



Agave Gardens, 2019 Winter 2020 Spring Newsletter



Meet Authentic
Antiguan
Beauties
at the new
Agave Gardens



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WELCOME FRIENDS AND MEMBERS to our 12th Newsletter, we teach what we know and share what we grow! Please join us.

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Agave Gardens, What's New!

Under the Patronage of His Excellency, The Governor General Sir Rodney Williams.

We welcome back our members, friends and new members and started our winter with an invitation for Mrs. Ruth Spencer of the GEF to attend IPBES indigenous and local knowledge dialogue workshop for the IPBES assessment on invasive alien species and their control Montreal, Canada, 15 and 16 November, we are pleased to report Mrs. Christiana Martin attended for ABHS and gave a talk on the conference at our annual meeting.

December 7th is our annual fund raiser event and for the first time we introduced an, Agave Gardens plant sale, we are pleased to report with very little output we earned an impressive \$7000.00 .. thank you to our wonderful ladies who sold just about all our donated and locally grown plants.



Community.

We welcomed visiting cruise passengers to our gardens,
Our members Anne Marie and Amanda escorted the tours,





Our newly erected sign.

Our first meeting in November we introduced a new liaison with Caribbean Agricultural Research and



Development Institute, Cardi

to explore seed collection

We were also pleased to host the International Woman's Club for a tour and talk on our Wild Medicinal Plants. Several joined the society and were very generous shopping for plants and botanical items, thank you.



Agave Gardens, Shade House and shop

We are pleased that Ms. Theresa Gregory continues with her annual Flower Arranging classes they have proven to be very popular and quite competitive, this season she had a beginners and Intermediate class. Lovely blooms from the garden! Well done ladies



Ms. Theresa Gregory





Update

We continue our seed saving as we work out our seed bank with GEF. We received 4 poles from APUA (thanks to the contact and persistence of our Mrs. Christina Martin to erect the proposed multi use building and seed bank. We are in the process of revising procedures and the time table.

Nature and its Wonderful Seeds

Barringtonia 'pain tree' Baobab, Gmelina philippensis



see the history at Agave Gardens

Agave Gardens visits,

Open gardens – we schedule as many garden visits to create a sense of interest in a variety of gardens, learn from the design and garden practices and get motivated to plant and grow. **Thank you for the wonderful afternoon seeing your beautiful gardens and your very generous hospitality:**

Martha Gilke's garden



Pat VonLevern's garden

Covid 19 Our wonderful annual 2020 March 28th Flower and Garden show postponed until further notice. We are currently closed and will lose some of our container plants as we do not have permission to go to the gardens.



To become a "Friend"

If you live overseas but would like to be active with our development, please become a Friend.

We suggest range of annual donation

Thank you to our ongoing supporting friend Mrs. Daphne Davis our first 'friend'

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Our wish list (listed in US\$)

Plants, Agave, and Aloe collections Bougainvillea's, Trees US\$ 2500

Garden Seating Ornamental Concrete tables, benches US\$ 2000

1 dozen chairs US\$120

6 tables US \$1384.00

Slide projector \$ 1132.00

Expansion of the patio US\$6500.00

Covered Patio \$8500

Gravel for entrance and paths \$2000