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Iris show open to members, public

The Tulsa Area Iris Society will present a show Saturday and Sunday.

A variety of iris will be shown from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The public is encouraged to compete in the show, as long as they know the name of the iris. The show will be held at Tulsa Garden Center, 2345 S. Peoria Ave., and is free to attend.

Another show is scheduled for May 14 and 15. For more information, visit tulsairis.org.

Spring home and outdoor show

The Spring Home & Outdoor Living Expo, presented by Burnett Windows & Siding and partnered with Scripps Media, will run through Sunday at the River Spirit Expo Center at Expo Square, 4145 E. 21st St.

The show will feature walk-through tours of luxury tiny homes made from re-purposed shipping containers, expert advice from the Value News Celebrity Stage, drawings and more.

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The show is 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Weekend passes are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and military and free for children 12 and younger with a paid adult. For more information, visit springhomeexpo.com.

Jenks hosts 20th anniversary herb festival

The Jenks Garden Club will host the Jenks Herb & Plant Festival on Saturday in the heart of downtown.

The Main Street corridor will be full of booths with herbs, vegetables, flowers, shrubs and trees, garden decorations and more. Gardening experts and vendors will be available to give advice about gardening concerns or planting questions. Food vendors will be available as well.

Children’s entertainment includes arts and crafts and a planting booth. The USDA Food Safety Discovery Zone will feature a 40-foot multimedia exhibit for all ages about the simple ways to prevent foodborne illness.

Admission is free. Membership to the Jenks Garden Club is open to anyone interested in gardening, from novice to master. Yearly dues are \$15. For more information, contact the Jenks Garden Club at 918-298-5618 or visit jenksgardenclub.com

Tulsa libraries to offer gardening programs

The Tulsa City-County Library presents these upcoming free family programs:

Preschool Gardening 101 at the South Broken Arrow Library, 3600 S. Chestnut, from 2-3:30 p.m. Saturday. The program will feature the basics of plant care using nature-themed songs, stories and crafts. Young learners will have the opportunity to take home a potted seed and watch it grow.

On April 30, the Kendall-Whittier Library, 21 S. Lewis Ave., will host a Plant Swap from 1-4 p.m. Any extra plants, starts, seedlings, cuttings, bulbs, tools or garden materials can be brought to the library to share. Visitors can also check out and donate seeds to the Seed Library. This event is hosted by the TCCL Seed Library and Tulsa Seed Commons.

For more information, visit tulsalibrary.org.

Green Country Sierra Club to talk about beer

The Green Country Sierra Club will host a presentation Monday titled “The Ecology of Beer.” The meeting will dive into the sustainability of local breweries with tours of Marshall Brewing Co.

The tours will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Marshall Brewing, 618 S. Wheeling Ave., and the meeting will start at 7 p.m. The meeting is free to the public, but attendees must be 21 years old or older.

Hosta club meeting at Colebrook Nursery

Tulsa’s Hosta Connection will meet Tuesday at Colebrook Nursery, 5915 W. 31st St.

Members of the group will hear from Mary and Gordon Colebrook. The nursery has a new butterfly section. The meeting will start at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Come early to shop.

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