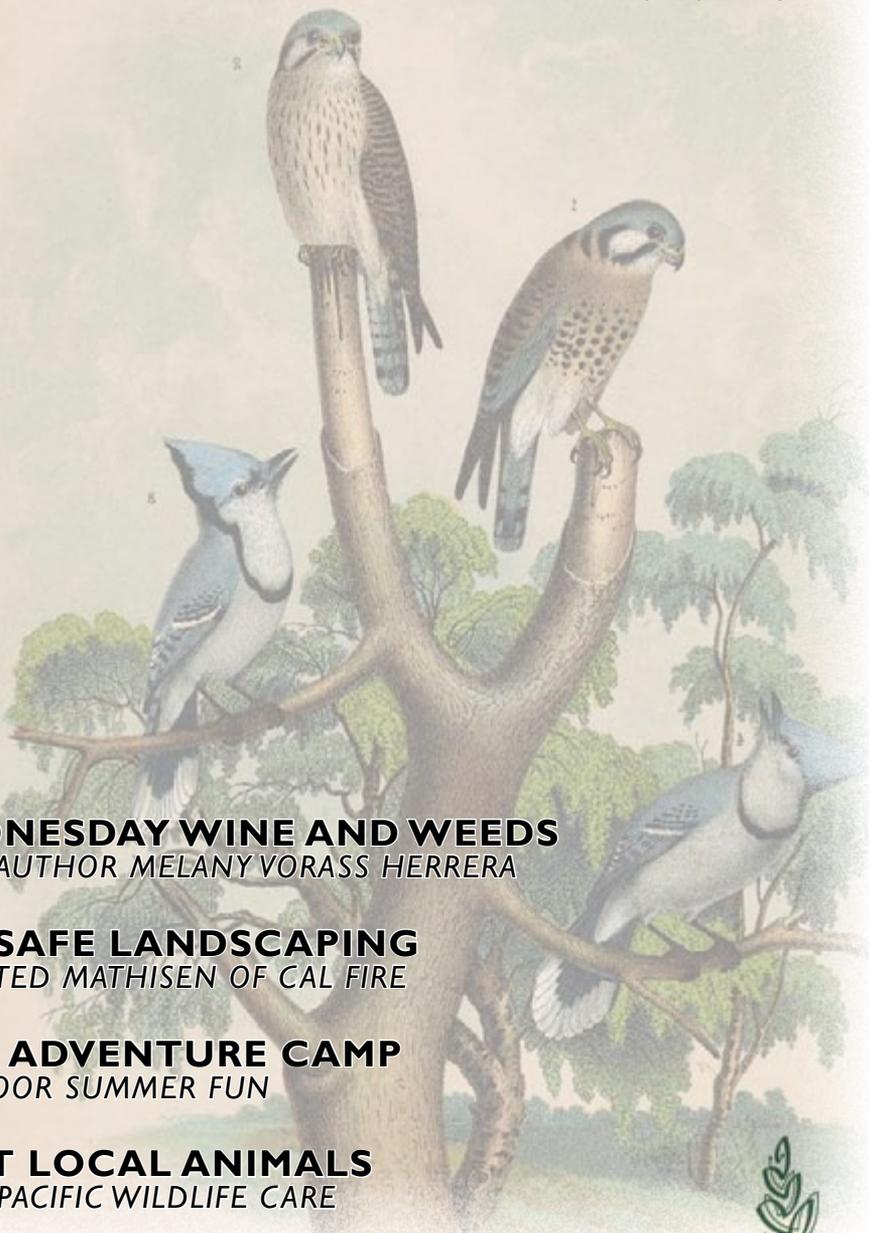


# SAN LUIS OBISPO BOTANICAL GARDEN

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## **WEDNESDAY WINE AND WEEDS**

*WITH AUTHOR MELANY VORASS HERRERA*

## **FIRESAFE LANDSCAPING**

*WITH TED MATHISEN OF CAL FIRE*

## **KIDS ADVENTURE CAMP**

*OUTDOOR SUMMER FUN*

## **MEET LOCAL ANIMALS**

*WITH PACIFIC WILDLIFE CARE*

## **ACORN ADVENTURES**

*HIKING, CRAFTING AND MORE*



First Tuesdays with Eve!



**FOUNDER WALK & TALK**  
with Eve Vigil, Garden Founder

Have you ever wondered how the garden beds were initially prepared, what the irrigation schedule is, or pretty much *anything* about *any* of the plants? Well, come on out and ask Eve Vigil at the Founder Walk & Talk in the Botanical Garden each month on the first Tuesday from 11 AM to 12 PM.

Subjects may touch on the Garden's history, what's in bloom, the "when & whys" of important maintenance, or whatever interests the group.

Meet new people and learn great tips and tricks for having a stunning water-frugal garden.

This free monthly tour meets at the Garden's purple entrance bridge. No need to RSVP, just show up and enjoy!

For updates on dates and times, visit [slobg.org/founder-walk](http://slobg.org/founder-walk).

**2017 Founder Walk and Talk Dates**

July 4, 2017 - 11 AM

August 1, 2017 - 11 AM





# EVENTS

July 12 at 5:30 PM

## EDIBLE WEEDS AND WINE WALK with author Melany Vorass Herrera

Why fight your weeds when you can eat them instead! Whether they're terrorizing your lawn and garden or growing free in the wilderness, weeds are a free source of super nutritional food available for the picking. Join our "weed walk" at the San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden and learn how to identify and gather some of the most common edible weeds and wild foods available in the city.

This hands-on workshop includes a discussion on gathering ethics, local rules and regulations, safety, and general information about cooking with weeds. Attendees receive a handy take-home brochure with field identification information and cooking tips.

Enjoy a glass of Halter Ranch wine as we wander through the garden discussing and tasting edible weeds!

**Class and a glass of wine is \$10 for members/\$15 non-members.  
Info and registration at [slobg.org/weeds](http://slobg.org/weeds)**

*MELANY VORASS HERRERA studied ethnobotany at Evergreen State College and holds a degree in environmental policy. For well over 20 years, her public policy work focused on such subjects as storm water, hazardous waste, solid waste, cleanup and the Endangered Species Act. She retired to pursue writing and plants. She and her husband keep a small urban farm (bees, goats and chickens and a giant garden) in the heart of Seattle. Melany is the author of The Front Yard Forager.*

July 15 at 1 PM



## FIRESAFE LANDSCAPING with CAL Fire, Ted Mathiesen

With a hot summer ahead, now is the time to prepare your landscape to be fire-safe. Join Ted Mathiesen from CAL Fire as we learn the best practices for installing a landscape to keep your house and yard safe! Learn design basics, planting techniques, and professional advice to make your Central Coast yard lean, clean, and green. Presentation is followed by a free docent-led tour of the Garden at 2PM.

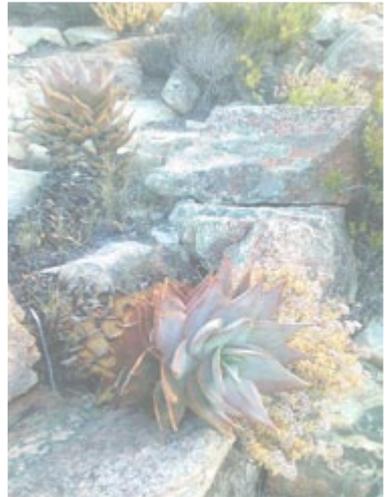
**Presentation is \$5 for Garden members/\$10 non-members.**

**No reservations are needed.**

**For more information visit [slobg.org/firesafe](http://slobg.org/firesafe)**

*TED MATHIESEN is a retired wildland firefighter, after 37 years with the Los Padres National Forest. He is currently working as a Defensible Space Inspector with CAL Fire. Ted has also worked as a property inspector for USAA Insurance, assessing properties for wildland clearance and fire resistant construction materials. Ted offers residents of San Luis Obispo County the ability to recognize good defensible space on their property as well as fire resistant construction materials. He also offers suggestions on how to improve defensible space and what fire resistant construction materials are available.*

Photos by John Newman



July 18-21 at 10-3 PM



## KIDS ADVENTURE CAMP hiking, arts, science and FUN!

This unique summer camp for 2nd-5th grade children focuses on investigating the unique plants and animals that live around us, while scientifically studying our local environment. Using hikes, gardening, art, cooking, live animals and other hands-on activities, campers discover the relationship between plants and people. We'll provide snacks, but please bring a bagged lunch.

**Camp is \$160 for garden members, \$185 for the public.  
For more information, registration or scholarship  
information, please visit [slobg.org/camp](http://slobg.org/camp)**



Kid's Adventure Camp scholarships are sponsored in part by Central Coast Funds for Children and Joan Gellert- Sargen. To apply for a scholarship download and complete the Camp Scholarship Application and submit to [education@slobg.org](mailto:education@slobg.org).

August 12, 1PM



## MEET OUR LOCAL ANIMALS with Pacific Wildlife Care

Come meet your local animal neighbors. Pacific Wildlife Care wildlife educator, Tera Galanti, will introduce you to an American kestrel, screech owl, and opossum at this fun and engaging presentation. In the wild, these animals are allusive, but you'll have the opportunity to meet them in person and learn all about their unique lives and how we can help them thrive on the Central Coast! Presentation is followed by a free docent-led tour of the Garden at 2PM.

**Presentation is donation based.**

**Suggested \$5 for members/\$10 non-members.**

**No preregistration required.**

**For more information**

**visit [slobg.org/wild](http://slobg.org/wild)**

*TERA GALANTI has been a wildlife educator with PWC since 2008. She gives educational presentations with PWC's animal ambassadors and is one of PWC's orphaned mammal rehabilitators, specializing in opossums and squirrels. This year PACIFIC WILDLIFE CARE is celebrating its 30th anniversary serving the wildlife of SLO county. PWC's wildlife clinic is located in Morro Bay with a full-time wildlife veterinarian on staff. In 2016 PWC took in over 2700 animals. For more information about PWC, visit [pacificwildlifecare.org](http://pacificwildlifecare.org)*



August 18, 2-4 PM



**ACORN ADVENTURES**  
hiking, book making and herbal tea party!

Join us at the Children's Garden for a hiking and herbal craft day on Friday August 18 at 2pm. We'll make a memory book with local book artist and author, Beryl Reichenberg, and take a slow hike through the area, while we harvest, craft and play with local useful plants growing in the area. We'll have lots of fun while we hike, create, explore and learn!

**All materials are provided.**

**Class is age appropriate for 2 years old and up.**

**Class is suggested \$5 donation per participant.**

**For more information visit [slobg.org/acorn](http://slobg.org/acorn)**



*Funding for this program is generously provided by Central Coast Funds for Children and Joan Gellert-Sargen.*

# CONSIDER A LEGACY WITH THE GARDEN

*“We are creating a living legacy for generations to come. Trees planted today will tower over our grandchildren.”*

- Gaby Levine, October 1997

You can sow seeds to secure the Garden’s future by remembering the Garden in your will or trust. Your gift will allow the Garden to grow and flourish as a community treasure that provides year-round blooms, education, relaxation, and recreation.

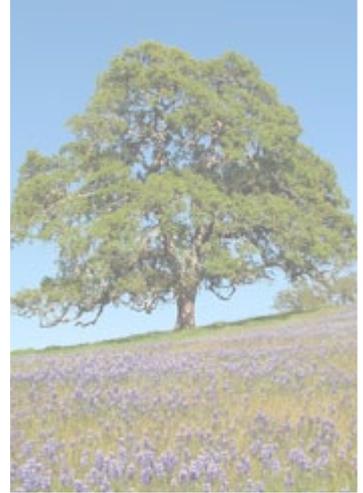
A bequest is a gift provision in a will or living trust. Unlike cash donations, a planned gift is made from a donor’s estate and comes to fruition upon the donor’s death. A bequest is simple and flexible to establish. You can specify a specific amount or leave a percentage of your estate to the Garden.

If you wish to make a charitable gift to the Garden in your will or trust, please name the Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo, CA. Federal Tax Identification Number: 77-024682. Consult with your attorney on selection of appropriate wording to reflect your own goals and intentions regarding the Garden.

## LET US KNOW

If you have already included a gift to the Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden in your will or trust, please notify us by calling Debbie Hoover at 805.541.1400x300.

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