FAIRFIELD GLADE GARDEN CLUB

June 2022

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

HELLO FROM SUE ...

Ask anyone who was there, the Scholarship Awards meeting/brunch was terrific. What fun it was to meet this year's award recipients! I'm so impressed with how articulate, eloquent, and self-confident the students are. And, let's not forget about how deserving they all are. We all should congratulate the Scholarship Committee for such a successful year. Thanks to co-chairs Michele Cooke and Robin Marquis, Sue Flynn and Jennifer Danko for coordinating the luncheon, and Anne Bolter, Toni Emery, Patty Johnson, Wendy Raver, and Linda Reiss for all of the time and effort contributed. A job well done!

GENERAL MEETING JUNE 15

The next Garden Club meeting will be Wednesday, June 15th. As usual, we'll be meeting at the Community Church (521 Snead). Social time starts at 9:00am, business meeting starts at 9:30.



Our speaker this month will be Jeff DaBell of Dabell Farms talking to us about microgreens and how to grow them. While we're on the subject of speakers, we were finally able to confirm speakers for the remainder of this year. See attached for that list.

SHARING TABLE

If you have garden plants, house plants, cuttings, or seedlings you are ready to part with, consider bringing them to our next meeting for the <u>Sharing Table</u>. We love to share plants that we hope someone else might enjoy or that we're just not willing to give up on yet. Keep this in mind throughout the year. Your plants will be more than welcome any time.

TREASURER CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Regretfully, we need to announce the retirement of Quentin Erdahl from the position of club Treasurer. Quentin has been Treasurer for as long as we can remember. But his work with the Garden Club doesn't stop there. Quentin has been very generous with his time for so many other club projects. He and his laugh will be greatly missed. Quentin, we are all eternally grateful to you.

At the same time, we welcome Irene Aubry as the new Garden Club Treasurer. Irene has been our Assistant Treasurer since last year. Irene and her accounting background and knowledge are greatly appreciated.

BY-LAWS PROPOSED REVISION

Which leads us to telling you about changes to the club By-laws. At least, what the Leader Board sees as necessary changes. During this transition from Quentin Erdahl to Irene Aubry as Treasurer, ironically and in essence, we find our by-laws don't allow the Assistant Treasurer to do any banking. It has become obvious the Assistant Treasurer position needs to be taken more seriously. To that end, see attached for the By-laws and suggested changes. There will be a vote to approve these changes at the general meeting on June 15th.

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NEW VICE PRESIDENT

We have more news ... Rhoda Hiller has agreed to be the club's new Vice President! She will complete the remainder of this year as VP and step in to the position of President for 2023. Since Vice President is an elected position, we will accept your nominations for Vice President until June 15th. Notify Sue Niebuhr with those nominations. If no nominations are received, we will install Rhoda as VP at the June 15th meeting.

LOOK WHAT WE DUG UP!!

Notes from April 2022 Crossville Chronicle:

Popular Insect Repellent Plants. Homeowners choose plants for their properties based on a number of variables. Some may be into growing their own foods while other desire their gardens to have awe-inspiring bright colors with alluring scents. There's no wrong reason to plant a fresh garden, but some plants offer extra benefits such as repelling insects, an eco-friendly alternative to insecticides.



BASIL: The aroma of fresh basil is enough to compel any gardener to make a place for it in their garden. But more than their fresh scent, it can be used to repel mosquitoes and moths.

LAVENDER: Fleas, flies, mosquitoes, and moths are not fans of this aromatic and colorful member of the mint family. Bees tend to be drawn to lavender, a durable plant that many garden centers recommend in areas prone to drought or hot summers without much precipitation.

MINT: Another plant instantly recognizable for its aroma. Mint lovers may not realize that it's also great for keeping ants at bay. Mint also can be used to repel mosquitoes. But gardeners with no experience planting mint should plant it in pots. It's especially aggressive spreader that can quickly take over a garden.

LEMONGRASS: Is a tropical grass that's so fragrant it's often used in perfumes. Lemongrass contains citronella, associated with repelling mosquitoes. A potted lemongrass plant can repel these unwanted guests, keeping them away from decks, porches and/or patios all summer long.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS: Contain the natural insecticide Pyrethrin, which can serve as something of an insectrepelling boundary around a home as well as a lovely border plant.

Each month Nathy and Kathy plan to publish a hopefully, somewhat unique, gardening tip. If anyone has a tip they would like to share, please email Kathy at <u>kathy.spancake@gmail.com</u>.

Attachments: April 2022 FG GC Members Minutes By-laws proposed changes 05-2022 Topics 2022

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