



## TGC Keeping in Touch

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### TGC President's Letter to Club Presidents

Serving as your president has been a pleasure and a privilege. It has given me the opportunity to learn first hand of the many wonderful contributions of our ten districts towards keeping Texas a beautiful state. All of the clubs embraced the ideas set forth in the theme: "Changing Our World Through Education & Friendships."

I am grateful for all your support in making sure we had all four NGC educational schools conducted in our state.

As I review all the wide variety of projects across the state from working with the elderly, the handicapped, the youth, all the schools, landscaping and installing Blue Star Memorials in memory and commemoration, I am truly proud of every member.

What better way to end this administration than to remember we like the migrating dragonfly who has endured 3 million years of hardships, work and long journeys, I can say it has been well worth the pleasure we will all enjoy this spring and summer. Please try and attend the Spring Convention in Tyler and welcome our new officers, chairmen and members as we embark on a new journey with fresh ideas and new horizons. Please continue to support those chosen to lead us in this organization, so we can look forward to a bright future filled with knowledge and happiness in Gardening.

Thank you for the chance to lead you for two years as your President.

Sarah McReynolds  
2013-2015 Texas Garden Club President  
"Changing Our World Through Education & Friendships"



**Gardening Study School III** - April 13-14, White Oak Conference Center, 7603 Antoine, Houston. Arrive the night of April 12 for a small welcome party at the White Oak Center.

Course III - Plant Growth, Pruning, Outdoor Flowers, Classifying Plants - is taught by Dr. Joe Novak, an excellent teacher sharing his abundant knowledge, making it easy to understand. Students have been really positive about the classes. Enjoy two field trips: Mercer Arboretum & Treesearch Farms.

Texas offers great schools - NGC educational classes. This outstanding and fun school is open to anyone wishing to add to their knowledge of gardening. Invite GC, MG, friends and others to take the classes - they will enjoy, too.

Margaret Sinclair and Johanna Taylor are GSS Chairmen, and Sarah McReynolds is helping with the school on site. Registration Form follows and is on the TGC web site with information.

**TGC Spring Convention** - Tyler, April 19-22, filled with fun, fellowship, business, shopping, workshops, awards, youth speech, breakfast/lunches/banquets, tour, learning and more. Get with a group from your club and attend. Hotel, registration, and program are in the Lone Star Gardener magazine, online - [texasgardenclubs.org/lone-star-gardener/](http://texasgardenclubs.org/lone-star-gardener/)



**Awards** - Congratulations to the many clubs who shared their successful projects. Come to State Convention in Tyler for results.

**Dragonfly** - To get more closely attuned to the magic of the dragonfly, consider these dragonfly symbolic meanings - prosperity, strength, peace, harmony. Enjoy the dragonfly and pay attention to deeper thoughts and desires. Best Wishes to you and your club in your future Garden Club activities with education and friendship.

## NGC & TGC Gardening Study School, Course III

April 12-14, 2015 in Houston

White Oak Conference Center, 7603 Antoine, Houston, Tx

Dr. Joe Novak, Instructor

Margaret Sinclair, Chairman ; Johanna Taylor, Chairman



Course Three includes plant growth, pruning, outdoor flowers and plant propagation

Two field trips: Treesearch Farm Inc & Mercer Arboretum. Plants can be ordered from Treesearch Farm in advance by filing out the form that will be sent to you when you register for the classes.

### Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Other affiliations (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

List (any course taken, date) location \_\_\_\_\_

ie. Course I \_\_\_\_\_ II \_\_\_\_\_ III \_\_\_\_\_ IV \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Fee for school is \$125 \_\_\_\_\_ if emergency occurs, funds will be returned except the \$25 registration fee. Contact chairmen for approval.

Make checks payable to TGC GSS and Mail forms to: Margaret Sinclair, Hort. Chairman 7618 Crescendo Court, Houston, TX 77040-2550

Johanna Taylor, Co chairman P O Box 199, Winfield, TX 75493, 903-588-0394

Hotel info: Marriott Springhill Suites, 2750 North Loop West, Houston TX 77092-2550; 713-290-4292; [www.marriott.com/housh](http://www.marriott.com/housh)

Please subscribe to "The National Gardener" for reading references.

[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org) to subscribe at \$18.00 per year

Starts Monday morning at 8 for coffee and snacks ... 8:30 prompt classes begin

Classes should end Tuesday after recap & exams that start at 2:00 PM

If you have other questions please email -

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Please sign up soon or call for permission to pay at the school if you can't get your registration in time to the chairmen above. You will be receiving emails about the school schedule, forms for ordering plants in advance (pay for plants on the field trip), etc.