



TGC Keeping in Touch
Sarah's E-Blast - Tx KIT #1
June/July 2013

TGC President's Letter to Club Presidents

Thank you and your members for being a part of Texas Garden Club (TGC). I know you have choices for your volunteer activities, and I appreciate your participation with TGC. Thank you to those who serve as officers and committee chairs of your Club, District and State. Please share information in this e-mail with them as needed.

This e-blast communication from the TGC President, direct to Club Presidents and District Directors, provides a service and current information from TGC to support members and improve our public relations.

Social Media - TGC will expand outreach and communication so the information you want is readily available.

1. Lone Star Gardener - The publication goes to all members. We appreciate those who receive by e-mail, to help control costs. The next issue will go out in early August. If your club members have not signed up to receive e-mail and would like to receive later issues by e-mail, the Club President may send additional e-mail address to TGC (tgcoffice@aol.com) and Linda Krimm (lkrimm@tx.rr.com), System Management Chair.

2. Tx KIT - an e-mail newsletter or E-blast - TGC Keeping in Touch, named like national, will be sent via e-blast about monthly or as Sarah has updated news. Let Sarah McR and Jane Cohen (j-cohen@aggienetwork.com) know your questions and preferences.

3. TGC Web Page - <http://www.texasgardenclubs.org> - Sarah Barrick, webmaster, will be updating. State Officers and Committee Chairs should review their information and send updates to s-barrick@suddenlink.net. Edit the page and send complete information or as a complete attachment. Sarah B will post information as available. She is also evaluating

the web site for organization. The member login is member and the password is daylily. Do not share member information with non members.

4. TGC Facebook - TGC has a new facebook page, coordinated by Margaret Sinclair. Go to www.facebook.com/TexasGardenClubsInc. Post information about special activities to share and connect to other TGC members. For Garden Club information, not personal business.



Flowers Magazine - www.flowermag.com/subscribe and enter code 1NGC. \$2 of each subscription will go to the National Garden Clubs, Inc. A copy of the magazine was available at the recent TGC State Convention.

NGC Special Project - open new doors for in-depth and creative learning and educational opportunities, centered on the natural resources of planet earth. The NGC Conservation Pledge: "I pledge to protect and conserve our natural resources of planet earth and to promote education so that we may become caretakers (stewards) of our air, water, forest, land and wildlife." See LSG magazine and TGC web for more information.

Summary - I look forward to serving as your TGC President and continuing to help TGC provide educational opportunities for members, for a sound and hopeful future and to love and enjoy our wonderful world and each other. Please let me know how we can better assist you.

Dragonflies are fantastic garden helpers because they eat insect pests, including mosquitoes. The colorful little guys are fun to watch. Dragonflies can fly forward about 100 body lengths per second and backwards about three body lengths per second, and hover in the air for about a minute. Let's help TGC move forward on our mission.



Sarah McReynolds, TGC President 2013-2015
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For Your Yearbooks and Planning - NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND STATE OFFICERS 2013-2015

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

President: Linda Nelson, 543 Lakefair Place N., Keizer, OR 97303-3590
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Theme: Making a World of Difference - Choices Matter

Projects: States: Does It Matter - Education for Responsible Choices

Clubs: Making a Difference - Protecting and Conserving Our Natural Resources

Air - Energy Conservation, Indoor Gardening (examples)

Water - Xeriscaping, Rain Gardens, Aquatic Ecosystems

Forest - Trees, Native Plants, Invasive Plants

Land - all gardening/planting committees, Native Plants, Organic Gardening, Therapy Gardens

Wildlife - Pollinators, Endangered Species, Birds, Butterflies

National Conventions: NGC Convention - April 30-May 4, 2014, Norman, OK; 2015 Kentucky

Website: www.gardenclub.org

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Theme: Learning, Living, Leading

Project: Providing Educational Opportunities - A Pathway to Better Living

SCR Convention: March 28-29 OR 29-30, 2014, Dallas, TX, "Leading to Texas"

Website: ngcscr.com

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Theme: Changing Our World Through Education and Friendships

TGC Project: Choices Matter - Educational Projects Relating to Natural Resources - e-mail ideas

by Dec 1, 2013 and 2014 for drawing for \$100 and Award Application by Dec 1, 2014 for \$250

award to Barbara Baker, Special Projects Chair, bbgardenclub@yahoo.com

Conventions: Fall October 17-19, 2013 Houston, TX, "Fall Faire ... Far Out"

Spring March 31-April 4, Addison/Dallas

Fall 2014 Abilene

Spring April 20-22, 2015, Tyler

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Calendar

National Garden Week; June 1-7 2014

The TGC website has additional dates listed in Events