

A&M GARDEN CLUB

September 2014



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September A&M Garden Club Meeting

Friday, September 12th - 9:30 a.m.

College Station WW Facility, 2200 North Forest Parkway
(Training Room)

SPEAKER: Kendall Jennings, Texas Lightscapes, locally owned & operated business.

“Lighting in the Landscape”

Kendall Jennings is a local landscaper with over 14 years of experience, specializing in "Light Scapes". He will talk to us about Holiday and general outdoor lighting to enhance our own yards and property, both from a beauty and safety point of view.

Hostesses: Sarah Barrick & Mary Aasterud

Upcoming Events

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| Sept 5-14 | TGC Trip - Portugal & Azores |
| Sept 12 | A&M GC Meeting, College Station, TX |
| Sept 14 | 4-H Banquet, Expo Center, Bryan, TX |
| Sept 24-28 | NGC Fall Board Meeting - Des Moines, IA |
| Sept 29-30 | TGC Landscape Design School, College Station, TX |
| Sept 30-Oct 1 | TGC Flower Show IV, Dallas, TX |

Preparing for the July 4th booth



Members put together fans for the July 4th booth at Heritage Park. Jane printed the fans and Michele bought the handle material. We also packaged up some annual seeds to give away. The workshop was held at home of Judy Schafer.

Dale Schafer took pictures. The fan idea was from the June district workshop. We all had a good time.

Brazos Valley Museum Butterfly Release



Thank you to those who helped with the garden club educational display for the Brazos Valley Museum Butterfly Release. Even with limited space this year we had good outreach to the public as well as helping out the museum. We enjoyed having Debbie, Mary, Heather, Michele, Sandy and Helen Quinn helping. We had some interest from several in

joining the garden club. We gave out seeds for butterflies and plant lists for butterflies along with bookmarks and butterfly craft pages, We had video of local butterflies at the display table as well as in the TV room.



Summer Garden Week Displays at Local Libraries



The theme for the AMGC National Garden Displays this summer was "Gardening is Fun!". The displays were set up at the College Station Larry Ringer Library and the Bryan Clara Mounce Library! Carmen, Geneva, and Sherry set them up. Judy let us use her two mason bee homes for the displays. We included a National Garden Week Proclamation by Mayor Berry, Mayor Bienski, and County Judge Dwayne Peters in both library displays. We also included the NGC Proclamation and the NGC Poster. We had "Things You Need to Start a Garden" on the first shelf with a watering can, a pot, gloves, a trowel, a hand fork, a jar of soil, a jar of fertilizer, seed

packets, 3 gardening books, a fairy garden program picture, and another picture. The second shelf was about gardening and pollinators. The mason bee house, a SOS student picture including a house, a foldout of the Wildflowers of Texas, wildflower seed packets, and a bee book are on that shelf. The top shelf has more about pollinators (a bat book and a hummingbird book) more about gardening, and pictures of students of all ages and members gardening. The Gardening is Fun! placard by AMGC is on top of the case with an activity photograph.



We hope you like these displays, and we hope some club members would like to help do this for upcoming National Garden Week displays. Please contact Sherry Ellison if you would like to join in the fun...

Brazos Heritage Society Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration



Many thanks to Michele, Jane, Ceci, Kay Hamn and Judy for doing the July 4th booth. Hilary furnished the canopy. Judy and Michele furnished tables. Susanne and Carman came by to visit. We also had a nice visit with former long time member Betty Burnam who came by as we were setting up the booth. Kay Hamn's grandson was helpful with poisonous plant information. Michele's husband and Judy's husband took pictures and helped set up and take down the booth. This was a very successful event for the club. We gave out

lots of info to questions from visitors to the booth. Passed out plants, seeds, brochures and the new fans made at the workshop with info about the club. We displayed the new banner made by Hilary's husband. Judge McDonald visited awhile when he came by to collect his free plant and discussed his gardens and requested information about the Indian legends about Texas plants and maybe a program for one of the groups he belongs to. We were able to furnish info to people who were new to area about what to grow here and ID red yucca and supply the info to them from the article in an issue of *The Lone Star Gardener*.



Summer Fun - Coffee Anyone???

The Garden Club ladies got together for coffee this summer. It was so much fun catching up and finding out what everyone's summer gardening plans were.



Birthdays

June

Sally Koestler June 25
Angelika Hoepfl June 26

July

Mary Aasterud July 10
Ellen Pullen July 13
LaNell Crumpler July 19
Hillary Jessup July 22
Sandy Williams July 28

August

Johanna Roman Aug 1
Heather White Aug 4
Ceci Matthews Aug 10
Carleen Cook Aug 11
Rose Smith Aug 17
Norma Jean Stokes Aug 28

September

Mary Staffel Sept 2
Debbie Puetz Sept 11
Kelly Kimple Sept 23
Lenora Patranella Sept 23

Announcements

The Flower Show schedule is now available to view on the A&M Garden Club Website. The link is <http://www.amgardenclub.com>