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Newsletter May 2009

May 8 Meeting

Helen Quinn will speak on "Edible Flowers - New Rage in Haute Cuisine". Meet at the Senior Circle Rooms, 1651 Rock Prairie Road, CS. Meet at 10 am. All members are to bring a dish (finger foods) for lunch.

Cindy Gomez, Living Water Pottery, will display some of her garden related pottery. Come and shop for vases, garden art, and one-of-a-kind items for yourself and for gifts. Her store is located at 101 A North Dowling, C.S.

Business: 2009-10 Budget approval. Project Chairmen Reports. Report of State Convention. Sarah McReynolds, TGC VP, will install officers: President Jane Cohen, 1st VP Programs Heather White, 2nd VP Web Sally Koestler, 3rd VP Flower Show Suzanne Milstead, 4th VP Hospitality Eugenia Williams, Recording Sec. & Yearbook Sarah Barrick, Corresponding Sec. Idalia Aguilar, Treasurer Angelika Hoepfl, Reporter Millie Parrack, Historian Kay Hamn, Parliamentarian Mary Ann Taylor, Appointed: Ways & Means Hillary Jessup, and 2 TBA.

Senior Circle Rooms are on the 2nd floor of the College Station Professional Building II, a tan brick building across the street from The Med Hospital. From Texas, it's Walgreens, Whataburger, TEEX (brick), then the tan CS Professional Building II, before the black glass windows building.

More parking is located at the back. The elevator is in the middle, opening toward the back parking lot. Ride to the second floor, turn right, and the Senior Circle meeting rooms are straight ahead.

President's Letter

Dear Garden Club Friends,

As we finish the club year, I want to thank you for your attendance at meetings and your participation in the various projects and activities. Thanks to the Executive Board for their service. We've had a great year!

Congratulations to the A&M Garden Club, named runner-up for the Texas Garden Club of the Year at the TGC in Midland. Outstanding!!!

The past month has been very busy with many activities supporting National, Texas, & A&M Garden Club goals. The Civic Project at Wellborn Center is planted! Thank you!!! Our great Flower Show had 70 horticulture entries, 17 small design entries, and 1 exhibit. At TGC in Midland, we won \$185 award prizes, 12 blue ribbons, 1 red, and 7 citations and donations certificates. WOW!!! Some pictures and reports were sent and will be at the meeting.

Please let me know your ideas and suggestions.

Jane Cohen, President 2008-10

A&M Garden Club - 69th Flower Show
Congratulations on a successful Flower Show, "Aggie Traditions", CS Library on April 17.



Mary Ann T Design

Awards of Excellence were won by Mary Ann T, "Bonfire" Design, Judith S, Iris Louisiana cut flower, and certificates to Sandra W & Helen Q, Pollinators Exhibit. Thanks to all who entered. We learned lots. Please return bottles and stands to the May meeting. We hope everyone will enter next year.

Happy Birthday - May

3 Margaret Ravey	11 Sheila May
3 Marge Watkins	16 Idalia Aguilar
4 Virginia Eaton	19 Sandra Lawrence
6 Sandra Williams	21 Jo Ann Cermin
8 Dian Jones	29 Viola DeLaGarza

Flower Pot Painting

Rescheduled dates for painting the pots are:
Tuesday, May 19, 9 am - seal/paint base coat
Tuesday, May 26, 9 am - sketch/trace designs and paint with color. Final sealing after colors have dried. Directions to Heather White's home, 11650 Golden Mist, C.S., 776-6469, are in this yearbook for Dec. social. Wear casual clothes since we will be painting, bring a 2" brush to 1st workshop and small artist type brushes to 2nd workshop. Pots will be door prizes for the Zone meeting. If you want to paint your own pot after you do one for club, be sure it's clean and dry; attend both days.

Upcoming Events

May 2 Mexia Flower Show
May 8 A&M GC Meeting
May 13-16 NGC Convention, Houston
May 19 & 26 - Flower Pot Painting
May 27 Gardens - Dr. Dave Creech, 7 pm, Brazos Ctr.
June 7-13 National Garden Week



Mexia Flower Show

May 2, Mexia Civic Center. Idalia A & Judy S will judge "Steel Magnolias" designs (includes tables) and horticulture. We are invited to attend, open 12 noon until 4 pm. Lunch will be served for a reasonable fee. Special exhibits - trash to treasurer - container art and community service.

Dues Due

Unpaid dues of \$20 will soon be late. We have 20 members that need to bring your check to the May meeting to Angelika H. and/or Ellen P.



Judy S's cut flower
Iris Louisiana.
Photo by Dale S.



Suzanne M's program
Container Gardening.
Photo by Sandra W.

Texas Garden Club 2009 State Meeting

April 21-24 in Midland. Theme "Sagebrush & Sequins". 137 registered, with Idalia A & Jane C. Design & Gourds speakers. New President Jacki Simmers theme will be: "Under a Green Umbrella". Awards - 1st: Membership (Ellen P) \$50, Butterfly (Suzanne M & Judy S), Community Concern (Hospice), Habitat \$50 (Mary Jane B), Horticulture (Helen Q, Sandra W, Suzanne M, Sally K) \$50, Litter Control (Heather W), National Garden Week (Mary S, Mary Jane B, Judy S, Jane C, Helen Q, Sandra W), Press Book, Publications: Booklet - Butterfly (Suzanne M & Judy S), b-Membership (Jane C), Scrapbook (Suzanne M), Special Achievement (Pot et Fleur). 2nd Newsletter (Jane C). **Citations:** Presidential - Judy S (GSS); Club Service; Gold - President's Report, Membership; Appreciation - Youth Sponsor, Memorial Book, Donations. Will Cohen, Youth Speech, won 3rd and \$125 award. Margaret Bennett and Mia Francesschi received Honorable Mention for essays. Poetry winners: 1st Grace Lewis, 2nd grade; 3rd Princess Hutson 5th grade. Next meeting Oct 21-23, in Texarkana.



TGC President Judy Keillor, right, presents A&M GC, Jane C, with Certificate as 2009 Runner-Up Club of the Year \$35.
Photo by Bob Cohen