

Springfield Garden Club Newsletter

October 2017

Presidents Message

Hello everyone,

What a September we've had! Now I am wondering when we are going to get some rain!

The year marches on, and the Apple festival is in a few days and then we will be putting the down town planters away for another winter. Many thanks to those who do this important task for us, and of course to all those who have watered them faithfully all summer long. Tremendous thanks for all the care taken for all of our summer time plantings.

The FGCV fall meeting is on Monday Oct. 2nd. I will not be attending, but I know that there are several of you who are planning to represent us. My personal thanks to you!!

Plans for our 25th annual Festival of Trees are already progressing with one snag. 56 Main St. has closed its doors. So.... The search is on for a caterer. It is big job and the Great Hall presents some challenges for food prep and presentation. If anyone knows of such a catering service please notify Rosann or Sandy.

I know that Carol has some news items to attach so I will say "cheers" and see you in October. Enjoy the fall foliage.

Carolyn

From Joc:

Thanks to Jean for getting the story into The Springfield Reporter and The Shopper last week with a picture of our two Scholarship winners, Andrew czwakiel and Brandon McCutcheon.

From Jean and Festival committee:

We have a few odds and ends to print from the Festival committee..

We are looking for someone to do the luminaries again this year. (Nel?) This involves organizing the jars, replacing any candles that need it. (we need the long burning votives) and then mustering some help to place and get them before the festival, and then gather them up right after.

Need someone to paint the two sections of fence (white) for the church yard onstage.

Need someone to spray the 3 foot metal deer (silver).

We have yards of green felt left over from previous years. Is there any member who might like to use it for crafts of some sorts?

Same with black muslin that was used for table skirts. There is yards of it...(think witch costumes for grandchildren!) There is also a box of fiberfill that could be used for crafts or pillows.

We are looking for someone who might attend the Congo church, who could drop off a box of colored hangers.

Also would like a volunteer to drop of a few things at Springfield dump/recycling:

There is an old plastic tree stand, a pair of small snowshoes and two boxes of glass vases...if you know of someone who might be able to use these items, please let Lynn or Jean know. These items are all in storage at Lane's. Lynn and i will both be away in October. Items will be available before October 6th...or after October 22nd.

We would also like 3 or 4 more gals who would like to make Gingerbread houses. The decorating day is scheduled at Jean's house on wed. November 1. Please bake your house and purchase your candy ahead of time. We will make and provide frosting here. You may want to team up with a partner and make one together. We would like to display them the night of the Festival and then leave them up thru first week of January for all to enjoy. Please let Lynn or Jean know as soon as you can.

Tnx.

From Sandy:

We will try to keep our lovely flowers going through the week of 10/9. That will include Apple Festival and Columbus Day (do you believe it????).

The wrought iron planters will be picked up toward the end of the week of 10/9.

We should not get a killing frost before then, but in Vermont you never know.

THANKS SO MUCH for all your hard work! We have had **tons** of compliments!!!

Sandy

From Bunni:

Membership/Program Booklets

While going through some of the SGC boxes with Jean Swanson, I gathered all the membership/program booklets together and sorted them by decade. Aside from the 1950s, we are missing five. There may be copies in other boxes because we did not go through them all but if you can fill in the missing ones, that would be great. Bunni

1950: we only have 1954;

1960: we need 1962, 64 & 68;

1970: have all;

1980: need 1988;

1990, have all;

2000: need 2004-05;

2010: have all so far.

