

Notes from the Horticulture Committee

One of the best plant selection websites for the home gardener is managed by AMWUA, Arizona Municipal Water Users Association. AMWUA is a non-profit focused on water management and conservation. A great way to conserve water is to use water efficient plants. Go to <https://www.amwua.org/plants> select SEARCH FOR PLANTS, enter your search criteria then review and select from the search results. Click on individual plants for more details. AMWUA also has information on landscape design and watering. To find those pages go to www.amwua.org, select WHAT YOU CAN DO then LANDSCAPE AND GARDEN. At this page you can select Plants for the Arizona Desert, Xeriscaping (landscape design), or Watering.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

With all the "Covid" issues that seem to never end, your Board will be making decisions that will likely error on the "safe side." Currently, we believe working outside on Saturday mornings is OK. For the next 30 days we are not willing to risk indoor meetings such as the "breakfast" meeting that was cancelled. We want everyone to be comfortable with "personal choice." Each person needs to decide when and where to participate knowing that our organization will support every decision made. We hope to be back to our "Payday" meetings soon!

As for our 40th anniversary, we will also be postponing our celebration. We have no timetable to reschedule. This event takes significant advanced planning so we will wait for an appropriate window of weather and health.

Thanks to all our volunteers and pray that everyone will be safe and healthy.

February Schedule

February 12 - No Work for Sections on RH Johnson and Meeker, Automotive Restoration Club Annual Car Show
February 19 - No Work, Presidents' Day observed
February 20 - Relay for Life, Beardsley Park, 3 PM
February 26 - Work Day

Help Needed Gleaning

PRIDES Gleaning Team needs volunteers. All fruit gleaned goes to St. Mary's Food Bank. We work with Shepherd of the Hills Methodist Church. They co-ordinate the schedule. Teams work each Wednesday morning from 8:00 AM to noon, starting Jan. 26 and ending March 23. If any PRIDES cannot make a Wednesday, we let Kathleen Culliton know, and the team can be filled with church workers. Please contact one of the following to sign up – we appreciate your help. Tom Jones (PRIDES) transportationdr@aol.com 503-887-3430, Suzanne Jones (PRIDES) simicrosmith@aol.com 623-764-3163, Kathleen Culliton (SHUMC) cullitonkathleen@gmail.com 435-730-4466



IF LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS...
KEEP THEM
Because. Hey. Free Lemons!

Relay for Life PRIDES TEAM

PRIDES is taking part in this fundraising event for the American Cancer Society – Feb. 20, 2022, Beardsley Park, 3-8 PM. We have a Relay for Life Team! We will be fundraising and participating in the event. There are many ways to help: selling 50/50 tickets, helping set-up the event, selling hot chocolate, clean-up, plus additional opportunities. Meet you at Ramada 4!

Contact Lisa Safago, safago.lisa@gmail.com or 262-210-6416



Relay for Life EVENT HELPERS

We need canned food to weight the luminaria bags which, as you may know, will be displayed at the Relay event on Feb 20th. After the event all the canned food will be donated to the Valley View Food Bank. Win, win! Thanks for your help by bringing your canned goods to the PRIDES office on Tuesday and/or Saturday mornings from 8-9 AM, before February 18.

Sign up for our team and/or Make a donation to our team
Click Here: [Donate or Sign Up Here](#)

More detailed information has been sent in a separate email. Or, for more information contact Marilynn Shaw, shaw.marilynn@gmail.com,

Annual Pickleball Drop for Charity

The SCW Pickleball Club's "All for Charity Ball Drop" will take place on March 7th. PRIDES is a recipient of funds from this fundraiser and the more tickets we sell the more funds we receive. Tickets will be available every Saturday and Tuesday mornings, between 8-9 AM, in the office, through February. \$10 for one, \$25 for three tickets. When they're gone, they're gone. Bring cash or check payable to SCW Foundation.

P.S. Plant Swap

- Firesticks available by the office - stop by and pick them up
- Wanted - one Golden Barrel, Section 7, safago.lisa@gmail.com
- Baja (Red) Fairy Duster available, (you dig, Section 7) safago.lisa@gmail.com
- Agave macroacantha (7), Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Variegated agave (2), Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Agave Americana or Colorata, Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Medicinal aloe (2), Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Agave mysterii (2) (no clue of species), Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Organ Pipe Cactus (4), Bruce Kilbride, BruceK@cox.net
- Medicinal aloe (1), jimdjones56@gmail.com
- Golden Torch cactus (2), jimdjones56@gmail.com

'Plant Swap' is a platform for posting needed and available plants for PRIDES sections. Monitors, email your 'swaps' or 'wants' to scwprides@gmail.com.



Pictures are always welcome! Email your PRIDES pics to scwprides@gmail.com

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