



SG & AC CHAT Newsletter

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CALDENDAR 2011

JULY 9 SGAAC ANNUAL MEETING 10AM

JULY 16 IRIS RHIZOME SALE

JULY 23-24 SACTO BROMELID CARNIVOROUS SOCIETY

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS IN AUGUST

**Looking for Club information?
Check our Website:**

www.sgaac.org

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**SHEPARD GARDEN CENTER
RENTAL HALF PRICE TO
MEMBERS**

Contact Mabel Lotz :
916-808-8800 E-mail: mlotz@cityofsacramento.org

Attention all Clubs:
Please send me names and e-mail addresses of new members so I may add them to the CHAT mail list:
marylou2008@att.net

LIGHT BROWN APPLE MOTH Important information for all plant clubs

Moths are only 1/4 ". These guys eat the layers off of leaves, they don't eat holes thru them.

They also roll up leaves or fold them down in order to pupate.

Quarantine area is Broadway south nearly to Beach Lake ; And Stockton Blvd into W. Sac.

Nurseries are checked on a regular basis so their plants are safe, but residents should not take plants outside of quarantine area.

**Please check your plants carefully.
Need more info call the County
Agriculture Extension Office at
875-6913**



SPRING SALE LAWN SIGNS

IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE SPRING SALE SIGNS, PLEASE RETURN THEM TO THE OFFICE AT THE SHEPARD CENTER. APPROXIMATELY 15 ARE MISSING. THANK YOU.

FROM THE BOARD

Summary of May 2, 2011 meeting:

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by President Ken Rothaus.

Secretary's Report and club roll call by Genelle Dwyer.

Financial Report - none, as Treasurer Ed Schroeder not in attendance.

Scheduling/City Report: Mable Lotz - no updates.

Event Committees: Bylaws Committee will meet May 10th at 7pm.

Web Page Design: Anne Fenkner- updates are pending return of Treasurer to submit payment to Webmaster, Dwight Fingers.

Friends of SGAC Report: Ed Schroeder-no report.

Old Business: **Window railing** - Mary Lou Brennan will contact John to coordinate painting of the rails with him prior to installation.

Video demo cart: Alice Bowles submitted a quote from Martin Harris for his suggestions/ideas of costs for a new video equipment, including LCD projector, digital video camera and tripod. Alice will contact Wayne Martinson and possibly two other professionals to provide a demonstration of their equipment at our June Board Meeting. Mary Lou Brennan will send out an e-mail to all clubs to inform everyone of the demonstrations. It was suggested that any club considering using the equipment must have a representative at the Board Meeting to learn how to operate the equipment. Once purchased the equipment will be signed out only to members who have been trained in the use/operation of the equipment. The June Meeting will begin at 6:30pm with demonstrations at 6:45, 7pm and 7:15pm. The doors will open at 6pm for vendor set up. It is requested that club members allow the vendors to set up their equipment without interruptions with questions.

Door signage, parking lot door: Mary Lou Brennan purchased an adhesive backed sign it will be placed on the door at the parking lot entrance that reads "DOOR CLOSSES AUTOMATICALLY". It is hoped this will deter people from trying to pull the door shut.

Lawn service quote: Genelle Dwyer submitted a quote for lawn service to the area surrounding the Center. The question of this gentleman's insurance came up and Genelle will speak with the gardener and report back.

New business: The Annual Meeting is scheduled for July 9th at 10am. Election of new officers and one board member will be held with a Board Meeting following.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Summary of June 6, 2011 meeting:

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President Ken Rothaus.

Secretary's Report and club roll call by Genelle Dwyer.

Financial Report by Treasurer Ed Schroeder - review of our CD and savings accounts was provided.

The City has not billed for several months for the monitors.

Scheduling/City Report: Mabel Lotz - additional events at the Center have been booked including a 4H group, Elk Grove Potters Show; 2 art classes sponsored by MENA; and an anniversary party.

No update on the bike rack installation.

Video cart demo: Wayne Martinson presented video equipment available through a business he works with. The projector takes image and projects it onto the screen. This unit comes with a remote control. The base of the base of the pad beneath the camera is approximately 12x12 in with a height, between base and camera of approximately 2 feet.

Several other local businesses were contacted, but were not interested in coming to the Center to provide a demonstration. Other options were presented by Kathy Norton and club member Laurie who will do additional follow up at the next meeting.

Bylaws Committee: no quorum at last meeting, no new date set.

Web Page Design: Anne Fenkner - website calendar is up and live. Each club can update their own information. Mabel does not have server service, but once capability is restored, she will be able to enter outside meetings and events.

Candidate Committee: Shelly Berlant identified the open positions as President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Director. Shelly called for members to consider placing their name up for election at the Annual Board Meeting on July 9th.

Friends of SGAAC Report: Ed Schroeder - the organization's goal is to raise money for the Center. The Board is in need of more members. The Board consists of 10 positions and there are currently only three members.

Old Business: window railing is completed. Thank you to everyone who completed the work.

Capitol improvements - none. New disabled sign - completed. Landscape: the individual who bid the job is not insured and would increase his price if insurance is needed.

New business: a concern was brought up regarding our stage and it's safety. The stage wobbles and vases have been broken. Mary Lou Brennan volunteered to research cost of a new stage. Mabel said, with the recent heavy rains, another leak has developed in the sm conf room roof. She will follow up with the City.

Sacramento Bromeliad and Carnivorous Plant Society 41st annual Show and Sale

Bromeliads have entered the mainstream of the plant world and are readily available in nurseries, garden centers and supermarkets. From the striking grey vases and long lasting pink flowers of *aechmea fasciata* to the multiple colors of showy *guzmanias*, they are ubiquitous in hotel and mall floral displays. *Tillandsias* mounted on shell, bark or driftwood are also readily available. The other focus of our show and sale, *carnivorous plants*, ranging from the North American flytraps, *droseras* and *sarracenias* to the exotic tropical *nepenthes*, are also increasingly available and many more people are growing them.

These limited commercial offerings will be but a few of the hundreds of species and hybrids of both plant families on view and available for purchase at the July 23rd and 24th show and sale. For those who would like to not just purchase and display their plants, but would also like to see them grow and flourish for many generations, the Sacramento Bromeliad And Carnivorous Plant Society is the place to learn how to grow and propagate both bromeliads and carnivorous plants, and to acquire the more unusual plants within each family.

Our 41st annual show will continue our tradition of filling every space in the Center with colorful display plants from both families. Hundreds of plants will also be on sale at excellent prices. Our members will be on hand to give advice on growing and propagating. Please join us for an amazing display and ask our members to share their knowledge about these attractive, varied, and easy to grow plants.



The Sacramento Bromeliad and Carnivorous Plant Society meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month nine times a year. Additionally the club sponsors an annual show and sale on the fourth weekend of July, this year July 23rd and 24th from 10AM to 4PM each day. The show is non-competitive and many striking and unusual plants will be on display and for sale.

Contact Eric Trygg, President
530-273-9161

<http://www.bsi.org/webpages/sacramento.html>

Photos courtesy of Keith Smith.

EAST SACRAMENTO PRESERVATION LECTURE SERIES STANDING ROOM ONLY

BACKYARD BIRDING



Dr. Ed Pandolfino, Sierra Foothills Audubon Society, packed the house with his presentation on Backyard Birding in East Sacramento. The capacity crowd enjoyed practical and lyrical information about native birds and local bird watching. With both humor and expertise Dr. Pandolfino led the group on an exploration of the avian world around us.

Topics presented included: How to choose binoculars, feeders and food and Field Guide Books. He also identified over 30 species you might attract to your yard.

Dr. Pandolfino may be contacted thru his e-mail erpfromca@aol.com.



White crowned sparrow Photo by Tom Roach



SAFETY RAIL INSTALLATION

While John Furnas, right, cut and measured...make that measured and cut...the rails for installation across the plate glass windows, assistant Lyle steadied each board.

Once the cutting was done, it was time for the painters, Bobby Frieze and Mary Lou Brennan, to take over.

Coordination and teamwork got the job done without a hitch!
Safety is one of our priorities at the Shepard Garden and Art Center.

Thank you to all for a job well done!

AND...thank you to Mabel Lotz for providing access to the center.

Taste of East Sac Returns for Third Year

The third annual Taste of East Sac, a wine and food tasting event, will be held **Sunday, July 10, 2011** from 5 to 7 p.m. at Shepard Garden and Arts Center. The tasting is presented by East Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, with proceeds benefiting Pops in the Park.

Tickets, which are \$30 in advance, will be available at the chamber booth at the Pops in the Park concerts or by calling 452-8011 or e-mailing eastsacchamber@aol.com.

**SGAAC ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 9, 2011
10 AM**

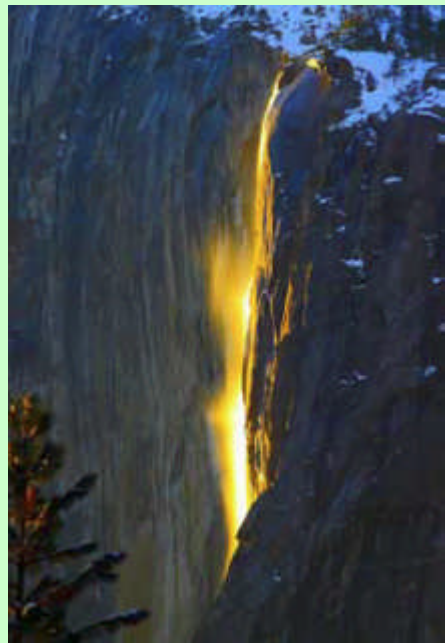
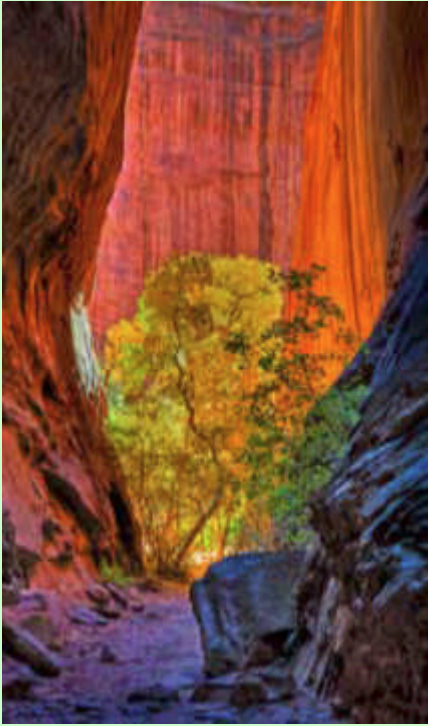


Attendees at the Annual Meeting 2010



Board Members Shelly Berlant, Ed Schroeder, Alice Bowles, Ken Rothaus and Genelle Dwyer.

COME OUT AND JOIN THE BOARD. Open positions are: President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Director.



SIERRA CAMERA CLUB OF SACRAMENTO
MAY NATURE HONORS

Photos above: Left: Boulder Utah by Ron Larsen Right: Grand Teton Reflection by Gay Kent
Bottom: Yosemite Firefall by David Grenier

McKinley Park Work Day – July 9th

The next Friends of East Sacramento work day at McKinley Park is scheduled for **Saturday, July 9, 2011** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The panhandle area near the Shepard Garden and Arts Center and the jogging track will be the focus of the July volunteer corps work day. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information on how to help, go to friendsofeastsac.org, e-mail friendsofeastsac@aol.com or call 452-8011.





Screen on the Green:

Saturday, August 6th – Despicable Me at Stanford Park

Saturday, August 13th – Shrek Forever After at Hagginwood School Soccer Field

Saturday, August 20th – Secretariat at East Portal Park

Saturday, August 27th – Toy Story (1995) Glenn Hall Park

Movies shown at Sundown

For more information, visit www.sacscreenonthegreen.com

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

GARDENS GONE NATIVE



It was standing room only for the video presentation of the CNPS' newest project of GARDENS GONE NATIVE. Narrator Mary Maret, CNPS Education Chair, discussed the various landscapes of home native plant gardens and other landscapes in Sacramento and Yolo counties, organized by the Sacramento Valley Chapter of the California Native Plant Society. The tour featured gardens comprised of at least 50 percent California native plants. They may also include other xeriscaping, an edible garden component, water gardens, bee and butterfly gardens and more.

Delta Gesneriad & African Violet Society's Annual Show & Plant Sale

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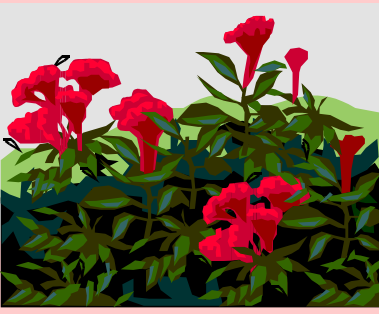


Everyone is invited to attend Delta Gesneriad & African Violet Society's Annual Show & Plant Sale: "Violets in the Orient"

Please join us on Saturday, 17 September 2011 from 1-4 pm and Sunday, 18 September 2011 from 11 am to 3 pm here at the Center.

We will have hundreds of varieties of African violets plus Streptocarpus, Chiritas, and Episcias for sale!!





The Geranium Club Plant Sale was May 14, 2011. Many Thanks goes to Mill Bachofer, Nancy Blair and Mary Monteiro and their helpers for making it such a success.

June is the month for the installation of officers. The new board will be made up of President: Patti Page, Vice President Ann Koutrouba, Treasure: Hilda Walton, Secretary: Dell Kavanagh.

In July, our speaker for the month will be Sandy Connery. She had traveled to England to see how the English grow the new Fancy Leaf Geraniums. She will be showing slides etc. that she took while she was there.

For our August meeting, Brian Fishback will discuss how to entice Bees into our gardens. He was the past president of the Sacramento Area Beekeepers' Association. It should be a very informative talk.

The Geranium Club

FALL FESTIVAL 2011?

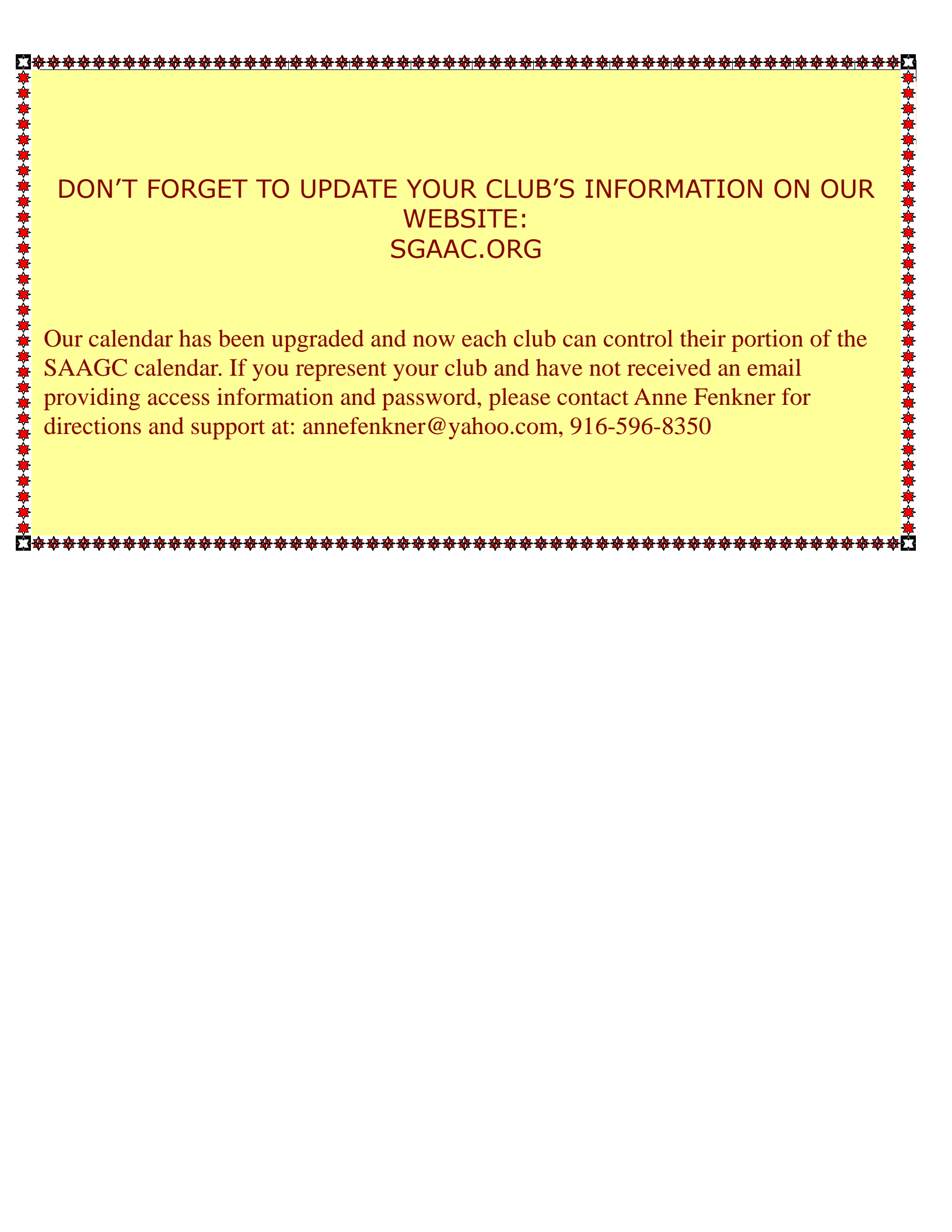


We still do not have a Chairperson to coordinate the Fall Festival. It is, tentatively, scheduled for October 1st and 2nd, but if we do not have volunteers, the Board is considering cancelling the event.

Another option is for one of our clubs to coordinate the event.

So, if you have attended the event, or have sold your arts and crafts, help the community and our clubs continue to put on this event.

If you are interested, call Mabel Lotz at 916-808-8800 at the Shepard Center.



DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR CLUB'S INFORMATION ON OUR
WEBSITE:
SGAAC.ORG

Our calendar has been upgraded and now each club can control their portion of the SAAGC calendar. If you represent your club and have not received an email providing access information and password, please contact Anne Fenkner for directions and support at: annefenkner@yahoo.com, 916-596-8350