

GALLATIN GRUBBER

October 2022

Oct. 3 Meeting

Our next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 3 at the Hope Lutheran Church on South 19th Ave. beginning at 7 p.m. The program will be presented by each of us as this meeting is the highlight of our gardening year when everyone comes to tell us "What worked and what didn't work in our gardens in 2022". We are asking that each of you who want to present something to limit it to two minutes so that everyone has a chance to speak. This is usually one of the most popular meetings of the year. Hope to see you there!

Need Tomatoes?

The club still has tomatoes to sell in bulk quantities at \$2/lb. Let Don Mathre know if you are interested no later than Oct. 15. His e-mail address is donmathre2@gmail.com or phone him at 406-599-6312

Nov. 7 Meeting

Benjamin Dueling from SporeAttic Gourmet Mushrooms will speak at our Nov. 7 Meeting. (He has promised to bring along mushroom growing kits for purchase!) Details will follow in the November newsletter.

2022 Scholarships

Each year the club contributes \$4,000 of the money we earn from our garden to MSU for horticulture scholarships, which they in turn award to students.

This year the scholarships were divided among three recipients, each of whom wrote and thanked us:

Cecilia Abell—"I am a senior at MSU, pursuing an Environmental Horticulture major with a certificate in Business. I am committed to a serious study of horticulture and business to build my knowledge of plant production and business fundamentals. I want to thank you for all the support. Scholarships like yours allow students such as myself to succeed in their studies and open doors to opportunities that wouldn't be there otherwise."

Michael Henry—"I'm currently completing my sophomore year at MSU pursuing a degree in horticulture. Ever since I was little I have been interested in growing things and have always taken a liking to trees in particular. My goal is to take what I have and will learn at MSU and implement my own tree transplant operation. I would like to sincerely thank you for your support."

Sierra Kurth—"Having just completed my first year of college, I learned lots of new information, both pertaining to plants but also the world around me. I'm excited to expand and build my knowledge of plants. Thank you so much for this support. I greatly appreciate your generosity."

This year's scholarships were named on behalf of Lillian Lund and Bonnie Hash, two beloved club members who passed away in 2021.

Election of 2023 Officers

The club is governed by a board of directors that is elected each November at the annual meeting, which this year will be Nov. 7. Current officers are:

- President: Susie Mathre
- Vice-President: Mindi Makos
- Past President: Cathy Rechlin
- Secretary: Frank Erickson
- Treasurer: Janne Hayward
- Directors: Nancy Blake, Pat Flaherty, Kim Kotur
- Market and Garden Manager: Don Mathre (This is an appointed position, per the club by-laws.)

Several of the directors have expressed a willingness to serve another term. But, if any member would like to be considered for the board, or would like to nominate someone to serve, please contact Club President Susie Mathre before Oct. 17. Her e-mail address is: susiemathre@yahoo.com. The board meets once a month September through June, usually on the third Monday at 1 p.m. for one hour or so. The board organizes club events such as the Christmas party, plant and tool sale, summer picnic, summer field trips and speakers for monthly meeting. The board also considers applications for grants and makes recommendations to the membership, and attends to other club business.