

District II Fall Bulletin

Go Wild! Plant Native!



Greetings, Gardeners,

National Garden Club is continuing with the “PLANT AMERICA” theme, and the Texas theme is “Plant Texas – Grow Our Future”. With a slight twist on those, my theme for 2019-2021 is “Go Wild – Plant Native.”

A film about the Irish gardener and landscaper, Mary Reynolds, who at the age of 27 became the youngest ever-gold medal winner at the 2002 Chelsea Flower Show, inspired me. She created a haunting Celtic Sanctuary that featured a sheep field with 500 wild plant species, a 200-year-old hawthorn and tons of ancient stonewalls from Cork. The film, “Dare to be Wild,” can be seen on Netflix.

Mary wrote, “People travel all over the world to visit untouched places of natural beauty... yet modern gardens pay little heed to the simplicity and beauty of these environments. Those special places we must protect and preserve each in his own way, before they are lost forever. Given the chance, nature will always come back to us. We can protect what is left and recreate what is lost. Imagine if you could change the world, just a little bit... begins by sowing a seed.”

As you work in your garden clubs, and even in your own gardens, I encourage you to look for ways to add native plants back into our environment. Not every square foot of our gardens need to be formal; look for a spot and go a ‘little wild’! Several exciting speakers in our area give programs on native Texas plants. I encourage you to reach out to them for programs for your club.

Upcoming Events: Barbara Bateman is coordinating an Awards Workshop at TGC Headquarters in early September to inform garden club Presidents and their Awards Chair on the awards process, how awards are judged, and to show examples of award submissions. We are not having a convention this fall, but a meeting of all Presidents, which will immediately follow the Fort Worth Council of Garden Club’s meeting on September 18. All Board members and club Presidents are invited to stay for a brief business meeting, so we can discuss events for the upcoming year, and learn how District II can be of help your garden club. If you would kindly bring along a copy of your club’s yearbook, we would like to keep a copy to display for all District II clubs.

Texas Garden Club’s fall convention is October 28-31 in Tyler, Texas. I hope to see many of you from District II in attendance. Our Spring Convention will be hosted by the District II Board, and will be at the Grapevine Botanic Gardens on April 30. At that time, we will coordinate a silent auction to help raise funds for District II’s scholarship. I ask each garden club President to please donate an item to help make this event a success. We will also feature a “Brag Board” and ask each club to bring photos of events or projects you would like to share with other clubs.

If there is any way the District II board can help make your garden club year a success, please reach out to us. We look forward to hearing from you.

District II Director, MaryAnn Nicholson

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UPCOMING EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

September 4	District Chairs Award Workshop, TGC Hdqtrs. 10 a.m.
September 4	Denton Council of Garden Clubs Meeting, 9:30, 2801 N. I35 E Denton
September 16-18	NGC Flower Show School IV, Houston
September 18	GCCFW Council Meeting, FWBG, 9 30 a.m. District II President’s Meeting, FWBG, Fort Worth, 11:30 a.m.
September 23-24	Landscape Design School III, Bush Library, College Station
September 28	Monarch Migration and the Fall Garden, BRIT Fort Worth Iris Society Sale 9:00-4:00, FWBG North Texas Daylily Society Sale 9:00-4:00, FWBG
October 4-5	FWBG Fall Plant Sale
October 8-10	Flower Show School II, Dallas
October 14	Avant Gardeners Flower Show & Garden Tour, 4104 Harlanwood Drive, FW
October 16	GCCFW Council Meeting, FWBG, 9 30 a.m.
October 19	22 nd Annual Butterfly Flutterby Festival Grapevine, 9 30 a.m.
October 29-31	TGC Fall Convention, Tyler, TX
November 1	District Awards due to District Award Chair, Barbara Bateman
November 12	Judging District Awards, TGC Headquarters
November 14	Judging District Awards, Maryann Nicholson
November 20	Denton Council of Garden Clubs Meeting, 9:30, 2801 N. I35 E Denton
November 20	GCCFW Council Meeting, FWBG, 9 30 a.m. Holiday Auction
January 15 2020	President’s Report due to District Director Maryann Nicholson (new date!)
February 1, 2020	Club Rating Reports due to Carol Moore, 1305 E. Neches, Palestine 75801
Mar 30-Apr 1, 2020	TGC State Spring Convention, Galveston
April 18 -19, 2020	Flowercade, FWBG
April 30, 2020	District II Spring Convention, Grapevine Botanical Gardens

SHARE & CELEBRATE CLUB NEWS

Other District Clubs will benefit from knowing about your Club’s projects, sales, special events, and anniversary celebrations. AND you deserve to brag about anything your Club always does, is doing now or will do this garden club year. Celebrate your Club in the next district newsletter by emailing information and pictures to lkrimm01@gmail.com .

Also, think about submitting your club news to the Lone Star Gardener. Send you club news and pictures to the Linda Jean Brown, LSG Managing Editor 30 Waco Drive, Elkhart, TX 75839 (903) 478-3264 (903) 724-2656 or email ljbrown3264@windstream.net

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS NOW AVAILABLE

Has someone in your Garden Club organization been doing an outstanding job lately? How about a garden club project team making the community a better place? District II would like to provide a Service Recognition Certificate for your special someone(s). The certificate is \$25 and comes with a pin to present to your honoree. If you want to recognize a group, multiple certificates and pins may be ordered for an additional charge.

The money goes to a great cause – the District II Scholarship fund. And the special person(s) will be honored in a District II Bulletin article. To order your certificate and pin please contact Karen Rice, District II Life Membership & Special Recognition Award Chairman kl.rice@verizon.net

AWARD INFORMATION

Hello District Clubs,

I will be your awards chair this year. I have a hard act to follow, Karen Rice, awards chair for several years. She was very organized and did a wonderful job getting the awards to the correct place.

It is time to plan the awards you will submit for your club. So many clubs overlook projects, programs, events, education youth programs which are award worthy. Awards must be prepared and sent to the District Awards Chairman, Barbara Bateman, 317 Harvey Tr. Azle, TX. 76020 or given to me at Council **NO LATER THAN NOV. 1, with no exceptions.**

Our new **Award Rules** and **Description of Awards** may have already been forwarded to club Awards Chairman by your club President. If you have not received it, you can print it from the Texas Garden Clubs website. It will be under the title **Forms**. The brochure lists awards offered by National Garden Clubs, So. Central Region and Texas Garden Clubs.

The **Award Rules** explain how to fill out your award and the information card that is attached and cover sheet if required, for the award entered. We will have a workshop for club awards chairs to go over the rules and answer questions. It will be September 4, 10:00 a.m. at TGC Headquarters. To be eligible to apply for awards, garden clubs must be federated with Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. and Councils, Plant Societies must be Affiliate Members.

Most awards are submitted through the District for competition and, if eligible, the award is forwarded to State, if a National Award is offered it must go through District and State; and, if the award is eligible, then the award will be forwarded to National Chair for further competition. Remember that some awards have cash awards.

Club Rating Reports, submitted by your club award chair are due Feb. 1, 2020, covering Jan. 2019 thru Dec. 2019. This report is sent directly to Carol Moore, 1305 E. Neches St. Palestine, TX. 75801.

President's Report due (New date), Jan. 15, 2020 sent directly to your District Director, Mary Ann Nicholson, 2101 High Gate Dr. Colleyville, TX. 76034. This report can be, For Competition or Not for Competition.

Last year our District Clubs were multiple award winners for State and National Awards. We have much to be proud of in this District. It would be wonderful if we had every club in the District enter awards. **I expect this to be one of the best award years ever!**

District judging dates, Nov. 12 at TGC Headquarters, Nov. 14 at Mary Ann Nicholson's home.

Barbara Bateman
District Awards Chairman
817-919-2900

“ARTE FLEUR” FLOWER SHOW

Avant Gardeners invite you to a Standard Home Flower Show and Garden Tour in the home of Barbara Baker, 4104 Harlanwood Drive, Fort Worth 76109 October 14 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Avant Gardeners members will share their interpretations of art with their floral designs throughout the home and exhibit some clever botanical crafts to encourage your creativity. Barbara's garden includes a pink English Cottage Garden, the Tropical garden and a new French Courtyard (inspired by recent travels).

DALLAS FLOWER SHOW JUDGES FOUNDERS GROUP FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL II

Flower Show School II will be October 8-10, 2019. The Dallas Flower Show Judges Founders Group will sponsor the school at the Meadows Conference Center, 2900 Live Oak St. Dallas, TX 75204. To receive credit, one must have attended FSS I, attend all sessions of FSS II, and take the exams. Flower Show School does not have to be taken for credit unless you are becoming a Flower Show Judge.

Flower Show Procedure is the topic for October 8 at 2 p.m. registration is \$30. Horticulture is the topic Oct. 9 and Design the topic on Oct. 10. Registration fee is \$65 per day for Horticulture and Design. Lunch is \$15/day. Email Joyce Cochran for registration form or questions.

Thank you to all clubs who donate to the Flower Show Schools. If your club donates \$150 by Sept. 15, 2019, your club members can register and attend both FSS II Oct 8-10, 2019 in Dallas and FSS III Mar 24-26, 2020 for free tuition.

Please consider the benefits of having a small Flower Show in your club and/or for your friends or community, whether small or large. Flower Shows can be an outreach for your club to gain new members. Shows can be held in libraries, churches, rec centers, and lobby of businesses, city halls, etc. as well as in homes. Flower Show Schools are here to train you. DFSJFG is available to help you!

For more information contact Joyce Cochran, Registrar Joycecochran70@gmail.com or Flower Show Chair, Sarah Andry, 214-543-3621, sarahwilsonandry@yahoo.com or Rachel Clark, 817-488-0035 mrclark2@msn.com

NGC, SCR, TGC YOUTH AWARDS THEMES (2019-2021)

TGC Environmental Poster Grades 1st thru 5th “Sea Turtle”

TGC Chair Bobbie Mason; bobbie.mason18@yahoo.com 121 Creekview W Dr. Red Oak, TX 75154

TGC Speech-grades 9th thru 12th

THEME IS SAME AS NGC HS ESSAY “Challenges in Preserving our Natural Habitats’

TGC Chair: Trish Lopez palopez040147@aol.com 6139 Los Felinos Circle, El Paso, TX. 79912

NGC Poetry- Grades 9th thru 12th “Adventures in a Garden”

TGC Chair: Nita Beale poppyTL@cabelynx.com 610 Town Oaks Cr. Kilgore, TX. 75662

TGC Sculpture Contest “Encouraging Youth to Keep our Planet Clean”

go to www.gardenclub.org/youth-sculpture-contest for the rules

TGC Chair: Sue King sueshoopman4@hotmail.com 108331 Redmond Road Austin, TX 78739

SCR #17 Bird of the Year Contest (All Grades)

American Cardinal (Male) - SCR Bird Chair: Claire Bishop; 13clbishop@comcast.net
9808 S. Broadway Ave; Oklahoma City, OK 73139

Woodsey Owl "Lend a Hand- Care for the Land"

Smokey Bear "Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires"- TGC Chair: Bobbie Mason

Bobbie.mason18@yahoo.com 121 Creekview W Red Oak, TX 75154

Deadline to STATE JANUARY 1

(The deadlines for the above contests have not changed. Please refer to your Youth Award Brochure)

DISTRICT II - TEXAS GARDEN CLUBS				
TWO YEAR BUDGET				
June 1 to May 31				
OPERATING ACCOUNT				
	----BUDGET ----			ACTUAL
	2019/ 2020		2020/ 2021	6/1/18 5/31/19
Operating Acct Beginning Balance	3,953.00		3,332.00	3,916.44
Revenue:				
Dues	520.00		520.00	525.00
Interest	14.00		14.00	15.00
Convention				159.50
Arbor Day Donations	20.00		20.00	20.00
Miscellaneous				75.00
Lifetime/Special Recognition Donations	100.00		100.00	
Fundraising - Spring Conv	200.00		200.00	180.00
Fundraising - Fall Conv	-		100.00	
Total Income	854.00		954.00	974.50
Expenses:				
Directors Fee	1,000.00		1,000.00	500.00
Awards	200.00		200.00	153.39
Arbor Day Exp w/ FWGGC	130.00		130.00	129.75
Website	55.00		55.00	54.87
Spec Recognition Pins	90.00		-	
TGC Award Exp				25.00
Director Recognition	-		125.00	25.00
Transfer to S/Ship acct (in error)	-		-	50.00
Total Expenses	1,475.00		1,510.00	938.01
Expenses over Revenue	(621.00)		(556.00)	36.49
Operating Acct Ending Balance	3,332.00		2,776.00	3,952.93

TWO YEAR BUDGET				
MAY 1 TO APRIL 30				
SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS				
	----BUDGET ----			ACTUAL
	2019/ 2020		2020/ 2021	4/1/18 4/30/19
Beginning Scholarship Accts Balance	28,250.00		25,935.00	29,373.76
Money Market + 2 CDs				
Revenue:				
Interest	35.00		35.00	41.04
Donations	650.00		650.00	835.00
Total Income	685.00		685.00	876.04
Expenses:				
Scholarships	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,000.00
Expenses over Revenue:	(2,315.00)		(2,315.00)	(1,123.96)
Ending Scholarship Accts Balance	25,935.00		23,620.00	28,249.80
				32,202.73

DISTRICT II OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

District II Director	Mary Ann Nicholson, Colleyville GC 2101 High Gate Dr. Colleyville 76034 maryann.nicholson@verizon.net	817-291-4369
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Asst. Director Bulletin	Linda Krimm, Flower Mound GC 6949 Hidden Valley Rd., Flower Mound 75022 lkrimm01@gmail.com	817-706-0941
Asst. Director	Barbara Bateman, Avant GC	817-919-2900

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Life Memberships	Karen Rice, Grapevine GC 3333 Wilshire Ave, Grapevine 76051 klrice@verizon.net	817-416-1739
Plant Societies & Affiliates	Anita Barnwell, Colleyville GC 5900 Quality Hill Rd., Colleyville 76034 anita.barnwell@hotmail.com	817-454-8729
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Birds, Butterflies & Habitats	Barbara Baker, Avant Gardeners 4104 Harlandwood, Ft. Worth 76109, bbgardenclub@yahoo.com	817-927-4668
Flower Show	Rachel Clark, Grapevine GC 3120 Wintergreen Terrace, Grapevine 76051 mrclark2@msn.com	817-488-0035 Schedules
Youth – Poetry And Posters	Rachel Emond, Waverly Park GC 4512 Idledell Dr., Ft. Worth 76116 premond@charter.net	817-244-6631

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President: **Gay L. Austin** Theme: **Plant America**

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I challenge all of us to improve our observation of our diverse environments. Through our vision, we can inspire others to take action every day to protect our natural habitats. Let's develop projects that demonstrate our respect for natural resources so that we can assure a healthy world for our future generations. When we urge others to join in our environmental efforts, educate them on challenges ahead of us, and encourage them to participate in areas of need, our entire world will benefit.

South Central Region www.scrgardenclubs.org

Director: **Linda Lawson** Theme: **Unite to Plant America**

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My theme for the 2019-2021 shall be "**United to Plant America**". I would like to see projects where our garden clubs work with other groups such as Master Gardeners, Civic Groups, Plant Societies, Park Departments, Youth Groups, Museums, Hospital Gardens, Art Leagues, etc. I am so proud that some of the SCR states are already working on projects that fit into the scope of Plant America.

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. www.texasgardenclubs.org

President: Peggy Moreland Theme: **Plant America – Grow Our Future**

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I am honored to be your President and look forward to meeting and working with all of you. To ensure a successful administration, we all need to work together. I promise to do my very best to represent TGC. My theme is "Plant America - Grow Our Future." It is very important for us to start planning for the future of Texas Garden Clubs now. I believe our precious members are the future of Texas Garden Clubs. We must always strive to retain our members and recruit new members.