaps and oils from Terranova.

These wonderful products are biodegradable formulations made with premium botanicals, vegetable oils and vitamins and are never tested on animals.

We think you'll enjoy these products either for yourself or attractively presented in a gift basket!

COUPON

Valid October 1 - December 31, 2003

FREE
Box of Miracle Gro Fertilizer!
(reg \$2.79)
With Any Purchase of \$30 or More
(While supplies last)
Limit 1

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Limit One (1) per customer. Not valid with any other offer. Coupon must be presented at the time of purchase. Limited to stock on hand.

COUPON

Valid October 1 - December 31, 2003

FREE
Tub of Proven Winners Water Soluble Fertilizer!
With Purchase of 2 Bags of Proven Winners Potting Soil (While supplies last)
Limit 3

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Limit Three (3) per customer. Not valid with any other offer. Coupon must be presented at the time of purchase. Limited to stock on hand.

COUPON

Valid October 1 - December 31, 2003

Upgrade to the Best! Bring in Any Old Garden Shear and Get
\$10 OFF
Any Felco Pruning Shear
In Stock!
Limit 1

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Limit One (1) per customer. Not valid with any other offer. Coupon must be presented at the time of purchase. Limited to stock on hand.

Make a Note!
Both Nurseries will be Closed on: Thursday, November 27; Wednesday, December 24 at 2pm; Thursday, December 25; Wednesday, December 31 at 3pm; Thursday, January 1, 2004

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