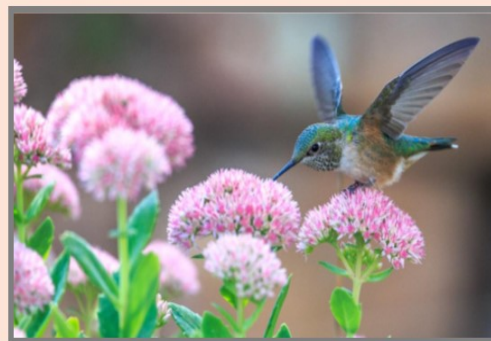


# Sun Lakes Garden Club

## March 2021 Newsletter

*"Cultivating gardens and friendships"*



**This next Tuesday, March 16th will be our last Zoom meeting ....hopefully! Our April meeting, next month, will be LIVE with raffles, refreshments and fellowship!!!!**

Our next LIVE FIELD TRIP is planned for the following Tuesday March 23. It's not too late to pay your 2021 club dues to join us at the Olive Mill for a tour and lunch. (details on page 2.)

For those members who have not yet re-joined for 2021 you have until "April Fools' Day" to pay \$20 before our webmaster, Jean Olenick, removes you from our club roster on our website at [SunLakesGardenClub.org](http://SunLakesGardenClub.org).

(see page 3 for payment options)

**I'm so excited.**



### PAID 2021 MEMBERS AS OF MARCH 8

10/20/2020	Teri Maxwell	1
10/20/2020	Charlotte Garner	1
10/20/2020	Rosina Kastelitz	1
10/20/2020	Debra Folken	1
11/17/2020	Katie Brandt	1
11/25/2020	Karen & Glenn Downing	2
11/28/2020	Anne Marie Hendrix	1
11/28/2020	Heidi Weingart	1
12/3/2020	Diane Beatty & Robert	2
12/28/2020	Nancy Mumpton	1
12/28/2020	Janice Peterson	1
1/12/2021	Julie Evans & Bobbie Bobbett	2
1/12/2021	Lakerider Inc Danni Hunnel	1
1/12/2021	George & Susan Bliss	2
1/13/2021	Starla & Karl Kramer	2
1/17/2021	Stephanie Graves	1
1/19/2021	Virginia Ruch	1
1/19/2021	Sheryl Hand	1
1/19/2021	Bonnie Jandak	1
1/21/2021	Nancy Sjolin	1
1/23/2021	Marjorie Wright	1
1/27/2021	Kim Rector	1
1/29/2021	Jenny Kao	1
1/29/2021	Joan Adam	1
1/30/2021	Luz Stella Perotti	1
2/6/2021	Linda Scaglione	1
2/6/2021	Jean Hilts	1
2/15/2021	Nancy Schultz	1
2/17/2021	Corrine Gresen	1
2/17/2021	Marnie Shepperd	1
2/17/2021	Sherrian Beagle	1
2/17/2021	Marylee & Greg Elden	2
2/22/2021	Deena Bunzel	1
2/22/2021	Mary Jencsok	1
2/22/2021	Fran McGrath	1
3/2/2021	Sidney Sexson	1
3/6/2021	Karla Gallagher	1
3/8/2021	Anita Findell	1
3/8/2021	Kat Karpinen	1
1/1/2020	Jean Olenick	1



**Richard Wagner will be sharing a video and slide presentation at our Tuesday, March 16th ZOOM meeting, on hydroponic gardening. He's installing a system for our "speaker coordinator" Joan Adam this week, so we'll hear highlights about**

**that too. Joan says "This topic is much more interesting than you might think!"**

**This next Tuesday, all members will receive an "invitation to Zoom" email just after 9:30am, to the email we have on file. This will allow members time to get logged in and grab a pen and paper or cup of coffee before we start at 10AM.**



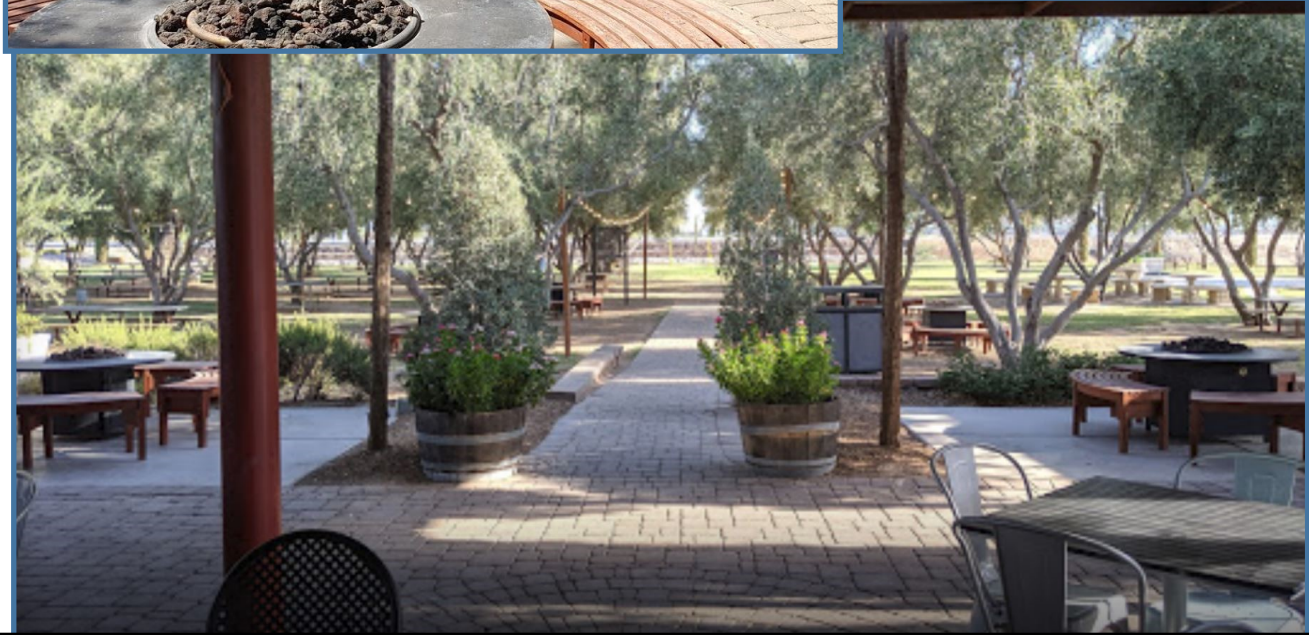


**Our Field Trip Coordinator, Stevie Graves, has organized a FIELD TRIP TO THE OLIVE MILL ON TUESDAY MARCH 23rd !**



**Our departure time is 9:15 am on Tuesday March 23 from our usual car-pooling location in the corner of the parking lot on Riggs Road and Alma School Rd. (Sun Lakes Medical Center Bldg.)**

**Stevie has set up a private guide for our group for the 10:30 am “OLIVE OIL 101 CLASS/TOUR” (\$7). The drive to Queen Creek is an easy 30 minutes, mostly Riggs Rd all the way. We’ll have a few minutes to purchase our tour tickets and put in an advance order for lunch, so it’s ready after the tour ends. (There is a large group from Tucson arriving just after our tour, so we may want to reserve a table outside or inside, depending on the weather.)**

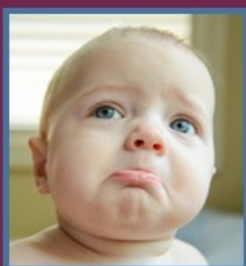


**Volunteer drivers are always needed and a \$2 per person driver donation is suggested.**  
**The Olive Mill is located at 25062 S. Meridian Road, Queen Creek, AZ 85142**



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PAY YOUR DUES,  
IF YOU HAVEN'T YET FOR 2021!!

You still have until the last day of  
March before your name is re-  
moved from our club roster. We  
hope you'll rejoin and we'd be  
very disappointed to see you go.



We're encouraging everyone  
to renew online at our club  
web site.

Or, if you prefer, you may send  
a check written to Sun Lakes  
Garden Club and mail it to our  
Treasurer, Deena Bunzel at  
26453 S. BeechCreek Drive,  
Sun Lakes AZ 85248.

(canceled check is receipt)

(\$20 per person and spouse  
or 2nd person in household  
\$10.)

## Sun Lakes Garden Club

"CULTIVATING GARDENS & FRIENDSHIPS"

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MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER LOG IN

Enroll and Pay Online



### Membership Form

\* Indicates required field

Name \*

First

Last

Address \*

Line 1

Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

Country

Phone Number \*

Second Household Member (if it  
applies)

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How do you want your name tag printed on  
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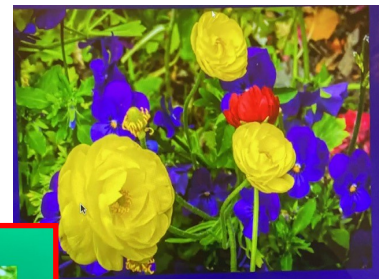
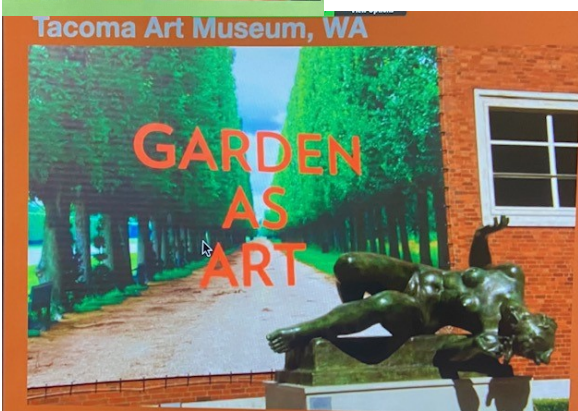
Please tell us a bit about yourself to help us  
get to know you. We'd love to have you add  
4 or 5 sentences about your  
hobbies....gardening or otherwise  
(swimming, hiking, Trivia, etc.). You don't  
have to have any gardening experience to  
join, but if you do have some experience or  
a topic to share, please write it here. The  
Newsletter publisher would like to have a  
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email with NEW MEMBER PHOTO as a  
Subject line to StarlaKramer@gmail.com.  
If you don't have a photo, please ask Starla  
to take your photo at the next meeting or  
field trip.

About Me \*



# Highlights from our February 16th meeting with LINDA LARSON

## "A Traveling Gardener" and her latest topic... Garden As Art!



### Garden Features

- pathways
- shade, pergolas, trees, gazebos
- seating, benches, table/chairs, hammocks
- water, fountains, pools,
- decoration, statues, sculptures & collections



From Sue Elsnr... to Everyone:

Linda that was a beautiful presentation....such beauty around us! Thank you.

From Julie B to Everyone:

So Beautiful!

From Dannette Hunnel to Everyone:

this was really nice. Thanks so much

From Kim to Everyone:

What a wonderful presentation! Thank you so much. I thoroughly enjoyed it! My heart is smiling!!

From Rosina Kastelitz to Everyone:

A+ presentation! Fabulous! Thank you!

From Stevie Graves to Everyone:

so very interesting!!





2012

**"A BLAST FROM THE PAST" FROM OUR CLUB ARCHIVES. SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON BACK IN 2012. Do you recognize a few faces? Nancy Mumpton and Diane Beatty were officers and are still valuable members today! Eleanor Davis (wearing the black scarf) was an admired club president for many years, who passed away last year.**

February 2012

# Maintain Colorful Landscaping Year-Round

## master gardener tells how

**Donna Haugland, Publicity**

The next gathering of the Sun Lakes Garden Club will be on Tuesday, February 14. The program will be "How to Maintain Colorful Home Landscaping Year-Round," and the speaker will be Cathy Rymer, an accomplished, instructional speaker. This master gardener is employed as the water conservation coordinator for the City of Chandler and is co-author of the prize-winning book *Desert Landscaping for Beginners*.

The January 10 meeting began with election of officers for 2012. They are as follows: President Diane Beatty, 1st Vice President Eleanor Davis, 2nd Vice President Joy Sutton, Corresponding Secretary Tiah Foster, Recording Secretary Candice Skrabala, and Treasurer Nancy Mumpton.

The program was "Pruning Trees and Shrubs," presented by Ilene O'Meara, a former colorado master Gardener. She discussed the proper way to prune that is the most beneficial to the plant. Mother Nature did not mean for bushes to be in the shape of meatballs and squares but rather in more natural forms. True pruning, which is to improve the plant's health, is an art. Shearing, shaving and indiscriminate chopping are not. Pruning is a growth stimulus and constant pruning, which causes growth, also causes the need for more water that then promotes more growth, that causing more pruning—a vicious circle. If a correct plant is put in the correct place with consideration to its mature size, very little pruning needs to take place. Also trees and shrubs should never be topped as there are no sealing



*Sun Lakes Garden Club newly elected officers with speaker Ann O'Meara. From left to right: Treasurer Nancy Mumpton, 1st Vice President Eleanor Davis, President Diane Beatty, Ms O'Meara and Recording Secretary Candice Skrabala. Absent are 2nd Vice President Joy Sutton and Corresponding Secretary Tiah Foster.*

chemicals at the top and the open wound is susceptible to disease. She also spoke of the proper technique to cut the plant, on the diagonal, above the node where growth is desired. She said not to prune in the heat of the summer as moisture is lost through

the cut and to prune after blooming, not to prune citrus except to cut out dead wood. Plants adapted to the desert do not need nearly as much water and fertilizer as most think. She also gave pruning demonstrations.

Vice President Eleanor Davis told us

about the "amaryllis," native of South Africa or South America. She relayed the Greek Myth about the flower, gave growing instructions: how to force the bulbs or let them grow naturally, how to feed and

— **LANDSCAPE cont. on page 85**

**A member submission from "The Sun Lakes Hollyhock Lady", Carol Shores.**



**"I have Hollyhocks coming up everywhere including inside my poppy plant." Carol**

**(Carol Shores is our member that donated all of the Hollyhock seeds to us. I planted mine late and they are only 7 inches tall today. I'm eager to see what color mine are. Starla)**





**Please welcome our new members!**

**(and, NO, this writer did not cut their heads off... these crazy gals submitted these pictures.....they make me smile....  
....March Madness maybe?)**



**KAT KARPINEN**

**"My interests are (3 G's) genealogy, geocaching and gardening (novice) yet I help run a church garden in Chandler. I am hoping to learn from you all. I have stepped out of my comfort zone and by trying to learn beginning songs on my key board and I just got a metal detector to play around with. My husband and I are re-tired and live in Sun Lakes 1."**



**KARLA GALLAGHER**

**"I moved here from Alaska. Having gardened there for over 45 years, I'm trying to learn about Arizona. It is very different gardening here but I look forward to learning how to garden in my new home."**



**Watch for an email from Stevie Graves with details for an April field trip she's working on to Butterfly Wonderland in Scottsdale, as they begin to open for groups.**

