



FEBRUARY 2017 GARDEN CLUB NEWSLETTER

At our next meeting on February 8th, the CSPOA Garden Club will have a presentation on Bonsai, followed by a “tea” in place of our regular refreshments. Bring your favorite tea cup and we will provide the rest!

In March our program will include a presentation by Hughes & Hughes Nursery on camellias. We will also have a contest for prettiest or most unique camellia flower. If you wish to participate, bring your camellia in a small vase or float your bloom in a dish of water and label it with your name and the name or type of camellia you are presenting. Weather sometimes ruins our camellia blossoms, so if you have some in bloom now, you may also take a photograph and submit that for the contest.

If you are interested in serving on the Garden Club Executive Board or on any of our various committees for the coming year, please let us know. You may submit your name or the name of a member you would like to nominate to anyone on the present Executive Board or directly to Joanne Bendy, our nominating chairperson.

GARDENING TIPS FOR FEBRUARY

Just because the majority of perennials and trees are still dormant this month doesn't mean you should ignore your garden totally. There are some things you can do to get ready for the spring.

If you haven't yet planted your spring bulbs, it's not too late. They may bloom a little later, but they will do just fine.

Cut down ornamental grasses.

New vegetable & flower beds can be dug and prepared with compost or peat moss.

Deciduous shrubs and trees should be inspected and pruned at this time. Be sure to prune off any dead wood.

Begin fertilizing your houseplants, but only with ½ solution until they get more new growth. Once they "wake up" and get fuller, you can fertilize with a full strength solution.

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