## June Newsletter

## **Posts and Updates**

The "Weeders" have been busy all spring. Have you noticed the flower beds, new trees and bushes? The projects at the main entrances at Windsor and High Cross are completed for the 2020 season. This past Saturday, the area adjacent to the north side of the pond was planted with dozens of red begonias and red fountain grasses. What a glorious sight! Other areas, like at the intersection of Castlerock and Stone Creek and in front of Atties, have also been planted and are being maintained.

Included with this post are pictures of some of those areas and of the team of weeders at work. (See the Gallary of pictures that follows.) Do you realize all the time and effort contributed by this devoted group of homeowners? They are extremely dedicated, and like the post office, do not let anything stand in their way. In my earlier posting I gave credit to many of the ladies, but not to the men. Therefore, this time, I will name as many of the team as possible. Jessica LaRosa, Steve Shaw, Dave Tjaden, Cindy Capek, Ed Harvey, Jane Wakeland, Dann Johnson, Theresa Johnson, Isabel Cole, Jim Wanagat, Carolyn Wanagat, Paulette Cantrell, James Cantrell and Diane Durbin.

In addition to volunteering their time, several members have contributed the use of other personal resources. Dave, James and Ed have tractors and tillers that have been used for tilling the soil in areas newly planted or not having been planted for a few years. The tractors have been helpful in hauling soil, mulch, compost and water. Had this work been done by a landscaping service, many thousands of dollars would have been spent to accomplish what these volunteers have been doing. The group collectively works about 30 hours per week and have been doing so for the last 3 months and counting. The Wanagat's have provided their garden hose and water supply to keep the new plantings at High Cross well watered. The Cantrell's have done the same for the Castlerock/Stone Creek flowerbed. Diane and Dave have been using a 50 gallon tank and Dave's tractor to haul water all over the subdivision to keep many other garden areas watered and growing.

We are so blessed to have so many willing and thankless homeowners who think so much of the community that they are willing to devote this much time for the benefit of all of us. Despite the end of all the planting, their jobs are not completed. They continue to keep the garden areas weed free throughout the balance of the growing season. No minor task!

The next time you see any of these volunteers out working, please stop to say hello and to express your appreciation for all they do for the community.

Here are their email addresses. Take a moment to send them a simple thank you. Alternatively, you could share your thank you's and comments with me at <u>StoneCreekUrbana.HOA@yahoo.com</u> and I will post them to the web page.

Clicking on any picture in the Gallery will enlarge it.

Thanks.

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## **Reader Comments:**

I want to thank all the "weeders" — what a great example and your efforts are very inspiring! We love living at Stone Creek! Thanks for your time, commitment and spirit...it is fun to see all the changes! Dolly Strauser

It's amazing what everyone is doing . We need too raise the HOA fees before everyone gets burned out . Thanks! Gary Satterlee