



# DESERT GARDEN CLUB



**“Open to Club Members and their Accompanied Guests!”**

## **FEBRUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER**

### **MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

**CLUB MEETINGS BEGIN WITH AN 8:30 SOCIAL WITH COFFEE, 9:00 MEETING WITH DOOR PRIZE TOO**

**Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:30-10:30 Johnson Rec Center Social Hall East**

Dr. Jacqueline Soule, from Tucson, **EASY & EDIBLE HOME LANDSCAPE PLANTS**. Beauty, grace, taste, visual appeal, vitamins, all easily grown here -- care, harvest, and prep of these surprisingly healthy and tasty treats. Author of 5K+ columns and 15 books, will have a **BOOK TABLE** with her books for sale. Spring 2022 revised “Southwest Fruit & Vegetable Gardening” will be our DOOR PRIZE February 14<sup>th</sup>---Be there to win! Read more at [GardeningWithSoule.net](http://GardeningWithSoule.net) OR [SavortheSouthwest.net](http://SavortheSouthwest.net).

**Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – Spring Social – Mardi Gras Luncheon**

**Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30-10:30 Johnson Rec Center Social Hall East**

“Preparing Your Desert Plants for the Summer” with Jim Consolloy, DGC member and lifelong interest/study in Biology & Horticulture.



### **NEW MEMBERS**

We have **31** new members in the Desert Garden Club. Please welcome them when you see them at our meetings and events.

Teri Klyzek  
Cindy Larsen  
Brenda Moore  
Belinda Porta  
Randy Rubattino  
Helen Shadowens  
Billie Strand  
Greg Swift  
Ed Thomas  
Terence Upton  
Judith Ziebart

Susan Joiner  
Kathy Dreikosen  
Carla Harmon  
Bill and Sheri Houck  
Duane Filipek  
Judy Leslie  
Maureen Madura  
Lisa Nicholson  
Kim Schaper  
Dana Taylor  
Linda West

Dan Zuleger  
Sandy Dale  
Rosalyn Kratz  
Gary Syverson  
Mary Madill  
Lori Kratz  
Barb Suprak  
Kathy Case

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Your club needs you at the next big plant sale on Saturday February 4th from 8:00-Noon, especially cashiers. With much advertising, we expect large crowds so need your help. Tuesday and Thursday weekly sales have been very successful. Some regular volunteers may be out of town in February, so we need new faces for these sales from 9:45-1:15, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Lisa Sailing if you have questions at [lisasspt@gmail.com](mailto:lisasspt@gmail.com)

## **SMALL DISH GARDEN POTS NEEDED**

The Greenhouse team is in desperate need of small pots for dish gardens. Please drop any donations at the Greenhouse and if nobody is there, leave them by the back door.

## **GARDEN WALK EVENT NEEDS YOUR GARDEN**

Plans are underway for our Wednesday, March 22, 2023 Garden Tour from 10:00-2:00. A pre-tour will be the week prior, Wednesday March 15, 10:00-12:00 for garden owners and volunteers to see all gardens, as it's not possible to see on day of tour. We have three new gardens scheduled and possibly one returning garden and are looking for two more either new or returning. We also will need 2 volunteers per garden to help homeowners, 10-12 volunteers. Please email Karen/Larry Plitt, [plittlk@outlook.com](mailto:plittlk@outlook.com), or phone 360-600-4125, if you want to show off your garden or volunteer to help other garden owners. You're much appreciated!

## **DESERT GARDEN CLUB CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

At the January Membership Meeting, donations were made to Sun City West PRIDES and to Helping Hands, a division of the Sun City West Foundation. Carol Berka, Charitable Gifts Chairwoman, presented \$1,000 to Gary Schroer, PRIDES Board President and \$1,000 to Foundation representatives: Deb Quinn, Helping Hands Manager, Richard Livengood, Board of Directors President and Patti Rowan, Executive Director.



## **DID YOU SEE IT?**

After our January Membership Meeting, the Sun City West Foundation created a very nice write-up about our donation in the PORA Newsletter.

**Sun City West Foundation Press Release – Desert Garden Club**

**[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE FOUNDATION PRESS RELEASE](#)**

## **DISH GARDEN WINNERS**



The lucky January winners of the Dish Gardens created by Linda Miller were Tom Cavanagh and Jan Cartozian.

## **NEWS FLASH ----- LET US DO YOUR POTTING!!**

Having a hard time planting your cacti? Our club's Potting Crew wants to help you! Come to the greenhouse from 10am-1pm EVERY Tuesday, starting January 31st with your empty pot, purchase a plant, and let our experts plant it in our Special Potting Soil. Donations happily accepted with a smile and a Thank You!

## **WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS**

Garden Walk Tour March 22<sup>nd</sup> 10-2 (No Workshop on March 22)

Spring Social - Mardi Gras Luncheon on March 28<sup>th</sup> 11-1

Bus Tour to Tohono Chul Garden (Tucson) April 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:30am all-day event **ONLY 2 SPOTS LEFT AND THEN WE WILL START A WAITING LIST**

Submitted by Bob Buerrosse, Publicity Co-Chair on behalf of the  
SCW Desert Garden Club Board