

October, 2013



**GRAPEVINE
GARDEN CLUB**
Established 1932



GARDEN CLUB of the YEAR

THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

October 22, 2013

Stacy's Furniture & Accessories

Community Room, 3rd Floor 1900 South Main, Grapevine

Social 9:30 A.M. Meeting and Program 10:00 A.M.

*We thank our members for continuing to carpool and to park in the outer slots
to allow Stacy's customers to park near the store entrance.*

THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTESSES:

Chair, Debbie Monahan. Carolyn Ernst, Madeline Fitzgerald,
Suzi Guckel, Catherine LaCroix, Carole Lee, Carole Nadeau,
Cheryl Neumann, Jo Ogletree, and Sally Perexempel.

Grapevine Garden Club October Program

All Things Daffodil

Keith Kridler, a noted authority on heirloom daffodils and an American Daffodil Society award-winning speaker and instructor of daffodil judges, will speak to us on all things daffodil. We will learn how to get the most blooms from year to year with the least effort and expense.



 **Elayne Vick,
Programs**

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President's Message

The Garden Club has a very busy fall ahead and I hope you all will volunteer at or attend the events that have been organized. I've only been a member for about 4 ½ years but by volunteering I met lots of people, made friends and got involved.

*Mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 19th**.*

The **Butterfly Flutterby** should be great fun. Bring your kids and grandkids and enjoy a celebration of the Monarch migration through Grapevine. Our role has expanded and we are very proud to have established a partnership with the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Thanks to Linda Krimm for taking on this project with such enthusiasm.

Also on October 19th is our **Plant Native – Plant Now** sale which will also take place at the Botanical Gardens. This is the perfect time to plant because this gives plants about 8 months to adjust before the blast furnace of summer comes again. Chuck Voelker will bring his years of plant sale experience to this event.

And of course **Neil Sperry** is coming to speak in downtown Grapevine on **November 26th**. Get your tickets and bring your friends and neighbors.

Proceeds from all three of these events will benefit the Greenhouse Fund.

I'm impatiently waiting for it to cool down and for all those darn oak leaves to drop so that I can plant my winter vegetables and pansies, and have my one season of sun. Isn't gardening suppose to teach patience?

Happy Gardening.

 **Pam Braak, President**



*Pam on International Master Gardener conference cruise.
Glacier Bay (Alaska)
September 2013.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
October 17-19	TGC Fall Convention	Houston, TX
October 19	Plant Native – Plant Now Sale	Grapevine Botanical Gardens
	Butterfly Flutterby	
October 22	GGC General Meeting	Stacy's Furniture. Grapevine, TX
October 22	Gardens on View after the regular GGC Meeting	The Gardens of Ed & Joetta King, Joe & Iasmin Friedheim, and Jim & Ann Fuller
October 25-26	Fall Festival in the Japanese Garden	Ft. Worth Botanical Garden
October 29	Work Day	West Texas Street Grapevine, Texas

Save the Dates!

Date	Event	Location
November 1	Arbor Day	Meadowmere Park, Grapevine
November 5	Gardeners on the Go: <i>Avant Gardeners' Autumn Gold and Holly Berries—a Holiday Flower Show</i>	Home of Barbara Baker Fort Worth, Texas
November 9	2013 District II Garden Club Fall Convention	Jacksboro, Texas
November 20	Garden Club Council of Ft. Worth	Ft. Worth Botanical Garden
November 26	Morning with Neil Sperry	Palace Theatre Grapevine, Texas
December 3	GGC Holiday Luncheon	Lancaster Theater Main Street, Grapevine, TX

October, 2013

*Welcome
New Members!*

Pam Brown

Angeline DePauw

Linda Dorsey

Lina McClintock

Renie Stricklen

Celebrating GGC Members



Beverly Bravo

Pam Brown

Linda Dorsey

Doug Evans

Lisa Adams Grove

Debbie Hooker

Lina McClintock

Jessie Misch

Dick Pafford

Nancy Searle

Sharon Swagerty

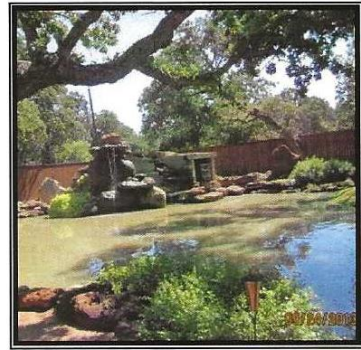
Chuck Voelker

Barbara Williams

Gardens On View – Learning from each other

But there will be nothing in bloom! This is the woeful thought of Gardens on View (GOV) hosts as our gardens will be visited following the October general meeting. The perennial blooms are relaxing into fall decline and the seasonal change of annuals is occurring. While we naturally want you to see our gardens during peak bloom, we realize that sharing our growing successes and failures are part of the GOV experience.

Weren't you impressed by GOV last month! Each garden reflected the homeowners' interests and personality. Each was unique and different. The Kevin and Lisa Northcutt garden reflected how a passion for collecting big rocks could be incorporated into the landscape design and how water runoff from a farm situated behind them resulted into turning a problem into an opportunity to build a pond. Peggy and Ron Anderson's garden was just too darn tidy!



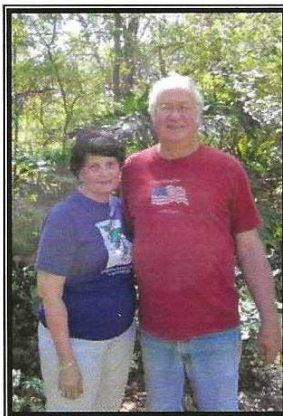
Northcutt garden



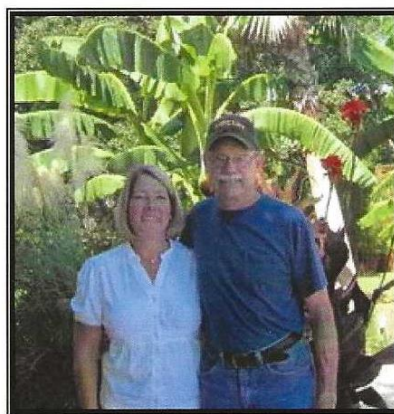
Toni Moorehead

Conversations overheard ranged from how the pool was updated, raising chickens, to the wonderful outdoor entertainment area.

Weren't you amazed by the number of tropical plants, cacti and succulents seen in A.C. and Evelyn Urbanosky's shaded garden! All of which must be housed in their greenhouse during the winter. Dile and Toni Moorehead's garden is drop-jaw gorgeous. Every time we visit the garden there is a new development, and this year included the landscaping of the area between the front sidewalk and street curb which Toni referred to as the 'hellstrip.' As Toni wrote in signaturegardens.blogspot.com, "My hellstrip has been redeemed! It has been *reformed*, transformed, and *changed for the better*. It has been *rescued* from a mundane life of Bermuda and weeds needing to be mowed on a weekly basis. I have *reclaimed* that long hellstrip of lawn and returned the land to a *suitable condition* for growing beautiful blooming perennials that attract visitors of the pollinator and people kind."



Evelyn and A.C. Urbanosky



Peggy and Ron Anderson

Photographs courtesy of Marge Carpenter.

(continued)

Gardens On View (cont.)

Following the October meeting, you will be visiting the Grapevine gardens of Ed and Joetta King, Joe and Iasmin Friedheim, and Jim and Ann Fuller. Each garden is very different.

Iasmin's goal was to create a backyard landscape that gives the feeling of being at a tropical resort. The Friedheims enjoy entertaining and there are multiple seating areas surrounding the swimming pool. While Iasmin enjoys cooking and gardening, Joe, an engineer, enjoys building. The development of this garden has definitely been a hands-on project by the Friedheims!

While the Fullers have resisted significant additions to their landscape as this is not their permanent residence, Ann has enjoyed enhancing the existing garden and will welcome your suggestions for additions to update her flowerbed – a work in progress. You will have an opportunity to see the interior of the public areas of their home which is currently decorated for a Witch's Party, an annual event for ladies of the neighborhood.

After working on their garden since 1984, you would think Joetta would be finished! But as Suzi Guckel has stated, "My plants need to have wheels" or as Iasmin suggested, "My plants need legs." Gardeners will observe a plant that was planted in what was thought to be the perfect sun or shade exposure and is now declining. Out comes the shovel! And a search for a new location for the plant. (Or, in Val Reed's case possibly a trip to the garbage can. No second chances in the Reed garden!) Throughout the Kings' garden, the plants are identified with plant labels. In addition to the botanical and common name, Joetta may have noted the year it was planted and when applicable the name of the person who gave her the plant. Ed worked for IBM which was sometimes referred to as 'I've Been Moved' company. The plant labels in the King garden should probably be labeled IBM and the transplanted year or years! Always in transition. Probably the most interesting aspect of this garden – no lawn!

GOV attendees are welcome to bring a bag lunch and picnic in the gardens.

 Joetta King



Satisfied GGC GOV attendees.

Peggy Anderson, Elayne Vick, and Marcia Deacon.

Nancy Braden and Cindy Miller.

Gardeners on the Go
Tuesday, November 5, 2013
Destination: Fort Worth
No fee – Members only

**Autumn Gold and Holly Berries –
Avant Gardeners Flower Show**

On November 5 GGC members are invited to attend *Autumn Gold and Holly Berries, a Holiday Flower Show*, a small - standard flower show presented by the Avant Gardeners 10 am-4 pm. It is well worth the drive to Fort Worth as you will not only view horticulture specimens and floral designs, but the show is staged in the beautifully decorated home and lovely garden of Barbara Baker.



Barbara Baker's garden

If you were a member of GGC last year, you will remember Barbara Baker's February program when she talked about color schemes for our home and landscape followed by a demonstration of floral design. Do not miss this tour! Members who saw her home and garden at last year's *The Quotable Gardener* flower show will attest to how beautifully Barbara uses her knowledge of color and design in both her home and garden. She has done lots of remodeling this summer, so it will be interesting to see the changes.

GGC members, Marty Swindell and Rachel Clark, are also members of the Avant Gardeners, and you will enjoy seeing their creative floral arrangements.

If you prefer to travel on your own rather than with Gardeners on the Go carpool group, that is quite acceptable. You are welcome to the Baker home anytime between 10 am and 4 pm. To find out Barbara Baker's address, contact Joetta King or Rachel Clark by email or home phone.

Gardeners on the Go carpool group will depart from the Grapevine Botanical Gardens at 11:30 am. We will lunch at McKinley's Fine Bakery and Café located in University Park Village in Fort Worth before going to the flower show. If you are joining the carpool group, please notify Joetta King (home phone or email) by November 1 and indicate your preference of 'driver' or 'passenger' for the tour. There is no fee associated with attending *Autumn Gold and Holly Berries*, but carpool passengers will reimburse drivers for gas. You should be back in Grapevine by 3pm.

Driving directions and tour information will be emailed to members attending the event. If you do not receive email, you must provide a self-addressed stamped envelope at the October general meeting or have a friend who receives email update you.

 **Joetta King**



Karen Rice and Chuck Voelker with Turk's cap.

Plant a Texas Native in the Fall *Plant Native – Plant Now*

October 19, 9 am-1 pm

Gardeners can hardly wait until spring to plant something, but experienced gardeners know that fall is an ideal time for planting many trees, shrubs and flowers. GGC kickoff for Texas Native Plant Week, October 20-26, will be the *Plant Native – Plant Now* plant sale on October 19, 9 am-1 pm at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens, 411 Ball Street.

Why is fall the best time to plant? Cooler temperatures will allow the root systems to get established giving the plant a head start in the spring. The air temperatures may be dropping, but soil temperatures remain warm. In addition, there is generally more rainfall in the fall. You will be giving your plant an opportunity for root growth before the stress of hot summer temperatures. However, not all plants will survive harsh winters, so fall planting isn't for 'winter tender' plants.

If you have a plant in your landscape that has succumbed to the summer drought and water restrictions, consider the adapted and native plants available at *Plant Native – Plant Now*. Look for a fenced area with lots of plants at the south side of the Botanical Gardens! A 10% discount will be offered to GGC members. A selection of trees, shrubs and perennials will be available in 1 gallon sizes – convenient for hauling and planting! Some of the drought tolerant varieties that our Sept. program speaker, Roger Sanderson, spoke about will be available. Come early for best selection and stay and take part in the many Butterfly Flutterby activities.

Lisa Adams Grove and Karen Rice have been shopping for plants that will offer good planting options for your landscape. Consider your sunlight, soil conditions, desired mature height and width needed. A complete list of plants will be emailed to members just prior to the sale that you will want to study. Here is a small sample: Trees – Roughleaf Dogwood, Southern Red Oak, Lacey Oak, Burr Oak, Carolina Buckthorn, Mountain Laurel, Celeste Fig, Blackgum, Mexican Buckeye, Bubba Desert Willow; Shrubs – Prairie Flameleaf Sumac, Butterfly bush, Texas sage (Green Cloud and Lynn's Everblooming); Perennials – Butterfly Weed (the native *Asclepias Tuberosa*), Chocolate Flower, Mexican Mint Marigold, Zexmenia, Black Foot Daisy, Fall Aster, Greg's Blue Mist.

President Pam Braak's theme for her term is *Welcoming Butterflies to Our Gardens*, and the plant sale will feature butterfly nectar and hosts plants as we endeavor to develop wildlife/butterfly habitats as part of our residential landscapes.

You may also want to check out the *Texas Tree Planting Guide* website provided by Texas A&M Forest Service, and complete the *Custom Tree Selector* form. You will find several options from which to specify desired attributes. This is an easy way to find a list of native trees that will thrive in your location.

Grapevine residents may register for the Grapevine Tree Sharing Program during the sale. Sample trees will be available to view and order. Prices associated with the Grapevine Tree Sharing Program are very reasonable! The purchase of up to two 30-gallon trees includes delivery, planting and a six month – one time – warranty. Trees may be planted in the front or back yard following specific guidelines. Since many of our members are not Grapevine residents, GGC members in the following cities may participate at a higher but still great price: Bedford, Southlake, Colleyville, Euless, Trophy Club, Hurst, North Richland Hills, Coppell, Keller, and Westlake.

The proceeds from the plant sale will benefit the Grapevine Botanical Gardens Greenhouse Fund. *Plant Native-Plant Now* is a cooperative effort with Grapevine Parks and Recreation Department. Please support our efforts by buying plants and volunteering! For further information, contact Chuck Voelker, *Plant Native-Plant Now* coordinator (Yearbook page A-63).

 Joetta King & Karen Rice

PLANT NATIVE - PLANT NOW

PLANT SALE

SATURDAY, OCT. 19
9AM - 1PM

**Botanical Gardens
at Heritage Park
411 Ball Street, Grapevine**



Featuring butterfly nectar and host plants,
native and adapted trees, shrubs, and perennials.

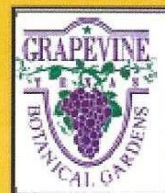
Master Gardeners available for guidance
Cash or check only

**ENJOY BUTTERFLY FLUTTERBY FESTIVITIES
WHILE IN THE GARDENS 10 AM - 2 PM**

Proceeds Benefit
Grapevine Botanical Gardens Greenhouse Project



Grapevine Garden Club
www.grapevinegardenclub.org
817.410.3350



Calling All Butterfly Enthusiasts

Butterfly Flutterby is Coming!

If you love butterflies – real and child sized – you will want to join other GGC members on Saturday, October 19th between 10 am and 2 pm at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. This is a free, family and pet friendly event that starts with a costume parade to the Gardens and continues with butterfly exhibits, arts and crafts, a scavenger hunt, face painting, live butterfly releases and the Annual GGC Native Tree & Shrub Sale.

The Grapevine Garden Club is co-sponsoring the festival with Grapevine Parks & Recreation, and Convention & Visitors Bureau. Our role is primarily to help the children with the crafts, games and face painting. We will also have educational information about the Monarch Migration, the life cycle of a butterfly and have live caterpillars for the kids to view. Our raffle table is filling up with some great items that you will want to win. Plus you will not believe the beautiful cut glass “Luminaries” that our artistic GGC members have made for your garden.



*Gloria Land at
Butterfly Flutterby booth. 2012*

If you have already volunteered to help – Thank YOU! If you would like to volunteer or check your status go to the Volunteer Local website: <http://grapevinecvb.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=3698> Sign in, pick a job and time you are available, click save and you will receive an email confirmation. Then come prepare to play and have fun with lots of large and small butterflies.

Any questions, call or email Linda Krimm or Gloria Land (Yearbook pages A-30 and A-32, respectively).



Photo credit: <http://www.grapevinetexasusa.com/festivals-events/butterfly-flutterby/>



Ho – Ho – Ho! And Happy Holidays!!!!

The 2013 Grapevine Garden Club Holiday Luncheon will be held on **Tuesday, December 3rd** at the Lancaster Theatre located at 300 South Main Street in Downtown Grapevine. Social time will begin at 10:30 am and the luncheon will be served at 11:00 am.

Reservations for the luncheon are \$23. Guests are welcome. We will be accepting reservations at the October meeting. **Your check/cash is needed for your reservation.** (Please include guests' names on your check **and** on the sign up sheet.) It would be best to get your money and reservation in at the October meeting because of the Neil Sperry talk at our November meeting. All reservations must be made by November 26th, the November General meeting. Payment will not be accepted at the door.

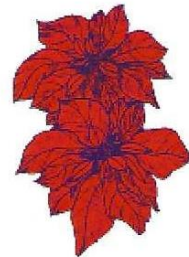
Esparza's of Grapevine will be catering our lunch. We will be enjoying chicken, veggie or a combo of chicken and veggie fajitas and the fixings. "Tuba Christmas", a brass instrument group, will be performing for our pleasure. It should be a "Holiday Fiesta" that you won't want to miss. So make your reservation with payment at the October meeting. The day of the luncheon is a perfect opportunity for some shopping on Main Street afterwards!

Cash donations for GRACE will be accepted at the door.

Hope to see you there in your holiday attire!

 **Joan Kowalski**

GGC Holiday Luncheon Chair
(Yearbook page A-30)



**Reminder: No
November GGC
General Meeting.**

Buy ticket & attend

NEIL SPERRY
A morning with

West Texas Street Project Workday

October 29, 2013

9:00 am

'T was a few days before Halloween and all thru the neighborhood, folks were trying to be good so the Great Pumpkin would come and bring them candy. Dark chocolate for me, thank you very much, 'cause I've been really, really good! And if you believe that you may get tricked!

Let's start at 9:00 a.m. – sleep in a little – and let's do a little weeding, trimming, and general cleanup after a long, hot summer. Then we can plant some pansies 'cause that is the fun part. Then we can go drink coffee at Main Street Bakery. Do you think we should dress up? Of course we should, what were you thinking????? Costumes or funny hair or a yucky nose will be great fun, so come and join in.

West Texas Street is a great project and a wonderful opportunity to get to know other members of our club so come on and dig in the dirt with your buddies. Bring your trowel, weeders and a smile and let's get busy. I'll have bottles of water and a treat to keep you going so come play with us.

Let me know if you are coming - I'm in the Yearbook (page A-21), and I will have a sign-up sheet at the October general meeting.



*Who is that with Harriet Perrello?
Could it be Linda Krimm?
West Texas St Project
October 2012*



Suzi Guckel

Monarch program at the Grapevine Library - A Hit!

More than 40 people, including children, attended a program by Jenny Singleton, an educator, Monarch Watch volunteer, seasoned butterfly tag wrangler, and GGC member, on the monarch butterfly at the Grapevine Public Library on Saturday, Sept. 28. Attendees learned about the program from newspapers, GGC website/newsletter/meeting, other websites, Neil Sperry e-gardens, Dove Elementary School announcement, and library publicity.

Jenny's presentation was especially important, as monarch butterfly populations are in a steady decline due to loss of habitat and the ongoing drought in their migratory path through Grapevine. She showed beautiful photos of the entire life of the monarch and a video of their fall migration, which takes them to an old and endangered pine forest south of Mexico City. Jenny joined a tour several years ago to this area, and she told about this fabulous trip.

In preparation of this program, Jenny looked for and found milkweed with monarch eggs and caterpillars on it. She cut stems of the plant where she found eggs and caterpillars and brought them home. She told the group:

"I've discovered that milkweed needs to be cut while the stems are under water similar to the way roses are cut. This seems to allow the cut end to continue to absorb the water and not have their cells at the bottom sealed off. This way the stems continue absorbing water and remain rigid for caterpillars to feed on."

Jenny also says if you find a female monarch laying eggs on milkweed, cut off those branches and bring them inside to place in a vase or jar of water. When the eggs hatch, she puts the entire branch in a plastic container with porous lid to let them eat and grow. "There are a lot of predators out there that enjoy the newly hatched eggs - wasps, ants, and even lady bugs. Their beautiful colors of yellow, black and white attract birds also, who love them as treats."



Jenny inspecting a butterfly weed at Toni Moorehead's garden.



Jenny Singleton overseeing a butterfly observation.

Jenny brought a container of monarch caterpillars munching on milkweed to the library Saturday for all children to see. This was a star attraction.

What a great preparation for Butterly Flutterby!

Elayne Vick

October, 2013

**Grapevine Garden Club
Members Only Pansy Sale**

\$18 for 20 Count Flat

Delivery Friday, October 18th between Noon – 4 PM

Mitchell House at Botanical Gardens

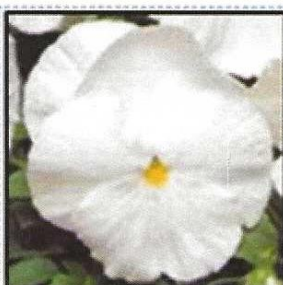
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Contact Sheri Jones, sherij43@verizon.net

817-481-2474



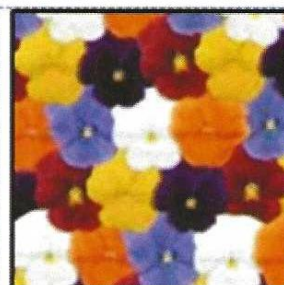
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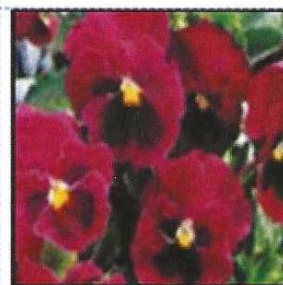
Matrix Blue



Matrix Mix



Colossus Yellow



Colossus Rose



Colossus White



Colossus Mix

**All proceeds benefit the
Botanical Gardens Greenhouse Project
Make checks payable to Grapevine Garden Club
Write pansy in memo line**

Print order form on next page.

October, 2013

Grapevine Garden Club Pansy Order Form

\$18 for 20 Count Flat

Delivery Friday, October 18th between Noon – 4 PM

Mitchell House at Botanical Gardens

Orders will not be accepted after October 11th.

Contact Sheri Jones, sherij43@verizon.net

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Color	Number of Flats	\$18.00 /flat =	Total \$
Matrix Red			
Matrix White			
Matrix Blue			
Matrix Mix			
Colossus Yellow			
Colossus Rose			
Colossus White			
Colossus Mix			
TOTAL NUMBER FLATS		ORDER TOTAL	
		\$	

Make checks payable to Grapevine Garden Club

Write pansy in memo line

MEMBER NAME _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

CHECK AMOUNT _____ CHECK NUMBER _____

**Mail the completed order form (and check made out to GGC) to Sheri Jones at
2966 Majestic Oak Dr.
Grapevine, TX 76051**



THE GARDEN CONSERVANCY'S
2013 OPEN DAYS PROGRAM

Fort Worth Open Day

Visit 6 Area Private Gardens

Sunday, October 13; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more info



5th Avenue Garden
1723 5th Avenue

Garden of Rebecca Guttery
1936 5th Avenue

The Gearheart Residence
4901 Dexter Avenue

"The Park" at Michelle & Regan Horton's
1501 Alta Drive

Kathy & John O'Riordan
4213 Norwich Drive

Garden of Lori Watson
806 Merritt Street

Proceeds from this day benefit The Garden Conservancy
and the Tarrant County Master Gardeners Association

No reservations are required.
Admission is \$5 per garden,
or purchase discounted tickets,
6 for \$25.

Tickets available at gardens on
October 13 and in advance at
all **Calloway's Nursery** locations
www.calloways.com.

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rain or shine events. Garden
descriptions, directions and
maps can be found on the
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