



January 2023

President's Letter

Dear Friends,

Everyone looks forward to a New Year! Out with the old and in with the new. Jack Frost left us with no choice when he came blowing in. The freeze has assured that I will be planting something new in my garden--perhaps a plant that I have admired in your yard.

The old question is, why do the weeds still look green? This is the best time to pull them up by hand. There are no mosquitos, and the weeds stick out like sore thumbs. Happy gardening!

We ended the year with a fun luncheon that brought two clubs together, enjoying good conversation, a fun bluegrass twist on classic Christmas carols, and yummy food. I would also like to shout a big THANK YOU to our Holiday Lighting Committee. I love driving through our neighborhood and escaping into a wonderland of festive lights and decorations.

We will start the new year with an amazing speaker, Kathy Adams Clark. Please join us. Also, save the date for our annual Friendship Tea in February.

Until we meet again, stay warm and healthy.

My Pleasure,
Kathy Luckenbach

"Plant your own garden and decorate your own soul, instead of waiting for someone to bring you flowers."

Veronica A. Shoffstall

Be On the Lookout for Upcoming News Re:

--SCGC's Annual Spring Flower Plant Sale

--SCGC's Annual Friendship Tea February 11



"Dead Sea Salty Bottom Boys Band" provided lively entertainment at the Joint SCGC/SCWA December Holiday Luncheon.

Holiday Lighting Winners December 2022

Artistic

The Bezecny and Griffith Family
21 Bendwood

Front Door

The Starnes Family
2802 Fairway Drive

Lighting

The Jones Family
3002 Bucknell

Novelty

The Lemon Family
610 Sugar Creek Blvd

Religious

The Saenz Family
530 Longview Drive

Traditional

The Schneider Family
1 Bendwood

SCGC Board Meeting

The Board will meet 10:00 AM, Thursday, January 12th at the home of Carol Wilcox, 3002 Country Club, 77478. Please text or phone Trisha Muska at **(832)752-6738** by Monday, January 9th to let her know if you plan on attending the meeting. Carol will be assisted by Co-Hostesses Trisha Muska, Miriam Watson, and Evelyn Saxon.

SCGC January General Meeting

Thursday, January 19, 2023
At Sugar Creek Country Club

9:30 AM Refreshments and Social

10:00 AM Meeting

Program – *“Creating a Garden that Works with Nature”* presented by Kathy Adams Clark, Past President of North American Nature Photography Association and Columnist for the Houston Chronicle.

If you have donations for the Horticulture Table, bring them to Jenny Schultz.

Monthly hostesses are Donna Schuster, Patti Von Tungelin, and Sandy Allen.

Raffle Chairs are Diane Reeves and Dana Knox.

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs-

The HFGC General Meeting will be January 13th, 10:00 AM at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 5308 Buffalo Speedway, Houston, TX 77005.

Program: *“Landscape Planting Alternatives for the Texas Gulf Coast”* Presented by Robert Grove, Horticulture Manager, The Brookwood Community.

Workshop: Staghorn Fern and the mounting of one on wood

January Birthdays —

Callie Rose, Daisy O'Reilly, Sarah MacInerney, Karen Smith, Diane Campbell, Marina Beltran, Amelia Melton, Patti Von Tungelin, Susan McLaughlin, Diane Reeves, Margaret Bruner, Wanda Woodlock

□ Individual HFGC Membership application and \$10 dues to HFGC are payable on or before May 1st to Ann Korenek, 1723 Hidden Villas Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339. (281)358-8386. Email: adkorenek@gmail.com.
The Flower Show School IV at Bayland- has been rescheduled from September to January 30th to February 2nd.

District IV Spring Convention-

Is scheduled to be held Tuesday, March 21, 2023 from 9 AM to 3 PM at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX. Registration is due by Monday, March 6. Please contact Jonni at 713-524-4285 or jonnialmoney@aol.com with any registration questions.

December Yard of the Month—



Paul & Monica Reese,
1107 Sugar Creek Blvd.

Remembrances-

Mary Denena passed on the following information regarding members and their families that we need to keep in our thoughts and prayers:

- Carol Beth Gore's, husband CT had bypass surgery.
- Nancy Lefler is wearing wearing a boot for a broken bone in her leg.
- Susan McLaughlin's husband Mack is recovering from Covid-19 and
- Peaches Ryan is recovering from an appendectomy.