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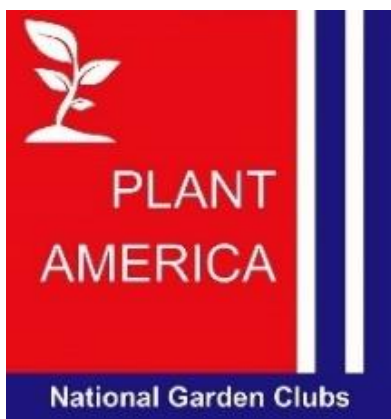
Meeting 2nd Friday of the month, Sept – April
9:30 – 11:30 at College Station WW Facility
2200 North Forest Parkway College Station, TX
May at 6878 McCrae Lane, Bryan, 77808

NEWSLETTER : APRIL 2019

See inside for Calendar of Events

April, May

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Texas Club of the Year 2016
Texas Garden Club of the Year
(Silver) 2017
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MARCH IN REVIEW

March 8 Regular Meeting

Horticulture Minute was presented by Sherry M, "Egyptian Walking Onions", and Design Minute by Judy S. , and the beautiful floral centerpiece was also made by Judy!



March 9 Violet Crown GC Flower Show

Congratulations to Suzanne M. for her First Place Ribbon with her design interpretation of a waterfall.



March 14 District V Spring Meeting- Hubbard, TX

7 AMGC members attended this Spring meeting. New officers for the 2019-2021 term were installed and we enjoyed an interesting program on products made with goat milk on a home farm. The star of the show was a one-week old Dwarf Nigerian kid!



March 10 City of College Station Monarch March at Lick Creek Park

Garden club members gave out butterfly garden info, seeds, registered Pollinator gardens for chance to win milkweed plants, worked with children, had live Monarch Butterflies, gave out refrigerator magnets and answered many questions. Local TV station included our table & members in their Newscast video! (Pics: Judy S)



March 15 Pilgrimage to Herb Society's Plant Sale, Round Top

8 of us made the journey to Round Top (there may have been more at different times during the day.) A biting cold wind kept a lot of people away, but the plants and the talk by Henry Flowers met our expectations!



March 28 – Plant America Grant Program for Kids at The Gardens



Fantastic, Fun and Fruitful day working with 64 K and Pre-K kids from St. Thomas' Early Learning Center. Activities were "Plant Parts we Eat", "Plant Needs – Sombreros", "Insect Symmetry" (Snacks) and "Garden Tours" looking for bugs (real and paper!!! – Pollinator garden, tasting/smelling herbs, watering plants with water drawn from an old timey hand pump) After the event some of us were treated to a tour of the whole gardens area! Missing from the photo is Lyndie. Pictured are I to r - Johanna, Sherry E., Helen, Teresa (WCMG who has traveled with us to Guatemala), Sherry M., Ann, Susie, Jane, Martha.

March 30 – "The Big Event"

Report and pictures will be available in May Newsletter.

APRIL IN THE GARDEN

PLAN: A regular schedule for fertilizing and spraying. Make a calendar for gardening use to remind you when to plant, fertilize, start seeds and place orders.

PRUNE: Early flowering trees and shrubs after they bloom.

PLANT: Coral Vine, Cosmos, Elephant Ears, Zinnias. Divide mums and place in beds prepared in March.

FERTILIZE & MULCH: Lawns, with extra fertilizer for areas under trees.

SPRAY: Watch for black spot and other pests. Check roses after each rain and treat if necessary. Chinch bugs and brown spot may appear in the lawn. Use treatments recommended by your County Agent and continue to keep an eye out all summer.

WEATHER PROTECTION: Mulch. Water deeply if needed.

BLOOMING: Spring flowering annuals and perennials, geraniums, iris, calla and Easter lilies, Oxalis, Early Daylilies and Gladiolus. Many flowering shrubs and vines.

VEGETABLES: (Give or take a few days.)

Bean, Bush **3/10** – 5/5

Bean, Pole **3/10** – 4/10

Chard, Swiss, 2/1-4/20

Corn, Sweet, **3/5** – 5/5

Cucumber, **3/20** – 6/15

Eggplant transplants, **3/25** – 6/10

Mustard, 2/20-4/15

Spinach, 1/20-2/20

Turnip, 1/15-4/20

Melons, 4/5-6/15

Okra, 4/5-6/15

Peas, Southern, 4/5-6/15

Pepper transplants, 4/5-6/15

Potato, Sweet, 4/5-5/20

Pumpkin, 4/5-6/15

Radish, 1/25-5/5

Squash, Summer, **3/15** – 6/15

Squash, Winter, 3/15 – 6/15
Tomato transplants, 3/5 – 4/20

Don't forget when transplanting tomatoes, whether into larger containers or in the ground, to remove the lower leaves and sink up to the top leaves. Even better, remove lower leaves and plant horizontally, covering the stem with soil to encourage rooting on the stem, and sturdier plants!!! Horizontal plants will soon turn up their tips to reach for the sky!

CALENDAR THRU MAY 2019



APRIL

- 1-4 TGC Spring Convention, El Paso, TX.
Details In Lone Star Gardener & District Newsletter
- 12 AMGC Regular Monthly Meeting: Program On Mounting & propagating Begonias, by Tom Keepin, Begonia Society, Judge.
- 12-13 SCR Convention Oklahoma City, OK
- 20 Earth Day Celebration – details TBA
- 24 Workshop to make greetings cards at Ann's – 10 am – 12 pm.
- Apr 30-May 3 – NGC Convention, Biloxi, MS.

MAY

- 10 AMGC Regular Meeting 9:30 am at:
[6878 McCrae Lane, Bryan, TX 77845](#)
Installation of Officers for 2019-2020,
Pot luck Lunch. Overview of 2018-19.

NOTES FROM HEATHER:

Heather will be asking for an indication from members as to who plans to attend the May meeting at Kelli's home – this is for "logistics", like availability of chairs! If everyone who has a lawn chair could bring it "just in case" that would be perfect! You won't want to miss this Pot Luck meeting and installation of new officers!

April's Meeting will be the last at our usual place, the Carter's Creek Wastewater Facility training room.
MAY WILL BE AT KELLI'S HOME
6878 McCrae Lane, Bryan, TX 77845
Starting in August we will meet at College Station Medical Center building on Rock Prairie Road, same side of the road as Kroger, just beyond Longmire.
More details will be forthcoming

Save the date:

October 27-November 5 2019
"Gardenista" Trip to Guatemala.
Contact Helen for details!



Several of us have already purchased air tickets, but there are still a couple of spaces available.

Membership – Helen Q

Fourth reminder: Membership dues of \$25 are due no later than the May meeting. Dues received after May 31 will be subject to a late fee of \$10 per our By-Laws revision dated October 2018. (Bylaws are on the website "Members Only" section.)

On Friday March 29th we said our Goodbye's to Viola de la Garza at St. Mary's Catholic church in College Station. R.I.P. Amiga!

