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Meeting 4th Tues. of the month



Scripps-Mesa Garden Club

Scripps Ranch's Birdman To Talk About Our Feathered Friends

By Lynnell Hallock, Program Chair

At our April meeting, our speaker will be Jerry Martin. He and his wife Arlene own the Wild Birds Unlimited store in Scripps Ranch. Their specialty is bringing people and nature together through feeding wild birds. They offer expert advice on caring and feeding of wild birds and their store is filled with beautiful bird feeders, bird baths and everything you need to make wild birds happy. Come prepared to learn everything you need to know about wild birds and feel free to bring questions you may have.



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Have you checked out our club collection of photos of wildflowers blooming all over Scripps Ranch? They are yours to enjoy on the garden club website.

Brydon Bennett is eager for club members to send their contributions of wildflower photos and any other garden information you may want to share to the email address above.

Next Meeting
Tues.
April
25th

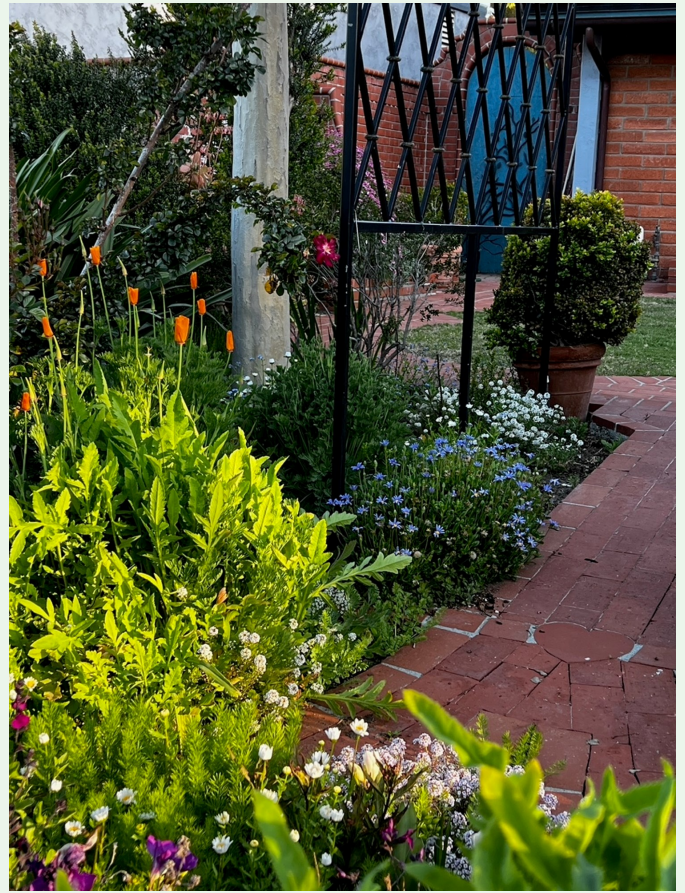
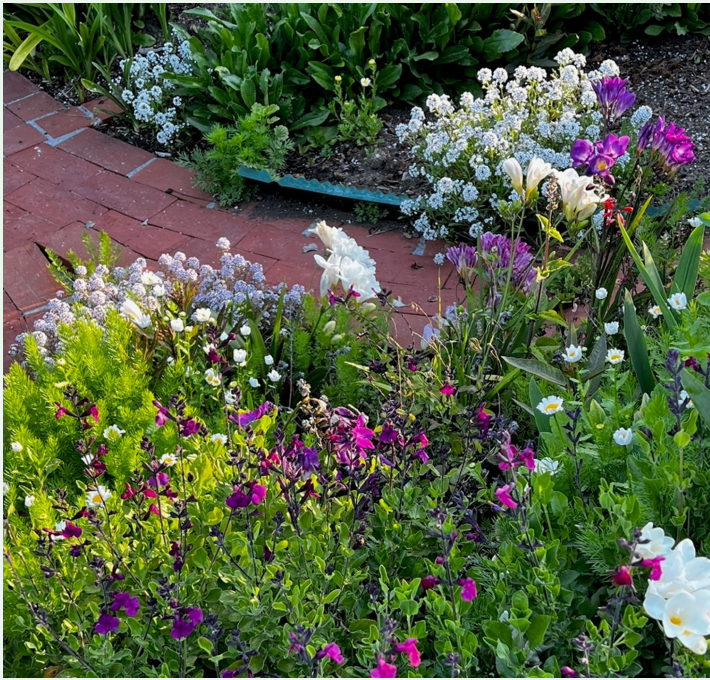
6:00 pm

Scripps Ranch
Library
Community Room

All About Birds
with
Jerry Martin



Bring along some plants or produce to share



Mike and Ina Tussey's garden is celebrating spring with a variety of blooms in vivid colors. Those dreary days of rain this winter are having a delightful payoff. Photos by Susan Castellana

An invitation from the Master Gardeners

Please join the Master Gardeners of San Diego County's Virtual Spring Seminar. Each year we bring outstanding gardening-related classes to residents of San Diego County and beyond.

Our 2023 Seminar includes a wide variety of virtual classes on an array of gardening topics. For one low fee of \$35.00, you have access to all classes.

All classes are pre-recorded. They will be available online 24 hours/day from April 19 at 9:00am (PDT) through May 3 at midnight. Classes can be viewed multiple times from wherever you may be.

Once you register, you will receive instructions for accessing the Seminar. Hope you can join us.

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Renew your 2023 membership with \$30 by the April 25th meeting,
at the latest, to be included as a member and to get future newsletters.

You can pay at the meeting or send a check in the mail to Char Fitzgerald at 10010 Vista la Cuesta Ct., San Diego, CA 92131. Make the check out to Scripps-Mesa Garden Club.

February Garden Chores



- Remove dead plants
- Remove weeds
- Stake daffodils
- Plant Brussels sprouts
- Eat weeds like dandelions & chickweed in salads
- Add mulch to all garden areas
- Organize canning equipment
- Feed roses
- Clean birdbaths
- Aerate the lawn
- Fertilize tomatoes monthly with compost or commercial fertilizer labeled 18-32-16 or 12-24-12.

Our President's Message *Thoughts: Missing. Blooming. Escaping.*

Missing...our March SMCG meeting! Unfortunately, a water main break on Meanley Drive, closed the library. Nothing in the library was damaged and after two days the facility was reopened. We were notified of the closure the afternoon of the March 28th and know you understand the lateness of our email.

Blooming...just about everything in Scripps Ranch and Mira Mesa! What a lush, green springtime filled with monstrous plants, amazing colors, and bees everywhere.

Escaping...to new gardens coming soon. Members will be invited to tour local extraordinary home gardens this May, June and July. Find out when and where by joining SMGC, and be "wowed" by your fellow gardener's properties and their expertise. Invite your friends to join us. and share the fun!



Refreshment Sign-ups

Apr. Paul Stillmann

May

June

July Jackie Brown

Aug. Potluck

Sept. Steffi Bokser

Oct.

Nov. Potluck



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Contributions of articles, suggestions, artwork, and gardening tips are warmly welcomed. This newsletter belongs to the Scripps-Mesa Garden Club members and is intended to reflect their gardening interests and experiences. Please take part in its mission and contribute an article or a photo.

Susan's meadow is blooming!



It was just two months ago that our President Susan Castellana rolled out a blanket of seed to begin a meadow in her backyard. (See below)



Upcoming Garden Events Scripps Ranch Library

Honey Bee Swarms

Presented by Denise Bienias

Saturday, April 15th 2023 • 1:30 PM • Community Room

GARDEN SHARE

Garden Share SR Library Courtyard Saturday, April 15, 11am-1pm Join us with your friends and family to share your garden.

Bring what you have to share,
take home something you really want.

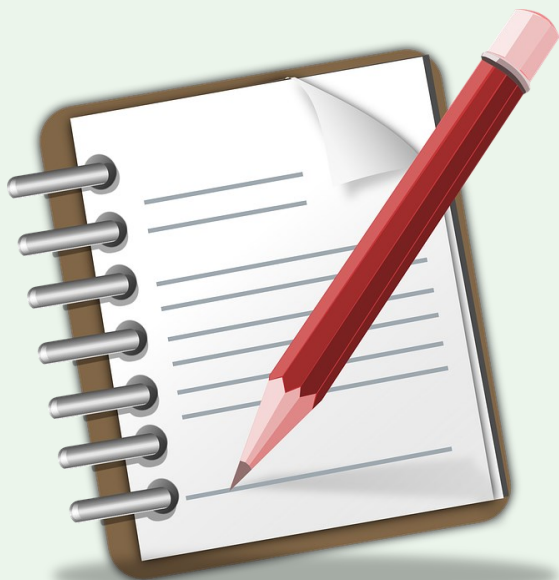
Bring a bag to take home your finds!

What to bring: any extra bounty from the garden (produce, fruit, herbs, flowers plants in pots), seeds, seedlings and tools.

Anything garden related is welcome.

**Got a beautiful garden?
Share it with the club.**

**Contact: lynnell@san.rr.com
or send photos to
denise.stewart@hotmail.com**



**Garden Club
Secretary
Needed**

**Anyone who can
take notes is
qualified.**

Contact Susan