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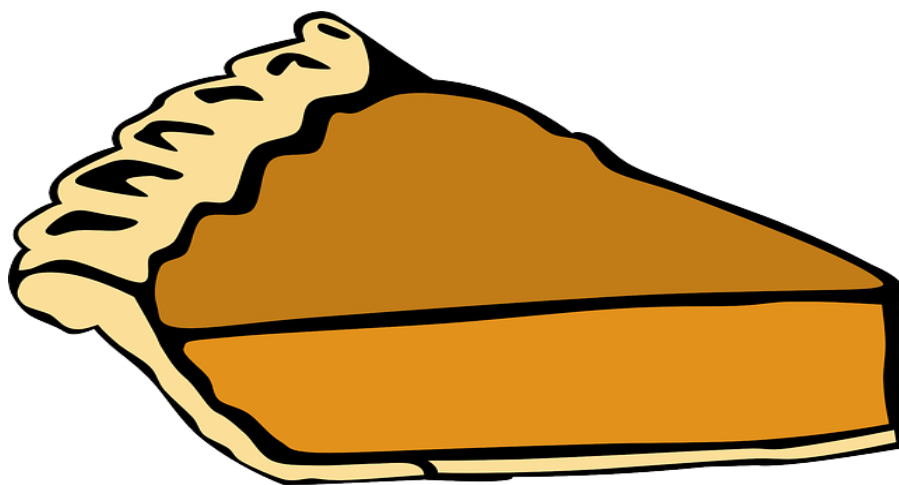


Gardeners of the Bluffton Pandora Area

October 30 2018

Fall Brag and Complain Potluck:

Our November meeting will be 6:00 Tuesday November 6, 2018 at Bluffton Public Library, we will eat at 6:15. As in the past this will be a typical potluck bring a hot and a cold dish for eating. You will need to bring your own table service beverages will be provided. This year we will be having a brag and complain session, with the hope that those of us who grew edible vegetables/fruit bring them in your dish of food for the potluck. For those who had flowers that they were proud of, or disappointed in please bring a sample of what you grew or pictures to prove the brag or complain. This year we want to have a seed, bulb or corm exchange for this year. If you have had an abundance of one plant or another that you think other people might enjoy please bring it to exchange with others. You may find that they have something you may want to try. Also if you had seed that you didn't or couldn't use this year please bring it also. I hope to bring something special that I thought I had lost but I found the seed this year where I had stored it for a few years and it was magnificent. You do not need to bring any meat as Victoria will be supplying us with shredded chicken and I will be supplying the buns. So if you want to bring a side dish or a desert that would go with it this would be good. I hope to see you all there with us to bring the year to an end. Our next meeting will be in February, hopefully that is. Feel free to bring family and or friends to this as we usually have enough food to feed more people than come.



It is now Pumpkin Pie season. Yay!! Did you know most of the canned pumpkin in stores is really squash. If you had tried to make pumpkin pie from a pumpkin you would know this to be true.

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Time For Dues:

It is that time of year when we have to do the job I hate the most, collecting dues. Every year I ask everyone to send in your dues for membership in our club and as I have not heard that there is an increase in this year's dues they will be the same as last year. These dues are for the year 2019 and there is no increase and they are as follows: the national dues are \$15.00 with \$8.00 for an additional family member and \$5.00 for youth memberships; the Central Great Lakes Region is \$1.00 for each member; our local dues are \$5.00 per address. Please send your dues to me or bring them to the November meeting/potluck.

.Colorful Fall & Spring Garden Makeovers:

We had a very nice power point presentation by Hancock County Master Gardener Volunteer Tim Brugeman on colorful garden makeovers for Spring and Fall for our October meeting. We can make a new statement in our gardens by doing some simple things like considering the plants in all seasons. You can also do secessional planting to make an area more interesting for the eye. Planting annuals over bulbs after they have faded can spark up the garden. We also should consider hardscape and woody plantings for their ability to make a permanent focal point in the garden. Mulching can be beneficial in the look and also help in maintenance of the garden.

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