



Proud member of National Garden Clubs,  
South Central Region Garden Clubs  
Texas Garden Clubs, and District V  
*The nation plants, designs,  
and works to help the  
environment - together!!!*

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

## NEWSLETTER : Feb. 2018

### CALENDAR Feb

Feb. 2: AMGC Board Meeting  
Feb. 9: AMGC Regular Meeting. Program by  
Mike Shoup of Antique Rose Emporium, on  
“Antique Roses”.

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TGC: [www.texasgardenclubs.org](http://www.texasgardenclubs.org)  
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*HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!*

### 2017-2018 OFFICERS

Texas Garden Club of the Year  
(Bronze) 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Texas Club of the Year 2016

Co-President  
Sherry Ellison  
Helen Quinn

VP Programs:  
Carolyn Parsons

VP Yearbook  
Sherry McKenzie

VP Community Events  
(As needed)

VP Hospitality  
Mary Aasterud

Recording Secretary  
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Member at Large  
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## **JANUARY IN REVIEW**

Despite another round of snow and ice, we "Carry On!"

On **Jan. 12** we enjoyed an extremely interesting program by Heather W on "Growing Fresh Air - how plants remove toxins and treat Sick Building Syndrome". We were amazed to learn how different plants have different cleaning properties, and and different capabilities.



For the Horticulture Minute, Sandy W. shared how she uses fallen oak leaves in the bottom flower of pots to rot down and add nutrition to the soil.

25 photos of subject of choice were brought in by members to display – what a lot of talent was evident in all the beautiful pictures.



On **January 19**, ten members met at The Village Café in downtown Bryan for coffee and visiting.

And on January 19, 20 Rose, Idalia, Norma Jean and Heather attended Environmental Study School at Old Fort Parker.



## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018-2019**

**The following officers were elected at the January Meeting:**

President: Heather White

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Khristurmond & Michele Wehrheim

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Ann Gundy

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: Kelli Kerns & Jane Cohen

4<sup>th</sup> Vice President: Mary Aasterud

Recording Secretary: Suzanne Milstead

Corresponding Secretary: Judy Anderson

Reporter: Deana Dossey

Thank you, Ladies. 2018-2019 will be another great year for A&M Garden Club!!!

## **FEBRUARY IN THE GARDEN**

**PLAN:** Start a garden diary with places for botanical names, dates for planting, fertilizing and blooming. Decide what to plant for constant color in the garden and to coordinate with your interior decoration.

**PRUNE:** Roses, grape vines, summer-blooming shrubs.

**PLANT:** Dahlia, Dutch Iris, cornflower, cosmos, daisy, larkspur, nasturtium, petunia, phlox, pinks, scabiosa, water lily seeds, cuttings of

hardwoods, chrysanthemums, ivy and climbing fig. Perennials may be divided and set in their new positions if not done in the fall.

**FERTILIZE AND MULCH:** Grdenias, blooming bulbs, nandina and other shrubs and trees.

**SPRAY & DUST:** Any plants showing scale should be sprayed with dormant oil if not done in January.

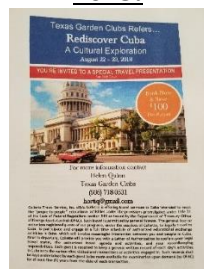
**WEATHER PROTECTION:** Keep plants in good condition by watering, but not enough to activate growth.

**BLOOMING:** Flowering Quince, pansies, pinks, snapdragon, sweet peas.

**VEGETABLES:** (Give or take a few days.)

Asparagus (crowns) 1/15-3/15; Beet 1/5-3/5; Broccoli (plants) 1/20-3/5; Cabbage (plants) 1/1-3/5; Chinese Cabbage 2/1 – 3/10; Carrots thru 3/5; Cauliflower\* 2/15 – 3/20; Chard, Swiss 2/1 – 4/20; Collard\* 2/10 – 3/31; Garlic 1/1-3/15; Kale (plants) 1/20-3/10; Kohlrabi 1/20-3/10; Leaf Lettuce 1/15-3/2; Mustard 1/20-4/14; Spinach 1/20-2/20; Turnip 1/15-4/20; Onion bulbs 1/5-2/5; English Peas 1/20-2/20; Edible Pod Peas 1/25 - 3/5; Potato, Irish 2/5 – 3/5; Radish 1/25-5/5.

### **TGC TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY FOR SUMMER 2018!**



### **CUBA AUGUST 22 – 29, 2018**

Come with us to rediscover Cuba before all the tourists catch on! This is a trip authorized under the “People-to-People” educational activities, such travel being permitted by general license. See the Classic Cars and meet the owners of these restored vehicles, participate in a Salsa lesson and learn about

the Cuban national dance, the “Danzón”. Enjoy the beautiful beaches of Cayo Santa Maria, and a 4 night stay in lively and historic Havana, Botanical Gardens, Hemingway’s home, Cigars and Cuban artist Jose Fuster. Brochures are now available, but details can be found at: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/781590>



### **EXPANDED CALENDAR THRU MAY 2018**

#### ***FEBRUARY***

- 2 – Board Meeting
- 3 – Dr. Bill Welch seminar on Rose Rustlers at Martha’s Bloomers
- 7 – Valentine’s Workshop at Ann G’s 1 – 3 pm
- 9 – Regular Meeting, program Growing Roses
- 10 – Gay Hammond seminar on roses at Martha’s Bloomers
- 10 – 11, BCS Home & Garden Show, Expo Ctr
- 16 – Club Coffee morning
- 26,27 – Landscape Design School

#### ***MARCH***

- 2 – Board Meeting
- 3- Garden Seminar at M. Bloomers by David McAden, 11- 12 pm
- 4 – Plant Sale/Butterfly event
- 9 – Regular Meeting, program on Herbs
- 16- Round Top Herbal Forum/Plant Sale OR Club Coffee morning
- 19- Easter Workshop at Ann G’s 1-3 pm
- 21- District V Spring Meeting, Georgetown
- 24- The Big Event/Richard Carter Park

#### ***APRIL***

- 6 – Board Meeting
- 4, 5, 6 TX Master Gardener convention in CS – you are invited! See information at [2018tmga.conference.com](http://2018tmga.conference.com)
- 9, 10, 11, 12, TGC Spring Convention, Fort Worth
- 13- Regular Meeting, prog. Good & Bad Bugs
- 20 – Club Coffee morning
- 21- (?) Earth Day
- 27,28, 29 SCR Convention, Houston

#### ***MAY***

- 4 – Board Meeting

11- Regular Meeting, Pot Luck, Officer  
Installation, vote on Club Status  
18 – Club Coffee morning  
21,22,23,24 – NGC Convention, Philadelphia



### **Garden Club Beatitudes**

**Blessed is the club which plants long-lived  
trees and shrubs,  
for generations shall call them blessed.**

**Blessed is the club in which each member  
makes a garden,  
for God may be seen in the heart of a flower.**

**Blessed is the club which cleans up the  
highways and home grounds,  
for cleanliness is next to godliness.**

**Blessed is the club which considers the  
children and teaches them to garden,  
for these children shall become the garden  
clubs of tomorrow.**

**Blessed is the club which teaches  
conservation,  
for their work shall live long after them.**

**Blessed is the club which puts love and  
service into their work,  
for great shall be their reward.**

**Blessed is the club which works and  
complains not.**

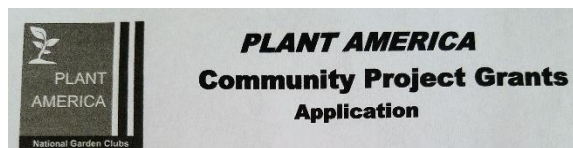
**Blessed is the club which protects the birds,  
for they shall be worthy of thanks.**

**Anonymous---Reprinted from Minnesota  
Newsletter. (Submitted by Judy S)**



At the February General Meeting there will be a sign up sheet for volunteers to help at Richard Carter Park for "The Big Event" day. Kelli K. is contacting A&M for student workers, and in addition to volunteers, tools and wheelbarrows will be needed. More information at the February meeting.

### **SAVING THE BEST FOR LAST ☺**



At the end of October NGC was inviting applications for a grant for Plant America Community Project. Johanna submitted an application on behalf of our club, and we just received notification that we have been awarded \$950 for our project. The idea is to use those funds to conduct a youth gardening program at The Gardens. Initial planning will soon begin - "watch this space"!!!!

We hope that many of you will help us make this event a success. Let Johanna know if you are interested.

**Plus, there are two or three spaces left on  
the Guatemala trip Sept. 23- Oct. 1 – Let  
Johanna know if interested ☺**