NEW MEMBER INFORMATION

July 2022

WELCOME GARDENERS! WWW.DAGC.US



DAGC GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

- We meet at the Alamo Women's Club located at 1401 Danville Blvd., Alamo, on the 2nd Thursday of each month from September to June. There are no meetings in July and August. Savory and sweet appetizers and beverages are provided by members.
- Parking is available in the parking lot, on the street and over flow parking is available
 across the street at the Creekside Community Church. Please do not block
 homeowners' mailboxes in the area.
- Our meetings start with social time and refreshments at 9:00 AM. The business
 meeting begins promptly at 9:30 AM. We try to keep our club business on schedule so
 our guest speakers can start their programs at 10:30 AM and end at 12:00PM.
- Members and guests sign in at the Membership table located inside the foyer. Your
 magnetic name badge will be at this table, filed alphabetically by <u>first</u> name. Please
 leave your badge at the table upon leaving.
- Members must attend a minimum of three General Meetings a year, September April
 and actively support all club functions. All members are required to sign in for
 attendance purposes.
- During our meetings, we draw names for plants & garden items donated by our Sponsors. When you sign in, you will receive a ticket for this opportunity. You must be present to win. Members who win are asked to write a thank you note to the Sponsor.
- As a courtesy to our speakers, if you need to leave early, please sit at the back of the room. That way you will not disrupt their presentation.
- There will be a *Sign Up* table at each meeting. Be sure to stop by and sign up for tours, workshops, community outreach projects, committees and other activities.
- There will be a *Plant Exchange* table at each meeting. Bring plants you have started, extra bulbs, fruit, seeds, books, pots with drainage holes and anything garden related. If you bring something, feel free to take something. If you didn't bring anything, be sure to leave a donation. Donations go towards luncheon events.
- Bring cash or checks to our monthly meetings as our speakers bring plants, and program related items to sell. In addition, we join in and support the Penny Pines Program for reforestation in California. A basket is passed around.
- There will be a *Project Produce* table for food donations given to the Contra Costa Co. Food Bank. Bring canned and packaged goods. Check the expiration date.

OUR CLUB THRIVES DUE TO THE GENEROSITY OF OUR MEMBERS, WHO VOLUNTEER. SHARING IS CARING. REACH OUT TO ANY OF OUR CHAIRPERSONS TO SEE WHAT YOU CAN HELP WITH. THERE ARE MANY OPTIONS FOR YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED AND FORM FRIENDSHIPS.

DAGC MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- Monthly Programs with Guest Speakers
- Horticulture Speakers / Question & Answer
- Tours
- Workshops
- Monthly Plant Exchanges
- Opportunities to provide Community Outreach.
- Monthly door prizes from our Sponsors
- Monthly newsletter, The Flowerpot (add communications@DAGC.US to your e-mail accept list)
- Annual Membership Directory which provides all member contact information, Board Members, Standing Rules and our club By-Laws. It cannot be used for sales or solicitations. It is for club business only.
- Opportunities for Floral Arrangements
- September– Welcome Back Brunch Members only.
- December Winter Event (tickets are sold for this fabulous event).
- June Officer Installation Lunch-Members only





JOIN A COMMITTEE! BECOME INVOLVED. IT'S THE BEST WAY TO MEET PEOPLE!

Join A Committee . . . Contact the Chairperson.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

This group prepares the room for our General Meetings by coordinating the food and beverages. There is no heavy lifting or setting up chairs or tables. You will need to arrive by 8:30 am and assist with closing which ends at 12:15 pm. A great way to meet members.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTE

This group plans activities for our community throughout the year. From making floral arrangements for hospice patients to assisting at the Food Bank, pruning roses at a local park, the projects can vary. Another great way to meet members! Look for a sign up sheet at our General Meetings.

MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS GROUP

This group is on call to assist if one of our members needs some extra help. Maybe they have had surgery or have a sick family member. You will be called upon to lend a hand. Bring food, make calls...whatever is needed!

General Information.....

- Board Meetings are the first Thursday of the month at members' homes. A great way to become involved.
- The renewal process opens April 1 and the deadline to pay dues for the upcoming year is May 1. After May 1st, any open spot will be offered to the Wait List.
- Book Bees is a monthly book group.
- Lunch Bunch meets for lunch after each monthly meeting.
- Please submit your photo for the directory by July to our Directory Chair.
- The Directory includes all Members, Board Members

Chairpersons and By-Laws.

- Website-www.DAGC.us Maintains all newsletters, activity calendar, club history, By-Laws. Check it out.
- All Board positions are to be held a maximum of two years.
- Gardening Foodies will tempt you with a tour, cooking demo, recipes and a fun social environment.
- You will receive occasional E-Mail blasts with club news, updates, activities or sales.
- If you don't receive the Newsletter, let our Membership VP know by the first week of the month.
- If you have an idea for an activity, let us know.

INSTALLATION LUNCHEON **COMMITTEE**

This is our last meeting of the year, in June. We install our new board for the next year. This committee will choose the theme, arrange décor and coordinate the luncheon.



WINTER EVENT COMMITTEE

This committee helps plan our December Winter Event. You will meet to decide on the theme, program, food, centerpieces etc. This is a fun activity that allows you to be creative and make it a grand affair, within a budget. Another great way to meet members.

Our Sponsors.....

Alamo Ace Hardware (10% disc. garden center only) Annie's Annuals—Richmond Summer Winds Nursery-Dublin Lucky Garden Hydroponics (10% disc.) Orchard Nursery-Lafayette Reagan Nursery – Fremont Sloat Garden Center - Danville Cottage Iewel –Danville

GUESTS – You may bring guests to General Meetings during Oct-May, for a \$15.00 fee payable in cash. All guests will sign in at the Membership table. The guest will be introduced at the opening of our meeting. A guest can be added to our Wait List after attending one meeting and returning the Wait List form. Non members may attend special activities as long as no member is denied. Sign up after the closing date.

Please visit our sponsors and remember to thank them when you patronize their establishments. Their addresses are in the directory.