

## *Rebecca's Good Thymes & Sage Advice*

*AUTUMN 2015*

*Greetings!*

*It is still summer as I write this. And it's still hot! How are your gardens faring in this drought? I thought my garden looked "sort of ok" with its increase of succulents, but then I looked through photos of past summers and realize just what I'm missing--so much color! The barrels were stripped of their lantana and now hold only succulents--which the deer are developing a taste. No more zinnias or petunias or vincas which were all so vibrant. The raised beds are devoid of sunflowers and pumpkins. Woe is me!*

*And yet, my lemon verbenas, scented geraniums, sages and most succulents are thriving, so it's not a complete wasteland. And this year our nectarine tree has produced a bumper crop! We'll have plenty of apples and some Indian corn, though I planted very little.*

### *SUMMER HERB COOLER*

*Warm weather will continue throughout September so try this cooling herbal punch: Pour 2 large cans (46 oz) unsweetened pineapple juice into large container. Add 2 generous bunches of fresh lemon balm, and 2 of fresh mint. Press down with spoon. Add juice of 3 lemons. Chill overnight. To serve, remove herbs and fill glasses half full of juice. Finish with sparkling water or champagne, slice of lime and fresh herb sprig.*

*In September, I'll likely be trying to warm up with Irish coffees as we will be in Ireland--how I look forward to seeing green again! If you'd like to "travel along with us" via email posts and Shutterfly photos, let me know and I'll add you to the growing list!*

*I'm sending my program schedule again for the final time--it was included in the spring newsletter. (See next page) The Nov 21 Chocolate program is full but I have a few spaces in both wreath workshops. I'm asking that checks be sent by last week of August--need to make final plans before leaving on trip.*

*Hope to see many of you in autumn--my favorite season! Rebecca*

# AUTUMN WINTER WORKSHOPS

*Proceeds to charity in memory of daughter  
Cynthia Jean McLin*

*Thanks to those who have already mailed checks. If you have signed up earlier in the spring and have changed your plans please let me know. If checks are not received by August 20, I will open those spaces to others.*

## HERBAL WREATH

*OCTOBER 17 10:30 AM*

*Fee: \$60.00*

*Lunch follows workshop*

## WINTER WREATH

*DECEMBER 1 10:30 AM*

*Fee \$50.00*

*Lunch follows workshop*

## CHOCOLATE!

*November 21 10:30 AM*

*Fee: \$50.00*

*This program is full though checks not yet arrived. If you wish to be on wait list, please let me know. Possibly, space will be available after Aug 20*

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