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January 12 • Doors open at 3:30pm • Program begins at 4:15pm

Point Loma Assembly • 3035 Talbot Street

Featuring a presentation from **Lee Somerville on Victory Gardens**

Today's community gardens have long-established roots. Come hear how San Diego residents did their part in growing vegetables during the harsh years of two World Wars. With the help of the San Diego Floral Association, urban community gardens were established in 1917. Articles and guidelines provided home and community gardeners with lists of suitable vegetables and growing hints. "War Gardens" (later renamed "Victory Gardens") declined in popularity over the two decades after World War I but with the threat of another war, their importance was revived. What can today's home gardeners learn from yesterday's Victory Gardens? Lee will bring examples of the seeds, plants, and recipes of the time period, and discuss the substitutions that provided nutrition for San Diego families during those lean years.

*—Lee Somerville is a landscape historian, master gardener and the author of *Vintage Wisconsin Gardens* (Wisconsin Historical Society Press, 2011). Lee received her Master's degree in landscape architecture from the University of Wisconsin—Madison and her thesis on 19th-Century Wisconsin garden history served as the basis for her book.*

Message from Pam Hamilton Lester, Point Loma Assembly Ways and Means Chair
Many thanks to all who have donated to our Legacy Fund. Since the announcement of this inaugural annual appeal, the Assembly has received donations totaling \$9,235!

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