



### Meeting – Naomi Bloss, Succulent Wreath Making October 20, 2013

**Potluck: 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM**

Please bring a dish to share, either an appetizer, main course, side dish, or dessert.

**Meeting: 1:00 PM**

Naomi Bloss is putting on her lovely workshop on making wreaths and other hangings. We have enjoyed all of Naomi's presentations in the past, and this one should be particularly wonderful. We hope our many members, new and seasoned, will attend and take this opportunity to learn from one of our experts in the club.

This is a hands-on program with equipment, cuttings, etc., supplied at a nominal cost of \$20.00 per participant, which covers a 10" wreath and cuttings. If you would like a 12" wreath to work on, the cost is \$25. For comparison, finished wreaths start at about \$45.00 at the UCSC Arboretum's gift shop. Bring extra cuttings of your own to personalize your work of art and if you would like to make a more densely covered wreath for the holidays. The wreaths can take a lot of cuttings.

Those who do not wish to participate, can come and watch, at no cost.

Please register! Those who were not at the last meeting in August to sign up, please call Naomi, so she can bring enough wreaths and cuttings.

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*Happy  
Halloween!*

If you are interested in *buying* succulent and flower wreaths, UC Santa Cruz Arboretum will have them for sale just before Thanksgiving, in November. Stay tuned to the UCSC Arboretum website for more information. <http://arboretum.ucsc.edu/calendar/>

**No Mini Show or Raffle This Month**

There will be no Mini Show or raffle due to the larger than normal time requirement for Naomi's program.



**Welcome to new members!**

Sonia Deetz of Watsonville, Elizabeth Hannah of Watsonville, Erika Ray of Carmel Valley, Joseph and Ellen Suckiel of Salinas, welcome to our club! We hope you enjoy our club and we look forward to seeing you more and getting to know you at our future meetings.

## September Show & Sale

We had a *very successful* Show & Sale in September at Jardines Restaurant garden. More of the public learned about our club, saw some rare specimens, members had success with selling their plants, and it was a beautiful show.

Thank you to everyone who helped set up before the Show & Sale, and helped break down after! While we had a challenging situation with the set-up schedule, everyone was patient and it was successful. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and helps make the Show & Sale the success that it is. With each show, our planning and action gets better and better.

If anyone has not received earned 'Show Bucs', please contact Manson or Lynda Waters. The problem will be covered with a rain check for the April sale.

### Note from Karl Karl

Thank you *very much* to those who stepped up to the plate to help with set-up and tear-down at the Show & Sale. We all pulled together for the very limited time we had. Thank you to everyone for your amazing work, and also for your patience with the unforeseen change of schedule and challenging short time available. The sale and show was immensely successful because of *all of you*.

*Karl Karl, Chair of Set-Up/Tear down*

### Note from Sales Chair, Lynda Waters

I would like to thank all that helped out in the sales area for the weekend. Not only did the vendors help in this area but several of the club members did also. The changes we implemented last show and sale helped to aid in the success of the sales area. We received very positive feedback that everyone really liked the sales set up and were more than willing to help out. This made for a very enjoyable weekend. Let us know if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

*Lynda Waters, Chair of Sales*

### Note from Ruth Pantry, Treasurer

I would like to send a Thank You to all the cashiers who worked during our show and sale. There was a matching signature slip for every single credit card receipt. This was a first for us. Congratulations to the wonderful cashiers who did their job in a superb manner.

*Ruth Pantry, Treasurer*

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## Special Thanks

Thank you to Jardine's Restaurant for donating their beautiful garden courtyard for us to enjoy one last time for our biannual Show & Sale! We have appreciated your lovely space and we know everyone has loved attending the shows and sales in your beautiful gardens.

## Succulent Extravaganza 2013

### Thank you to all who donated their time!

Succulent Gardens' 2013 Extravaganza held on September 27 and 28 was fun and very informative, and our table was a success. Thank you very much to all members who were willing to man the table. We very much appreciate your efforts at spreading the news about our club to the Extravaganza attendees.

Karl and I were signed up for the morning, but we enjoyed being at the table and came back to help much of all day Friday. The response about our society was very positive, we have some new memberships, AND we helped people with their plants, which is what we are all about.

If you are wanting to keep up on the next year's event, you can watch the Succulent Garden's website, and sign up for their newsletter, as well... <http://sgplants.com/>

*Thank you, again!*

## Letter from the Editor

Regretfully, I will have to resign as newsletter editor, starting at the new year. I have had the privilege of helping bring the club into the 21st century with an upscale newsletter, a nice and easy to use email distribution system (the MailChimp system), the Facebook Page, an updated logo, table tent designs for events, an updated membership brochure, oversized banners for the events, and more. It has been my pleasure to serve the club.

For anyone who is interested in taking over as newsletter editor, first, you are *not* expected to do all I mention above! I am a graphic designer by trade, and kept thinking of ways to help the club. I will remain available to help the next newsletter editor by answering questions, and maybe even set up a Word template for the newsletter, if needed. Please contact me or Manson Waters if you are interested.

My personal email: [tkarl3@trudykarl.com](mailto:tkarl3@trudykarl.com)

## Letter From the President

The club is in need of several positions to be filled by club members:

First, is Newsletter editor. Trudy, after four years plus as our excellent editor has decided to pass on the position to someone else. If you are interested please contact me or Trudy.

Second, we need a couple of people to set up and take notes on the results of the monthly Mini-show. This position needs two people because if one can't make it to the meeting the other person most likely will be at the meeting.

Third, we need a couple of club members that have paid memberships for the last three consecutive years to help on the Selection Committee. This is a temporary club need. You will work with the Selection Committee Chair, Jeff Brooks, to form a Board of Directors including a new President.

Not all BOD members need be replaced. But we do need two new Members at Large to replace Larry Livermont and the late Frank Bloss.

Call me at 831-663-3355 or 831-206-7543.

To all of the many wonderful people that helped with the set up and take down at the September sale a very big THANK YOU!!!! To the two Co-chairs, Karl and Lynda, who made the weekend wonderful, a special WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITH OUT THE TWO OF YOU. Although we were short several vendors we still had decent receipts for the weekend. The plants that the vendors displayed and sold were top of the line, Thank you again everyone.

*Manson*

## Letter from the Librarian

There is a new book on Agaves for the library that can be checked out, *A Gallery of Agaves*.

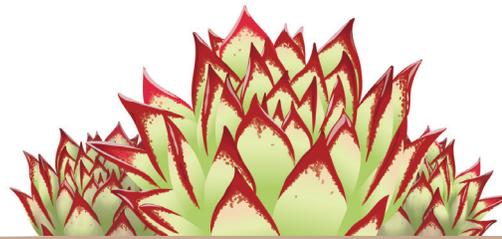
For those who ordered books, Gary will have them at the next meeting.

## Future Mini Show Plants

### November

**Succulents:** Tylecodyns, Cotelydons. and hybrid Aloes.

**Cactus:** Ariocarpus, any Cereus (Tall growing cactus)



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## Calendar of Events

*See our listing of CSS Shows on the back page.*

### The Ruth Bancroft Gardens

#### Fruit Tasting Tour

Saturday, October 19, 2013, 1:00PM to 2:30PM

\$20 General Admission; \$12 Members

Pre-registration is required for this tour, please call the Garden Office at (925)944-9352.

#### Front Yard Gardening

Friday, October 25, 2013, 9AM – 2:30PM

Garden tours and lecture to follow

Gardens at Heather Farm

1540 Marchbanks Drive, Walnut Creek

\$85 Members of the Garden Conservancy, The Ruth Bancroft Garden, the Gardens at Heather Farm, and the Pacific Horticulture Society

\$100 General admission

More events on the website:

<http://www.ruthbancroftgarden.org/rbgarden/pages/events.html>

### UC Santa Cruz Arboretum

#### Fall Plant Sale

October 12, 2013, Members: 10AM–noon,

Public: noon – 4PM

### Huntington Gardens

Fall Plant Sale, October 25–27

Friday, noon–4:30PM, Sat. & Sun. 10:30AM–4:30PM

<http://huntington.org>

### See CSS Show & Sale Dates—Last page!

*Our own Show & Sale is September 14 & 15; plan for it!*

### MBACSS Future Programs (Our Own)

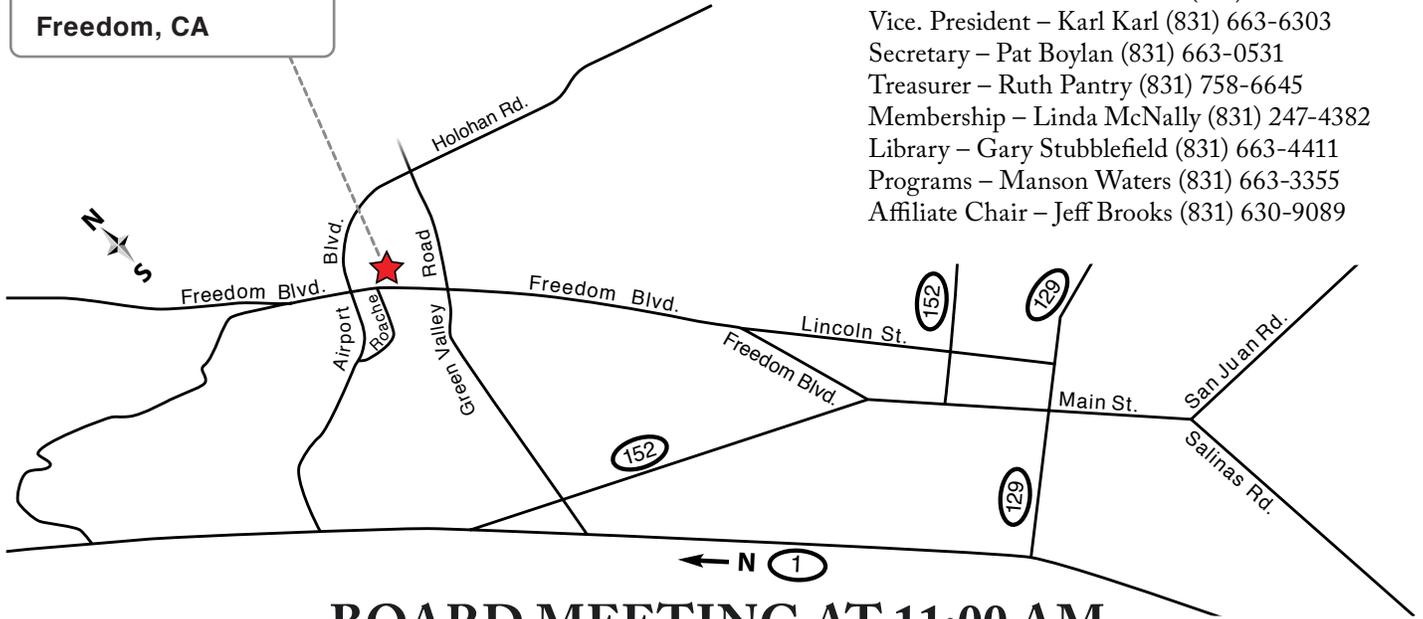
**November 17** — Jeff Brooks: A hands-on program with starter plants (more complete information to come)

**December 15** — Holiday Party!

**VFW Hall**  
**1960 Freedom Blvd.**  
**Freedom, CA**

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**BOARD MEETING AT 11:00 AM**

*Last Minute Additions*

**Remaining CSS Shows & Sales for 2013**

Date	Society	Location
Oct. 12-13 Sat., 9-5 Sun. 10-4	San Jose CSS	Peterson Middle School 1380 Rosalia Avenue Sunnyvale, CA
Nov. 2-3 Sat., Sun. 9-4	San Gabriel CSS	LA County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia, CA

**ON THE DRY SIDE**

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