

In the Celtic Calendar, February 1 is the first day of Spring. Seems fitting since we have these great daffodils popping up all over the place. Also, I found my first asparagus spear coming up this week! Hope to see you at some of the events listed below:

FEBRUARY 2024 CALENDAR:

FEBRUARY 10: SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT GARDEN CLUB MEETING

Where: Redcrest Community Grange Hall, 115 Sorensen Rd, Redcrest. **Details**: Presentation from 1–2 pm. Refreshments will be provided.

Topic and Speaker: Introduction to Permaculture Design, Marlon Gil of Permaculture

Homestead and Nursery.

FEBRUARY 16: ESGC MONTHLY MEETING: Details: Doors open at 10 am. Hands on Workshop will begin at 10:15. Speaker presentation will begin at 11am, see Program notes for details.

FEBRUARY 21: HUMBOLDT DISTRICT MEETING, HOSTED BY SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT GARDEN CLUB.

Where: Redcrest Community Grange Hall

Details: Doors open at 11 am, lunch will be served at noon

Cost: \$5.00 registration fee

Topic and Speaker: Redwoods, Rivers, and Ranches; Jeanie Fulton, on Ranching

DOWN THE ROAD:

March 23-24: Fortuna Garden Club Daffodil Show and Sale

FEBRUARY PROGRAM: The February program features Tim Walsh. Tim is a co-curator of the Humboldt Botanical Garden's Moss Family Temperate Woodland Garden with his wife, June Walsh. He is a UC Master Gardener and has been a Humboldt Botanical Garden member since the first meeting in 1991. Tim's program will be "Poppies, Red, White and Blue". Tim says "We live in a most unusual/special place on the planet here. We're in a Mediterranean climate, BUT, we have a cool summer! What we can't "make happy" are big tomatoes and Basil, ...BUT, we can make some of the most desirable plants, ON THE PLANET, thrive here!

FEBRUARY MEETING WORKSHOP: We're going to have fun and make seed paper and seed balls. Winifred and Karen B. have been experimenting since early January. The seeds are sprouting! More details about the workshop will be sent a few days before the meeting, but plan on bringing your apron, some waterproof gloves and maybe your favorite seeds.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

13 - Linda West

16 - Nancy Arroyo

18-Janet Biasca

INSPIRATION: "I shall never have the garden I have in my mind, but that for me is the joy of it; certain things can never be realized and so all the more reason to attempt them." -- Jamaica Kincaid

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