

2021 DGC April Newsletter

You can bury a lot of troubles digging in the dirt.
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Dear Members,

It was so nice to see so many of you at CTR Park on Sunday, March 21 for our Centennial Award Presentation by Congressman Tom Suozzi, Assemblyman Ed Braunstein and Jon Gallo from the office of Senator Jon Liu. It was a wonderful day. Many of our neighbors and members of the community were there to share in our excitement and share the very beautiful and delicious cake donated by Martha's Bakery and the wraps donated by the Douglaston Diner. The DGC received three awards which I will be bringing to our general meetings. A video and some photos of the event are posted on our website douglastongc.org. Be sure to check them out.

We will have a General Meeting of the DGC on Tuesday, April 20 at 1:00PM in the parlor of the CCD. Our presenter will be Shari Romar who will speak to us about pollinators. We are still limited in the number of people in attendance. As we did last time, all in attendance must wear masks, have their temperature taken, and stay socially distant.

If you wish to attend this meeting, YOU MUST RSVP BY APRIL 12. Simply call me at 718-428-1914 or respond to this email ASAP. I will get back to everyone and let you know if you will be able to attend or if you will be on a waiting list.

Again, no food will be served. Be sure to enjoy a nice lunch at home before you arrive. There will be no coffee or tea provided at this meeting but you can bring a to-go cup of your own or a water bottle. Please remember not to park in the numbered spaces.

We will be planning another meeting for May 18.

I am in possession of the DGC historical materials that were found in the home of Bev Berke. I plan to bring them to the April meeting and we can all take a look at them before they are added to our historical archives. In addition to the 1928 newspaper photo, there are photo albums filled with pictures from 2004-2010 and flyers and Flower Show schedules from the 50's and 60's.

Patricia Yoon has still been very busy with Civic Beautification. There will be an "It's My Park Day" event at Glenwood Landing on April 10. Volunteers from DGC are always welcome and needed. She is also working with PS 221 and MS 67 who have requested bulb planting events at their schools. Community members have requested a Park Cleanup at MS67 and that is in the works. PS 98 has also requested our help in starting a butterfly garden. More information will follow.

The FGCNYS will not be having its in-person Spring Convention this year. Instead, it will be done via ZOOM. All Garden Club members who are able to participate via ZOOM are invited to attend. It is a three-day convention with very interesting speakers. As the date gets closer, I will email the information to you along with the ZOOM link. This is a free event.

I think there is a growing awareness of the pending homeless shelter in Douglaston. If you are looking for information regarding this, check the Douglaston Civic Association's website: dougclivic.com

Many of us will be having joyful observances during this Passover and Easter season. I wish you all a happy time, a family gathering and many blessings.

Be well, stay safe. I thank you for your patience and understanding as we begin our journey out of this pandemic. Hope to see you on April 20th.

Best Regards,
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