

MacGregor Downs Garden Club

New Member Information

HISTORY: The formulation of the MacGregor Downs Garden Club (MDGC) began in the spring of 1973 when the House Committee of MacGregor Downs, Inc. recommended to the Board of Advisors that a garden club be formed. A meeting place was offered in return for decorations. Betty Durham and Carolyn Booth were asked to lay the groundwork. In September of 1973 a plant exchange and meeting were arranged to bring interested people together. In October of 1973 the first regular meeting was held.

OBJECTIVES: The current objectives of the Club are to stimulate the knowledge and love of horticulture and to encourage the beautification of our homes, gardens, and neighborhood.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership is open to residents of MacGregor Downs and members of the MacGregor Downs Country Club. New members may join by paying annual dues. A guest of a club member is welcome to two meetings each year.

MEETINGS: Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month except June, July, and August. A planned program and speaker is usually scheduled for the September, October, January, February, and March meetings. The other months are fun activities as described below.

PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES: The programs range from perennial gardening, cultivating roses, growing herbs, bird feeding and habitat, decorating with floral, painting critters, conservation, landscaping. There is something for everyone.

At the November meeting the club organizes for decorating the clubhouse for Christmas. Decorating the Clubhouse is usually done the first of December and is a fun day. The December meeting is a tour of homes and a luncheon at the Clubhouse. April is a potluck luncheon and installation of new officers. Another fun month is May when the Club goes on a field trip, sometimes locally and sometimes a bus tour, to see public and/or private gardens.

The MDGC also sponsors Yard of the Month to encourage and award the gardening efforts of our neighbors. And from time to time, the Club holds fundraisers and donates to various public gardens.

As we get to know each other, the bond and support we develop for each other goes beyond the joy of gardening. Join us!