

District Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2011

District Director Launa Gould opened the meeting at 9:32 A.M.

We began the year at the beautiful Tree of Life Nursery in San Juan Capistrano, the largest grower of California native plants in the state. There were 85 attendees. After coffee and pastries, furnished by Laguna Beach GC and Newport Hills GC, Joyce Conway, from the Laguna Beach Garden Club gave an inspirational message.

Missy Schweiger, Treasurer filed her Report dated October 1, 2011. A beginning balance of \$10,483.87 15 clubs paid their District dues, \$1,479.00. Total Expenditures \$530.15 with an ending balance of \$11,432.72. The 2011-12 budget was presented. A motion to approve the 2011-2012 budget was made by Jane Strait and seconded by Kathleen Scopaz. The budget was approved unanimously.

Launa Gould attended the Fall Board in Stockton and picked up the CGCI Directory and Discount Cards and distributed them to the Presidents. Treasurers were reminded to file their tax forms before November 15, and pay State and District dues if still outstanding. Presidents were reminded to see the October President guide in their box or on the website *OCDistrict.Org*.

Committee announcements:

Orange County District Gardener of the Year Award: Betty and Eleanor requested that our members take this opportunity to share with our gardening friends a unique portion of their garden or a special collection of prized plants, etc. There will be three awards given during the year: Fall/Winter at the February 2012 Meeting, spring at the June 2012 meeting and summer at the October 2012 Meeting. To become a part of this new and exciting project all you need to do is contact Betty Jackson, 949-589-9077; bettyjeckson@gmx.com or Eleanor Barbour 714-993-5586, bar54@surfcity.net.

Crystal Cove work day is October 26 at 9:00 a.m. Bring your garden tools and a sack lunch. Contact Annie Hall Bosche.

Orange County District Flower Show, A Concert of Flowers, is Saturday November 5, 2011, 11-3:30 P.M. at Sherman Library & Gardens, 2647 East Coast Highway, Corona del Mar. Event is open to the public, Flower Show Free, Admission to the garden: \$3.00. Carole Lung, 949-492-5518, cklung@verizon.net.

The next meeting is February 13, 2012 9-12 pm. Location: Casa Romantica, 415 Avenida Granada, San Clemente, CA 92672, (949) 498-2139, <http://casaromantica.org> RSVP by January 30, 2012

Tour the ocean bluff top estate, gardens and special White House Garden exhibit at Casa Romantica. After continental breakfast, and short meeting, we will be led by docents through the house and gardens. Tour the special exhibit, The History of the White House Garden, which traces the development of the grounds from the 1790s to present.

Canyon Crest G.C. 9, Del Norte G.C. 8 Huntington Harbour G.C. 7, Huntington View G.C. 2, Laguna Beach G.C. 16, Lake Forest G.C. 13, Newport Hills G.C. 6, Niguel Shores G.C. 5, San Clemente G.C. 15, Tustin G.C. 4.

After taking care of garden business, we took a tour of the extensive grounds. Then learn about creating a container garden with native plants. Plants and containers were available (for purchase) for anyone interested in getting their hands dirty

Respectfully submitted by Bette Langford, Secretary