FAIRFIELD GLADE GARDEN CLUB December 2020

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FROM KATHY...

December greetings! Well, it has been quite a year, hasn't it? I have missed seeing all of you, hearing some great speakers, and tasting all that yummy food on the Hospitality Table! The Leader Board has continued to meet monthly to keep things going, but it is just not the same without seeing all of you.

We have managed to keep the fundraisers going in one form or another, so our Scholarship Fund is healthy and ready for another round of scholarships in the spring. Katelyn Carpenter, one of our 2020 scholarship recipients, put things in perspective for us. She wrote:

"Dear Fairfield Glade Garden Club, I am nearly two months into the semester here at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville. Your generous scholarship awarded to me this summer provided for all my textbooks and lab fees for the fall semester. I have 19 credits this semester between my Environmental Engineering major, and Air Force ROTC courses. Although COVID-19 precautions have halted some activities and opportunities on campus, I am head over heels for Tech. Thank you for empowering me through your scholarship opportunity. It is reassuring to know so many people are invested in my future. Your friend, Kate Carpenter"

So, we will continue as we are, doing what we can, and looking forward to the time when we can all meet again. For myself and all of the Leader Board, I want to wish you all a safe and happy holiday!

POINSETTIA SALE:

This year the Garden Club will be selling poinsettias ONLY on Friday, December 4th from 8am – 4pm at the Village Green Mall.

LYNCH CREEK FUNDRAISER:

There is still time to order live wreaths, centerpieces, garlands, and small potted trees from Lynch Creek Farms. In order for the FG Garden Club to get 15% profit from the sale you must use the website <u>www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/244973</u>. If you have any questions regarding this fundraiser please give me a call at (931) 202-2980 or email me at <u>kathy.spancake@gmail.com</u>.

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

As you do, we hope the Garden Club will be back up and running sometime in 2021. With our members' health in mind, and the fact that the Community Church is still not allowing non-member events inside the building, your Garden Club Leader Board would like to take this time to assure you we are still investigating ways to continue club activities in 2021. With that being said, it's time to start thinking about Membership Dues for 2021. It has been decided to collect dues using US Mail instead of at our next general meeting Be sure to look for a letter of explanation and a membership form being sent to you at the end of this month for further instructions.

Remember that the UT Gardens/Crossville at the Plateau Discovery Gardens is a great resource! Even though there are no scheduled classes, the website has lots of great information including some videos. The Plateau Discovery Gardens is open to visitors who wish to view the gardens every day during daylight hours. Please refer to their website for additional details. Website: <u>www.ccmga.org</u>.