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President's Message

It's that time of year again! As I write this, Fall is moving in, filling homes with scents of pumpkin spice and cinnamon, and family members begging for pies. As we usher in the change of seasons, so too must we welcome changes within our organization.

Our new office manager is Jodi Zambino. We welcome her into this position. We are lucky that Jodi could step right in and take Liz's place. Jodi is just a call away if you need something. She's in the learning stage so we can learn with her.

Chairman of the Environmental School Sarah McReynolds and co-chairman Dixie Hoover are working to prepare for the school January 4-6, 2019. Get your reservations in early so you won't be left out. The school location for Old Fort Parker is located between Mexia and Grosebeck. Old Fort Parker is on our new donation form.

A big thank you to District X for hosting the 87th Fall Convention. Co-chairman Carol Coughran and Dana Serafine did a great job with the help of their committee. Everyone that came to the convention had a fun time. All the meetings, meals, and programs were the best. NGC President Nancy Hargroves was at our convention. Her program on container gardening was very informative. Everything she brought out was tried by Nancy. Nancy was a joy to visit and talk with.

Congratulations to all the District winners of the Garden Club Member of the Year. Lee Taylor was the winner of the 2018 Texas Garden Club Member of the Year. All the candidates were winners. Congratulations Lee and all of the candidates. Don't forget Nancy's motto, "**PLANT**

AMERICA."

~ Betty Edwards



Betty Edwards
TGC President (2017-2019)
Plant America, "Sowing Seeds the Texas Way"

President's Travel Schedule

November 1, 2018	91st Annual Pig Roast, Texas Tech Univ.....	Lubbock, TX
November 12, 2018.....	Permian Council of Garden Clubs	Odessa, TX
December 14, 2018	Houston Federation Luncheon Gala	Houston, TX
January 4-6, 2019	Environmental School Course III	Groesbeck, TX

National Garden Clubs, Inc.



Nancy L. Hargroves
NGC President (2017-2019)
"Plant America"

Fall is the best time for planting – that is the classic mantra of gardeners. This fall, NGC members had the opportunity to plant something no one else in the world had – a new daffodil cultivar chosen for National Garden Clubs Inc. by Brent Heath of Brent and Becky's Bulbs.

In initial discussions with Brent about selecting a new cultivar, I asked that the name given to it be *N. 'National Garden Clubs'* to give our organization visibility to the public in a new way. The final decision was made to name it *N. 'Plant America'*,

as this name would have more appeal when this daffodil goes on the world market three years from now. More information on the selection and characteristics of *N. 'Plant America'* is included in the current *National Gardener*, as well as its photo on the cover. The bulb is available exclusively to NGC members for three years. Brent and Becky's Bulbs will donate a percentage of the sales to the **PLANT AMERICA** Community Project Grants Fund.

NGC members responded enthusiastically to the launch of the first *N. 'Plant America'* ordering opportunity and the bulb currently is sold out. (As is typical in the first year of a new cultivar, there was a limited amount of stock available for purchase.) For the second and third years, the number of bulbs available for purchase will be much larger. In spring, the bulbs will again be available to order.

A new plant introduction for our organization is very special. I hope you will take great pride in including this in your garden, in your container gardens, in beautification projects and for exhibiting in flower shows.

Even though fall is the signal that the end of the growing season is near, the topic of growing is still timely in the fall with the young people in our lives. Let the subjects of growing and the life cycle of plants flow into the seasonal activities.

South Central Region

The 89th National Garden Clubs Fall Board Meeting was held in Orlando Florida. I, along with TGC State President Betty Edwards, Idalia Aguilar, Barbara Baker, Renee Blaschke and Sarah McReynolds attended the meeting. At this meeting, committee members work together to continue moving our organization forward. Thank you to these members for serving on the National Garden Clubs Board of Directors.

The 2019 NGC Annual Convention will be in Biloxi Mississippi at the Beau Rivage Resort starting April 29 through May 2. The incoming NGC administration for the 2019-2021 term will be installed, so it will be a special time for President Elect

Gay Austin and others. If you are interested in attending you should make your room reservation soon to assure availability. You can contact the hotel online at the reservation website: <http://book.passkey.com/e/14287742> or call the hotel directly (888) 567-6667 and give the Group Name: National Garden Clubs Conference. The Guaranteed Room Rate is \$145 per night, plus a daily resort fee of \$10 and 12% taxes. The cut-off date for the guaranteed rate is April 1, 2019.

I would like to talk about the College Student Scholarships that are offered not only at our state level, but also at SCR and NGC. At the South Central Region Annual Convention on April 12-13, 2019, a student from one of our four states will be awarded a scholarship. And at the National Convention, a student from each state is awarded a scholarship as well. So let's encourage any students that we may know who are studying in the fields that meet our criteria to apply.

I would like to close with some exciting news! Because many of you purchased the "Vase Brace" and other gardening items from the SCR Ways and Means, I will be increasing the monetary award for each state from \$100 to \$200 for the Director's Project, "Beautifying Our Communities". One garden club from each state will be selected to receive this money to help offset the expense of their project. There will be one garden club from the region that will receive a high quality marker with their club name to be posted at their garden/project. The deadline to apply is December 1, 2018. You may contact SCR Project Chairman/Alternate SCR Director, Shirley Tetreault for more information. Many of our garden clubs do wonderful things in their communities, and this is one way I would like to give back to you for doing so. Thank you gardeners for Planting America and making our state of Texas a more beautiful place!



Isabel Olsen
SCR Director (2017-2019)

Recommendations from TGC, Inc.

87th Fall Convention | Addison, Texas

1. Accept the amended budget. **Accepted**
2. We continue to search for a financial advisor to help the organization with their finances. **Passed**
3. Organizational Studies committee be authorized to review and update all TGC manuals as needed. **Passed**
4. Move that we ratify the actions of the President and Vice President of Finance in reinvesting the following funds. **Ratified**
 - BBVA Compass Bank, reinvested 6-25-2018, BBVA Compass Bank
 - Fuchs CD -\$8,688.33 for 18 months at 2.00%.
 - United Bank closed, reinvested 7-26-2018, at BBVA Compass Bank
 - General Fund CD – \$29,305.00 for 18 months at 2.25%.
 - United Bank closed, reinvested 7-26-2018, at BBVA Compass Bank
 - Durrett CD – \$12,765.00 for 18 months at 2.25%.
 - Morgan Stanley closed, reinvested 8-29-2018, at Aim Bank
 - Primrose CD - \$56,410.25 for 17 months at 2.15%.
 - United Bank closed, reinvested 8/16/2018 at Synchrony Bank
 - Ellis CD - \$25,310.00 for 12 months at 2.45%.
 - United Bank closed, reinvested 8/16/2018 at Synchrony Bank
 - Hendy CD - \$57,465.00 for 12 months at 2.45%.
 - United Bank closed, reinvested 8/16/2018 at Synchrony Bank
 - Brundrett CD - \$33,585.00 for 12 months at 2.45%.
5. Move that we award \$5,000.00 in TGC, Inc. Scholarships for 2018. **Passed**
6. We accept with gratitude \$59.99 from Sarah McReynolds to be added to Scholarship balance to make the total \$5,000.00. **Accepted**
7. Recommend that the resignation of Elizabeth White as TGC office manager be accepted. **Accepted**
8. That Jody Zambino be confirmed as the hire for new office manager to replace Elizabeth White. **Passed**
9. Mandy Bankston, CPA, be given the raise as requested. \$100.00 increase a month. **Passed**
10. Organizational Studies prepare a proposal for the requirements TGC would like to see for a future bookkeeper/CPA – including the possibility of having said person be in the office part time. **Passed**
11. Give Office Manager & Mandy \$100.00 each for Christmas Bonus out of President of TGC's Discretionary fund. **Passed**
12. We accept with appreciation from Colleyville GC \$500.00 for the Scholarship Fund, Gold and Friendship Books, Arbor Day, and Grapevine Botanical Gardens. **Accepted**
13. We accept with appreciation from the Landscape Design Study Course \$16,161.12 for the Scholarship Fund. **Accepted**
14. We accept with appreciation from the Judges Advance \$1681.94 for Adult Awards. **Accepted**
15. We accept with appreciation from the Deep South GC \$2,790.58 (Hurricane Harvey Relief) Administered by TGC President. **Accepted**
16. Elizabeth White be employed as Social Media Manager/Marketing Manager to

- prepare and maintain a TGC Facebook page, etc. She will be paid \$15.00 hourly for 10 hours a week for a six month trial period. **Passed**
17. Given no action has been taken I move that the approval given at the 2017 Spring Convention in Odessa that authorized the closure of the HQ money market account at Chase Bank and subsequent reinvestment into the Vanguard Intermediate Term Bond Fund be rescinded. Rationale: To make the money available for the potential hire of Elizabeth White as Social Media Chair. **Passed**
 18. We amend the standing rules Section #2 to say after for the Presidents secretarial and travel expenses with check for \$2,000.00 be issued July 1st of each year. **Passed**
 19. We accept the Clifton Larson Allen Audit as presented. **Accepted**
 20. We accept the revised awards Brochure. **Accepted**
 21. American Home & Gardening be accepted into Affiliate Membership of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. District VII, Sponsored by Terrell Heights Garden Club. **Accepted**
 22. Move that the "Feasibility of Changing TGC Fall Convention to a Fall Board Meeting" report be forwarded to Organization Study for review of the noted Bylaw changes for final recommendation. **Passed**
 23. On behalf of former VP Youth, Marlene Gillman, VP Youth Elect, Nancy Giffhorn, and myself, we would like to streamline the Youth Awards by eliminating 2 categories due to non-participation. Move to eliminate TGC Speech and TGC Poster for Ecotot. Justification: non participation Speech Contest uses same theme as essay so technically the same student "could" submit the same text – one written one verbal. There has been no entry for last 5 years. Ecotot Poster no entries for at least 6 years. Effective 2019. **Passed**
 24. We add Old Fort Parker, home of our Environmental Schools, as a contributing project. **Passed**
 25. We accept Option 2 keeping the Texas Garden Club, Inc. in the free area. This makes accessibility to our building the same as always for our members and our mission statement. **Passed**

Waverly Park Garden Club Celebrates 60 Years

Waverly Park Garden Club celebrated its 60th anniversary with a Garden Tea Party at TGC headquarters in the Botanic Gardens in Ft. Worth earlier this year. Past presidents and members shared their reminiscences and a display of memorabilia and scrapbooks spanning the years was shown. Two of the club's original founding members, Loma Mathews and Naomi Lord, were present and remain active with the club today.

The club was organized and federated in October 1958 in the newly developed subdivision of Waverly Park in southwest Ft. Worth. It began as a gathering of neighbors who wanted to learn what would grow well in their new neighborhood and how to arrange and display flowers. Meetings were held in members' homes and a youth club was formed, meeting and gardening at Waverly Park Elementary School. Over the years the club built on its commitment to their youth program and today meet weekly with students at the elementary school's raised-bed seasonal vegetable, butterfly and native/adapted gardens as part of

Congratulations Scholarship Winners

by Freda Martin



Carlie Shea Witte attends Texas Tech University enrolled in The Department of Plants and Soil Science. Her major is Crop Science with a 3.901 GPA. She plans to graduate in May 2020. Upon graduation she plans to attend graduate school to further her degree in Plant and Soil Sciences. Her passion is the farming industry and hopes to play a role in the improvement of seed and crop quality. Carlie Shea is the recipient of the Frances Ellis Scholarship in the amount of \$4,000.



Elizabeth Lane attends Texas Tech University with a major in Landscape Architecture and minor is Plant and Soil Science. Her GPA is 3.93 and plans to graduate May 2020. Her plans are to earn a job at a Design Firm helping with ecological restoration projects and eventually pass the Landscape Architecture Licensing Exam. Elizabeth is the recipient of the Ethel W. Spears Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.



— Ovilla Garden Club —

1977 scrapbook page from Blue Star Memorial Marker event

"All gardening is landscape painting."

— Alexander Pope —



The cascade design winner at the Violet Crown Garden Club (Austin) flower show in October.

2018 - Garden Club Member of the Year Nominees

We have seven worthy nominees for Garden Club Member of the Year.



From District I is **Keith Moffett**: Keith has been active in garden club since 1997. He has served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, District Director and as Trustee Chairman. Keith is a Master Gardener, TGC Life Member and District I Life Member. He is considered a recognized expert on roses and vegetables with the Master Gardeners. He has served on the Board of Trustees as Treasurer for the Lubbock Memorial Arboretum Foundation. Keith has been instrumental in taking care of headquarters and getting the property resurveyed and the city to pay for plumbing problems. Keith is active with the College of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources at Texas Tech, and is retired from the Air Force after 26 years of service.



From District II is **Veronica Wingen**: Veronica has been a member of Waverly Park Garden Club since 1983. Veronica has been involved in many projects both outside of garden club and inside garden club. She has done teaching to junior high students, prison ministry with her husband, and has earned a second degree in Pastoral Ministry. Veronica has served as president of the Fort Worth Council of Garden Clubs, District II Director and is currently the Trustee for District II. She is also very involved in the TGC Landscape/Wildscape/Pocket Gardens at Headquarters by chairing a committee that would develop a master plan for renovation of the Wildscape/Pocket Gardens and is now the state chairman for this committee.



From District III is **Judith Bussey**: Judith has been a member of the Newton Garden Club for 51 years. Judith has served in every office except Treasurer, has been the District Director and now is the Trustee for District III. Judith became a Master Gardener in 2013 and became a flower show judge back in 2001 and a master judge in 2009. She is very involved in her church. She is married with five children, seven grandchildren and a great grandson. She has served several terms on the Newton ISD board, has been secretary for two terms and has served as a board member of Region 5 Education Service Center which serves six counties of SE Texas. Judith and her husband grow bamboo and she is known as the "Bamboo Lady."



From District IV is **Freda Martin**: Freda has been a member of garden club since 1993 serving as president, first vice president, second vice president, third vice president and historian. She has been District Director, District IV Trustee, Vice President of Membership of TGC, Treasurer of TGC and Vice President Scholarship for TGC. Freda has been a Precincts Chairman for Washington County and Burleson County, Life Member of Washington County Citizen on Patrol, Brenham Citizen Police Academy Alumni Assoc., and a mentor of the HOSTS program (Helping One Student to Succeed) at the Brenham Elementary school. Freda is also a Life Member of District IV, TGC, SCR and National Garden Clubs.



From District V is **Marlene Gillman**: Marlene joined garden club in the year 2000 and has been very involved since. She has been District Director, Trustee for District V, Vice President of Youth for TGC, TGC Recording Secretary and many, many chairmanships. Marlene has been married for 53 years and has four children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She spent 25 years in the Army as the wife of a career military man. She has also worked in the Killeen Independent School District as a Library Clerk. She has been active in both the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts. When she was in the military lifestyle with her husband, she became very involved with being the editor to the Officers Wives Club monthly newsletter. This continued at each base they were assigned.



From District VII is **Lee Taylor**: Lee became a Master Gardener in 2002 which led to volunteer work with the San Antonio Botanical Gardens. She joined the Hondo Garden Club in 2003 and has served on many chairmanships and offices. She is currently serving as TGC Vice President Organization Studies, District Director for two terms, and has served as TGC Life Membership Chair. Lee is a District VII Life Member, TGC, SCR and NGC Life Member. She is also a Landscape Design Consultant, Environmental Consultant, Gardening Consultant and is working on completing a Flower Show School. She has served on the City of Hondo Parks Board, Hondo Economic Development Corp. and worked with the Hondo High School Life Skills Class. Lee is married with one daughter and one grandson.



From District X is **Janet Nevil**: Janet joined garden club in 1996 after a career in formulating microbial media and lab cleanup, metallurgical lab technician, chemist, research testing, working for an Ob/GYN, Orthotist and PedOrthotist, and don't forget being a professional student. Janet believes education is one of the most important thing a person can do. Since joining Garden Club, Janet has worked with the youth with the Sunnyvale ISD, worked with the Boy Scouts, beautified the Sunnyvale School courtyard and became very involved in her garden club and the District. Janet became a Master Gardener in 1999 and then took flower show school and became a judge in 2003 and a master in 2014. Janet has achieved her 4 star award of merit in 2016 and is working on becoming the fourth person in the State of Texas with a 5 star achievement. Janet is known in Sunnyvale as being the Tomato Queen. Janet is married and has one son.

Garden Club Member of the Year

— Lee Taylor —

Retired after 23 years of service at Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Lee moved to Hondo in 2003 with husband Tom and has one daughter and one grandson. She is a member of the Hondo First United Methodist Church.

Lee Learned gardening basics while growing up and helping in the family gardens. After retirement, she took a Texas AgriLife Extension course to become a Texas Master Gardener in 2002 and then attended training by the Montgomery County Extension Office to become a Texas Master Gardener Plant Propagation Specialist. She has done volunteer work in the propagation greenhouse of the San Antonio Botanical Gardens. Lee has designed and landscaped yards in Victoria, New Braunfels, San Antonio, Edna and Hondo. She recently designed a prayer garden for a local church as well as landscaping the newly constructed FFA Monument on Highway 90.

Lee joined Hondo Garden Club in 2003 and has served at just about every position available either as an officer or a chairman.

Lee is presently serving as TGC Vice President-Organization Studies, TGC Life Membership Chair and TGC Community Service (Civic Achievement) Chair. She has served as District VII Director two terms, TGC Credentials Chair, TGC State Exhibits Committee, TGC Scholarship Committee, TGC Finance Committee, TGC Awards Committee, Registration Chair for two TGC Conventions. Lee is a District VII Life Member, TGC Life Member, SCR Life Member, NGC Life Member, Landscape Design Consultant, Environmental Consultant and Gardening Consultant. She is working on flower show school.

She is Vice Chairman of the City of Hondo Parks Board, Vice President of the Hondo Economic Development Corporation, served as liaison between the City of Hondo, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and the Hondo Garden Club in the Development of the Hondo Nature Trail Project (A grant of \$361,000), worked with the Hondo High School Life Skills Class at their greenhouse, which is sponsored by the Hondo Garden Club, teaching plant propagation methods. She is Chairman of the Highway 90 beautification Project by the Mayor of Hondo. Lee was responsible for the monument designs, lighting plans, plant selections and landscaping design for Highway 90 frontage through the City of Hondo. Lee chaired the dedication of the landscaping and the rededication of the Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker during Armed Forces Day.

Please accept my humble and heartfelt thanks
for the honor that has been bestowed upon me as your

— **Texas Garden Club Member of the Year** —

This will be cherished in my heart forever.....Lee Taylor

Hearthstone GC Celebrates 40 Years



Hearthstone Garden Club President Vickie Macfarlane with Houston Federation of Garden Clubs President Ann Korenek.

Hearthstone Garden Club celebrated its 40th anniversary this past spring with a flower show and tea entitled "Celebrate," held at Hearthstone Country Club. Founding members and former club presidents were honored while reminiscing about the first years of the garden club. Later in the tea, founding president Pat Hodge and current president Vickie Macfarlane ceremonially cut a special 40th anniversary cake.

Two garden club members, Cindy Eakin, and a founding member Beverly Wander, were awarded Life Memberships in the Texas Garden Clubs. They join Helen Smith who received her life membership several years ago. Special guests to the tea were Ann Korenek, President of the Houston

Federation of Garden Clubs, and Nancy Giffhorn, District IV Director of Texas Garden Clubs. The flower show featured floral designs, dish gardens, tiny wreaths, tables for two, and photography, all created by club members. It was a wonderful showcase of the creativity of our members.

The garden club was organized by 44 Hearthstone residents in June 1978 and has spent the past 40 years in service to the community. The club has planted hundreds of trees in Hearthstone and Hearthstone Park, spruced up cul-de-sac gardens, and created a Friendship Garden in Hearthstone Park. The club has educated its members through workshops and guest speakers, worked with the youth of our community and has awarded over \$80,000 in college scholarships in the past 20 years to Texas college students majoring in a horticulture-related field. Club members regularly volunteer at Brookwood Community and a local nursing home, and support CAM and Cy-Hope.



Congratulations to
Kermit Garden Club
67 Years
as a Federated club in
Kermit, Texas (District I)

In Loving Memory of
Kay Warmerdam
a dedicated member for 38 years
Land O'Lakes Garden Club
Lewisville, TX
and other clubs in Districts II and X

Environmental School

Heather M. White, M.D., TGC Environmental School Chairman

The Course 2, Series 8, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., sponsored Environmental School was held July 13-15, 2018, at Old Fort Parker, Groesbeck, Texas. There were 32 in attendance and while most took the course for credit, several were there just for the fun and educational experience. We were pleased to have two “out of state” NGC members present as well, Donna Rouch, who is a past President of Nebraska, lives in Missouri now, and serves on the NGC Board, as well as her husband Jim, also a garden club member. The standard curriculum was presented by 5 different lecturers, and a fabulous field trip to Blackland Farm and Cattle was taken. BF&C is an organic protein farm, where grass fed cattle, range poultry, eggs, and honey are raised and distributed to both wholesale and retail, as well as making contributions to a local food co-op for the less fortunate.

The owners, Katherine and Todd Ehlers, graciously hosted a wonderful tour of the farm as well as providing details of how the farming process enriches the soil, decreases compaction, and produces healthier livestock both for the animals and for consumption to humans. We were treated to a hay ride to see the farm, and an opportunity to see a compost toilet.

The compost toilet was a wonderful surprise – absolutely no odor—and was a great addition to see in the “Land Course”. In addition to the required components of the course, we had two additional workshops – one each night of the weekend. The first night, small scale collage design was made with recycled materials and the second night, napkin rings were made from toilet paper rolls, yarn or ribbon, and plant material or other embellishments. Judith Boeckner provided information on the many recycling uses of the kitty litter plastic tubs and participants were provided with a tub to take home. Among the suggestions were planters, storage, toting heavy items that would tear through a sack.

The Environmental School Series consists of 4 Courses – Ecology, Land, Air, and Water. The courses may be taken in any order. The next Course is Course 3, Air, to be held January 4-6, 2019, at Old Fort Parker, Groesbeck, Texas. The Fort is very special and has renovated WWII German POW barracks, decorated with very special themed rooms, and all classes are held at the Visitors Center. Sarah McReynolds, current NGC Sustainable Gardens Chairman and Former TGC President, is the Director at the Fort so we are able to have the facility, food, lodging, and the course for \$150 per person. However, we make every effort to limit to 30 persons per course. Consider joining us in January!



Todd Ehlers explains the philosophy of Blackland Farm and Cattle



Todd Ehlers demonstrates human labor (instead of machinery) to move poultry.

2018 William C. Welch Scholarship Recipients

Dr. William C. Welch

Professor and Extension Horticulturist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. sponsors the Landscape Design Study Courses twice yearly at Texas A & M University. Dr. Welch is a Landscape Horticulturist for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service. He provides training programs for County Extension Agents, Master Gardeners, Nurserymen and the general public. Dr. Welch also writes gardening books such as *Perennial Garden Color*, *The Bulb Hunter*, (co-authored by Chris Wiesinger), *Heirloom Gardening in the South*, (co-author by Greg Grant) and *The Rose Rustlers* (also co-authored by Grant). All of these books are currently published by The Texas A & M University Press. All of Dr. Welch's books are offered for sale at the landscape courses with the profits given to the William C. Welch Scholarship fund.

Texas Garden Clubs has been awarding the scholarships for approximately 20 years. They set up an endowment with the Texas A & M Foundation to fund the scholarships, which are currently at \$2,000 each. One goes to a graduate student and the other to an undergraduate majoring in Landscape Horticulture. At the Landscape Design Study Course I, (September 24-25, 2018) which was held at the George Bush Presidential Library with 107 participants and a number of guests, the 2018 recipients were introduced and asked to tell a little about themselves.



Jennifer Ann Bugge started working with SSC, the group responsible for grounds maintenance on the Texas A & M campus, as gardener's assistant and within three months became a Team Leader. Now, she has her own area which includes the gardens at the Bush Library as well as the Bush Family Cemetery at the Library. In addition, Jennifer coordinates maintenance of twenty buildings on A & M's East Campus. Jennifer loves plants and landscaping. She grew up helping her grandmother pick vegetables in the garden and assisting her mother with landscaping outside the house. Her love for landscaping grew when she moved to Florida's tropical environment. She also loves kids and works

with students relating to the importance of landscaping. In her application for this scholarship she stated, "I understand the commitment it takes to make any area look amazing. It's not easy, but if you have the passion and desire to do great things as I do, I feel that anything is possible."

Landscape Design Study Course II will again be offered at the Bush Library in February 2019. Chairman Diane Perez recommends early registration since we are currently near capacity for the course.



Jonathan Caples remembers working with his great grandmother in her garden, harvesting squash and pulling carrots from the soil. As a teenager he was constantly working and reworking the landscape of his childhood home. He was always happiest when his hands were working in the soil and tending to plants. His love for horticulture started at an early age, and ever since then, he has been working to increase his knowledge and understanding of the field. From being a high school FFA member to his undergraduate degree in Agriculture and eventually a Masters in

Agriculture, he has steadily developed a greater interest in taking electives in horticulture.

In the past two years, Jonathan developed a small sustainable farm in rural South Central Texas engaged in vegetables, poultry, and cattle production with a marketing plan to serve locally grown and "all natural" venues. He is currently working under the direction of Dr. Michael Arnold at Texas A & M University. He is teaching two labs in the Horticulture Department. He is currently teaching Shrubs for the Sustainable Built Environments in the fall and Plants for Sustainable Landscapes this coming spring. With the students coming from Landscape Architecture, Wildlife and Fisheries, and Horticulture, the students bring a diverse background of interests and knowledge that together strengthen the overall discussion and direction of the course. Jonathan hopes that his previous education, his farm experience, and now his Ph.D. will enable him to continue to conduct research as well as teach others the future of the importance of horticulture, specifically sustainability in the modern landscape.

Spiced Apple Cider

1 gallon fresh apple cider
10 cinnamon sticks
5 anise pods
3 teaspoons whole cloves
Orange slices for garnish



Pour the cider into a large pot and simmer with the spices for 10-15 minutes. If you want, tie the spices up in cheesecloth for easy removal later. Garnish with a slice of orange.

East Texas State Fair Horticulture Winner

Linda Jean Brown is so proud of her *Acer palmatum rubra* bloodgood 'Japanese maple' which swept the horticulture show winning First Place, Best of Category and Best of Section Horticulture Show. In addition, she brought home the following:

1st place cut specimen: *Magnolia grandiflora* 'Magnolia'; *Zingiber* 'Ginger'; *Lycoris radiata* 'Spider lily'; *Yucca aliofolia* 'Spanish bayonet'; *Cedrus* 'Cedar'; *Alocasia macrorrhiza* 'Elephant's ear'; *Callicarpa dichotoma* 'Beautyberry', purple; and 1st on her potted plant *Lillaceau* 'Aloe vera'.

2nd place cut specimen: *Coradearia sellvana* 'Pampas grass'; *Poaceae* 'Bamboo'; *Podocarpus* 'Japanese yew'; *Cornus florida* 'Dogwood'; *Quercus stellata* 'Post oak'; *Rosmarinus officiolio* 'Rosemary'; and 2nd on her potted plant *Opuntia* 'Prickly pear snow cactus'.

3rd place cut specimen: *Tracchydarpus fortuna* 'Windmill palm'; *Rhodendron* 'Azalea'; *Jungla nigra* 'Black walnut'; *Loropetalum chinese* 'Chinese fringe', and *Palestine sweet* 'Lime'.



Linda Jean Brown member of District III Dogwood Garden Club - Palestine

Texas Arbor Day

Texas Arbor Day was celebrated during the 90th TGC, Inc. Spring Convention held in Ft. Worth. District I honored President, Betty Edwards with a Honey mesquite tree which was planted on a berm in the landscape/wildscape area at TGC Headquarters. Pictured at right are TGC Arbor Day Chairman, Linda Jean Brown and TGC, Inc. President Betty Edwards.



Louise Drake Garden Club Recognized in Commerce, TX

Ann Julian

Mayor Wyman Williams presided over Regular Commerce City Council Meeting on June 19, 2018. The business included regular call to order, invocation and Pledge of and Consent Agenda. Before the regular business, the Louise Drake Garden Club was introduced.



A proclamation honoring the Downtown Beautification Efforts of the Louise Drake Garden Club was presented by Mayor Wyman Williams. Mayor Williams expressed his and the city's gratitude for the work and dedication to the club's beautification of Commerce.

The Louise Drake Garden Club has worked tirelessly to beautify Commerce and the Downtown Square for several decades. The club was recognized in 1982 by District X Garden Club. Since then, the group has volunteered time, energy and finances to keep Commerce beautiful. The Shasta Daisy is the club flower and is featured on the downtown street lights. "A Thing of Beauty is a Joy Forever" is the club motto and it rings true when you travel through the city of Commerce.

Thank You Keith Moffett

from District I and
Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
for all the work you do

The Hondo Garden Club

is celebrating **70 years** of
Friendship, Fellowship, Flowers and Fun
while serving our Community and
the Surrounding Area

TGC, Inc. 91st Spring Convention - April 1-4, 2019

"Fun in the Sun" — The members of the garden clubs of District IX invite you to join us in El Paso, Texas – the "Sun City" – for the 91st annual State Spring Convention. We are excited to have you as our guests. Some have visited us before and will tell you that we always try to show our guests a good time! **"Holy Guacamole!"** If nothing else, you'll be eating some of the best Mexican food in Texas.

Our hotel will be the Hilton Garden Inn at the University of Texas at El Paso. It provides free shuttle service to and from the airport 24 hours per day.

Speaking of **meals**, breakfast will be included Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Lunches will be both buffet and plated. And here's something new . . . we have plans to take you away from the hotel to enjoy dinners in two of the most stunning homes in El Paso. We hope that you enjoy this change – we know hotel food can get repetitive.

Activities include:

- The dedication of our Blue Star Memorial at the Keystone Heritage Park with a tour of the gardens to follow – you may need a hat and flat shoes.
- The inaugural "Floral Rodeo" - a fun competition that does NOT include riding n automated bull!
- A reception honoring NGC President Nancy Hargroves, TGC President Betty Edwards, and SCR Director Isabel Olson.
- The Installation of our 2019-2021 Officers, Trustees, and Chairmen overlooking a 180° view of the lights of El Paso.

El Paso's garden clubs — Cielo Vista, Desert Hills, El Dedon Verde, and Park Foothills — hope you will join us for this convention. Park Foothills' own Peggy Moreland will be installed as the new TGC, Inc. president and we couldn't be prouder. We're known for our warm hospitality and **Hot** chiles – so please join us for some **"Fun in the Sun"**!

Waverly Park Garden Club Celebrates 60 Years (continued from page 7)

their science study. Students plant seedlings, sow seeds, weed and harvest their gardens learning from Waverly Park GC members about pollinators and good gardening practices while nurturing their enjoyment of the outdoors. Students also participate in the Woodsy Owl and Smokey the Bear poster and poetry contests.

Additional community-oriented projects in which this district, state, regional and national award-winning club is active include beautification with the maintenance of the entry garden at Benbrook Community Center and the awarding of a "Yard of the Month" designation and yard sign to a particularly well-kept neighborhood landscape. Conservation and environmental concerns are highlighted with club participation in the annual Benbrook Trash Bash and the ongoing adopt-a-highway programs. The club decorates a Christmas tree and gives gifts to the Children's Assessment Center. Honoring our military, Waverly Park GC sponsors a hands-on recreational therapy garden for outpatients at the VA regional center where the club sponsored the installation of a Blue Star Memorial in 2016.

A Gold rated club since 2010, Waverly Park with District II hosted the TGC state convention in April 2018 and was the District II "Club of the Year" for 2017.

TGC, Inc. — 91st Spring Convention — April 1-4, 2019

“Fun in the Sun”

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
91st Annual Spring Convention

Hilton Garden Inn - University | 111 W. University Avenue | El Paso, Texas 79902

Call the Hilton Garden Inn – University directly [(915) 351 – 2121] to make hotel reservations or online (www.elpaso.stayhgi.com). Mention Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. and group code #TGC for the quoted rate of \$110 single/double. Your room includes a full breakfast Tuesday – Thursday. There is a free hotel shuttle to and from the airport and free Wi-Fi in the rooms.

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE — MARCH 1, 2019

Day 1 – Monday, April 1

1:00 - 3:00 pm	Board of Trustees
3:30 - 6:00 pm	Finance Meeting
6:30 pm	Buffet: heavy hors d'oeuvres / cash bar on patio Pavilion
7:30 - 9:30 pm	Executive Board Meeting

Day 2 – Tuesday, April 2

9:00 - 12:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
12:30 - 2:00 pm	Lunch: Speaker [sponsored by Landscape Design Council]: Bernie Sargent, Keystone Heritage Park
2:30 - 4:00 pm	“Floral Rodeo” competition
6:00 pm	Buses depart hotel for dinner & Private Home Tour
9:15 pm	Buses return to hotel

Day 3 – Wednesday, April 3

9:00 - 1:45 pm	GENERAL ASSEMBLY / lunch – Youth Awards
3:15 pm	Buses depart for Keystone Tour & Blue Star Memorial dedication
5:45 pm	Buses return to hotel
7:30 pm	Adult Awards Dinner

Day 4 – Thursday, April 4

9:00 - 11:00 am	GENERAL ASSEMBLY - 2nd Seating
11:30 - 1:00 pm	Lunch & Presentation
1:30 pm	Rehearsal – Installation Ceremony
3:30 pm	Video Presentation
5:30 pm	Buses depart hotel for dinner & Private Home Tour
6:00 pm	Home & Garden tour - Reception for Honored Guests
7:15 pm	Dinner / Installation Ceremony
10:15 pm	Buses return to hotel

Chair: Trish Lopez, 915-491-8231, Palopez040147@aol.com
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PLEASE FILL IN AMOUNT FOR EACH EVENT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

Registration Fee

\$20 for one day / \$30 for 2 or more days..... \$ _____

Monday, April 1

Dinner/Light Buffet/Cash Bar - Patio Pavilion..... \$26.00 \$ _____

Tuesday, April 2

Breakfast (Included)

Lunch / Guest Speaker..... \$30.00 \$ _____

“Floral Rodeo” Contest \$25.00 \$ _____

Dinner / tour - Private Home \$50.00 \$ _____

Wednesday, April 3

Breakfast (Included)

Lunch \$30.00 \$ _____

Dedication - Blue Star Memorial / tour Keystone Gardens..... \$30.00 \$ _____

Awards Banquet Dinner \$30.00 \$ _____

Thursday, April 4

Breakfast (Included)

Lunch / Presentation \$30.00 \$ _____

Dinner / tour - Private Home / Installation \$50.00 \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

CIRCLE any special dietary needs: Diabetic | Gluten Free | Vegan | Vegetarian

Registration deadline is March 22 – \$10 late fee. No REFUNDS after March 26.

Make checks to: DISTRICT IX TGC, INC. SPR. CONV. '19. Mail check and registration form to registrar:

Holly Trubowitsch - 741 Los Miradores - El Paso, Texas 79912.

Make hotel reservations directly with HILTON GARDEN INN HOTEL – (915) 351-2121 prior to March 1. Mention Texas Garden Clubs Convention [Group Code # TGC] for the convention rate of \$110 + tax.

Espoma Awards Grant



Photo: Patti Schlessiger, not pictured

The first Texas garden club to receive the "Espoma/National Garden Club Plant American" grant of \$250 in organic products is Kerrville Garden Club. Espoma's Territory Sales Manager Carol Bailey presented the grant at their local retailer, Plant Haus 2, to Kerrville Garden Club vice president Jackie Connelly. The awarded products were donated to their club project, Glory Community Garden.

Club president Pam Umstead applied for the grant that is available to National Garden Club members and named Glory Community Garden as the club's intended recipient. Glory Community Garden, Kerrville's first community

Accepting the grant was Jackie Connelly, club Vice-President in the absence of club President, Pam Umstead. Pictured are representatives of both the Kerrville Garden Club and Glory Community Garden: back row left to right are: Clifton Fifer, Trena Cullins (Plant Haus 2 manager), Jackie Connelly, middle row left to right: Donna Guthrie, Laura Rhodes, Carol Bailey, Patty Zohlen, Karen Argence, Vickie Killeen, Reverend Allen Noah, front row left to right: Paula Ejzak, Dee Dunton and Janice Walker.

garden, is in its third season and receives support from other community partners. It features 30 raised beds, mulch bins, a garden center, covered pavilion and a rainwater catchment system. Glory Community Garden has been described by Patty Zohlen, a Kerrville Garden Club member, as "a wonderful example of how donation of an unlikely plot of ground combined with good ideas, faith, cooperation and hard work can result in a positive community experience. We could use more of that in our world!" Kerrville Garden Club's support of the community garden began in 2015 with a "Tool Shower" with club members donating gardening tools. The Espoma Company has been a pioneer in natural gardening solutions and offers an extensive variety of products for successful gardening.



Nassau Bay Garden Club members delight in an October visit to Enchanted Nurseries and Landscapes in Richmond, TX.

Calendar 2018-2019

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NGC Events	May 21-24, 2019 - NGC Spring Convention in Philadelphia, PA
SCR Events	April 12-13, 2019 - SCR Spring Convention in Oklahoma City, OK
TGC Events	April 1-4, 2019 - 91st TGC Spring Convention in El Paso
Flower Show Schools	September 16-18, 2018 – Flower Show School II, The Buckingham on Woodway, Houston January 17-19, 2019 - Flower Show School III in Houston March 19-21, 2019 - Flower Show School I - Meadows Conference Center, Dallas
Landscape Design Schools	September 24-25, 2018 - Landscape Design School Course I at Bush Library, College Station February 25-26, 2019 - Landscape Design School II at Bush Library, College Station September 23-24, 2019 - Landscape Design School Course III at Bush Library, College Station
Environmental School	January 4-6, 2019 - Environmental School Course 3 at Old Fort Parker in Groesbeck - Sarah McReynolds, Chair - Dixie Hoover, Co-Chair
Districts	District I - Spring Convention on March 6, 2019 in Odessa District II - Spring Convention on March 13, 2019 hosted by Colleyville GC District III - Spring Convention on March 14-15, 2019 in Texarkana District IV - Spring Convention on February 28 in Hallettsville District VI - Spring Convention on March 8, 2019 District VII - Spring Convention on March 4, 2019, San Antonio Garden Ctr District IX - Spring Meeting on March 13, 2019 in El Paso District X - Texas Daffodil Society Flower Show on March 7, 2019 in Dallas

“He who is born with a silver spoon in his mouth is generally considered a fortunate person, but his good fortune is small compared to that of the happy mortal who enters this world with a passion for flowers in his soul.”

— Celia Thaxter —

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From Your Headquarters

We gratefully accept your contributions received from June 7, 2018 to September 30, 2018.

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One World Theme Flower Show

The A&M Garden Club of Bryan/College Station held a "One World" theme flower show on October 13 in conjunction with an open house of Family Promise which is a non-profit providing shelter, meals, and support services as families with children move towards self-sufficiency. The small standard flower show featured designs with themes about the biosphere including air, land, and water, as well as many horticulture entries and educational exhibits. Judy Schafer received the Award of Design Excellence for her water theme design. Helen Quinn received the Educational Exhibitor Award for her "Running Waters" display about clean water initiatives. A display of garden related crafts, made by Family Promise clients at an A&M Garden Club-led workshop, featured picture frames and storage containers fashioned out of recycled materials. The Award of Horticultural Excellence and Arboreal Award was to Suzanne Milstead for her fresh cutting of sweet almond bush, *Aloysia virgata*.



AIR — First Place



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