

Creating a Legacy Through Garden Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Greetings from Stop #1
in my mom's garden
club life!*

(Restmere Garden Club, Norfolk,
Virginia)

Mom joined her first garden club at age 22. She had two toddler boys. She was a charter member, served as the club librarian and scrapbook chair, co-hosted the November meeting, and I have the receipt for her \$2 dues. Restmere GC met the second Monday of the month at 8 pm at the local fire station and was a member of the Federation of Garden Clubs of Norfolk and Vicinity.

I have her club yearbook where she noted each month what ribbons (and points) she received for her exhibits and designs. She was very competitive--there were awards at the end of the year!! She won a blue ribbon for her Christmas doorway.

I know she had a beautiful garden! My mom learned her love of gardening from her horticulturist father who emigrated from England to

manage the grounds of a large estate in New York State. I am happy she passed this on to me!

Some things never change! From the Restmere yearbook (75 years ago), here are their Objectives for the Year:

- Encourage the planting of our shrub, the azalea, and our flower, the rose, in every garden.
- Every member to read a flower arrangement book.
- The exchange of plants.
- Help a needy family at Christmas.
- Beautify our community.
- Contribute to worthy causes.

I love that we are all part of garden groups with the goals to grow, plant, learn, design, give and beautify. I wish you all the best year and look forward to our kick-off meeting at our new home at CityRise-Bellaire! See you there!

Blessings,

Jennifer

Creating a Legacy Through Garden Club

Jennifer Hydes' "garden club lady" mom
Joan Alley DeAngelis

Garden Club Meeting



What's Coming Up Soon

Monthly General Meetings are held on the second Friday of each month

CityRise Church—Bellaire, 4601 Bellaire Blvd, Bellaire, TX 77401

September 13, 2024

HFGC general meeting

10am refreshments & fellowship 10:30am meeting

Program: **Getting to Know Brookwood** by Tawana Goodwin, volunteer coordinator, & Robert Grove, horticulture manager

Club presidents will be recognized and honored

September 15, 2024

Deadline for October 2024 newsletter.



NOT REQUIRED, BUT GREAT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT...

Feel free to bring your own coffee mug to meetings.



Just a reminder.....

Newsletter comments?

If you like something about the newsletter, great!! Let me know so I keep doing it.

If you DON'T like something, please don't just complain to your friends...let me know.

Something may need to change or I will have the opportunity to explain my logic.

This newsletter is supposed to be helpful and enjoyable to our members. If it needs to change to do that, that is OK. BUT...if I never hear the concerns, I don't have a chance to make improvements.

Tricia Bradbury, Editor

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PLANT TABLE GUIDELINES

Please bring your treasures to our monthly Federation meetings to share with fellow gardeners.

- 🌱 Put your name on the plant (to help answer any questions from the buyer).
- 🌱 Plants should be labeled with name and growing condition.
- 🌱 Price your plant.
- 🌱 Container should be clean and in a protective sack or box.
- 🌱 Cuttings or stems may be in one protective container, labeled with name, growing condition, and price.
- 🌱 Odds and ends should have a price attached with name of donor.



*from Nancy Ayres
Ways & Means Chair*

WE HAVE MOVED!!



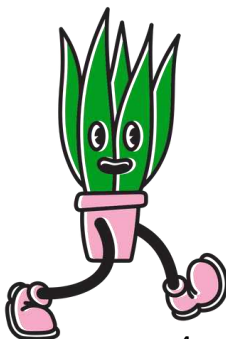
Houston Federation of Garden Clubs has a new meeting place...but it's not far away—at the corner of Bellaire and Avenue B and located directly across Bellaire Boulevard from last year's meeting place, Faith Lutheran Church.

CityRise Church-Bellaire

4601 Bellaire Boulevard, Bellaire 77401

NOTE THAT THEIR SIGN STILL SAYS *CROSSPOINT CHURCH*

Several disabled parking spaces in front,
but able-bodied folks should park in the huge parking lot in back.



2024-2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS—Federation, District IV, State, Regional, National

September 2024

- 13 HFGC general meeting, CityRise Church—Bellaire, 4601 Bellaire Blvd, Bellaire. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Getting to Know Brookwood*
- 13 HFGC AWARDS WORKSHOP following meeting.
- 16-17 [Landscape Design School](#), Series 27, course 3, George W Bush Presidential Library, College Station TX
- 16-19 [Flower Show School III](#), Jewish Community Center, Houston TX
- 19 NGC fall board meeting
- 27-29 [Environmental School](#), Fort Parker State Park

October 2024

- 1 District IV Scholarship Applications are due.
- 11 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Things to Do to Help the Honeybees*
- 11 HFGC FLOWER SHOW
- 22-23 TGC fall board meeting, Fort Worth

November 2024

- 1 District IV Award Applications are due.
- 8 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *How to Create a Backyard Habitat*
- 8 HFGC BEE HOUSES WORKSHOP after meeting.

December 2024

- 13 HFGC Christmas Celebration Brunch. Ticket required. *Southern Elegance design program*

January 2025

- 10 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Medicinal Landscaping*

February 2025

- 14 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Portrait to Floral Design*
- 14 HFGC PRESSED FLOWER PLATE WORKSHOP after meeting.

March 2025

- 14 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *The Design Process*
- 14 HFGC Food Drive
- 27 District IV Spring Convention, League City

April 2025

- 1-4 TGC Spring Convention, Lakeview Methodist Conference Center, Palestine TX
- 11 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Landscape Design and Curb Appeal*
- 11 HFGC NEW OFFICERS WORKSHOP after meeting.
- 14-15 SCR spring convention, Albuquerque NM

May 2025

- 9 HFGC general meeting, CityRise. 10am refreshments & fellowship. 10:30am program then meeting. *Enjoying Summer Flowers*
- 18-21 NGC annual convention, Embassy Suites in North Charleston, SC

June 2025

- 1-7 National Garden Week

July 2025

August 2025

***Please note that calendar is accurate to the best of our ability at time of publication. Activities could be cancelled at a later date.*

Nice to know.....

Bayland = Bayland Community Center

CityRise = CityRise Church—Bellaire

FSS = Flower Show School

HFGC = Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

IRS = Internal Revenue Service

NGC = National Garden Clubs

SCR = South Central Region

TBA = To be announced

TGC = Texas Garden Clubs



2024-2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS—Clubs & other

September 2024

- 7 NASA Area African Violet Society Annual Show & Sale 1-5pm, Kemah Community Center, 800 Harris Avenue, Kemah, TX 77565
- 14 Open Grassroom @ Kolter Elementary School outdoor learning classroom, 9a-12p, 9710 Runnymede, Houston 77096. The garden gate is 50 ft from the corner of Dumfries and Runnymede. Contact Angela Roth, angelarothnews@gmail.com for additional info.
- 17 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston
- 28 [League City Garden Club](#) “Wit, Whimsy, & Curiosity” self-guided garden tour 10am-4pm rain or shine. Ticket required.
- 28 Harris County Master Gardeners: [Northwest Fall Plant Sale](#): Vegetables, Herbs, Flowers, Bulbs & Natives. 9:00am- 1:00pm. Alabonson Park, 9650 N Houston Rosslyn Rd, Houston
- 28 [Deer Park Petal Pushers Garden Club Community Plant Swap](#), 2pm, Deer Park Public Library meeting room, 3009 Center St, Deer Park.

October 2024

- 11-12 The [Garden Club of Houston](#) Bulb & Plant Mart, The Church of St. John the Divine, 2450 River Oaks Blvd, Houston. F 9a-3p; Sa 9a-1p
- 12 Open Grassroom @ Kolter Elementary School outdoor learning classroom, 9a-12p, 9710 Runnymede, Houston 77096. The garden gate is 50 ft from the corner of Dumfries and Runnymede. Contact Angela Roth, angelarothnews@gmail.com for additional info.
- 15 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—History of Our Rose Garden (PPGC rose garden in Dow Park) (Presenters club members, Jeannie King & Joan Whorton)
- 15 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

November 2024

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- 19 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—Pollinator Garden - Native Plants (Presenter, Emily Alaniz)
- 19 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

December 2024

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- 21 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—Plumerias (Presenter club member, Diane Sullivan)
- 21 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

February 2025

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- 18 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—Succulent Arrangements (Presenter, Charlie Barker Caputo)
- 18 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

March 2025

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- 18 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—Propagation (Presenter, Jamie Hart)
- 18 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

April 2025

- 10 Bouquettes Garden Club Flower Show opens to public at noon (more info to come)
- 11 [Nassau Bay Garden Club](#) Fashion Show and Luncheon, Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook
- 12 Open Grassroom @ Kolter Elementary School outdoor learning classroom, 9a-12p, 9710 Runnymede, Houston 77096. The garden gate is 50 ft from the corner of Dumfries and Runnymede. Contact Angela Roth, angelarothnews@gmail.com for additional info.
- 15 [Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) general meeting 7pm, Deer Park United Methodist Church, Room 122, 1300 East 13th Street, Deer Park 77536—Making Your Arrangements More Exciting - Thriller, Filler Spiller Method (Presenter, Joanne Woolsey of Jimbo's Nursery)
- 15 Gardening For God Native Planting Series with members of Bouquettes Garden Club, 6-8pm Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston

May 2025

- 3-4 [Deer Park Petal Pushers Garden Club](#) Plant & Garden Art Sale, Sa 9a-5p; Su 12-4p, In front of Theatre Arts/Court Building, 1302 Center St, Deer Park.
- 10 Open Grassroom @ Kolter Elementary School outdoor learning classroom, 9a-12p, 9710 Runnymede, Houston 77096. The garden gate is 50 ft from the corner of Dumfries and Runnymede. Contact Angela Roth, angelarothnews@gmail.com for additional info.

June 2025

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CLUBS!!!

**Please
publicize your
events in our
newsletter!!**

HOUSTON FEDERATION PROGRAMS

Second Friday of each month; Social 10:00 a.m. – Meeting 10:30 a.m.
 CityRise Church-Bellaire, 4601 Bellaire Boulevard, Bellaire 77401
 Program Chairman: Terri Cole ~ 832-661-9494 ~ Email: tlc814@comcast.net

<p>SEPTEMBER 13</p> 	<p><i>"Getting to Know Brookwood"</i></p> <p>The Brookwood Community Tawana Goodwin, Volunteer Coordinator and Robert Grove, Horticulture Manager</p> <p>Club Presidents Honored Design Exhibits: Armature <i>Sandra Bierstedt-Gallegos, Chair</i></p> <p>Hosts: Zone 4 - Tony Huffman</p> <p>WORKSHOP: Awards <i>Pamela Randall, District IV Awards Chair</i> <i>Following the meeting</i></p>	<p>--Christmas Luncheon tickets \$40 See Linda Kuper – 713-478-9094 kuperfamily80@gmail.com</p> <p>--Order Poinsettias \$15 (Alma Gordon) 713-433-8058</p> <p>--Sign up for Workshops (Angela Roth) 713-569-2342</p> <p>--Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen --Plant Table Sales</p>
<p>OCTOBER 11</p> 	<p><i>"Things to Do to Help the Honeybees"</i></p> <p>Nicole Buergers, Bee2Bee Honey Collective</p> <p>FLOWER SHOW</p> <p>Hosts: Zone 2 - Sharon Nuzzi</p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen --Christmas Luncheon tickets (Linda Kuper) --Order Poinsettias (Alma Gordon) --Bring items for Christmas Silent Auction – all clubs and individual members</p>
<p>NOVEMBER 8</p> 	<p><i>"How to Create a Backyard Habitat"</i></p> <p>Rich Edie, Wild Birds Unlimited</p> <p>Hosts: Zone 3 - Ann Stiefel</p> <p>ARBOR DAY CEREMONY <i>Following the meeting – Church Grounds</i></p> <p>WORKSHOP: Native Bee Houses <i>Angela Roth, Chair</i> <i>Following the meeting</i></p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Plant Table Sales – donate plants to sell --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen --Christmas Luncheon tickets (Linda Kuper) --Order Poinsettias (Alma Gordon)-last day --Bring items for Christmas Silent Auction – all clubs and individual members</p> <p><i>Arbor Day Ceremony will be held on the church grounds immediately following the meeting. A joint project of Houston Federation of Garden Clubs and District IV of TGC.</i></p>
<p>DECEMBER 13</p> 	<p><i>"Southern Elegance"</i></p> <p><i>"A Magnolia & Pine Christmas Showcase"</i></p> <p>G. Alan Masters, AIFD, PFC-1, CFD</p> <p><i>"HOLIDAY TRADITONS"</i> HFGC CHRISTMAS BRUNCH</p> <p>Chairs: Susan Diehl and Tony Huffman</p>	<p>Poinsettia Pickup <i>Thursday afternoon, December 12</i> <i>Time to be announced later.</i></p> <p>Christmas Celebration <i>Tickets are required. No sales at door.</i></p> <p>-- Bring unwrapped toys and gift cards for those served by the Star of Hope Debra Kelley, Chair (713-248-8309) --Silent Auction, raffles & door prizes</p> <p><i>Payments by cash, check or credit card accepted.</i></p>

<p>JANUARY 10</p> 	<p><i>“Medicinal Landscaping”</i></p> <p>Mark “Merriweather” Vorderbruggen, Ph.D. Foraging Texas</p> <p>Hosts: Zone 1 - Katie Morrow</p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Plant Table Sales – donate plants to sell --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen</p>
<p>FEBRUARY 14</p> 	<p><i>“Portrait to Floral Design”</i></p> <p>Designing Women</p> <p>WORKSHOP: Pressed Flowers <i>Angela Roth, Chair</i></p> <p>Hosts: Zone 5 - Valeda Landry</p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Plant Table Sales – donate plants to sell --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen</p>
<p>MARCH 14</p> 	<p><i>“The Design Process”</i></p> <p>Regena Williamson, Master Flower Show Judge and member of Columbus Garden Club and the Houston Flower Show Judges Council</p> <p>Design Exhibits: Leaf Manipulation <i>Sandra Bierstedt-Gallegos, Chair</i></p> <p>Hosts: Zone 6 - Wendy Petruzzi</p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Plant Table Sales – donate plants to sell --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen</p>  <p>FOOD DRIVE</p>
<p>APRIL 11</p> 	<p><i>“Landscape Design and Curb Appeal”</i></p> <p>Susan Fruit, ASID, GMR, CAPS Susan Fruit Interiors</p> <p>Hosts: Zone 7 - Vilma Lopez-Jurado</p> <p>WORKSHOP: New Officers Workshop <i>Designed for newly elected club presidents, treasurers, and program/speaker chairmen. Immediately following meeting.</i></p>	<p>--Monthly Drawings --Plant Table Sales – donate plants to sell --Horticulture Exhibits – share a specimen</p>
<p>MAY 9</p> 	<p><i>“Enjoying Summer Flowers”</i></p> <p>Tony Huffman, ASID, AIFD, PFC-1, TMF</p> <p>Installation of Officers</p> <p>Federation Potluck - Bring A Dish to Share!</p>	<p>No Horticulture Exhibits Awards Presented</p> <p>Hostesses: Everyone! Please bring a dish to share!</p>

WINNER! WINNER! WINNER!

Learn how to submit a **NATIONAL AWARD WINNING** application.
Come to the **AWARD WORKSHOP** sponsored by the Houston Federation of Garden Clubs:

Presenter: Pamela Randall, 5th Vice-Director, Awards
Coastal Prairie Council of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. - District IV

Location: City Rise Church, 4601 Bellaire Blvd., Bellaire, TX 77401 (directly across the street from Faith Lutheran Church)

Date: September 13, 2024 – the 2nd Friday of the month.

Time: following the general meeting that **starts @10:30 a. m.**

I will provide handouts with examples. Come prepared with your questions.

See the District IV website (www.districtivtexasgardencubs.org) for all our National Award winners.

A Gardening Legacy . . .

Sherry Pierce, President of New Caney Garden Club shared, *"My mom, too, helped nurture my love of gardening and both of my adult sons are involved in the gardening business!"*

Petal Pushers Garden Club President Cathy Jenkins shared her story: *"I really loved your story about how you came to love gardening. I have something similar. My mother-in-law was a remarkable woman. She was a Tupperware super saleswoman. Had a vehicle and everything. She kept a small but beautiful garden with the help of her challenged twin sister that lived with her. One of the things I have in my garden in her memory is a big area of Ajuga. I love it and always think of her when it is blooming. It is beautiful, like she was."*

Please share your story with Federation President Jennifer Hydes at jen.hydes@yahoo.com.



Gardening For God Native Planting Series

By Angela Roth

Bouquettes Garden Club will be part of the team teaching members of the public how to grow Native Plants. Third Tuesday of the month September, October, November, January, February, March, and April. 6 -8pm in Prefontaine Hall at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 9900 Stella Link Road, Houston.

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs
presents
“Seasonal Transitions”

[Click here for full schedule](#)

An NGC Standard
Flower Show

Friday, October 11, 2024
12 to 2 pm

Free and Open to the Public

CityRise Church-Bellaire
4601 Bellaire Blvd., Bellaire 77401

National Garden Clubs, Inc. ~ South Central Region
Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. ~ District IV of TGC

“Holiday Traditions”

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs
December Celebration & Fundraiser

“Southern Elegance: A Magnolia & Pine Christmas Showcase”
by G. Alan Masters, AIFD, PFC-1, CFD

\$40.00 per ticket*



Friday, December 13

9:30 am to 1:30 pm

CityRise Church-Bellaire
4601 Bellaire Boulevard



Silent Auction, Raffles, Drawings, donation of unwrapped toys & gift cards for Star of Hope, Poinsettias and more! All clubs, affiliates & individual members are asked to donate to the auction. *Let's make our Auction fabulous!* Cash, check & credit cards are accepted for purchases.

*Tickets are available at our monthly Federation meetings (beginning in September) or by mail to Linda Kuper, 8 Rain Hollow Place, Houston 77024. *Checks payable to HFGC.* Questions, email Linda at kuperfamily80@gmail.com.
No ticket sales at the door.

Gala Chairs – Susan Diehl & Tony Huffman

HORTICULTURE CORNER

Fall Gardening

By Tricia Bradbury—reworked from a 2004 horticulture article

Welcome back to the garden club world!! We are now moving into what true gardeners know is the busiest time of the gardening year. Perennials are best planted in the fall to allow their roots time to establish before dealing with next summer's heat. There are plenty of plant sales around in September and October. Check the Federation newsletter and the gardening section of the Houston Chronicle. You should be able to find a sale almost every weekend!! I always recommend adding salvia to your garden. You can find one to fit just about any space, they come in a rainbow of colors, and some even grow (and bloom) in the shade.

Fall is also a great time to plant bulbs. Start planting bulbs later in the month or early October. Try agapanthus, alstromeria, watsonia, rainlily, amaryllis, ranunculus, nerine (Guernsey lily), scilla (squill), tritonia, and allium (try the gigantic ones). But don't wear yourself out because October and November are our really busy bulb planting months.

Fall is a great time to plant seeds for lots of flowers and you can continue planting all the way until the end of the year. I enjoy spreading a wildflower seed mixture and getting a nice surprise when things start growing. If you would like a more predictable outcome, plant bluebonnet, calendula, columbine, coreopsis, Drummond phlox, nicotiana, ox-eye daisy, Queen Anne's lace, Shasta daisy, and Stokesia. Don't worry if you don't have the time to plant seeds now...the best time for planting seeds for spring blooms is November and December.

Even if you don't have a plot dedicated to vegetables, you can still plant them. Just nestle them in with your other plants. Try Brussels sprouts, chard ('Bright Lights' is a knockout with snapdragons), chives, collards, artichokes, parsley (the curly varieties make beautiful borders), spinach, kale, green onions, cabbage, lettuce, radishes, and cauliflower. Now, get out there and start digging!!



SAVE THE DATE
SPRING DISTRICT IV
CONVENTION

"Wild About Wildflowers"

Hosted by
**LEAGUE CITY
GARDEN CLUB**
AREA 1

THURSDAY, MARCH 27
9AM TO 2PM

JOHNNY AROLFO
BALLROOM
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LEAGUE CITY

'The Event of the year'
Fabulous
Presentations, Luncheon, Plant
Sales Vendors, Auctions

Arbor Day

Friday, November 8
CityRise Church

Ceremony in honor of the
November 8th anniversary of the
National Arbor Day Foundation meeting



*A joint project of District IV of Texas
Garden Clubs, Inc. and the Houston
Federation of Garden Clubs*

POSTPONED!!

COASTAL PRAIRIE COUNCIL of TEXAS GARDEN CLUBS, Inc.

Proudly presents this
Award of Appreciation

to
Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

for supporting

BROOKWOOD - GARDEN THERAPY

on this day
March 27, 2024



Cindy Heckman
Signed: District IV Director

**Houston Federation wins
District IV and State
awards!!**



Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
Award of Appreciation
Houston Federation of Garden Clubs



Contributions

on this 11th day of April 2024

Linda Love
Awards Chairman
Lee H Taylor
President



Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
Certificate of Award

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HOUSTON FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS



Group of Clubs 1st Place District IV

on this 11th day of April 2024

Linda Love
Awards Chairman
Lee H Taylor
President



Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
Certificate of Award

TGC YEARBOOK AWARD

HOUSTON FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS



Group of Clubs 1st Place District IV

on this 11th day of April 2024

Linda Love
Awards Chairman
Lee H Taylor
President



Please consider volunteering at **The Brookwood Community** in Brookshire.

Brookwood's Garden Therapy program is a project of Houston Federation, District IV of TGC, and Texas Garden Clubs.

To sign up, go to:

www.brookwoodcommunity.org/volunteer/

Choose "Individuals" and complete the required Volunteer Application (takes about a minute!). You'll soon receive information about how to volunteer in their greenhouses, café, or with their luncheon lectures.

Volunteer – Lunch – Shop!

The perfect way to spend the day in Brookshire!



Questions, call the Volunteer Manager at



The HERB SOCIETY of AMERICA

Samull Classroom Herb Garden Grants

The Samull Grant application for 2025 is now open!

**Applications Due October 15, 2024
– Awards Announced January 2025**

[Click here to learn more](#)

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Corresponding Secretary	Tricia Bradbury



**NATIONAL GARDEN
CLUBS'
CERTIFIED
POLLINATOR GARDEN**



Apply to Register Your Garden

[APPLY HERE](#) to have your yard recognized as a National Garden Clubs Certified Pollinator Garden! Once approved, you will have the option to order an NGC Certified Pollinator Garden Yard Sign!

For questions regarding the PLANT AMERICA- Plant for Pollinators project, please contact:

[Virginia Schmidt, Plant for Pollinators Chairman](#)



Harris County Master Gardeners Northwest Fall Plant Sale

Vegetables, Herbs, Flowers, Bulbs & Natives



Saturday
Sept 28th,
9am- 1pm

Alabonson Park
9650 N Houston Rosslyn Road, Houston

**NEW: Pre-order plants online Sept 18- 24
for pickup at the sale!**

Pre-order link live on Sept 18th at: hcmga.tamu.edu/plant-sales



Annual Ice Cream Social & Rose Expert Panel

Since Hurricane Beryl's damage required us to cancel our July Meeting, we are holding our annual ice cream social in September. We will have ice cream available for all attendees. Please consider bringing your favorite ice cream topping or cookies to share with everyone.

We will have a panel of Consulting Rosarian Experts available to answer your questions on growing roses. Donald Burger, Maria Trevino, Mary Fulgham, and Randy Keen will share their expertise with us. Also, Mary and Randy will discuss their visit to English rose gardens and a flower show where Mary served as a Horticulture Judge during their vacation!

Danny Wilson with Farm Dirt and Karen Gerlach with Itchy Gardens and Art have been invited to share their knowledge and products with us.

This meeting is in person only at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church located at 1819 Heights Blvd., Houston TX 77008

We hope you can join us and bring a guest on Thursday, September 12th at 7 pm.



HORTICULTURE CORNER

By newsletter editor, Tricia Bradbury

The Horticulture Bulletin is now Horticulture Corner—a short blurb each month to pique your interest and written by a variety of our members.

Thanks so much to Nancy Giffhorn for the August article and Tricia Bradbury for the recycled September article.

Watch for upcoming articles by your HFGC friends:

October—Sarah Bentley

November—Angela Roth

December—Tony Huffman

January—Pamela Randall

February—

March—

April—

May—Kathleen Sullivan

NOTE: Notice that February, March, and April slots are still available!! You could share your little gardening blurb. First 3 submissions will be used so don't dilly-dally!!!



Harris County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension: AUGUST & SEPTEMBER EVENTS – ALL HOUSTON



SEPTEMBER EVENTS

HCMGA Plant Sales

Harris County Master Gardeners: Northwest Fall Plant Sale: Vegetables, Herbs, Flowers, Bulbs & Natives.

SAT, SEPT 28, 9:00am- 1:00pm. Alabonson Park, 9650 N Houston Rosslyn Rd, Houston. Get your fall gardens set up with the best varieties for Houston. Cash and cards accepted. Pre-order online for pickup at the sale, Sept 18- 24. hcmga.tamu.edu/plant-sales

GREEN THUMB SERIES HOSTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

Heirloom and Pass-along Plants by Harris County Master Gardeners.

MON, SEPT 9, 10:00am- 11:30am. Learn about some treasured southern heirlooms and how to “pass them along” to friends and neighbors. Free Virtual Lecture hosted by Houston Community College. Register in advance to receive link: hcc.idloom.events/gardening-series/register

Heirloom and Pass-along Plants by Harris County Master Gardeners.

TUES, SEPT 17, 11:00am- 12:00pm. Learn about some treasured southern heirlooms and how to “pass them along” to friends and neighbors. Free Virtual Lecture hosted by Harris County Public Library via Facebook Live. No reservation required: facebook.com/harriscountypub/events

HARRIS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER PUBLIC LECTURES

Topic TBD by Skip Richter.

TUES, SEPT 3, 11am- 12:30pm. Trini Mendenhall Community Center, 1414 Wirt Rd, Houston. First Tuesday Monthly Lecture Series is free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu/lecture-series

Container Gardening by Harris County Master Gardeners.

WED, SEPT 4, 10:30am. Tracy Gee Community Center, 3599 Westcenter Dr., Houston. Learn the basics to start and maintain a container garden. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu

Decorating for Gardening Fun by Harris County Master Gardeners.

WED, SEPT 11, 10:30am. Tracy Gee Community Center, 3599 Westcenter Dr., Houston. Learn some new tips and tricks to make your gardening space fun. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu

Composting by Harris County Master Gardeners.

TUES, SEPT 17, 10:30am. Glazier Senior Ed Center, 16600 Pine Forest Ln., Houston. Learn best practices and techniques to make your own compost. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu



Fall Vegetable Gardening by Harris County Master Gardeners.

WED, SEPT 18, 12:30pm. Tracy Gee Community Center, 3599 Westcenter Dr., Houston. Learn how to get your fall vegetable garden started and see how easy it is to grow your own tasty fall vegetables. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu

A Few Perennials by Harris County Master Gardeners.

THUR, SEPT 19, 10am. Glazier Senior Ed Center, 16600 Pine Forest Ln., Houston. Including perennials in your garden is a must, let us show you why. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu

Container Gardening by Harris County Master Gardeners.

SUN, SEPT 29, 10am. Steve Radack Community Center, 18650 Clay Rd., Houston. Learn the basics to start and maintain a container garden. Free and open to the public. hcmga.tamu.edu

HARRIS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS OPEN GARDEN DAY

Genoa Friendship Garden- Open Garden Day.

MON, SEPT 16, 8:30am- 11:00am. Free tour of Genoa Friendship Gardens, 1210 Genoa Red Bluff Road, Houston. Tour a variety of planting exhibits, meet, and talk with Harris County Master Gardeners. hcmga.tamu.edu



From Sylvia Drew's garden

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- Opportunity to compete for awards
- Opportunity to apply for member scholarship
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