

January 2026

Flowers: Carnation & Snowdrop

CALENDAR SETTINGS

| SUNDAY | MONDAY                 | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY                          | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                    |
|--------|------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------|--------|-----------------------------|
| 28     | 29                     | 30      | 31                                 | 1        | 2      | 3                           |
|        |                        |         |                                    |          |        |                             |
| 4      | 5                      | 6       | 7                                  | 8        | 9      | 10                          |
|        | National Bird Day      |         |                                    |          |        | Houseplant Appreciation Day |
| 11     | 12                     | 13      | 14                                 | 15       | 16     | 17                          |
|        |                        |         |                                    |          |        |                             |
| 18     | 19                     | 20      | 21                                 | 22       | 23     | 24                          |
|        | Martin Luther King Day |         | National Squirrel Appreciation Day |          |        | National Seed Swap Day      |
| 25     | 26                     | 27      | 28                                 | 29       | 30     | 31                          |
|        |                        |         |                                    |          |        |                             |

YEAR 2026  
WEEK START SUNDAY  
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Nature has undoubtedly mastered the art of winter gardening.  
- Vincent A. Simeone



In the depths of winter I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer.\*  
- Albert Camus



February 2026

National Bird-Feeding Month

| SUNDAY                                                                            | MONDAY            | TUESDAY            | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                  | SATURDAY          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 1                                                                                 | 2                 | 3                  | 4         | 5        | 6                       | 7                 |
|  | Groundhog Day     | Feed the Birds Day |           | Rose Day |                         |                   |
| 8                                                                                 | 9                 | 10                 | 11        | 12       | 13                      | 14                |
|                                                                                   |                   |                    |           |          |                         | Valentines Day    |
| 15                                                                                | 16                | 17                 | 18        | 19       | 20                      | 21                |
|                                                                                   |                   |                    |           |          |                         |                   |
| 22                                                                                | 23                | 24                 | 25        | 26       | 27                      | 28                |
|                                                                                   | RGC Board Meeting |                    |           |          | National Strawberry Day | Floral Design Day |
| 1                                                                                 | 2                 | 3                  | 4         | 5        | 6                       | 7                 |
|                                                                                   |                   |                    |           |          |                         |                   |

"February is merely as long as is needed to pass the time until March."

Dr. J. R. Stockton



"Away in a meadow all covered with snow  
The little old groundhog looks for his shadow  
The clouds in the sky determine our fate  
If winter will leave us all early or late."

Don Halley

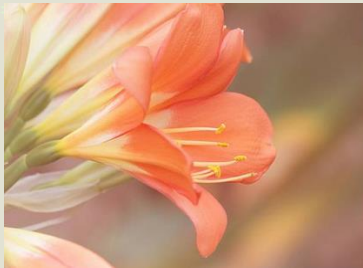


# March 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                            | MONDAY            | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                  | FRIDAY                                     | SATURDAY            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1                                                                                 | 2                 | 3       | 4         | 5                         | 6                                          | 7                   |
|  |                   |         |           |                           |                                            |                     |
| 8                                                                                 | 9                 | 10      | 11        | 12                        | 13                                         | 14                  |
|                                                                                   |                   |         |           | <i>Plant a Flower Day</i> |                                            |                     |
| 15                                                                                | 16                | 17      | 18        | 19                        | 20                                         | 21                  |
|                                                                                   |                   |         |           |                           | <i>Spring Equinox, First Day of Spring</i> | <i>Daffodil Day</i> |
| 22                                                                                | 23                | 24      | 25        | 26                        | 27                                         | 28                  |
|                                                                                   |                   |         |           |                           |                                            |                     |
| 29                                                                                | 30                | 31      | 1         | 2                         | 3                                          | 4                   |
|                                                                                   | RGC Board Meeting |         |           |                           |                                            |                     |

"I love spring anywhere, but if I could choose,  
I would always greet it in a garden.

~Ruth Stout



# April 2026

## Earth Month

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                              | TUESDAY                    | WEDNESDAY              | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                 | SATURDAY                                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 29<br> | 30                                  | 31                         | 1                      | 2        | 3                      | 4<br>Rockport Public Library Presentation See Below |
| 5                                                                                       | 6                                   | 7<br>RGC MEETING See Below | 8                      | 9        | 10                     | 11                                                  |
| 12                                                                                      | 13<br><i>Plant Appreciation Day</i> | 14                         | 15                     | 16       | 17<br><i>Arbor Day</i> | 18                                                  |
| 19                                                                                      | 20<br>Patriot's Day                 | 21                         | 22<br><i>Earth Day</i> | 23       | 24                     | 25                                                  |
| 26<br>Last day to purchase Rain Barrels                                                 | 27<br>RGC Board Meeting             | 28                         | 29                     | 30       | 1                      | 2                                                   |

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

Meeting: Lunch 12:00

Speaker: Chris Ozyck

Topic: *De-Vining our Forests*

Where: First Congregational Church of Rockport

Host: Shubhra Ramchandani



Saturday, April 4, 2026

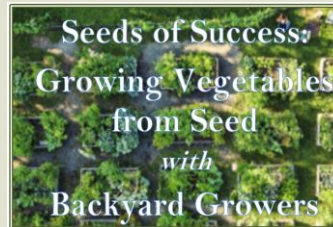
Meeting: 11:00:00 AM @ Rockport PL

Speaker: Katy Marques

Topic: *Seeds of Success:*

– Growing

Vegetables from Seed Workshop

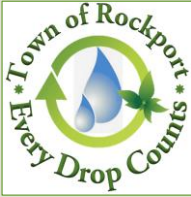


# May 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                            | MONDAY               | TUESDAY                  | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                          | SATURDAY           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
|  | 27                   | 28                       | 29        | 30       | 1                               | 2                  |
| 3                                                                                 | 4                    | 5                        | 6         | 7        | 8                               | 9                  |
|                                                                                   |                      | RGC MEETING<br>See Below |           |          |                                 | Rain Barrel Pickup |
| 10                                                                                | 11                   | 12                       | 13        | 14       | 15                              | 16                 |
|                                                                                   |                      |                          |           |          | Bring Flowers to<br>Someone Day | RGC Plant Sale     |
| 17                                                                                | 18                   | 19                       | 20        | 21       | 22                              | 23                 |
|                                                                                   | RGC Board<br>Meeting |                          |           |          |                                 |                    |
| 24                                                                                | 25                   | 26                       | 27        | 28       | 29                              | 30                 |
|                                                                                   | Memorial Day         |                          |           |          |                                 |                    |
| 31                                                                                | 1                    | 2                        | 3         | 4        | 5                               | 6                  |
|                                                                                   |                      |                          |           |          |                                 |                    |

Saturday, May 9

Rain Barrel Pickup @ the Transfer Station  
7 AM to Noon



Saturday, May 16 9-11am

**RGC PLANT SALE!**

DPW Parking Lot off Upper Main Street @ 2 DPW Way  
(behind the Rockport Visitors Center)



Tuesday, May 5

**Refreshments Open to the Public**

Time: Evening 6:30 Speaker 7 p.m.

Speaker: Brad Timm

Topic: Wildlife Out Your Window

Where: **Shalin Liu Performance Center**



# June 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                        | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                            | SATURDAY                                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 31<br> | 1<br>RGC MEETING<br>See Below | 2       | 3         | 4        | 5<br><i>World Environment Day</i> | 6                                                   |
| 7<br><i>National Gardening Week</i>                                                     | 8                             | 9       | 10        | 11       | 12                                | 13<br><i>Weed Your Garden Day</i>                   |
| 14<br><i>National Pollinator Week</i>                                                   | 15                            | 16      | 17        | 18       | 19<br>Juneteenth                  | 20                                                  |
| 21                                                                                      | 22                            | 23      | 24        | 25       | 26                                | 27<br>Rockport in Bloom<br>Garden Tour<br>See Below |
| 28                                                                                      | 29<br>RGC Board Meeting       | 30      | 1         | 2        | 3                                 | 4                                                   |

Monday, June 1

Time: 1:00 PM

Where: **First Congregational Church of Rockport**

Speaker: Jean Brinton Jaecks

Topic: *Paint Like a Butterfly*

Host: Eileen Saunders



*"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless."*

~ Sherry Anderson



**ROCKPORT  
IN  
BLOOM**

**ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR**

*"South End Splendors"*

June 27, 2026

10AM-4PM (rain or shine)

12 Beautiful Gardens South of Downtown

Lunch at Heath's Tea Room

Raffles and Bake Sale

Artist in the Gardens Reception (4-6 PM)

More information available on the RGC Website

# July 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                     | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY                     | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|----------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 28<br> | 29                         | 30      | 1                             | 2        | 3      | 4<br>Independence Day                                          |
| 5                                                                                       | 6                          | 7       | 8<br>RGC MEETING<br>See Below | 9        | 10     | 11<br>Household<br>Hazardous Waste<br>Collection -<br>Rockport |
| 12                                                                                      | 13                         | 14      | 15                            | 16       | 17     | 18                                                             |
|                                                                                         |                            |         |                               |          |        |                                                                |
| 19                                                                                      | 20                         | 21      | 22                            | 23       | 24     | 25                                                             |
|                                                                                         |                            |         |                               |          |        |                                                                |
| 26                                                                                      | 27<br>RGC Board<br>Meeting | 28      | 29                            | 30       | 31     | 1                                                              |
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| Wednesday, July 8                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                   | Refreshments                                                                                                                                                             | Open to the Public | <p><i>"Colored scents that fill the air as drowsy insects hum around in the meadow is the place of secret magic where nature alone renews itself."</i></p> <p>— Kate Bergquist</p> |
| <p><b>Evening Meeting:</b></p> <p><b>Time:</b></p> <p><b>Speaker:</b></p> <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Host:</b></p> | <p>Rockport Art Assoc. &amp; Museum</p> <p>Open at 6:30 p.m. Speaker 7 p.m.</p> <p>Trevor Smith</p> <p><i>Climate Change Gardening</i></p> <p>Kerry O'Donnell</p> |   |                    | <p><i>"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."</i></p> <p>—Anne Frank</p>                                                 |

# August 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                       | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| 26<br> | 27                           | 28      | 29        | 30       | 31     | 1                                   |
| 2<br><i>National Farmers Market Week</i>                                                | 3<br>ANNUAL PICNIC postponed | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7      | 8                                   |
| 9                                                                                       | 10<br>Picnic Rain Date       | 11      | 12        | 13       | 14     | 15<br><i>National Honey Bee Day</i> |
| 16                                                                                      | 17                           | 18      | 19        | 20       | 21     | 22                                  |
| 23                                                                                      | 24                           | 25      | 26        | 27       | 28     | 29                                  |
| 30                                                                                      | 31<br>RGC Board Meeting      | 1       | 2         | 3        | 4      | 5                                   |

Monday, August 10

Annual Picnic:

Details will be emailed.

Host: Pam Lane



*I am very busy picking up stems and stamens  
as the hollyhocks leave their clothes behind.*

— Emily Dickinson

# September 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                     | TUESDAY                        | WEDNESDAY               | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 30<br> | 31                         | 1                              | 2                       | 3                                 | 4      | 5        |
| 6                                                                                       | 7<br>Labor Day             | 8                              | 9                       | 10                                | 11     | 12       |
| 13                                                                                      | 14                         | 15<br>RGC MEETING<br>See Below | 16                      | 17<br>Invasive Plants<br>Workshop | 18     | 19       |
| 20                                                                                      | 21                         | 22                             | 23<br>First Day of Fall | 24                                | 25     | 26       |
| 27                                                                                      | 28<br>RGC Board<br>Meeting | 29                             | 30                      | 1                                 | 2      | 3        |

Tuesday, September 15

Where: **Shalin Liu Performance Center**  
 Time: Lunch 12:00  
 Speaker: Darrah Cole  
 Topic: *Native Plant Gardens –  
 Thrills Spills and Everything in Between*  
 Host: Liz Fragola



Thursday, September 17

Where: **Details will be emailed.**  
 Time: 1:30 PM  
 Speaker: The Invasives Team  
 Topic: **Invasive Plants Workshop**



# October 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                  | MONDAY                        | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 27<br> | 28                            | 29      | 30        | 1        | 2      | 3        |
| 4                                                                                       | 5<br>RGC MEETING<br>See Below | 6       | 7         | 8        | 9      | 10       |
| 11                                                                                      | 12<br><i>Columbus Day</i>     | 13      | 14        | 15       | 16     | 17       |
| 18                                                                                      | 19                            | 20      | 21        | 22       | 23     | 24       |
| 25                                                                                      | 26<br>RGC Board Meeting       | 27      | 28        | 29       | 30     | 31       |

Monday, October 5

Where: First Congregational Church of Rockport

Time: Lunch 12:00

Speaker: Daphne Minner

Topic: Converting Your Yard into Habitat

Host: Shubhra Ramchandani



"Service to others is the rent you pay  
for your room here on Earth."  
— Muhammad Ali



# November 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                 | MONDAY                  | TUESDAY                       | WEDNESDAY          | THURSDAY           | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|
| 1<br> | 2                       | 3<br>RGC MEETING<br>See Below | 4                  | 5                  | 6      | 7        |
| 8                                                                                      | 9                       | 10                            | 11<br>Veterans Day | 12                 | 13     | 14       |
| 15                                                                                     | 16                      | 17                            | 18                 | 19                 | 20     | 21       |
| 22                                                                                     | 23<br>RGC Board Meeting | 24                            | 25                 | 26<br>Thanksgiving | 27     | 28       |
| 29                                                                                     | 30                      | 1                             | 2                  | 3                  | 4      | 5        |
|                                                                                        |                         |                               |                    |                    |        |          |

**Tuesday, November 3, 2025**

**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**      Lunch 12:00

**Where:**      **Shalin Liu Performance Center**

**Speaker:**      **Kathryn Leva**

**Topic:**      **Holiday Arrangements**

**Host:**      **Shubhra Ramchandani**



*"If you want to touch the past, touch a rock.  
If you want to touch the present, touch a flower.  
If you want to touch the future, touch a life."  
— Author Unknown*



# December 2026

Flowers: Narcissus & Holly

SUNDAY      MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY      SATURDAY

|                                                                                   |                          |    |    |               |    |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----|----|---------------|----|----|
| 29                                                                                | 30                       | 1  | 2  | 3             | 4  | 5  |
|  |                          |    |    |               |    |    |
| 6                                                                                 | 7                        | 8  | 9  | 10            | 11 | 12 |
|                                                                                   | RGC MEETING<br>See Below |    |    |               |    |    |
| 13                                                                                | 14                       | 15 | 16 | 17            | 18 | 19 |
|                                                                                   | Green Monday             |    |    |               |    |    |
| 20                                                                                | 21                       | 22 | 23 | 24            | 25 | 26 |
|                                                                                   | First Day of Winter      |    |    | Christmas Day |    |    |
| 27                                                                                | 28                       | 29 | 30 | 31            | 1  | 2  |
|                                                                                   |                          |    |    |               |    |    |

Monday, December 7

Meeting: December Holiday Luncheon 12:00

Where: Shalin Liu Performance Center

Tickets: TBA

*Don't think the garden loses its ecstasy in winter.*

*It's quiet, but the roots are down there riotous.*

— Rumi (1207-73)

