



GARDEN CLUB of the YEAR

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National Garden Clubs, Inc., South Central Region,
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THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

October 2019

Foodscaping

Edible landscapes are one of the hottest trends in garden design! Utilizing areas in your landscape to grown edibles is a great way to add food to your table and reduce your grocery bill. This program teaches you how to incorporate edible plants into your home garden and landscape by taking advantage of their ornamental value. You will learn how herbs, fruits and vegetables can add to the colors and textures of your permanent landscape combining both aesthetics and functionality.



Daniel Cunningham, Horticulturist and Project Coordinator

Daniel Cunningham, Horticulturist of Texas A&M AgriLife's Water University program, reaches professionals and the public with the most current sustainability information about landscape water use, including design, plant selection and water-conserving landscape management practices. His primary focus is a holistic approach to landscaping and food production systems. Cunningham specializes in Texas native plants and trees, vegetable gardening, edible landscaping and rainwater harvesting. He is also passionate about utilizing landscapes as habitat for beneficial wildlife. He focuses on the edible value of common landscape plants and is known in the public arena for leading courses on foraging and engaging in the practice as a source of his own food.

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Grapevine Convention Center

1209 S. Main Street

Grapevine, Texas 76051

Next meeting:

October 22, 2019

Social 9:30 a.m.

Meeting and Program 10 a.m.

President's Message

Change is in the air—and it is a welcome change for gardeners in Texas. We have already noticed fewer hummingbirds sipping nectar from Turks Cap and Frostweed. The black-chinned hummingbirds left about a week ago and the ruby throats are loading up on nectar to leave soon as they migrate to Central and South America. These summer visitors will make way for early migrants from northern states and Canada—small songbirds first and then the larger winter visitors and shorebirds.



So why do birds migrate? When procreation—their reason for existence—has finished for the year, food sources diminish, temperatures cool, the angle of the sun begins to change from the Autumnal Equinox forward in time to the shortened days of mid-winter. Birds must adapt, migrate or die. As they arrive in our area, they are exhausted and hungry. How can we as gardeners *enhance their natural environment* so they can compete with our year-round residents? Birds need food, shelter and water. Next month, we will discuss in more detail the birds that call our gardens home in the winter months—the kinds of food and shelter they need to survive.

October is a busy month for Grapevine Garden Club. Plans are well underway to celebrate the 22nd Butterfly Flutterby in Heritage Park in Grapevine on Saturday, October 19th—a children's art contest, a parade with participants festooned as Monarchs, children's crafts, games and face painting. Visit the science center to use microscopes and hand lenses to observe scales on a butterfly wing and inspect the parts of a flower. Look through "bug eyes" to see the world as insects do through their compound lenses. Please enjoy with us the change in the air—including newly released Monarchs as they journey south into the mountains of south-central Mexico.

Dinah Chancellor

Gardens on View

Gardens on View will be going to the Botanical Gardens after the October meeting. We will have expert docents pointing out the beautiful plants and flowers that have been recently planted. In about two weeks, we will send out an email where you can sign up. We need to know the number of people that want to come so we can get enough docents to give us personalized tours in small groups.

Krystyna Plut, Gardens on View Chairperson

West Texas Street Work Day

October 29, 2019 at 9 a.m.

We had a lot of folks sign up at our September 24th General Meeting and that is wonderful, but if you want to have some fun and dig in the dirt, we will have the signup sheet at the October 24th General Meeting.



We will all gather on West Texas Street to talk generally about what needs to be done in the flowerbeds, but before we get started, Peggy Harris is going to talk to us about what to do with our iris this time of year. It is a pleasure to have her back with us and know we can all use some pointers in the iris department; I know I certainly can.

Since it is so close to Halloween, you know we're going to have some fun with that, so signup and show up because my wonderful team has walked the property and they know what has to be done to get those beds in shape. When our work is completed we can head up to Jake's on Main Street in Grapevine to gather, chat and eat.

Sounds like fun? Come play with us. Questions? Call me, I'm in The Book.

Suzi Guckel, Chairperson, West Texas Street Project (Page A-27 in the 2019-2020 yearbook.)

Committee Members: Irene Binyon, Laurie Evans, Bruce Herndon, Joe Krimm, Lefty Mitchell and Paula Wilbanks

End of Summer Membership Update

September 2019: YAY! Garden Club is back! We had 153 people attend our September meeting with 19 visitors and 135 members. We had nine new members join the club. Please join me in extending a warm welcome to our newest members:

Carol Berendzen, Pat Bleigh, Sandra Bowen, Barbara Bowen, Carol Johnson, Rachel DeLaCruz, Michele Elekes, Charles Hice and Linda Robbins.

We now have a total of 257 members! (148 Individual Memberships and 54 Family Memberships.)

Susan Holley, Membership Chairperson



**Photo courtesy of
Wendy Levine**

Yearbooks

Did you pick up your yearbook at the September meeting? If not, please be sure to stop by the membership table at the October meeting and pick yours up.

Please refer to GGC's website for full calendar of club events.

<http://grapevinegardenclub.org/calendar>

\$\$\$ Discounts Available \$\$\$ Free Magazine Subscriptions \$\$\$

First of all, you get a year's subscription for either 12 issues of Better Homes and Garden or 10 issues of Martha Stewart Living. To order your subscription, go to: publicgardensmagoffer.com. It is easy to register!

And as a Grapevine Garden Club member, you can get discounts on purchases at Blooming Colors and at Marshall Grain Company. AND at Calloway's Nursery in Southlake, too!

For Blooming Colors in Grapevine, you need to show them the special Blooming Colors GGC barcode sticker/card for your 10% discount. See me at the meeting when you pick up your nametag... But Blooming Colors ALSO has a frequent buyer program that you can sign up for at the store, which gives you an extra discount **in addition** to your 10% club discount.

At Marshall Grain, you can tell their cashier that you are a member of the GGC and they will register you into their system. Then, whenever you make a purchase at Marshall Grain, you can give them your phone number and the 10% discount will be applied to your purchase.

And... Did you know that GGC members also get a 10% discount at Calloway's in Southlake? Neither did I! I asked the cashier if they gave discounts to GGC members and they said "Yes!" Woo hoo! Let the cashier know you are a GGC member and they will give you the discount.

So, ask and you shall receive... maybe! Please let me know if you have found any other businesses who will offer GGC members a discount. I will be happy to follow up with them to work out the details! Thanks!

Susan Holley, Membership

Ways and Means

Annual Craft Bazaar

This year our bazaar will be part of the general meeting November 26th—before and after at 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Bazaar tables are open to members who like to knit, sew or have a craft they would like to showcase.

Over half the tables have already been signed up for, but you can still sign up at the Ways and Means table during our October meeting. The cost is \$10 for each 6 foot table—or no charge if you would like to donate your earnings to the club.

Here is your chance to get some of your holiday shopping taken care of! Note that most of the vendors are not able to accept credit cards, only cash or checks. We are looking forward to this fun event with a lovely assortment of merchandise for sale.

Alexandra Evans. Chairperson Ways and Means



Trips and Tours

The Wildflowers, Gardens, History and Painted Churches Tour on March 31-April 2, 2020 is very close to being sold out! Online payment and registration is no longer available. Please contact Joetta King (yearbook page A-38) to make sure of an opening before submitting a tour registration form and payment. The September newsletter, *Through the Grapevine*, which included tour information and registration form, may be found on the club's website under "Publications."

Joetta King, Tour Coordinator

Leach Teaching Gardens' Texas Superstar Garden

Veterans Day Parade

Please join your fellow GGC members and others at the Grapevine Veterans Day Parade on November 9th. The parade is scheduled to start at 10:00 a.m. but prior to that we need to decorate the "Grapevine Garden Club Float!" The pickup will be parked on W Hudgins Street and we'll start decorating it at 9:00 a.m.

The parade travels to Main Street and moves North up Main to Ball Street. You do not need to bring anything; all the decorating supplies will be provided. Wear something patriotic, veteran clothing or your GGC apparel and comfortable walking shoes. There will be a signup sheet at the October general meeting, and I'll be there to answer any questions. Please plan to attend. You'll have fun and show respect to our veterans.

Chuck Voelker

Grapevine Arbor Day Nov 9th 2019

Grapevine Garden Club is proud to be part of a Tree City USA Community. Grapevine celebrates the importance of trees by holding an annual event. Help observe Texas Arbor Day on Nov 9th by joining us in planting trees. Come be a part of this fun and important event. Location will be the Vineyards Campground.

Date: November 9

Location: Grapevine Vineyard Campground
1501 N Dooley St, Grapevine, Texas 76051

Time: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

To sign up, go to GoGrapevine.com/volunteer.



The Ikebana International 18th North and Central American Regional Conference



Exhibition and Demonstration Day

**Wednesday, October 30, 2019
9:00 am – 4:30 pm**

**Exhibition of 100 Ikebana Arrangements and
Four Grand Demonstrations**

featuring the demonstration by our Invited Guest Master
Mrs. Senko Ikenobo, Headmaster Designate of the Ikenobo School

Other Demonstrations include

- * Sogetsu by Soho Sakai, Riji
- * Ichijo by Elaine Jo, Executive Master
- * Ohara by Jose Salcedo, 1st Term Master

Exhibition and Demonstration:

\$125 Wednesday, October 30 (Includes Box Lunch)

Exhibition Only: \$15. Tuesday, October 29 and Thursday, October 31

Register Here: [18th NCARC 2019 Information and Registration](#)

Questions? Contact 214-680-9986; 18thncarc@gmail.com

Ikebana is the Japanese art of arranging flowers. It is a tradition that dates back over 1500 years. By focusing on lines, shapes and forms, this art focuses more on individual flowers rather than on the bunches of blossoms that we are often accustomed to and explores more of the natural beauty with a human touch. Please join us, Ikebana International Dallas Chapter 13, at one of our upcoming events to explore and enjoy this amazing ancient form of art, a talent that has been developing all over the world for centuries and growing in Dallas for decades.

Held at Sheraton Dallas

For additional information: <https://ikebanadallas.org/>