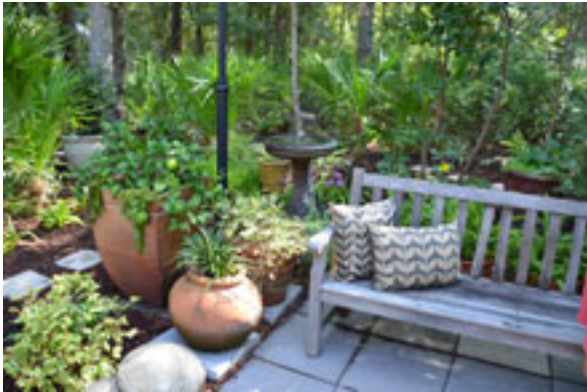


Garden Tours Canceled, Fund Established

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In observance of the COVID-19 pandemic and for the safety and well being of everyone involved with the Garden Tour, the **2020 All Saints Garden Tour (ASGT)** has been cancelled. It is with great sadness that this decision was made, primarily because of the impact on our grant recipients who will be in greater need than ever.

To help our charities that were anticipating monies from the tour, we have established a fund to accept donations. The ASGT Board identified Backpack Buddies of Bluffton, Backpack Buddies of Hilton Head Island, Jasper County Backpack Buddies, Hilton Head Island Safe Harbour, St. Stephens United Methodist Church Outreach Foodbank, and Family Promise to be our 2020 grant recipients. All donations will be divided equally among these six grant recipients which are all 501c3 organizations that deal with the issues of hunger, homelessness, aging, or literacy.

Donations can be made by credit card by going to the All Saints website, www.allsaints-hhi.org, click on the tab "About All Saints" and scroll down and click on "Give". Then click on the "Click here to give" button. Under "FUND", click on "Choose a Fund" and scroll down to "Garden Tour" near the bottom of the list. Complete the credit card information and click "submit".

If you prefer, you may also write a check to "All Saints Episcopal Church" and put "2020 Garden Tour" on the memo line. Mail it to: All Saints Episcopal Church, 3001 Meeting St., HHI, SC 29926. Any questions, please call 843-681-8333.

Amidst all the support we have received from our sponsors, volunteers, media and the community, it is disappointing to cancel this special spring event after thirty-two consecutive years. The ASGT Board fully anticipates that the Garden Tour will resume in 2021, and all the 2020 Garden Owners have agreed to participate in the 2021 Tour.

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Beaufort Garden Club Cancels ‘Garden A Day’

In light of the Corona Virus Pandemic, the Beaufort Garden Club has cancelled its Garden A Day event which was to take place June 1 through 5.

“This was a very hard decision to make but we believed it was the right thing to do in light of the uncertainties still remaining with the virus. We just didn’t want either our volunteers or garden visitors to take any chances with their health. We will be back next year, again the first week of June, and we look forward to seeing everyone then. Be safe,” said Pat Keown, Chair of Garden A Day, 2020.

The Beaufort Garden Club, the second oldest garden club in South Carolina, has been holding its Garden A Day event every year since 1984. The event draws large crowds from South Carolina, surrounding states and even as far as Canada.