



# A&M Garden Club Newsletter

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## A&M Garden Club Officers:

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              Sherry Ellison  
Past President: Kaye Hobbs

## Upcoming Events:

**Dec 2**        10:00 am A&M GC Board  
                  Meeting - Hillary's house

**Dec 9**        9:30 am A&M GC Holiday  
                  Social at Hillary Jessup's  
                  Home

## TIP OF THE MONTH

**Horticulture:** We are already getting light freezes and temps in the 20's are predicted for next week. Make sure to bring your plants in and cover those that are tender.

**Design:** Consider a little festive holiday design in your home and experiment with wreaths. If you are industrious you can make one from juniper boughs (cedar) in your yard or grapevine, but you can start with a pre-made wreath such as grapevine (found at Hobby Lobby or Michael's), or one of the evergreen wreaths (sold at Lowe's/Home Depot or Sam's). Then add your own personal touches like attaching small Christmas ornaments, pinecones, or nuts (use hot glue for the latter). Since this isn't in a flower show, you can add artificial material so it will last year round but much of the dried stuff will do just fine in storage. If you really don't want to do too much a big hit is to attach hard candies with thin colored ribbon to small branches and people can "pick their own". Peppermints and sour balls give pretty color and tolerate cold temperatures. Children & grandchildren enjoy this type of activity and can take one home for their own door.

## DECEMBER HOLIDAYSOCIAL AND PLANT EXCHANGE

Friday, December 9, 2011 at 9:30 am

Meet at Hillary Jessup's Home, 115 Lee Ave, College Station

**Hostesses:** All members bring goodies to share

"Remember to bring a plant or garden related gift for exchange"

## COFFEE GROUNDS FOR COMPOST



The A&M Garden Club has collected about 700 pounds of coffee grounds so far. Most are in storage for time being.

**December Birthdays:**

**Jane Cohen Dec. 16**

**Kaye Hobbs Dec. 29**

**SCRAP BOOK ITEMS**

Do you have an item to go  
in the scrap book?  
Bring it to the monthly meeting.

**Please be kind, turn it in on time!**  
It's hard for the ladies to go back  
and insert late items after  
the pages have been designed.

**WAYS & MEANS TABLE**

Don't forget to bring your plants  
and/or gardening items for the  
Ways and Means Table.

**Please price the items before you  
bring them to the meeting.**

**CARRIAGE INN PROGRAM**

Judy Schafer had a great group for the Indian Legends about Texas Plants program at the Carriage Inn. There were about 20-30 people who attended. Judy connected the program with Thanksgiving and as a thank you for our garden club working with the residents and having the flower show there last spring.



**ZONE II MEETING**

Hillary Jessup, Jane Cohen, Judy Schafer and Heather White attended the Zone II Meeting in November. Heather White represented the Central Texas Judges Council. Our president, Hillary Jessup, did the courtesy resolution for the meeting. A&M Garden Club brought a bag of coffee grounds (donated by Starbucks) for each club in our zone but only 6 were present so the rest were used for door prizes.



**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Very soon, the club will be seeking officers to fill the board for 2012. Per the Bylaws, these officers are elected at the January meeting and installed in May. Check your yearbook in the Bylaws section for a description and duties of the offices. Please consider volunteering for a position on the board. If you are interested in a specific position or willing to serve in any capacity, please contact Hillary Jessup.

**NOVEMBER 11, 2011 MEETING**

Joe Novak spoke on the value of gardening in our lives and as always was a great presentation. Hostesses for the meeting were Hillary Jessup, Maryan Manson, and Heather White. Marge Watkins graciously delivered the food made by Heather and Heather appreciated that! Coffee grounds continue to be available and many pounds are in storage. Judy Schafer, Jane Cohen, and Hillary Jessup all have some and encourage you to incorporate these into your composting and garden.