

March: The "Month of the Monarch"

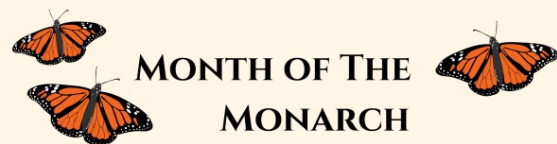
Our Garden Club has dedicated the month of March to learning more about the Monarch Butterfly and what we as a club and community can do to help preserve this endangered and important pollinator.

We are beginning the month with a presentation on **Monday, March 6th at 10:00 am** by Ms. Susie Vanderlip. Susie is the Monarch Conservation Specialist in southern California for Monarch Watch, a contributing "Champ" to Western Monarch Advocates, a Monarch Butterfly Citizen Scientist, and Administrator for the Facebook Group "Monarch Butterfly Guardians – southern California". She actively educates and speaks, raises, photographs and writes about Monarch Butterflies. She has authored the children's photo storybook and produced the 10-minute movie/DVD The Story of Chester, the Monarch Caterpillar/Larva about monarch butterfly life cycle.

Our next event will be March 22nd (and possibly Saturday, March 25th) when we will have a monarch education kiosk at the Secret

Garden and offer milkweed plants to Club members and the community so that everyone has an opportunity to be part of this restorative habitat project and save the Monarchs!

More specifics on the milkweed project will be available soon.



With the continued decline of the Monarch butterfly population, the RSFGC has established March as the "**Month of the Monarch.**" Although there were once billions of monarchs in North America, their populations continue to decline and the likelihood of extinction has increased dramatically. As an organization dedicated to conservation, RSFGC is hosting educational and community activities this month that serve to protect and increase the population of these beautiful and important pollinators.

Monday, March 6th, 10:00 am at the Secret Garden, 17025 Avenida de Acacias, RSF

Ms. Susie Vanderlip will present, "*Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Monarch Butterflies*"



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[Click Here for more information and to register](#)

Upcoming Events

In an increased effort to keep our members apprised of upcoming events, we will post our Calendar of Events in The Leaflet every month. You can also access the calendar anytime by visiting our website at <https://rsfgardenclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/2023-Calendar-of-Events.pdf>. In addition, we have a "live" google calendar on the website that not only includes our club activities, but other local "non-club" events that may be of interest to our members. You can view this calendar on our website at <https://rsfgardenclub.org/monthly-events/>.

We are aware that most of our members have busy schedules, and our goal is to ensure that scheduled events do not change. However, when events are booked so far in advance there are times when dates, speakers, and/or venues change due to circumstances beyond our control. We

do everything in our power to minimize these instances and we appreciate your patience and understanding when this occurs. We also appreciate your understanding when an event has to be cancelled (which **only** happens due to inclement weather in the case of outdoor events, or a speaker has to cancel at the last minute for personal reasons).

We welcome your ideas for club speakers/topics, outings and workshops. Our goal is to provide activities that are of interest to our members. This is **YOUR** club so feel free to shoot us an email or give us a call with your ideas. Contact our Executive Administrator, Natalie Kaczur, at natalie@rsfgardenclub.org or call her at 858-951-1885 with your ideas.

Run, Don't Walk to Our... **MARCH MADNESS WOMEN'S SALE**

Thursday, March 9th - Saturday, March 11th

At Bloom Again Resale Shop

**50% Off All Women's Clothing,
Accessories and Shoes!**



17025 Avenida de Acacias (Corner of Ave de
Acacias and La Granada)

Shop Hours During Sale: 10:00am to 3:00 pm

2023 Calendar of Events Through May 2023

- **Monday, March 6, 10:00 am** - Coffee in the Garden Speaker Series: The Endangered Monarchs - Susie Vanderlip
- **Wednesday, March 22 (and possibly Saturday, March 26th)** - Preservation of the Monarchs Milkweed Project - Distribution and Planting Event - Details TBA
- **Wednesday, April 5, 10:00 am** - Coffee in the Garden Speaker Series: "Roses - Making the Most of Your Beautiful Blooms" by Andria Sullivan
- **Thursday, April 20, 9:00 am** - Bus Trip: Springtime at the Huntington Library in San Marino and lunch at the Tea Room (*Waiting for confirmation*)
- **Monday, May 8, 10:00 am** - Artisan Craft Boutique - Secret Garden
- **Wednesday, May 17 3:00 pm** - Celebration of Giving and Grant Award Ceremony. (*Details TBA*)

**Click below to join our club, check out our website or see
the calendar of events for the remainder of the year.**

Become a Member

Visit our website

Calendar of Events

With your support, we are proud to make a difference in our community!

Membership in the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club is open to everyone.

Please reach out with your questions or ideas to:

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