

*October Sugar Creek Garden Club Newsletter -
SCGC President's Update*

My favorite color is OCTOBER and FALL is my Favorite F-Word!



Happy October Everyone!

We started the year off with a Bang! We had 59 attendees at the September meeting. I was absolutely thrilled! Mother Nature is already moving ahead this October and she is cooling our weather down a bit. Yes, we still need to socially distance and wear face masks, but we can start to put pumpkins and fall décor out. Soon, we will be grabbing a sweater and heading out the door for a brisk morning walk.

A warm welcome to all of our new members. We continue to add a few each month. Some members work outside the home or have other obligations. Please check out our monthly programs in the yearbook or in this newsletter to see what is going on. Try to attend a meeting whenever you can. We all live in the same neighborhood, and SCGC is a wonderful way to not only up your game in the garden, but also make new acquaintances and build friendships.

We've been busy with virtual fundraising and plant sales. Now, it is time to start thinking about holiday preparations too. **Poinsettias are on sale.** Soon Holiday Lighting Contest judges will be driving our subdivision checking out our outdoor holiday decorations. Looking ahead, our Friendship Tea will be held on Saturday, February 6th. Circle your calendars for the start of Silent Auction Basket Assembly which begins in early January each Friday at Corrie Gilbert's home. In March, Donna Weinberg will be preparing us for a wonderful Mother's Day Ceremony. We will be selling bricks for the Mother's Garden. I'm getting at least 2 bricks. One will be in memory of my mother and the second for my mother-in-"love". Another friendly reminder is to browse the advertisers in the yearbook. They need our business too during this pandemic.



Mark your calendar for October 15th for the next General Meeting. Please remember there are NO Executive Board Meetings through the end of the year. ONLY GENERAL MEETINGS at the club on the 3rd Thursday of each month.



Trixie has another grand program planned for us. We have a change of plans for the October 15th meeting. Our speaker originally scheduled cannot make it so Landscape and Interior Designer, Billy Marberry will be our October star. Billy is a knowledgeable, creative and funny speaker. You will enjoy his fall designs and his humor! One of the arrangements will be a raffle prize too!



REMEMBER: We no longer have **theatre seating**. Round tables are the new norm with no more than 7 chairs per table. **Masks are required** at all times while not at your table. Masks are not required while at your table dining. Raffle on! Pre-printed name tags will be available upon check-in. **NO SELF SERVING** of FOOD or BEVERAGES!



Don't forget to bring your checkbook and write Ann a check if you haven't already donated for the Annual Dinner & Auction Virtual Attendance Campaign. This campaign officially ended on October 3rd but we are still accepting late donations if we haven't had a chance to connect with you yet. The more we raise, the more projects we can do! Now that fall is in the air, you will see us working on Beautification Project #3. Projects could possibly be on a street near you.

Did you know:

For more than forty years, SCGC has been a powerful force for the beautification of our subdivision. Since our founding, the Club has donated, planted, and maintained many trees and flower beds in the esplanades and highly visible areas of Sugar Creek. The Mother's Garden and the Russell Garden, as well as park benches, are examples of the projects that our Club has enjoyed contributing to. Additionally, SCGC awards **two** scholarships each year to horticultural graduate students and contributes to the holiday spirit by providing decorations near most entrances. This year will be no exception to that rule.



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It is the homeowners of our subdivision that make Sugar Creek the most exceptional neighborhood in the County. Get involved, and be a part of the blooming fun!

I'm bloomin' where I am planted!

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