We’re tremendously proud of our display garden at the County Fair Flower & Garden Show; read all about it in this July 2012 newsletter. Many thanks to everyone who made this fabulous temporary landscape possible. First and foremost we thank our tirelessly enthusiastic designer Susanna Pagan. Hats off to our tremendously capable and creative installation team: SDHS President Jim Bishop, garden designer Marilyn Guidroz and the hard-working students from the MiraCosta College Horticulture Department and Turner Landscapes.

Our garden won Nine important awards, the most we’ve ever won, and it is very gratifying that the judges thought so highly of our design. We thank the award sponsors for their generosity. The awards are:

- **Agri Service, Inc., El Corazon Compost Facility Award** donated by Agri Service, Inc. It is for “Best use of locally recycled mulch in a landscape setting. Award is to promote and educate Garden public on the use of mulch as a water reduction tool and as key to healthy soil and healthy plants.”
- **Award Of Merit** from the San Diego County Fair. The garden was judged on the “quality of plant material, practicality of design, visual appeal of design, educational value, labeling, and appropriateness of lighting.”
- **Dee Bennett Rose Award** is “For the exhibit which best demonstrates the use of roses in a garden setting.” It is donated by Jadey’s, Inc.
- **Don Diego Award** from the Fair for “the display by a non-commercial exhibitor with the best design, aesthetic appeal and plant quality.”
- **Environmental Award** from the Fair is “presented to landscapes that benefit the environment (i.e. water conservation, use of organic practices, and sustainability etc.).” We won 2nd Place.
- **Evergreen Nursery Green Leaf Award** is “presented for best use of plants in a home garden setting.” Donated by Evergreen Nursery, it includes a perpetual trophy and plaque. We also won this in 2011.
- **San Diego County Award** from the Fair is for “the best display representing the diversity of San Diego landscape”.
- **Unique Landscape Award** from the Fair is “presented to the most unique display of flowering or foliage plants in a landscape setting”.
- **Bill Teague Well-Maintained Gardens Award**, given to “Each garden that is as well maintained on the last day as on opening day is eligible.”