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environment - together!!!*

Meeting 2nd Friday of the month, September –
May
9:30 – 11:30 at College Station WW Facility
2200 North Forest Parkway College Station, TX
77845

NEWSLETTER : JAN. 2017

CALENDAR JAN / FEB

Jan 6: AMGC Board Meeting 1-3 CSWWF
Jan 13: Regular monthly meeting – Program by
Tricia Barksdale on Flowers for Spring, design
Jan 27: Valentine making workshop at Judy's-
Details tba.
Feb 3: AMGC Board Meeting 1-3 CSWWF
Feb 10: Regular monthly meeting-Program by
Sharon Wells, Earth Gallery Farms “Integrating
Fish into your Grden” – all about aquaponics.
Feb 27-28: Landscape Design School



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HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS TO :
Marti L Jan 2, Ann G Jan 7, Sarah B Jan 8, Judy S
Jan 11, Deana D Jan 13, Eugenia W Jan 14,
Margaret Ann Jan 15, Carolyn W Jan 15,
Barbara M Jan 16, Susan D, Jan 24, Mary Ann T
Jan 25, Cindie D Jan 26, Sherry E Jan 29,
Marianne M Jan 30



JANUARY IN THE GARDEN

PLAN: Order Gladiolus and dahlia tubers, get seed beds ready for nasturtium, petunia, pins, scabiosa and snapdragons. Start plants of snapdragon, stock and tomatoes in flats if you have a sunny spot where you can protect them from freezes.

PRUNE: If plants were injured by freezing, wait until all danger of further frost has passed before pruning.

PLANT: Shrubs, roses and seedlings. Gladiolus after January 20, being sure to cover lightly with 4" of soil.

FERTILIZE AND MULCH: Iris, crepe myrtle, trees, strawberries, daylilies.

SPRAY AND DUST: Any plants showing scale should be sprayed with dormant oil.

WEATHER PROTECTION : If a freeze is predicted, cover tender plants and shrubs with boxes or plastic trash cans (not metal). Heavy paper also works well. After the freeze remove cover promptly. If so frost has touched the leaves, spray with water before the sun shines on them.

BLOOMING: Depending on the weather, could be calendula, narcissus, pansy, jasmine, loquat, flowering quince, roses and many hardy annuals and perennials.

VEGETABLES: Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Eggplant, Lettuce, Peppers and Onion should have already been seeded Indoors. In mid January start Tomatoes indoors, Transplant Spinach to garden

HERBS: If you are lucky you will have all kinds of herbs that self-seeded in the summer. Cilantro, Parsley, etc. Throw a light cover over them if frost threatens.

MONARCH MOMENT

Most of the butterflies have either left the country or gone to hibernate, although with these unusually warm days that came after the mid December freeze, some are out and about again. Judy and Deana went to Bee Creek Park last week when a City worker was installing a sign. There are more to go up at other sites in College Station. Jane reports that DAR is planning to include this conservation project in an upcoming DAR Magazine.



Don't forget to register your butterfly garden no matter if it is an acre or a container – even just a few plants can make a huge difference to the life of a butterfly as well as be an aid to pollinating the plants.

80th Birthday Celebration Tea

At our January meeting (and until all the seats are gone) we will have sheets available for signup if you plan to attend this tea at Martha's Bloomers on March 29th, 2017. Please be sure to bring your checkbooks – we need your money to accept your reservation! \$18 per person (club will pay the tip.) Since seating is limited to 42 max, reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis, and will be for members only.

Valentine Card-making workshop

Judy has once again graciously offered to host a workshop to make Valentine's Cards for the residents at Crestview to be delivered with Meals on Wheels. She would like to know how many people to expect so please let her know. We will remind everyone at the January meeting. Judy and Deana will provide supplies but members will need to bring their own scissors, glue, pencils, pen.

Landscape Design School

Be watching for signup sheets to help at the Landscape Design School **February 27-28**. They will be available at our January meeting. Newer members of the club might want to consider coming to help with this – it is always a lot of fun, and it is an opportunity to meet members of other Garden Clubs, Master Gardeners, Master Naturalists – all those who are interested in plants, landscapes and wildlife.

OTHER

Future Dates to remember:

February 17-18 – Environmental Studies School,
Old Fort Parker, Groesbeck

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March 9 - District V Spring Meeting, Kempner

April 18-21- TGC Spring Convention, Odessa

April 28-29 – SCR Convention, Albuquerque NM

May 16-17-NGC Spring Convention Richmond VA



THE LAST WORD

All that's left to say, as we wind down another year, is thank you all for your part in making 2016 another successful Garden Club year! Even more important than "success" is the friendships we have developed and the opportunities to share our love of all things gardening!

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Helen