



Sugar Creek

GARDEN CLUB

October 2023

<https://sugarcreekgardenclub.org>

President's Letter--

Greetings Ghostly Gardening Girls!

October is such a fun month! Ghosts, Ghouls and Gardening! Fall is officially here as of Saturday, September 23. Yellow mums, orange pumpkins and golden leaves abound. Those that didn't burn up, turn brown and give up that is! And no, that is not hay- just dead burnt up grass. This is Texas not Vermont after all.

It is time to plan and plant your fall garden if you haven't already. I am anxiously awaiting my flats of colorful annuals from the club's plant sale. If you participated in that sale, expect your flats to arrive on Monday, November 6. The ladies will call when your pick up is ready. If you enjoy planting and harvesting vegetables, we have included the vegetable planting calendar from the Harris County Extension office for your perusal. 10-15 is the best time to plant Sweet Onions.

According to our beloved Randy Lemon, October 15 - November 15 is the time to fertilize your lawns in preparation for the cold winter and potential freeze that we expect in January and February. Remember the formula for fall is 8-12-16 and is available at your favorite nursery or garden center.

- This is the optimum month to plant bulbs (the ones that don't need to be refrigerated)
- Time to add pre-emergent herbicide for weed control to lawns

- Randy advised to stop feeding our plants and give them the chance to go dormant
- 2nd pruning season for roses, including Knock Outs.

Our October Bake Sale has moved to March due to focus on our Annual Live Auction and Dinner. Please look for notes from Shelley later in this newsletter with all the rockin' details. She has a really special event planned and I know you won't want to miss that! Don't be square- Mark your calendar for this event, Thursday November 9th at the club.

Have a Happy Halloween Girlies and remember to Live Life in Full Bloom,

Jackie Howard

Deadline Reminder for the SCGC Fall Plant Sale – No later than noon, Monday, October 2nd Drop your order forms off at the home of Kitty Tardy, 2730 Country Club Blvd.

Order form is attached to this email. The cost is \$17/tray with payment due when picking up plants. Each tray contains a count of 18, 4" plants. The plants will be delivered on November 6th. You will be contacted when your order is ready for pickup. Any questions can be directed to Jenny Schultz, (713)252-3933 or Beverly Scheliga, (713)553-6747.

A follow up note from Jackie as requested at our September meeting--

*I am excited to announce we have successfully set up a Sugar Creek Garden Club account at **Mayesh**. This is the floral wholesale location that our September meeting speaker raved about. I know many of you expressed interest. Our sales representative information is below and she is our point of contact there. Remember, if you are buying for your personal use- you must pay sales tax.*

Mayesh:

470 Garden Oaks Blvd Houston, TX 77018

Monday through Friday: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Closed weekends

Our sales person is:

Jeni Stewart 832.410.4810
jstewart@mayesh.com

www.mayesh.com

SCGC Volunteers needed to assist at Sugar Creek Neighborhood Picnic

Sugar Creek HOA is hosting a Neighborhood Picnic on October 7th in Searles Park. Our SCGC has agreed to be one of the sponsors. Sheila Jones, (713)824-9542 is asking for SCGC volunteers for the picnic. We are setting up a table at 1:00 and need five to six volunteers to take shifts until 4:00. The weather will be warm so hopefully we will have enough volunteers so no one has to stay too long in the heat.

We hope to inform those attending the picnic about the Garden Club and what we do in the neighborhood and community.

Yearbook Updates!

Page 28 - The Bake Sale has moved to March!

Page 29 - Annual Dinner is Nov. 9 at the Club

Page 32 - Holiday Luncheon is Dec 14. No Horticultural that day.

Page 35 Basket Making will start Friday Jan 12.

SCGC Board Meeting

The SCGC Board will meet 10:00 AM, Thursday, October 12th at the home of Sandra Dickey, 815 Sugar Creek Blvd. Please text at (713)562-3292 or email Sandra at sjdickey50@yahoo.com by October 9th if you are planning to attend.

Sandra will be assisted by Co-Hostesses Annette Griffin, Diane Parrott, Corrie Gilbert, Ann Wendell, and Amelie Hamizi.

SCGC October General Meeting

Thursday, October 19th, at Sugar Creek Country Club.

9:30 AM Refreshments and Social

10:00 AM Meeting

Program – “An Easy Way to Create a Beautiful Tablescape Using What is Growing in the Garden” by Rhonda Kaiser, Owner of Southern Home & Farms, Texas Master Gardener

If you have donations for the Horticulture Table, please let Beverly Scheliga know.

Raffle Chairs are Jenny Schultz and Becky Joiner. Raffle donors are Kathy Sater, Candace Ray, Patsy Jones, Dana Knox, and Vicki Carson.

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

The HFGC General Meeting will be 10:00 AM, October 13th at Faith Lutheran Church, 4600 Bellaire Blvd. Bellaire, TX.

Program: "Permaculture" Presented by Bennie Matusek, Harris County Master Gardener.

Design Exhibits: "Have a Seat" Sandra Bierstedt-Gallegos, Chair.

HFGC Plant Sale, October 14th at Bellaire United Methodist Church, 4417 Bellaire Blvd.

(At the September meeting the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension passed out a sheet with local "Vegetable Garden Planting Dates." A copy is attached to the email.)

Area October Event Happenings—

- **Annual Bulb & Plant Mart**, St. John the Divine, River Oaks Blvd. October 12th – 14th
- **Pollinator Plant Sale** at Mercer Botanic Gardens, October 14th
- **Bromeliads in the Southwest Show and Sale** October 14th – 15th Holiday Inn & Suites Conference Center NW – Willowbrook, 18530 State Highway 249, Houston, TX 77070. Contact www.bromeliadsocietyhouston.org for more details.

Texas Garden Clubs

TGC Fall Board Meeting October 17-18 at HQ in Fort Worth.

District IV

District IV Fall Board Meeting October 20th at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX.



September Workshop – Diane Schomburg's Composting Demonstration & Tour of Her Yard in Search of Survivor Plants



October Birthdays—

Ruth Heikkila, Candace Ray, Barbara Nachlas, Rosemary, Jodeit, Odean McKenzie, Cindy Jones, Joy Rosner, Sharon Andrade, Nancy Lefler, Beverly Scheliga, Marilyn Murphy, Gerry Aitken, Marilyn Davis, Carolyn Janik, Elizabeth Gunther, Jean Caruthers, Dorothy Mitchell, Alice Mondshine, Therese Raia

Sock Hop Dinner & Auction Fundraiser (See Attachment)

Reservations are now being accepted for the SCGC Sock Hop Dinner & Auction Fundraiser November 9th beginning at 6:00 PM at the Sugar Creek Country Club. Tickets are \$65 per person. RSVP to Tricia Muska.

Let the good times Roll!

Excitement is building fast for the SCGC's annual dinner and fundraising evening. In fact, the Sock Hop theme has members rummaging through closets, attics, even websites to be sure to dress in their finest 1950's attire!

Rumors are going wild about the special entertainment, live and silent auction items, wine pulls and raffle items. Plus, there are plenty of surprises!

Look for the Sock Hop Dinner & Auction attachment to this email for more information. Let all your friends in the neighborhood know about this fun and lively event.

SCGC October Workshop – “Prosecco and Petals”

Ann Wendall's long awaited demonstration of her techniques utilizing the spiller, thriller, and filler methods in container pot and vase combinations is happening October 10th (rain date is October 17th). The workshop

will be under the shade trees at 10:00 AM at Ann's home 2231 Country Club Blvd. Registrations are required. Cost to attend the workshop is \$25. If you registered for the workshop you owe the registration fee even if you do not attend. This workshop is limited to 20 and it has filled up. However, contact Kathy Luckenbach, (281)794-7555 if you would like to be added to an alternates list in the event a current registrant cannot attend and is able to give advance notice.

September Yards of the Month

Paul & Monica Reese, 1107 Sugar Creek Blvd.



Barry & Debby Levine, 1466 Sugar Creek Blvd.

