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NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2024

OCTOBER RECAP:

October 11: A&M Garden Club Meeting. Program "Roses are Herbs Too!"



Speaker Marie
Jenkins



Amy, Youth Contest
Winner



Seasonal Centerpiece



Terri, Amy, Susie, Michele, Joni, Jan

October 19: The Gardens at A&M Fall Festival. Our educational activities at Fall Fest were a hit! Kids had so much fun decorating their plates, and we were happy to remind them to include lots of fruits and vegetables in their meals. Thanks to our awesome members that signed up to help. (Johanna (Chair), Jan, Judy, Michele, Sherry, Joni, Sharon)



October 27: Judging the Youth Awards applications. Thank you to the A&M GC members who helped with picking up and judging the youth contests on Thursday, Oct 24. We had about 35 entries in - Poetry, Sculpture/Recycle Poster, Bird Poster, Pollinator/Environmental Poster, Smokey Bear Poster, Woodsy Owl Poster, and Essay. Community Volunteers also helped judge - CS P&R: Alyssa Shaw; retired teachers: Mildred Davis, Vera Wallem, Betty Munion; and A&M GC (Jane C, Jan P, Joni E, Linda K, Susan W, Sherry E, Eugenia W, Terry U, Judith S, Susie O, Sherron McK, Annette N,)



October 30: District V Fall Meeting, Georgetown

Pictures from Fall Workshop in Georgetown on Oct 30 for the AMGC Newsletter. Group picture L-R: Khris T, Heather W, speaker TAMU Professor of Practice Wendy Osburn, TGC Dist V Director Beth Erwin, Jane C, TGC State President Lee Taylor, Linda K, Susie O. Individual pictures show some of us "designing". Heather also staffed the SCR Scholarship Table. Program was on Floral Designs and the workshop was on Wearable Jewelry from Flowers, with everyone making "Vegetative Designs" for desk decoration, wrist wraps, hair ornaments, brooches/pins and more. (Thanks Jane & Susie for the photos.)



CALENDAR

November 1 - Texas Arbor Day – tree planting at Richard Carter Park in memory of Martha Green, 9:30

November 8 - AMGC Regular Meeting, 9:30 am, Peace Lutheran Church: Program by Ron Billings TEEX Forest Service, Arborist Emeritus on “Tree Tips& Seasonal Photography”

November (date TBA) – Pilgrimage. Car-pool with us to Kim’s Home and Garden Center and Mansion in Huntsville, 2715Lake Road.

Monthly activities are included in the Yearbook but are not always current due to changes in speaker schedules, new events being added, etc., but as these changes are made, the website calendar will be updated too!

NOVEMBER GARDEN GUIDE FOR THE BRAZOS VALLEY
(Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service – last updated 12/2017)
Average first/last freeze dates: November 18 and March 5
Planting Zone is 9a!

PLAN: To rake and collect all dead tree leaves for mulching and winter protection of tender plants or for compost pile. Design and prepare beds for roses and other shrubs.

PRUNE: Flowering perennial stalks that have finished blooming. Trim dead part of leaves from bearded iris. Stop cutting spent rose blossoms off so the bushes will go dormant for cold weather.

PLANT: Lily of the valley and Dutch iris in pots for gifts. Tulips and hyacinths that have been refrigerated may be planted this month and next. Most other bulbs, phlox, poppy, pinks, salvia, scabiosa, sweet peas, sweet William, trumpet creeper, wisteria, clematis, honeysuckle, larkspur, petunia.

FERTILIZE AND MULCH: Dig superphosphate into all bulb beds and around bearded iris. Give extra feeding to bulbs as soon as tops come into view. Sweet peas, pansies and amaryllis need fertilizer.

INSECT AND DISEASE PROBLEMS: Watch for bacterial and soft rot in the rhizomes and crowns of the iris.

WEATHER PROTECTION: Bank soil around shrubs if frost is predicted. Cover smaller plants carefully. Water sufficiently.

BLOOMING: Alyssum, calendula, candytuft, mums, cosmos, Michaelmas daisy, petunias, verbena, jasmine, lantana, loquat, roses and many other annuals, perennials, shrubs and vines.

VEGETABLES: Sow lettuce, spinach, mustard, turnips, radishes, and English peas.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!