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Newsletter
 March 2024



March 8, 2024

Business: 9:30 am. Fellowship Room, Peace Lutheran Church, 2201 Rio Grande Blvd, CS
Program: "Seasonal Garden Style Floral Arrangements" by Jaelynn Soloman, Urban Rubbish, Free Spirited Floristry"
Hostess - Michele W, Joni E, Ann G, Sheila F. Carol Martin, Zone II Director, will visit. Discussion on proposed bylaws revisions.

NGC Education Monthly Highlight

Thanks and congratulations to the A&M GC for helping with the Landscape Design School.



Landscape Design School, February 2024, TAMU. Center: Registrar Michele W & Chair Diane Mackenroth.



Center Back - Lee Taylor TGC State President, Right - Sherry E & Sherry Mck



L-Susie O, R- Dr. Gerald Burgner, TAMU Professor

A&M Garden Club President

Serve with intention.

- Linda K



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Calendar

Feb 27, 2024 at 7 pm - Mycorrhizal Fungi by Dr. Lisa Morano, Professor of Biology & Microbiology at the Univ of Houston-Downtown, and the Director of the UHD Center for Urban Agriculture and Sustainability. Sponsored by Master Gardeners. Location - Brazos County Extension Office, 4153 County Park Court, Bryan. The bacteria found inside plants, including plant pathogens, and the friendly non-pathogenic inhabitants, called endophytes are good to keep the plants in your garden healthy. Free and open to the public.

Mar 8 - President's Project - Linda's Plant America at Peace Lutheran Food Distribution

Mar 13, Wed, 9:30 am, Coffee - First Watch Café, 4501 South Texas. Coffee, cocktails, oatmeal, breakfast sandwiches, eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, waffles, etc. Coffee socials are come and go.

Mar 15-16, 8 am - 5 pm Herbal Forum and Plant Sale, Festival Hill, 248 Jaster Rd, Round Top.

Mar 16, 8-10 am NFG Planting Day - contact Heather

Mar 23, 8 am - 1 pm Extension Spring Plant Sale, 4153 County Park Court, Bryan

Mar 23 10 to 2 Big Event at Richard Carter Park.
Mar 27 Dist V Spring Meeting, Smithville.
 More - <https://www.brazosmg.com/calendar/>

Coffee - Feb 22

Kyle House L-R: Carmen B, Linda K, Khris T, Sherry E, Rose J, Annette, Andrew, Mack D. + Sheila F.



March Birthdays

2 Joni E 23 Dot W 26 Sharon F

Seeds for Life Program in Guatemala Jan 30-Feb 6 focused on heart healthy foods and activities! Thanks to Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. for a grant that made this program possible and to A&M Garden Club members who led fun educational activities - Johanna R, Helen Q, Rose J, Michele W, & Sherry McK.



Rose J's group - foam hearts & flower stickers that kids love so much. They previously learned parts of the plant.



Michele W & Helen Q planting healthy bean seeds and making plant labels.



Sherry McK searching for good and not-so-good food toys in a bucket of beans or a bucket of rice.

February Meeting



Speaker Don Maples



Speaker donated orchid door prizes



Hostess: Judy A, Sherry McK, Greta M, Phyllis P



Left: **Horticulture Tip** - Judy S shared example of combined planting for the March President's Project to Plant America and promote edible foods. Judy demonstrated making newspaper pots.



Right: **Table Design** "Cowgirl Christmas" by Heather W at the Flower Show School in Houston Jan 29-31. She created an Exhibition Table Design in Class "Texas Winter Wonderland". Plant material was red cedar branches and red roses.

Door Prize won by



Bylaw Revisions - Heather W sent the proposed bylaws to A&M GC on Feb 9 at 10:13 am, during the program, for members to read. All bylaw changes require a first reading at a meeting, A second reading is done after due notice at least one month before. Discussion and understanding of proposed changes is encouraged. The vote will be done at a separate meeting. If these revisions pass, the bylaws can be incorporated into the new yearbook and starting with the election in January 2025, these bylaws would affect our elections.

Scholarship - the District V Scholarship recipient for 2023-24 was Allison Bowers of Caldwell and attending TAMU, studying business, so she can open a Floral Shop after graduation. She has applied for the 2024-2025 District V Scholarship and a letter of endorsement was provided by Jane Cohen, A&M GC Scholarship Chair.