



## 2018 Neighborhood Calendar

### EVENTS

Oktoberfest 10/13  
Holiday Party 12/9

### GENERAL MEETING

Fall Meeting 10/11

GARAGE SALE WEEKEND  
Dec 1 & 2

## Fall in The Square -- WSNA President Dave Dethloff



Hello neighbors! Can you feel it in the air at night? It's beginning to cool down! Yay! I'm sure we'll get hit with a few more heat waves but it's feeling a lot like Autumn. Definitely time to finish up those late summer projects which I can see many square residents have been active at when I am out walking my dog.

Did you make it to movie night? Coco was a wonderful feature and we had the biggest turnout ever! The "dog team" on the grill cooked up 170 hot dogs for a hungry

crowd. Many thanks to all those that pitched in to appease the masses!!!

That fall chill means it's Oktoberfest time again!! Our 7th annual event is upon us and we will be rollin' out the barrels, heatin' up the giant hot pretzels, throwin' a whole mess of brats on the grill and spinnin' your favorite polka tunes! So grab your lederhosen and start practicing your yodeling and join us in one of the best beer gardens in Orange County!!! The OC Wine Society will once again be pouring some delicious import, craft, and home brews for your enjoyment! We are still looking for volunteers for this event so please help us out if you can by signing up on Facebook or by contacting Diane Morter at (714) 814-4326. Remember, with many hands goes quick work.

Carlos Araujo and Don Harvey have transformed our entrance monuments with a wonderful fall theme. It's pretty cool that they come up with a theme and then get it done the very day the season changes. Nice work guys!!

My time as WSNA President is coming to an end in a few months so now is the time to start getting involved if you're interested. Our board meetings are always open and it's a good way to learn about how WSNA operates. That's how I got started and it's a great way too meet other great neighbors who want to help keep Washington Square such a cool neighborhood! That's it for now folks! See you in "The Square"!

## Ysidro & Gloria Ortega win Fall 2018 Alan Anderson Award

by Bobi Keenan



The fall Alan Anderson Award goes to Ysidro & Gloria Ortega for their home at 1002 N. Flower Street. Ysidro was born in Santa Ana and grew up here. He moved to Guadalajara for some years and he met his wife there. They married in 2001. He returned to Orange County to go back to school, bringing his bride with him.

They lived in an apartment in Orange for a few years while he finished college and now works for the D.O.D. at the Naval Weapons Station in Seal Beach where he calibrates and repairs equipment. He enjoys his work and it allows Gloria to stay home to care for their children, Carolina, 15 and Jaime, 11 and their house and garden.



They wanted a home of their own and purchased the house in 2010. Ysidro thinks it was built between 1910 and 1920. When they bought it, it had been newly renovated inside and out with new stucco, windows and roof. Energy efficient appliances were installed in the kitchen, central air conditioning and heating and tankless water heaters were added. Ysidro says the only changes they made inside were to remove carpeting and install stone tile floors in the living room, dining room and kitchen.

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# Washington Square is Fun!

and a little work  
now and then

## Neighborhood General Meeting Thursday, October 11th, 7PM Wilson School

Join us for the October meeting! We'll have updates on neighborhood issues and events. We're back in the library at Wilson School. Roger Garcia, Community Outreach Team Representative for the I-5 Central Improvement Project will be there to brief us on what construction is planned on our section of the I-5 between now and 2020. Also, Linda Rose, Ed. D., Santa Ana College President will be joining us for an update on what's happening at the College and how it benefit's our neighborhood. Don't forget, we'll have camaraderie and pizza!

## Oktoberfest Saturday, Oktober 13th 5-9PM 1407 N. Towner Street

There's still time to get your reservation in for our seventh Oktoberfest. The cost is only \$20 per fester until Oktober 11th. After that it's \$25 if there is still space available and at the door. Reserve online at [www.washington-square.org](http://www.washington-square.org) or drop off a check at Diane Morter's home 909 N. Westwood.

It's always a spectacular party with great craft beers, pretzels and brats, not to mention the drawing prizes and games. Volunteers are always needed to help make it happen. Contact Diane Morter at (714) 814-4326 or sign up on the Facebook group.



## Holiday Party Sunday December 9th 1-3PM 1110 W. Washington

It's not too early to start thinking about the Holidays. Plan on joining us in the front yard of 1110 W. Washington, the home of Ana and Juan Vasquez, for the festivities. Santa will arrive around 1:15 for photos with the children. Bring an ornament for the tree. There will be hot cocoa and cookies (bake your Holiday finest and bring them along) Baked goods can be dropped off between 12 and 1PM. Volunteers are needed for setup, cookie wrangling and photo printing. Contact Jean Poppa (714) 206-6836, the event chair, to share in the Holiday cheer. The get together is for kids of all ages so fire up your Holiday spirit and come spend an hour or two with your neighbors on Sunday, 12-9.



## Chili Cook-Off Wrap Up

The second annual Chili Cook-Off was a big success! Over 80 hungry chili tasters converged on 920 Louise Street for an evening of gastro intestinal delight! Last years champion, Chris Manning, came running in under the wire with the perpetual trophy and his chili in hand to become the 15th entrant for the night with his "Bro Dog Chili". It was quite the spread with chili pots taking up 16 feet of table space.

Despite Chris' valiant effort at retaining his title as a grand champion alas he had to bow out to last years second place winners Mike Van der Roest and Meredith Willitt, who made a tasty and pretty "Spicy Mexican Chili". However Chris did manage to come in second place vowing next year he will be back on top. Nathaniel Cooper came in a very respectful third place with his "Colorado Green Pork Chili" which was very tasty! Maybe a little more spice next time Nathaniel and you'll be on top? A great time was had by all with plenty of beer, soda and water to put out the fires!!

A big thank you to all the cooks for the efforts they put into their chili creations. Thanks again to all our volunteers who helped with set up, tear down and check in for making this happen!! & a special thanks to Chef Valerie Boulter for letting us use her beautiful yard and house!!



2018 Chili Cook-Off Chefs



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## Juliana Poggi - Volunteerism at a Young Age

by Sarah Covarrubias



Juliana on her 16th birthday

Karen Blue-Wevers, a WS resident and teacher at Wilson School, had the good fortune of having Juliana Poggi assist her with her summer school class. Juliana was looking to keep herself busy this summer and volunteered to help out. During the 4 weeks, she assisted Karen preparing science experiments, going on field trips and interacting with the students. Karen has said that Juliana was always on time, a self starter and that she could not have made it through the summer session without her!

Juliana lives on Towner Street with her parents Jay and Ivy. (The family moved to WS in 2013 from Rockland, CA.)

She turned 16 in February, and

passed her DMV driver's license test just before this article was published! She currently takes the train and shuttle to get to and from Rosary Academy, an all girls Catholic school in Fullerton.

It is hard to believe that this once, painfully shy child has grown to be such a poised and enthusiastic young woman. Her mother tells the funny story that Juliana was very quiet and did not like interacting too much with people. At 4 years old she was invited to participate in a child modeling (runway) show, and like the "responsible, rule follower" (as several people describe her), she began practicing her runway moves. The day of the event, she "nailed it". She had all the right moves and even the haughty facial expressions. It seemed that Juliana found her calling on stage!

Not surprisingly, Juliana is quite the thespian. When asked about her work in the theatre, her face just beams and she becomes animated. She absolute loves being on stage, and has acted, sang and danced her way through several plays including Bye-Bye Birdie, Into the Woods and Iliad & Odyssey in 99 Minutes or Less. She is currently in rehearsals for the tri-school Musical Review, which will be held Nov. 15th through the 18th at Servite.

Juliana enjoys going to an all girls school because it has helped build her confidence. At Rosary Academy she is active in Student Council as the interschool representative, and on the Thespian Board as the communications officer. Her duties include interfacing with the reps from Servite High School (all boys) and Cornelia Connelly School (another all



Ivy, Jay and Juliana Poggi

girls) to plan and implement events and community service opportunities like Project Linus (providing blankets to critically ill children), letters to soldiers overseas, toy & food drives.

For having such a busy schedule, she still finds time to help her parents with chores, be an "A" student, but most importantly to be thoughtful and kind. Tracy Simons, also a WS resident, considers Juliana a granddaughter. She told me that Juliana is responsible, conscientious and

wise beyond her years. I find her to be a breath of fresh air.

Juliana aspires to be a doctor and continue acting. She can do both for sure. We love that she is part of this neighborhood and look forward to her continued success.



Juliana with students at Wilson School



Juliana just received her driver's licence



A younger Juliana shows off her smile

## City Contact Information

Police Services West End Office	647-5062
Police - non emergency	834-4211
Police admin. business	245-8665
Police and Fire Emergency	911
Animal services (lost pets, barking)	245-8792
Code Enforcement	667-2780
Graffiti Hotline	877-786-7824
Obstructing Trees & Bushes	647-3380
Permit Parking-Frank Orellana	647-5614
Permit Parking Complaints	245-8225
Potholes (Public Works)	647-3380
SAUSD School Police	558-5535
School Traffic Concerns	647-5619
Street Cleaning	647-3380
Street Lights (Edison)	800-655-4555
Street Lights (City)	647-3380
Traffic Engineering	647-5619
Traffic Signals	647-5620
Trash Pick Up (Waste Management)	558-7761
Tree Trimming	647-3380
Vector Control (County)	971-2421
Water Bill	647-5454
Wilson School	564-8100

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A more complete listing can be found on the WSNA website.

If you have a smartphone or a tablet, you'll want to download the free "My Santa Ana" app from the Apple App Store or Google Play. With it you can report graffiti, street light problems, potholes, tree issues, water wasting, etc as well as get phone #'s

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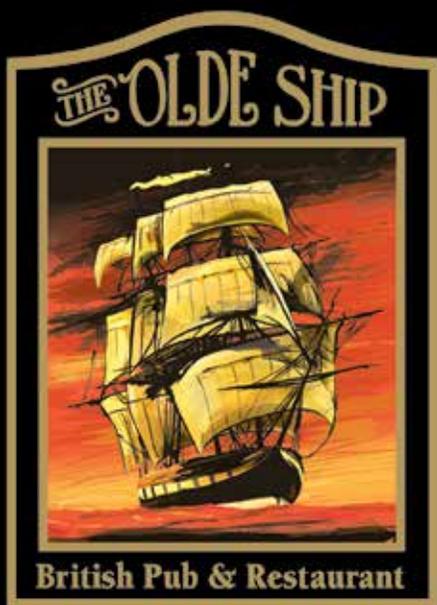
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**\$5 Well Drinks**

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 White Zinfandel**

**\$4 Baskets of Chips or Basket of Onion Rings**

**\$6 Garlic Mushrooms**

**\$8 Fish Bites or Calamari**

## Who Are We?

by Nancy Lutz



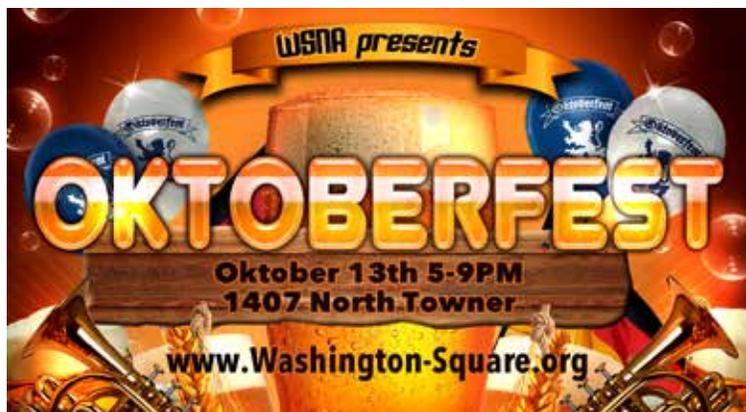
Since there are a lot of new neighbors in the Square it might be a good time to reintroduce The Washington Square Neighborhood Association.

In 1985 your Neighborhood Association was formed as a result of opposition to a then proposed sports stadium complex at the corner of Flower Street and Civic Center Drive. Early neighborhood activists were concerned about the loss of quality of life due to the project's size, uncontrolled traffic and parking intrusion.

Fast forward to 2007 when the association achieved its 501(c)(3) status. YEA! It is safe to say that over the years WSNA evolved into one of the most respected, active and best organized neighborhood associations in Santa Ana. Our mission is to foster a sense of community by promoting public awareness, developing an appreciation of the historical significance of our homes, bridging the cultural, generational and economic diversity of our residents and bring about communication between the community, local businesses and city officials.

With that in mind we developed a Hospitality Chair, as well as other committees to address issues affecting the neighborhood. As your Past President and WSNA Hospitality Chair, I have been attempting to reach out and welcome the many new residents to Washington Square. Coming to live in the Square from places hither and yon, we want you to know of this wonderful neighborhood and the many activities we organize throughout the year and encourage your participation. Not only are we trying to reach out to new residents, but also acknowledge special achievements, births, loss of a neighbor, and any other notable events in your lives. If you know of someone we should acknowledge, I would appreciate it if you would shoot me an email with the name, address and circumstance we can recognize. I can be reached at [nancy-lutz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nancy-lutz@sbcglobal.net). Let me hear from you!

Remember also that WSNA has a general meeting for all neighbors every quarter as well as board meetings on the first Wednesday of the month that all are welcome to attend. If you're not a member of the neighborhood Facebook group and Nextdoor group, please sign up and join in! Lastly, there's a nine minute video we put together for our 30th anniversary in 2015 that shows a little more about why Washington Square is so unique. Take a look! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3XSik4IuSOM> or to make it easy <https://is.gd/19862c> or just scan this QR code



## Washington Square's 2018 Officers & Board of Directors

<b>President</b>	Dave Dethloff	721-8124
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## Sunday Worship:

### Traditional Service @ 10:00 a.m.

- \*English service held in our main Sanctuary.
- \*Spanish service held in McFarland Hall
- \*Children's Sunday School and Nursery available during service.
- \*Worship includes hymns & praise songs
- \*Communion the first Sunday of the month

Join us this Sunday,  
we would love to see you!

# Sarah's Neighborhood News

homes for sale:	beds	baths	Sq.Ft.	list/sold Price	DOM*	Sale Type
1606 N. Rosewood	2	1	1178	\$539,000.	38	Probate
1302 N. Flower	2	1	1264	\$539,000.	47	Standard
1502 N. Baker	2	1	926	\$559,000.	64	Flip
homes in escrow:						
1103 N. Lowell	3	2	1499	\$698,000.	62	Standard
1116 Westwood	3	2	2104	\$715,000.	36	Standard
1107 Westwood	3	3	1722	729,000.	116	Standard
welcome to our new neighbors at:						
1134 Bomo Koral	2	2	1050	\$545,000.	8	Standard
1326 N. Westwood	3	1	1304	\$590,000.	17	Standard
1327 N. Westwood	3	2	1493	\$635,000.	11	Standard
1328 N. Westwood	2	2	1573	\$709,000.	23	Standard
1329 N. Westwood	3	2	1533	\$710,000.	10	Standard

per MLS and the County Recorder for the period 6-19-2018 to 9-22-2019 \* = days on market

## HAPPY FALL EVERYONE!

I am sure we have a few "number nerds" in Washington Square who appreciate statistics. I happen to love stats, and so I have pulled the last 13 months statistics for 92703 and 92706 real estate, which were compiled by a company called Trendgraphix. Other parameters included: Single Family Homes, priced between \$450K - \$800K.

Over the last year, Santa Ana homes sales have been steady, but I do feel a sense of a slowdown. In general, homes are not getting multiple offers like before and are staying on the market longer; however, they do seem to be selling at or close to asking price. If you compare the year over year stats below, you might come to the same conclusion as I did:

	Aug 2018	Aug 2017
Homes for sale	57	63
Closed Sales	19	20
Days on Market	52	38
Price/Sq Ft	\$403	\$413

Two of the best months for selling are in December and January. Those 2 months have had a higher number of closed sales than the other ten—28 closed sales each month. Many people either get into the holiday buying spirit or just want to get a home by the end of the year. If you are thinking of selling in the next couple of months, I'd say, go for it now. Please feel free to call me with any real estate questions.



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*Most Beautiful Yard continued from page 1*



L to R Jaime, Gloria & Ysidro

Because of street widening done years ago, the houses along Flower Street were left with very small yards, which can really be a challenge. Gloria is the gardener, carefully tending to the eclectic variety of plants and small trees that are nestled together around the home. She often changes out the plantings to keep it fresh and new.

Their back and side yards are very small and don't get a lot of sun, so grass doesn't grow well there. They had pavers installed

and Gloria has a variety of plants in colorful pots there now.

Aside from being good students and very engaging people, Carolina and Jaime are active and very good soccer players. Isidro is often taking them to and from practices and he and Gloria go to a lot of games which is really fun for all of them. She makes regular trips and sometimes the kids get to go with her to spend extended time with their relatives in Guadalajara. Gloria often brings back little, colorful sculptured plaques of birds and small animals which they put here and there on the outside walls, adding a delightfully whimsical element to the house. They like living here very much. They say it is peaceful and a great place to raise their family.

# Washington Square Resident's Businesses

<b>Accounting/tax prep.</b>	<b>Alex Schneider</b>	<b>364-5173</b>
<b>Arbonne Consultant</b>	<b>Gloria Chavez</b>	<b>280-5723</b>
<b>Audio-Video Production</b>	<b>David Jirik</b>	<b>545-0222</b>
<b>Avon Representative</b>	<b>Hilda Kaneko</b>	<b>925-2300</b>
<b>Avon Representative</b>	<b>Maria Guzman</b>	<b>904-1973</b>
<b>Babysitting</b>	<b>Emma Cano</b>	<b>351-2105</b>
<b>Business Lawyer</b>	<b>Ashley Bolduc</b>	<b>(949)852-1800</b>
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<b>Decorative Ironwork</b>	<b>Marco Coronado</b>	<b>852-1363</b>
<b>DJ Service</b>	<b>Arnie Ruiz</b>	<b>287-3534</b>
<b>Electrical Contractor</b>	<b>Andrew Nunez</b>	<b>782-4740</b>
<b>Farmers Insurance</b>	<b>Gonzalo Guzman</b>	<b>669-3930</b>
<b>Financial Planner</b>	<b>Ariel Agrazsanchez</b>	<b>317-5265</b>
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<b>Graphics &amp; Signage</b>	<b>Kirsten Sketch</b>	<b>721-8795</b>
<b>Handyman</b>	<b>Ken Clark</b>	<b>809-6884</b>
<b>Hardwood floors</b>	<b>Chris Manning</b>	<b>(949)678-0435</b>
<b>Keys &amp; Locksmith</b>	<b>Ivan Rivera</b>	<b>953-6720</b>
<b>Landscape Maintenance</b>	<b>Rick Mora</b>	<b>721-3897</b>
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# Whazzup?

## in Downtown Santa Ana

What's going on in DTSA? -- By Sam Puzzo



Anyone up for a cooking class? Downtown Santa Ana is home to at least two excellent cooking class opportunities. The Orange County location (they have several sites in SoCal) of Hipcooks and Electric City Butcher.

My wife Carol and I have taken classes at Hipcooks which provided a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and expand cooking skills. Their website [www.hipcooks.com](http://www.hipcooks.com) describes their classes as hands-on cooking classes for the novice and seasoned cook alike. Measuring implements are banned, tasting is encouraged, and your inner chef is invited to play. The best part is every class ends with a dinner party! Most classes are taught by OC Manager Suzana. We enjoyed the classes and the teacher immensely. I would put out a challenge to anyone in Washington Square to put together a group and enjoy a WSNA-only private session. I will start with a suggestion for a paella class or a tapa class which is their most popular. If you are interested please let me know and your class preference. Regular classes are \$70.00 per person and a private class would be a little more, depending on the size of the group. Hipcooks is on the 2nd Street Promenade and can be reached via email: [oc@hipcooks.com](mailto:oc@hipcooks.com)

Electric City Butcher offers a very different experience. A very small group can take a class on butchering a half pig or maybe duck. Carol took the duck class and reported she learned more in the class than any other she had taken and she has taken a lot. You will come away with food and other items plus eat a great selection of the food you are there for. Classes are quite a bit more expensive than Hipcooks but worth doing so for special knowledge and treatment by the staff. If you have any questions about classes give them a call at 714-474-9096. You can sign up for regular e-mails on new sandwiches they are offering or upcoming classes.



Electric City Butcher in Charge Michael Puglisi

Since I am on the issue of food I will report that all the original food places at McFadden Market have closed and are now replaced by two new food purveyors. Element 7 and Ramen Tokudai. Element 7 has been open 4 months and features healthy gourmet and vegan food. Menu's change every week so check them on line at [www.element7seven.com](http://www.element7seven.com). They feature ready to go meals at breakfast lunch and dinner so on those long days when you are too tired to cook stop by and let them do the cooking. I have not tried the ramen shop so if you beat me there I welcome a review. Their website is [www.mcfaddenmarket.com/ramen-tokudai](http://www.mcfaddenmarket.com/ramen-tokudai). If you like ramen bowls we now have one in DownTown Santa Ana. The actual address for McFadden Market Place is 515 North Main Street. By the way, parking is sometimes an issue with people who go to 4th Street Market but I recommend one of the two parking structures off Main street and 5th street. See the 4th Street Market website for information on parking.

Aside from the closures and replacements at McFadden Public Market I regret to say C4 Deli has closed. My wife and I loved their sandwiches and a happy hour stop for beer or wine but unfortunately it is no more.

If you'd like to get a sample of the variety of foods DTSA has to offer and you're not going to the WSNA Oktoberfest, Savor Santa Ana is set for Saturday, October 13th, from 5:30 to 9:30PM. Tickets and info online at [www.savorsantaana.com](http://www.savorsantaana.com). Five tasting tickets are only \$10.



Preparing this article for WSNA I focus on food but much goes on in DTSA. Music is a big part of our lives as are the arts and food. I would like to mention Beatnik Bandito Music Emporium. They are located at 417 North Broadway. Aside from being a record store they have regular concerts. Stop by and see the shop and get a music schedule.

Also note that the Sunday Santa Ana Farmers Market has closed for the season and will reopen in the spring.

I welcome notice of any openings and closures in DTSA for restaurants as well as fun activities and experiences such as Beatnik Bandito reported above. Please feel free to e-mail me at [sampuzzo@gmail.com](mailto:sampuzzo@gmail.com).

For ongoing news of DTSA go to [www.downtown-santaana.com](http://www.downtown-santaana.com) and sign up for the weekly newsletter.



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# The Square is Going to the Dogs

by Pat Lenahan



Mia, Pippin & Lando

This month we feature WS residents Mia and Jim Hill and their pups, Pippin (as in the Hobbit) and Lando (Star Wars). Pippin is a Chihuahua Pekingese mix and Lando is half Corgi. Mia, a self-described dog person, grew up with dogs but apartment living made it difficult for them to have dogs. After Jim had a heart attack, his doctor suggested he get a dog as a means of increasing his exercise. Jim and their son picked Lando out of the shelter in 2013. However, they quickly discovered Lando was terrible on a leash. Pippin joined the family in 2016. Mia said Pippin will forego food just to sit on your lap—her role in life. She also established her place on the bed after crying so much that Jim put her on on the bed where she still sleeps. Lando's role is to eat, bark and let Mia know when every leaf falls from the tree. Both dogs love their squeaky toys but would prefer that all toys are made of cheese.

Pippin and Lando are part of the WS Neighborhood Watch as they sit in the window and bark alerts whenever anyone walks by the house.

Send your dog's story to [dogs@washington-square.org](mailto:dogs@washington-square.org) to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



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## Our Garden: Our Labor of Love

by Lubna Debbini



### Out With the Old, In With the New For Fall

With pumpkin spice lattes at Starbucks, Halloween candy on store shelves, and shorter yet mercifully cooler days, it's time to welcome fall. Cozy fall, that season when we start spending more time indoors and look forward to the occasional rainy day so we have an excuse to spend time on the couch reading a book or watching a good movie. But wait, before you get too comfortable in your sweatpants, there are some things your garden would appreciate. Here are a few of them:

Pull out your old summer vegetable garden. That tomato may still have a couple pieces of unripened fruit, but it won't be the same quality as earlier this summer; so out with the old to make room for the new.

New means planting cool weather veggies such as spinach and lettuce. OC Farm supply often has variety packs with beautiful colors and textures to liven up your winter salads. You might have to screen the seedlings to protect them from lingering heat waves or pests until they're well established.



Starting in October, you can plant lettuce, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, broccoli, Swiss chard, kale, celery, onions, garlic, peas and spinach. Turnips, carrots and radishes are best grown from seeds. Radishes are great fun to plant with children because they grow so quickly.

Good to Know: Even though there may be fewer harmful bugs in late summer, snails and slugs thrive in cool, moist weather. Pick them off plants in the early morning or evening. Or use snail bait to control them.

Fall is also a great time to plant new trees or shrubs. If you've been considering a fruit tree, planting in the fall will give it time to establish because super hot temps are gone and frosty nights are not quite upon us. If we experience a heatwave after you plant your new tree, be sure to give it extra water so the tender branches don't dehydrate.

Even if you're not into fruit and vegetable gardening,

your beautiful landscape plants can use a little TLC as well. Fall is a good time to fertilize your cool weather lawn and to plant bulbs such as tulips and daffodils that will give you beautiful blooms next Spring.

As always, the best thing for your garden is you in it, so enjoy the fall weather while caring for your beautiful garden.



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