



Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month, September – May  
 9.30 – 11.30 at College Station WW Facility  
 2200 North Forest Parkway College Station, TX 77845

**NEWSLETTER : JULY 2015**

Members participated in several events in June, with June 7 – 13 being designated National Garden Week. Both the Bryan and College Station Public Libraries are displaying exhibits made by Garden Club Members for the whole month of June. Hopefully everybody took a few minutes to go by and check it out! On June 11 Suzanne, Michele, Sherry M., Heather and Helen attended the District V Meeting/Workshop in Hubbard, TX. We learned about butterflies, historic preservation, recycling, and lots of interesting and useful information relating to Officers' duties. Hubbard GC put on a great lunch, and we shopped for plants and garden-related items at the Ways & Means Table. On June 15 twelve members met at Judy's house to make bookmarks with pressed flowers and pot holders from recycled soda bottles. These, along with plants, will be given out at the Fourth of July Celebration at Heritage Park in Bryan, and other events. On June 20 several members attended a Memorial Service for Delma Cassaro, who was one of our own for many years, and recently passed away in Austin, TX.



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Reminder: Membership Dues were due at the May Meeting. If anyone still needs to renew, or new members want to join, it is not too late! \$20 for Regular membership, \$22 for Associate membership. Mail your checks to Debbie Puetz, whose address is in the Yearbook.

Our Garden Club Publication "Gardening in the Brazos Valley" is now in its 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, and is available at meetings or by contacting the Treasurer, or any Board Member - \$10 per booklet.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY/AUGUST

**A&M Garden Club booth at Independence Days, Heritage Park, Bryan – July 4 8.30 – 12.30**

**Club Members' Coffee – Sweet Eugenes (to be confirmed)**

**Watermelon Festival, Hempstead, TX Saturday July 18**

**Awards Planning meeting at Helen's house, Tuesday July 21 9.30 am**

**A&M Garden Club (indoor) booth at Butterfly Release, Brazos Center, CS Saturday July 25**

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**Board Meeting Thursday August 6. 9.30 am at CS WW Facility**

**A&MGC Pot Luck Membership Social (bring your friends – the person who brings the most guests will win a small prize!) Friday, August 14, 9.30 am at CS WW facility**

### JULY GARDENING CALENDAR

**PLAN:** To clean out flower beds and re-design if desired. Let roses and other fall-flowering plants rest for the next 2 months. Start poinsettia cuttings to be rooted for Christmas bloom.

**PRUNE:** Pinch back mums for the last time. Cut out dead wood. Trim plants that need to be properly shaped.

**PLANT:** Take a break from seed sowing, unless you can keep beds moist, weed-free, and a little shaded.

**FERTILIZE:** Mums, lawn, trees and shrubs.

**SPRAY AND DUST:** Lawns, shrubs and roses, as needed.

**WEATHER PROTECTION:** Cultivate lightly, mulch and water deeply if needed. Water early in the morning to allow water to evaporate during the day.

**BLOOMING NOW:** Crape Myrtle, hibiscus, oleander, plumbago, daylilies, confederate rose, althea, and many other summer annuals and perennials.

**VEGETABLES:** Starting mid to end of July you can start again with seeding cucumber, sweet corn, melons, okra, Southern peas, summer and winter squash, and transplants of peppers and eggplants. "Plant through" dates are Sweet Corn 8/20, Cucumber 8/15, Melon, Okra, Southern Peas, and Pumpkin 7/31, Summer Squash 8/20, Winter Squash 8/10.

**FRUITS:** Continue to enjoy those figs and pears, and plan where you might try new fruit varieties as plants become available in the fall. The tastiest way to enjoy fruit is straight from the tree!!



HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS TO :

Mary A. 10<sup>th</sup>, Ellen P. 13<sup>th</sup>, LaNell C. 19<sup>th</sup>, Hillary J. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sandy W. 28<sup>th</sup>



**PRESIDENT’S PARAGRAPH - “THE LAST WORD”**

Texas Garden Clubs Inc., headquartered in Fort Worth, is the next step up from District classification, and part of National Garden Clubs. TGC comprises 417 Garden Clubs in 254 Counties, plus the Lone Star Garden Club of Northern Mexico! TGC also offers a Spring and a Fall Convention, and has a comprehensive website offering information on clubs in the state, projects and youth activities, events, a place to buy Garden Club items, and everything you ever wanted to know about TGC! The “Lone Star Gardener”, published by TGC is also available online. If you enjoy travel, be looking out for information on a 2016 trip to visit the Historic Gardens of the Northeast.

The above information is intended to inform, not to intimidate – programs and events are offered so members may participate if they wish; there is no obligation, but we hope you will join in as much as you are able. We have a great slate of programs lined up for our new year, including a visit in October by our Texas State President, Carol Moore.

See you in July!!!

Until next time, stay cool and enjoy nature’s bounty!

Helen Quinn





