

SKCAF Membership Policy

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Applicability: Arboretum membership activities
Manager of Responsibility: Membership and Public Relations Chairman

Membership

Any individual, business, education agency, corporation, or non-profit organization may become a member of SKCAF upon payment of annual membership dues. Membership dues shall be determined by the SKCAF Board and will be posted on the Lake Wilderness Arboretum web site (<http://lakewildernessarboretum.org/>). Life memberships shall be offered for a one-time fee and no subsequent dues shall be required. All other memberships are due annually January 1st. Membership started Sept through December will be at full rate, but will run through the end of the following year.

The Board president has the discretion to grant complimentary memberships to individuals and organizations as part of SKCAF's community outreach efforts. Complimentary members will have their newsletters mailed electronically only.

Some complimentary memberships will be granted for 90 days. Others will be granted for 1 year (Jan-Dec).

Termination

Membership will be terminated if dues are not paid by March 1st. The Arboretum Board reserves the right to cancel the membership of individuals whose actions prove detrimental to the purpose and mission of the Arboretum Foundation.

Complimentary members who have been granted a 90 day membership will have their membership cancelled at the end of 90 days unless they join as regular members. Complimentary memberships that have been granted for one year will be reviewed yearly and renewed upon the approval of the Arboretum president.

Member Rights and Benefits

Each member of the SKCAF shall have the right to participate in Board elections and to become an officer on the board. It shall be the policy of the Arboretum Foundation to provide to its members ongoing educational and economic benefits within the context of the Lake Wilderness Arboretum. These benefits currently include:

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- **Bi-monthly newsletters featuring horticultural information and news about the Arboretum, including upcoming sales and events. Complimentary members will have their newsletters sent electronically, all other members have a choice between electronic delivery and delivery via the postal service.**
- **Five educational/informational programs each year**
- **Free "Hands-On" classes**
- **Pre-sale discounts for the Spring and Fall Plant sales for those who volunteer a specified number of hours**
- **Membership potlucks and picnics**
- **Special events such as garden tours and field trips**

Privacy Statement

The Arboretum Foundation shall endeavor to protect personal information provided by members for registration purposes. Precautions will be taken to see that this information is used only for the purposes of managing, maintaining, and improving the Lake Wilderness Arboretum. Our policy is to NOT release member's personal information to outside organizations or individuals.