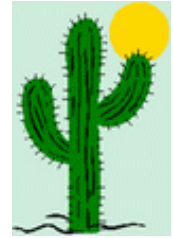




DESERT GARDEN CLUB



MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

NEXT MEETING: MARCH 5, 2019

LOCATION: R. H. JOHNSON LECTURE HALL

TIME: 9:00AM

PRESENTATION

Jim Consolloy will give a presentation on Native vs. Non-Native Plants in our region. Jim has been a resident and Garden Club member of SCW since 2010. He started in the wholesale nursery business in N.J. in the 1970's following Graduate studies at Rutgers U. growing temperate climate plants. After 20 years of selling plants commercially, he spent the next 20 years managing a staff of 40 in the grounds and gardens at Princeton University. The past 10 years were filled with volunteer work at the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix, Sonoran Audubon Society, Rio Salado College's Rise Program and SCG presentations in Botany, Plants of the Sun Cities and Agriculture. He continues to study desert plants with the help of many in our club.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES PLANNED

1. March 1st – Greenhouse plant sale – 8a to 10a
2. March 5th – Jim Consolloy – Native vs. Non-Native Plants
3. April 2nd – Phoenix Zoo Trip-Scott Frische, Horticulture Curator of the Zoo will give us a tour.
4. April 5th – Greenhouse plant sale – 8a to 10a
5. May 3rd – Greenhouse plant sale – 8a to 10a (**LAST ONE OF THE SEASON**)
6. May 7th – Breakfast in Kuentz Courtyard

PHOENIX ZOO TRIP

Our April meeting will be a trip to the Phoenix Zoo with a tour given by Scott Frische. He will show us the trees and bushes used at the Zoo that are native to the animals in their respective enclosures. Lunch will be on your own since there are many places to choose from. This is a members only trip because we can only take one bus. If there are any seats available after the **DEADLINE**, the trip will be offered to guests. The **APPLICATION IS ON PAGE 4.**

7:30a – Board Bus

7:45a – Leave Promptly

9:00a – Arrive Zoo

2:30p – Leave Zoo

3:30+p – Sun City West

MONTHLY GREENHOUSE PLANT SALE

The monthly plant sale is the 1st Friday of every month at the Beardsley Greenhouse. **The next sale is Friday, MARCH 1, 2019 from 8-10 AM. Bring a friend!**

MEMBER INFORMATION UPDATE

If your e-mail address, mailing address, and/or phone number has changed, please let Carole know at the next meeting, or send Ray an E-mail to (raycool@cox.net) with the correct information.

MASTER GARDENER

The public can reach Master Gardeners at 602-827-8201.

IMPORTANT NOTICE and VOTE

NEW GREENHOUSE

First a little background information. This year our Greenhouse will be 40 years old and it is showing it's age. It was put up by the Del Webb Company when they were building Sun City West. The Rec. Center owns the Greenhouse. In the next 2-5 years the Rec. Center is going to do work on the Beardsley Rec. Center. We were asked to submit ideas for our "Wish List". A new Greenhouse was the main wish. After a few discussions with the Rec. Center, this is what was decided.

**We will have to pay for part of the new Greenhouse.
They did not tell us what percentage.**

On Tuesday, February 12, 2019 the Desert Garden Club Board voted 11-0 to increase the yearly dues to \$10 beginning January 1, 2020.

The Board also voted 7-4 to start a new bank account to be called Greenhouse Replacement Fund. We will bank 50% of our Greenhouse Sales for this fund. This fund will show the Rec. Center that we are operating in good faith by helping to pay our share of the new Greenhouse.

We will need you to vote on these changes at our March 5, 2019 meeting.

FUTURE OFFICERS

President Tom Winter mentioned that next year, 2020, we will be needing new officers. If you are interested, now would be a good time to come forward. You would be able to work with the Board and see how things are done and what has to be done. If you are interested, please see one of the Officers/Board Members or call Tom Winter at 556-0239. Honestly, it is not hard!!! And we are always here to help you.

DUES

The dues for 2019 are still a bargain price of \$6.00. Remember they allow you a 10 % discount at True Value in Sun City West and many nurseries in the area, access to various club activities such as trips, annual picnic and Lecture Hall presentations. Please fill out the form below and mail it along with a **CHECK** made out to **SCW Desert Garden Club** or bring it to our next meeting on March 5, 2019.

Mail to: Carole Kamka
14723 W. Domingo Lane
Sun City West, Arizona 85375

GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - \$6.00 each

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Rec. Card #1 _____

Spouse 1st Name (if member): _____ Rec. Card #2 _____

Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Member Member
New Renewal Amt. \$ _____

(check)

Newsletter via E-Mail: Yes _____ No _____ E-Mail ID: _____

NEW BADGES-DESERT GARDEN CLUB

We have a new badge with our new name. If you wish to order a badge, please complete the coupon below and present it **WITH CASH** to Carole Kamka (Membership Chairman). The badge is green with a saguaro cactus on it along with your name. **DO NOT COMBINE WITH MEMBERSHIP PLEASE.**

Badge with pin back - \$ 6.00

Badge with magnet back - \$ 7.00

CLUB NAME BADGE APPLICATION

Name as you wish it to appear on the badge _____

Check Preference: **Pin Back** _____ **Magnet Back** _____ **Total Amount \$** _____
 \$6.00 **\$7.00**

It is not mandatory that you have a new badge.

APPLICATION FORM



Boarding Bus – 7:30am-Aisle 10

Leaving Promptly – 7:45am

Arrive Zoo – 9:00am

Leave Zoo – 2:30pm

Arrive SCW – 3:30+pm

PHOENIX ZOO APRIL 2, 2019

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Number of Member/Spouse _____ @ \$ 8 each = \$ _____

Number of Guest(s) _____ @ \$10 each = \$ _____

Total Check Amount = \$ _____

Members have priority -- Application deadline is 3/27/19

Since we can take only one 56 seat bus, seats will be reserved for members/spouse only. If we do not fill the bus after the deadline, we will then allow guests. If you submit your application with a guest name, you both will be put on the wait list.

PLEASE PAY BY CHECK (PAYABLE TO SCW DESERT GARDEN CLUB) AT THE MAR. 5TH MEETING OR MAIL APPLICATION & CHECK TO;

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