

May 2021  
Sugar Creek Garden Club Newsletter  
President's Update



I DID IT! Whew...and you didn't even have to fire me! We now know why COVID hit in 2020. It's all becoming very clear. Seriously, what a year and what a pleasure it was for me to serve as the President of this fabulous organization. As you know, my grandmother would have been so proud! She's looking down, with a big grin on her face and probably saying to my grandfather and mother - "She gets that from me!" And my Grandpa Joe saying "Yep, she sure does. She talks just as much as you to!" I do come from a long line of talkers and volunteers. Small towns do bring that out in a person.

The May General Meeting is happening on WEDNESDAY this month. I'm looking forward to seeing you on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. There will be tables of 8. Lunch reservations must be made with Mignon. You can call, text or email her. Please let her know who you want to sit with and how you are going to pay.



Angela Chandler will be talking about Companion Plants for Roses. Masks should be worn when you are not dining at your table. A flyer announcing the event is already in draft. This is not a meeting to miss AND it is our last meeting of the year. We will have the installation of the new officers. We will also be announcing the Ginnie Russell Award. You do not want to miss this!



COVID still exists, and I'm committed to follow all CDC Guidelines for a bit longer. Many of us have vaccines completed but we still have an obligation to protect our Sugar Creek brethren. Please help me to do so. We are not out of the woods yet but I can see the light!

REMEMBER:



In May, we **are** hosting the **BACK-YARD Garden Tour**. Right now, we have **6** outstanding homes in our subdivision with spectacular back yard views and luscious plantings featured for this tour. See Miriam Watson or Sharon Leonard for more details. I have my ticket...**DO YOU? Tickets are \$20.** SAVE THE DATE: **Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup>.**



## REMINDER!

**The May Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at my home.** It is the only Board Meeting we will be able to gather together. I am delighted and thankful to be able to host. Board Members, you have already received an electronic invite. Please be sure to RSVP.

## DID YOU KNOW ?



**Bamboo** is the fastest growing plant on the planet. There are over 1,500 species of bamboo that are native to Asia, Australia, and other parts of the world. This tall thin plant can grow 3 feet (.91 meters) every day.

**Tulips** were more valuable than gold. In the 1600's, the recently introduced tulip flowers in Holland were so valuable that their bulbs were often worth more than gold.

Most people think of **roses** as flowers. But the rose family also contains fruits. In fact, apples, peaches, apricots, cherries, plums, strawberries and other berries are all part of the family. Maybe that's why the aromas of these fruits are so sweet. Another fun fact is that rose petals are edible too.

**Carrots** were originally purple. Most people think that carrots are orange, but carrots were originally purple or white and were a food source as early as the 10th century in the Persian empire. The orange carrots we eat today were a genetic mutation.

The tallest living plant is the coastal **redwood**. Coastal redwoods or sequoia sempervirens can reach up to 379 feet and are the tallest living plant on the planet. Native to California, some of these giants have lived for over 2,000 years.

My newsletter days are now over. No more "short" stories from me to fall asleep by. As my farewell, I want you to know and thank you for the blessings you have given me:

1. I want you to know being the SCGC President has made me a better person.
2. Many of you lead by example and I am happy to follow you.
3. I am fortunate to know you all and am rich with new friendships.

So "Thank you" to each of you for being my friend.

I'm blooming where I am planted.

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