

Creating Energy & Strength through Unity Our alliance provides continuity and a communication network for citizens and groups dedicated to progressive causes.

# **Progressive Alliance Calendar March 2023**

#### March is Women's History Month

"Women should be celebrated every day, but a month dedicated to female empowerment is extremely special. It doesn't just honor the iconic women who have changed history, but encourages new generations to dream big and know that anything is possible." Molly McCook in FORBES

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#### **March 1 Food Distribution**

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays are SHARE Ministries' and EDC Food Bank food distribution days from 10am-noon. 1031 Thompson Way, Placerville. For other days and locations go <u>HERE</u> or see the attached flyer below.

#### March 3 Free Public Viewing Placerville Observatory

Public viewing is **free every Friday and Saturday night in February.** Please check back by 3PM on the day of the event for weather or staffing closures. Time: 7:30-9:30pm. Location: Community Observatory, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Information <u>HERE</u>

#### March 4 International Women's Day

International Women's Day was first celebrated in 1911. March 8 was adopted by the United Nations as the official date in 1975.

#### March 4 First Saturday Tour of Sherwood Demonstration Garden

After the one hour tour, wander around the sixteen individual gardens at your own pace and ask the docents for help with additional questions and information. 9am, Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Contact: <u>http://ucanr.edu/edmg</u>

#### March 4 Free Master Gardeners Class: All about Roses

This class will cover the basics of growing roses- from selection and planting to care and pruning. 9- 12 noon, Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Contact: <u>http://ucanr.edu/edmg</u>

#### March 4 Free Master Gardeners Class: Grow and Show

Children can learn some basics of gardening and plant a succulent cutting to take home. After caring for it and watching it grow, they can enter it into the EDC Fair in June. Their plants will be on display during the Fair for all to see and they could possibly win a ribbon. 9:30-10:30am, Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Register at <u>https://ucanr.edu/grow-and-show</u>

# March 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> Wakamatsu Open Farm Days

The first and third Saturdays April - June 10am-2pm

Special programming at each Open Farm Day. Explore Wakamatsu Farm on your own and then stay and relax awhile. On-site interpreters can share information and answer questions about the first Japanese colony in America. For more information on the special days and pre-registration go to: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 4 Free Daytime Solar Observing at Placerville Observatory

Monthly daytime solar viewing happens the first Saturday of each month. Please check back prior to the event for weather or staffing closures. Time: 10am-12pm. Location: Community Observatory, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Information <u>HERE</u>

#### March 4 El Dorado Ranch Hike

Explore the History and Plants of El Dorado Ranch. The tour and short walks are mostly accessible by vehicle so extended walking is optional. Responsible children 12+ welcome. A detailed email will be sent once you register online. 10 am-4pm. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 4 Surviving the Urban Jungle

As people continue to expand their territories, wild animals find themselves greatly impacted. This presentation is delivered by a wildlife rescuer with photos and stories of helping our wildlife. 10-12 noon, Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 4 Certifying Your Habitat to Help Wildlife

Create a wildlife habitat that attracts birds, butterflies, and other neighborhood wildlife. It is easier than you think! 1-3 pm, Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 5 Hike to the Eagles

This intermediate 5 mile hike takes you to Strawberry Creek and up to the top of the bluffs where the bald eagles' nest lives. Well-behaved dogs on leash OK. Ages 13+ welcome. 10 am-12:30 pm. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 8 Free Master Gardeners Class: All about Berries

Master Gardeners and Master Food Preservers will combine their knowledge for this class on berries. You will learn how to grow and care for a variety of berries and also how to best use your harvest. 9- 12 noon, Cameron Park Community Center, 2502 Country Club Dr, Cameron Park. Contact: <u>http://ucanr.edu/edmg</u>

#### March 9 Democratic Women Meeting

Please check our calendar for our March club event: <u>https://edcdems.org/calendar-edc-slt/</u> or our Facebook page: <u>Facebook.com/DemocraticWomenofElDoradoCounty</u>. Or <u>DemWomenEdc@gmail.com</u> for information.

#### March 11 Snowshoe Tour with a Forester

Join an easy, moderate introductory snowshoe hike through the woods. 9am-4pm (weather and snow dependent). Fit 13+ year olds welcome. Meeting location in the Foresthill area. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 11 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Raptor Rehabilitation

10-12 noon. SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 11 Zen Meditation and Qigong in the Wakamatsu Garden

Enjoy a peaceful and relaxing time at the beautiful Wakamatsu Garden. The event will include sessions of Qigong, mindfulness meditation, and walking meditation. Responsible/quiet 12 yr + welcome. 1-2:30pm. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 12 Daylight Savings Begins

Set your old-fashioned clocks forward one hour.

#### March 12 Capturing Wakamatsu: A Poetry Walk/Workshop

Explore the farmhouse, barn, and surroundings. Then write a poem inspired by what you have experienced. Children 8+ welcome with adult supervision. 12-2pm. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 12 Poppy Walk (date is weather and bloom dependent)

Enjoy walking to glowing orange poppy fields overlooking the South Fork of the American River. The trail is steep in places but has a good flat bed. 2-5pm. Register online at: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 12 El Dorado Progressives General Meeting

3:30PM, Planning and Priorities for 2023 Guest Speaker - Dennessa Atiles - California Indivisible. Placerville Town Hall, 549 Main St, Placerville, CA 95667 and on Zoom. Send any questions to <u>eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com</u>. To register for the Zoom meeting click: <u>HERE</u>

#### March 15 Fishing on the Farm

ARC is returning its monthly fishing night at Wakamatsu Farm on the third Wednesday of each month March-May. Try casting techniques, catch a few bass, and enjoy the serenity of the 8 acre lake. Participants over 16 must have a valid CA Fishing License. All ages welcome. 5 pm- dusk. Register online at: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 16 United Democrats Meeting

The United Democrats of El Dorado County will be holding their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 16. Their speaker will be EID Director Lori Anzini. The meeting will be at Noon at the Round Table Pizza on Missouri Flat Road. Contact John Savage at savage956@hotmail.com

#### March 17 St Patrick's Day

#### March 17 Sierra Renaissance Society Event - Fire!

The Fire Council Panel will discuss fire in our area, how to prepare for it, how to insure against it. 1-3 pm, Diamond Springs Lion Hall, 4701 Missouri Flat Rd. Contact: <u>srsedu.org</u>

#### March 18 Hike, Spot, Capture (photo walk)

This will be a 2-3 mile slow paced hike in search of that perfect shot on ARC's newly acquired Elliott Pond property. Responsible photographers 12+ welcome. 8:30 am-12 noon. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 18 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Fox, Coyote, & Bobcat Rehabilitation

10-12 noon, Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 18 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Skunk Rehabilitation

1 pm-3 pm, Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 20 First Day of Spring

#### March 21 Free Master Gardeners Class: Turning Dirt into Gold

Learn how to modify your soils to improve plant health and reduce disease and pests. 9-12 noon, Pilot Hill Grange, 1701 CA -193, Cool, CA. Contact: <u>http://ucanr.edu/edmg</u>

#### March 25 Snowshoe Hike- Gerle Creek Area (snow dependent)

Snowshoe hike (5-6 miles) in the El Dorado National Forest. This is an intermediate hike for snowshoers ages 12+. Well-behaved dogs on leash OK. 9am-4 pm. Contact: <u>ARConservancy.org/events</u>

#### March 25 Free Master Gardeners Class: Tomatoes, From Seed to Table

Master Gardeners and Master Food Preservers will combine their knowledge to show you how to choose the right varieties, deal with insects and diseases, and show you what you can do with your tomato harvest. 9-12 noon, El Dorado Hills Community Services District, 1021 Harvard Way, El Dorado Hills. Contact: <u>http://ucanr.edu/edmg</u>

#### March 25 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Fawn Rehabilitation

10 -12 noon, Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 25 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Corvids Rehabilitation

1-3 pm, learn about the rehabilitation of Corvids (crows & ravens). Sierra Wildlife Rescue Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

#### March 29 Ongoing Dementia Caregiver Series

Join us for this comprehensive and supportive series sponsored by the Alzheimers Association and others. Location: Holy Trinity Parish, 3111 Tierra de Dios Dr, El Dorado Hills 95762. For information and to register in advance (required) call (916) 728-9333 and press 2. See attached flyer.

#### Save the Date

#### **April 1 Baby Bird Nursery Volunteer Training**

Learn how to feed baby songbirds and how to become a volunteer at the Nursery. Two sessions: 10-12 noon and 1-3 pm

#### April 15 & 29 The Master Gardeners yearly plant sale

## **For Your Information**

While the Free Farmers Markets are on hold until spring, there are many local food distribution sites in the county! See the flyer below and or go <u>HERE</u> if you need help or for more information.

The Master Gardeners public office is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 until noon. Bring a cutting or insect or question and they will do their best to answer your gardening questions on the spot or do more research and contact you. Contact: 530-621-5512 or mgeldorado@ucanr.edu

**Open Garden Days at Sherwood Demonstration Gardens** on Fridays and Saturdays form 9 until noon. Contact: <u>mgeldorado@ucanr.edu</u>

**The Center for Violence Free Relationships is open** for in-person appointments if zoom and phones services are unavailable. Visit their website for protocols for in-person appointments. <u>thecenternow.org</u> Crisis Support Line (530)626-1131 or (916)939-6616

#### **Community Volunteers/ Help Wanted/ Donations Needed**

**Calling all supporters of free speech and encouraging critical thinking in young people!** The United Democrats are raising money to support their **18th Annual Student Essay Contest**. They award \$2,750 in cash prizes. If you would like to donate, make your check out to United Democrats Student Essay Contest and mail it to PO Box 762, Diamond Springs 95619.

#### Websites and Contact: Information:

**Big Brothers/Big Sisters** Contact: Amber Henrichs 530-626-1222 amber@mentors4youth.org

Democratic Women's Club www.edcdems.org Contact: Lorraine King 916-220-2872 Lorraine.king@sbcglobal.net

EDC Progressive Alliance edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com

El Dorado County Democratic Party www.edcdems.org info@edcdems.org

#### El Dorado Peace & Justice Community

<u>www.edpjc.org</u> <u>jrmarti2@earthlink.net</u> Jim Martin (530) 622-9549

El Dorado Progressives https://www.facebook.com/groups/287092428 352556/ eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com https://eldoradoprogressives.org/

Friends of EDC Seniors info@friendsofEDCseniors.org (530)626-6323 League of Women Voters EDC (nonpartisan) www.lwveldorado.org President: Eileen Burke-Trent eileen.dragonslea@gmail.com

New Morning Youth & Family Services www.newmorningyfs.org David Ashby, Executive Director David@newmorningyfs.org 530.622.5551 x122

Sierra Club Madrone Group www.sierraclub.org/mother-lode/madrone barbara.brydon@comcast.net Contact: Barbara Brydon

Sierra Wildlife Rescue (530)621-2020 https://sierrawildliferescue.org/

The Center for Violence-Free Relationships

24/7 Crisis Help Line: 530-626-1131 or 916-939-6616, Office Phone: 530-626-1450 or 916-939-4464 <u>www.thecenternow.org</u>

United Democrats of El Dorado County www.edcdems.org Contact: John Savage Savage956@hotmail.com

# Photo of the Month



A beautiful piece of art from local artist Patricia McKinney

# DEMENTIA CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES



# Wednesday, March 29th, 2023

#### Registration Required: www.tinyurl.com/dces323

#### Compassionate Communication between Adult Children & Aging Parents Some of the hardest and most vital conversations we will ever have are with our aging parents when we discuss their wishes regarding their hopes and desires for the future. These conversations can be emotionally charged for both the parents and their children but involve topics that should be addressed to smooth decision-making about the future. Clarifying decisions together also helps all family members understand the basis for aging parents' choices and can reduce conflict when a crisis arises.

# Understanding and Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors

Provides participants with a four-step model to address behavioral aspects of dementia. The program details the model & then applies it to some of the most common behaviors associated with the disease.

Advance Registration Required. Please register at the link listed above or call (916) 728-9333, press 2.





Camino Camino Adventist Community Services 3520 Carson Rd Wednesdays 9 am - Noon

Cameron Park Light of the Hills Lutheran Church 3100 Rodeo Rd 1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays 11am - Noon

El Dorado El Dorado Community Church 4701 Church St 2nd & 4th Fridays 11 am - 2:30 pm

**El Dorado Hills** Hills Church 800 White Rock Rd 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10 am - 11 am

Garden Valley House of Prayer 7901 Hwy 193 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 11 am - 2 pm

# Distribution

Placerville Foothill Indian Education 100 Forni Rd 1st & 3rd Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm

Placerville Green Valley Community Church 3500 Missouri Flat Rd Saturdays 8 am - 11 am

Placerville Placerville Adventist Community Services 6831 Mother Lode Rd 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 9 am - Noon

Placerville SHARE Ministries 1031 Thompson Way Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 10 am - Noon

> Placerville Upper Room Dining Hall 1868 Broadway St Daily 4 pm - 5 pm

Pollock Pines Pollock Pines Community Church 6361 Pony Express Trl 2nd & 4th Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm Somerset Pioneer Bible Church 6851 Mt Aukum Rd 2nd & 4th Fridays 1 pm - 2 pm

South Lake Tahoe SLT Family Resource Center 3501 Spruce Ave 2nd Friday 10 am - 4 pm

South Lake Tahoe Phoenix Food Pantry 2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd Wednesdays 10:30 am - Noon

South Lake Tahoe St. Theresa's Bread & Broth 1041 Lyons Ave Mondays 4 pm - 5:30 pm

South Lake Tahoe Lake Tahoe Community Presbyterian Church 2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd Fridays 4 pm - 5 pm

If a friend sent you this calendar and encouraged you to sign up, send an email to the Progressive Alliance to receive it to your inbox! <u>edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com</u>