# MRGC BULLETIN BOARD FEBRUARY 2025



Happy Valentine's! We hope everyone is enjoying our beautiful "winter weather". We're well into the heart of the season. Our major fundraiser, the Plant Auction is in the works. The committee will be working to get ready on Weds 1-4 and Thurs 10-2. Join us if you want to help! Garden Angels will be hard at work making our grounds even more beautiful for the event. We can use your help tomorrow!

Let's work together!

Rita and Carol



#### February Luncheon: "Red Hot Love"

Crystal Herald and crew will be serving several kinds of Chili, salad and desserts. Cost \$12

Please RSVP to Melanie, halseym@yahoo.com by February 14th.



**Program:** "Flower Show 101" with our very own Janice Hamlin. Not sure what a flower show is about? You will understand about all the different areas of a flower show and get inspiration for participating in some aspect of this years show, April 4 and 5, 2025.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY 1
2	3	4	5	Private Event	9	8
9	10  BOD mtg 10 am	11 Garden Angels 8-12 Orchid society	Set-up for W&C/PA Plants accepted 1-4	13 Plants accepted 10-3 Wine & Cheese Plant Auction 6pm	14 Valentine's Day	15
16	Judges Council	18 Floralia 6	MRGC meeting 10:30 am	20	21	Private Event
23	24	25	26	27	28	

We are very appreciative of several grants awarded us to offset some of the expenses from hurricane cleanup. MRGC received:

**FFGC's** Hurricane Relief Grant: \$500 towards Able Lawn Scape, Inc's lawn clean up and \$293 towards sprinkler repair.

District VIII and Tampa Garden Club each awarded us \$500 grants.

### We can't thank them enough.

#### SUCCULENT SOCIETY NEWS:

#### **Annual Presidents Day Sale**

Saturday, February 15, 2025

Featured Speaker

### Mitch Kessler Kessler's Cacti & Things

Mitch will be presenting a fun-filled session on how to care for and grow cacti and succulents in Florida.

Kessler's Cacti & Things will also be presenting a large selection of plants for you to shop in addition to our inventory of beautiful succulents, dish gardens and air plants.

Garden Hours 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m Presentation at 10:00 a.m.

> Sarasota Succulent Society 1310 38th Street Sarasota, FL 34234

#### What to Plant: **February** Easy to transplant arugula, Chinese from seedling cabbage, eggplant, endive, kohlrabi, lettuce, peppers, sugarcane, Swiss chard, tomatillo, tomatoes, and tropical spinaches. Transplant carefully amaranth, calabaza, celery, long squash, from seedling luffa, papaya, pineapple, Seminole pumpkin, spinach, and sweet potatoes. Sow seed directly beans (bush, lima,

pole), cantaloupes,

carrots, chayote,

corn, cucumbers,

(English, southern),

radish, squashes, and

okra, onions (bunching), peas

watermelon.

Plan ahead:
On Wednesday, March 26, we will be taking a field trip to Rob Branch's newly refurbished garden and the Sarasota Succulent Society. Cost: approximately \$20. We will meet at the Succulent Society; 131-38th St. Sarasota. Carpooling will be available. Bring your lunch.

## The WINE & CHEESE / PLANT AUCTION is this week!

Remember to bring your plants, wine and appetizers to the club.

Plants will be accepted Wednesday 1-4 and Thursday 10-2.

Please have them labeled with your name, plant name and sun or shade.

Cash, check or Zelle will be accepted at the Auction.

The FUN begins at 6 on Thursday

