

Cameron Seniors Garden Club at Cameron Recreation Complex in Burnaby

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Our Garden Club started with a few seniors with green thumbs that weren't getting enough



use. Initially, they planted 3 wooden hanging baskets and hung them on the patio outside the Seniors Lounge, then the Society's Board of Directors OK'd the purchase of two large cement planters for the patio. These planters are filled with bulbs in Spring and beautiful plants in the Summer and Fall.

Next came the City of Burnaby's Eco Sculpture program and our Garden Club is among the many volunteers who help plant them at the nursery every spring. That led them to stewarding Mason bees in the park around the center. Our Parks Development Staff enlisted Community Arts Program Coordinator Shelley Twist to work with the Garden Club and students from Stoney Creek Elementary School to produce a Dragon Fly Mosaic themed plaza and planter project situated near our dragon (her name is Ivy) Eco Sculpture.

They created beautiful tile mosaics that were incorporated into the sides of the planters and on the surface of the plaza. The Garden club plants flowers there that attract the Mason bees. They have workshops and go on field trips and our Society has the Garden Club make the centerpieces that are given as prizes at their Special Events.

