



Sugar Creek

GARDEN CLUB

February 2024

Gold Club Rating

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President's Letter--

Happy Valentines Day Gardening Goddesses!

I hope you found some survivors when you unwrapped your plants from our last freeze. We did OK at our house. Saved some- but still have a reason to shop this spring if you know what I mean! Take a look at the spring plant sale order form, it may offer you some inspiration. And, if you ventured out to the nurseries and garden centers, you know the prices we are privileged to offer are unbeatable.

- If you like to add fertilizer for "early green up"- do that till early March. Fast acting 15-5-10 formula is the ticket.
- Apply pre-emergent herbicides like Barricade or Dimension to block early spring weeds. Keep using "cool season" herbicides like Bonide Weed Beater to control broadleaf weeds like clover.
- You can start the light pruning process of fruit and nut trees. Prune crepe myrtles. But only prune the tips and scraggle growth of those.
- Prune back roses in mid-February but not climbing roses until they completed their blooming cycle.
- Pinch back cool season annuals, like pansies or cyclamen. This should give them a final push until your plant orders comes in!
- Plant late blooming bulbs like Amaryllis, Cannas, Gladiolus etc.
- Prune ground cover so it will spread nicely at the first sign of spring.

All this information and more can be found in the book by Randy Lemon-New Decade of Gardening a Gulf Coast Guide...but didn't I sound smart?

Remember- The Friendship Valentine's Luncheon is our February Garden Club meeting.

There will be no meeting on Thursday February 15th.

I would like to personally thank the newly appointed board members for the 2023 -

2024 year (the new board is printed later in the newsletter). We greatly appreciate your dedication, contributions, and team spirit. On behalf of the Sugar Creek Garden Club - Thank you. It takes a village to make us this good. We are so happy to have you in our tribe and we promise to support you and do whatever we can to make you successful.

Until I see you again ladies...

Live Life in Full Bloom!

Jackie Howard

*Valentine Friendship
Luncheon & Silent Auction*
Friends, Family, Young & Old Welcome

Saturday, February 10
10:30 am – 1:00 pm
Children \$17 Adults \$36

RSVP Trisha Muska at 832-752-6738
Or trisham1@windstream.net
Reservation/cancellation by Feb. 2nd

*Purchased Auction Items –
cash or check only*

Remaining Friendship Silent Auction Basket Making Workshops Canceled

Task Completed! As a result, the remaining Friendship Luncheon and Silent Auction basketmaking workshops are canceled. Thanks again to those of you who participated. There are lots of items to bid on! See you at the Friendship Silent Auction and Luncheon Saturday, February 10th, 10:30 AM!

SCGC Board Meeting

The Board will meet 10:00 AM, Thursday, February 8th at the home of Jenny Schultz, 343 Longview Dr. Please text or phone Jenny by Monday, February 5th to let her know if you plan on attending the meeting.

Jenny will be assisted by Co-hostesses Becky Joiner, Trisha Muska, Shelley Lamb, and Dana Knox.

SCGC February General Meeting

We will celebrate Valentine's Day at our lovely Friendship Luncheon and our much-loved Silent Auction. This luncheon will serve as our February monthly meeting. Guests are welcome. Reservations required.

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

The HFGC General Meeting will be February 9th, 10:00 AM at Faith Lutheran Church, 4600 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX.

Program: *"Recycle, Repurpose, and Reuse to Reduce: Making Informed Choices"*
Presented by Eleese Lester-Baier, Past President, Lakewood Forrest Club.

**Reminder Going on Now--
Jan. 29-Feb. 1 Flower Show School II**

At Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX 77074.

2024-25 Slate of New SCGC Officers

At the January SCGC General Meeting the slate of new officers for 2024-25 was accepted as presented by the Nominating Committee. They are as follows:

President—Shelley Lamb

President Elect—Becky Joiner

1st Vice President—Judy Johnson

2nd Vice Presidents—Sheila Jones and Patsy Jones

Recording Secretary—Suellen Schmidt

Corresponding Secretary—Diane Parrott

Treasurer—Cindy Jones

Parliamentarian—Jackie Howard

SCGC Spring plant sale orders are due no later than noon on Saturday, February 10!

If you did not pick-up an order form at the January meeting, one is attached to this email. Order forms can be given to Beverly Scheliga or Suellen Schmidt or placed in Beverly's mailbox at 1259 Creekford Circle.

Plants will arrive on Monday, March 11th. You will be contacted when your order is ready for pick-up, and you can pay when picking up your plants. Any questions, please contact Beverly Scheliga at 713-553-6747.

Remembrances—

Condolences were sent to Ron Tappmeir for the loss of his wife Sondra who was a former SCGC member and to Rosemary

Jodeit for the loss of her husband Mike.
Rosemary sent a sweet thank you note to
the SCGC for the beautiful plant she
received.

February Birthdays—

Emily Hansen, Carol Wilcox, Jean Ann
Brooks, Suellen Schmidt, Jackie Howard,
Mary Denena, Rootie Foster

January Yard of the Month--



Carlos and Julie Leon, 1323 Sugar Creek
Blvd.

**Be sure and download the SCGC Spring
Plant Order Form and the Final Valentine
Friendship Luncheon & Silent Auction
Invitation.**