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Newsletter
November 2008



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Reporter Millie Parrack
Historian Judy Schafer
Immediate Past President Idalia Aguilar
Parliamentarian Margaret Ann White

Next Meeting

Friday, Nov. 14, 9:30 am (2nd Fri. of month)
Exit Teen Center, 1600 Rock Prairie Road, C.S.

"Proven Propagation, the Easiest Way Possible"
by Kathy Hyatt, Houston Rose Rustler, HCMG

Activities:

- a) Horticulture Sales - donate plants and gardening and design items
- b) Blooms in My Garden/Orchid - Sally Koestler
- c) Flower Show & Design Tips - Judy Schafer
- d) Door Prize - Gardening Basket Idalia A.

Hostesses: Clarice B, Mary H, Eugenia W.

Happenings

Judy S spoke on a senior garden panel for Dr. Novak's two Thurs. morning classes on Oct. 23.

Horticulture Sales Table

Thank you to everyone who brought and purchased plants and items. Over \$100 collected for Cheer Fund and memorials at October meeting.

Upcoming Events

Nov 13 Zone II Mtg at Historic Old Fort Parker, hosts Mexia and Hubbard GCs. Program: "Improved Cultivars" by Cynthia Alexander. Walk-in Registration \$20. Leave Sams at 7:15 am. For the plant and garden items/ways and means table, donations are: Judy S - pressed flower cards, painted gourd birdhouses; Suzanne M - herb books; Jane C - wax plant. Judy also sent some bulbs for the fort. If you have other items to donate, let Jane know soon. Going are: Jane C, Sally K, Suzanne M, Millie P, Heather W, Margaret Ann W. Join us!

Nov 15 TAMU Open House at the Holistic Garden, activities for families, 10 am - 3 pm.

Nov 22 Potpourri-Fragrance from the Garden, Arbor Gate, leave Sams 8:15. Register - Arbor Gate, 15635 FM 2920, Tomball, via www.arborgate.com, then classes on left, then 3/4 down or phone 281-351-8851. Let Jane or Suzanne know if you want to car pool as a group.

President's Letter

Dear Garden Club Friends,

Isn't the fall weather nice! I want to get in the garden and catch up on some of those fall tasks.

The TGC Fall Convention, Lilies in the Desert, in San Angelo was great. Interesting programs on design and pottery, Concho River Pearls, and Mohair Style Show; good meals; outstanding International Water Lily Pools tour; great Museum of Fine Arts tour; the raffle; the exhibitors; and everything! Idalia won a basket, which she is donating as a door prize at our meeting. Come win!

Thank you to Idalia Aguilar for sponsoring me as a TGC Life Member. Quite a surprise and such an honor!

Thanks to Heather White for the Grant Application to the Brazos Community Foundation. Heather did a great job on the application, but the selection was not based upon the published guidelines.

NGC Convention, "Blooming Magic" will be May 11-17 in Houston, TX. Our convention ad in the program has been sent. TGC member Renee Blaschke will be installed as NGC President. Make your room reservations, \$79/night at the Hilton Houston North, 12400 Greenspoint Dr.

Please let me know your ideas and suggestions. Happy Gardening!

Jane Cohen, President 2008-09



Happy Birthday - November

1 Joyce M, 5 Rachael M, 10 Dorothy L, 13 Renee F, 28 Carolyn G, 28 Jo S, 29 Maryan M.

New Members - Welcome

- Sarah Barrick, 2106 Joseph Creek, CS 77845, s-barrick@suddenlink.net, 690-7746, Jan 8
- Renee Frisbie, 5299 Blue Ridge, CS 77845, rbfribsie@aol.com, 690-1135, Nov 13
- Maryan Manson, 314 Pershing Dr., CS 77845, maryan.manson@gmail.com, 696-5105, Nov 29
- Maria Schmahl, 2172 Rockcliffe Loop, CS 77845, moeschmoe@gmail.com, 574-8701, Feb 6

October Winners >

Jane Cohen, President, presents Perfect Garden Tools to: Power Pole with Square Point Spade to Renee Frisbee, Power Handle with Garden Spade and Power Planter to Millie Parrack, and T-Handle with Trowel to Elisa Plauche. Donated by Tracy Boyles, www.perfectgardentool.com



< Plant Wellborn

The Civic/Native Committee met at Kay Hobbs on Oct 28 - L-R: Suzanne Milstead, Kay Hobbs, Sheila May, Heather White, Carolyn Guillotte.

4-H Award >

Margaret Ann White presented the 4-H Horticulture Plaque to John Mayo on Oct 26 at the Brazos Center.



< Arbor Gate

Herbs - Ann Wheeler and lunch at Whistle Stop, Oct 23, Tomball. L-R: Margaret Ann W, Marge W, Mary Ann T, Heather W, Jane C, Kathi D, Ellen P.

TGC Fall Convention >

L-R: TGC President Judy Keillor, Co-host Barbara Harrell, and Idalia A., at Museum of Fine Arts, overlooking Concho River and San Angelo.



< Youth Contests

Margaret Ann W, Penny M, and Joyce M judged 74 entries, with state entries of 17 Woodsy Owl or Smokey Bear Posters; 20 Environmental Posters; 2 HS Essays (Martha Bennett and Mia Franceschi); 3 Poetry (Grace Lewis, Princess Hutson, Jaycee Fojt); 1 TGC HS Speech (Will Cohen); 1 SCR Intermediate School Essay (Jessalyn Welch). Wow !!!



Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee of Heather White-Chair, Geneva Eubanks and Eugenia Williams will present a slate of officer nominations for 2009-10 in Dec, vote in Jan. They met on Oct 28 at Heather's. Thanks to all members who put their name on an "interest" form. Be thinking about committees for this year and next year.

Pine Cones Project

Pick up your gift bags for \$10 of colorful pine cones of mixed violet, yellow, and blue-green colors to add to your winter fire enjoyment. Heather W, 776-6469.

Treasures Thoughts

The breeze, the trees, the honey bees
All volunteers! ~Juliet Carinreap

Show me your garden and I shall tell you
what you are. Alfred Austin

Civic Native Pocket Garden Project

Committee Sheila M, Kay Hobbs, Carolyn G, Suzanne M, Heather W, Kathi D, Penne M, and Jane C. Suzanne M has drafted a proposed plan for landscaping the front right side of the Wellborn Community Center building. Kathi D has treated the grass. Kay H and Carolyn G are looking into the retainer wall. Let Suzanne know what native plants or other donations you might make.

Updates

Oct 10 Meeting - Minutes attached separately. Ruth Bertrand won the yellow Grandma's Rose from speaker.
Pavers - Mary Ann T sent our saying, "In the garden one is closer to God, A&M Garden Club" to Dr. Novak, completing our donation after TAMU Pot et Fleur sale.

Board Report

10-31 The GC Board met via e-mail about Zone meeting. Our offer for summer 2009 was not accepted, because Violet Crown had already volunteered for it. The rotation system was requested for the November Zone meeting. Most of the Board thinks we could host November 2009, but want to wait until we attend the Nov 13, 2008 Ft. Parker meeting and will bring our recommendation to you at our Nov 14 GC meeting.
11-4 Status of Horticultural Gardens on Hensel Street and Campus Pointe development of 88+ acres reviewed. No letter is being written at this time. Details at mtg.

Communication

* This newsletter is sent by postal mail by Corr. Sec. Mary Ann Taylor to those without e-mail.
* Send your items and suggestions before the end of each month to <j-cohen@aggienetwork.com>. Newsletter is sent to members, prospective members, friends.

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