MONTHLY GARDEN CALENDAR

FEBRUARY (Usually dry & cool)

Mow lawn as needed ~ Use containers for transplants

- **Maintenance/Prune**: Citrus very susceptible to the cold; protection may be necessary. Prune grapes according to their type. Re-mulch trees and palms.

- **Plant**: Mustard, english pea, tump, lima bean, cantaloupe, sweet com, summer squash, tomato, watermelon, okra, peanut, southern pea, pepper, sweet potato. Flowering azaleas, hydrangeas, gardenias are heavy water users.


- **Bulbs/Rhizomes/Tubers**: Amaryllis, crinums, rain/calla/gloryosa lilies, caladiums, lapeirousia (freesia), Hurricane/spider lilies.

- **Vines/Ground Cover/Ornamental Grasses**: Carolina jessamine.

- **Vegetables**: Consider staking peas for wind protection

- **Watch for**: White flies, aphids, caterpillars, mites, root knot nematodes, cutworms, caterpillars, mites, thrips, aphids, mealy bugs, snail, slugs.

- **Check For: Lawns**: Crabgrass (treat with pre-emergence), brown patch.

- **Palms**: Caterpillars, aphids, scales, thrips.

- **Lawn**: Time to establish new lawns. Mow as needed: St Augustine/Bahia-3-4"ht. Fertilize Bahia lawn.

- **Shrubs**: Silverthorn, viburnum, hibiscus, ixora, orleander, bush allamanda, firebush, firecracker plant. Trim back to a bud in direction you want one plant to grow.
• **Water**: Water when surface begins to dry

• **Fertilize**: Mid-month apply fertilizer to shrubs.

• **Trees/Citrus**: Plant citrus according to harvest: Early - ambersweet, satsuma, hamlins; midseason = navels, tangelos; late = grapefruit, Valencia