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GARDEN CLUB of the YEAR

April 25, 2017

Grapevine Convention Center
1209 S. Main Street, Grapevine, TX 76051
Social 9:30 A.M. Meeting and Program 10:00 A.M.

THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTESSES:

Coordinator, Debbie Smith

**Hostesses: Sharon Beach, Nancy Carlson, Paula Jones, Marian McDevitt,
 Angela Ozymy, Karen Pafford, Judie Porter, Evelyn Urbanowsky,
 Elayne Vick, Miriam Ward, and Paula Wilson**

April Program: Japanese Maples for Landscape and Bonsai Art

Scott Hubble, tenured employee of Metro Maples and now owner, will discuss the many varieties of maple trees that can be planted in hot, sunny, or shady locations. Scott is also considered a bonsai artist and will explain the history of the bonsai art form and how bonsai trees are propagated from seeds or from trees obtained from one's own backyard.

**✂Candace Kyler
 Programs**



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President's Message

April promises to be a very busy month for our Garden Club. First up is Flowercade 2017, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, April 15th and 16th, at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden. Our preparation date is Friday, April 14th, at Joan Stewart's greenhouse. I'll look for you and your prize-winning specimens at Joan's at 9:00 A.M.! Many of my flowers bloomed much earlier than usual due to the warm weather and rain conditions, so this year I'll be bringing some new candidates for awards at Flowercade. And one of my older roses surprised me with a flower, which I'm sharing with you!



Our Spring Survive & Thrive Plant Sale will take place on Saturday, April 22nd, from 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M., at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. Please spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors! In recent months, Ella Barber and Ginger Jones have led digging parties and scoured nurseries for unique plants to offer at the Sale. Proceeds from the Sale fund our scholarship and civic projects AND GGC members get a 10% discount!

Many GGC members attended the District II Spring Convention which was held in Barbara Munn's gardens last Tuesday. It was the perfect spring day to spend outdoors with over 100 friends and fellow gardeners representing twenty-one garden clubs. Thank you, Barb, for sharing your beautiful gardens for this memorable event.



*Prunus Persica -
Peppermint*

Finally, a brief note about the trip that several of us took to Charleston and Savannah. It was a five-day whirlwind, featuring delicious low country food, unique lodgings, historic buildings, informative walking tours, well-mannered (!) carriage horses, and the opportunity to see new sights, plants, flowers, and trees. I saw for the first time a peppermint flowering peach tree in Charleston, and would like to share that photo with you. Look for additional photos of the trip in this Newsletter.

In closing, please consider submitting an entry for Flowercade and making a purchase at the Plant Sale. You can't go wrong either way!

 Sharon Swagerty

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
April 11 th	Rose Trial Garden	9:00 A.M. N. side Dove Loop / Shadybrook
April 14 th	Flowercade Prep Day	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon Joan Stewart's Greenhouse 309 Drexel Dr., Grapevine
April 15 th – 16 th	Flowercade	12:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. (Sat.) 1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. (Sun.) Fort Worth Botanic Garden 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd., FW
April 18 th	Work Day	9:00 A.M. West Texas Street, Grapevine
April 19 th	Fort Worth Garden Club Council Meeting	Fort Worth Botanic Garden
April 22 nd	Spring Plant Sale	9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Grapevine Botanical Gardens
April 26 th	Redbud Bagging Party	1:00 P.M. Bessie Mitchell House Grapevine Botanical Gardens
April 27 th – 28 th	Redbud School Presentations	various times GCISD Elementary Schools

April Birthdays

Kayleen Allen
Sharon Beach
Kris Botterman
Tina Bruns
Carolyn Chance
Wendy Dugas
Sue Eichelberger
Minnie Hall
Bruce Herndon
Marilyn Johnson
Linda Krimm
Margaret Meharg



Cindy Miller
Pat Mingus
Kevin Mitchell
Barbara Morrell
Chuck Nadolski
Barbara Nunn
Barbara Oldani
Linnea Philip
Beverly Ryan
Lea Schorr
Alexandra Taylor
Martha Turner
Chris Wermuth

Welcome New Members

Please extend a warm welcome to our new members:

Kayleen Allen
Carolyn Anderson
Rick Bruns

Nancy Hauske
Gary Lackey



With the addition of our new members, the GGC's total membership is now 275 people.

Dues Are DUE!

We are continuing to collect 2017-2018 annual dues. Thank you to all members who have already paid. For those who haven't, the dues for an individual membership are \$30.00. A family membership is \$35.00. Though the Club prefers checks and cash for renewals, credit cards are accepted as well.

Please remember that unless you renew your membership in May, you won't be listed in the 2017-18 Yearbook.

Among the many benefits of membership are discounts for purchases from several local nurseries:

- ♥ Marshall Grain Co., Grapevine – stop by the membership table in the foyer of the Convention Center to get your discount application.
- ♥ Blooming Colors, Grapevine – pick up your discount card at the membership table in the foyer of the Convention Center
- ♥ **NEW!** - Grow It Land Designs & Garden Center, Coppell – tell the Grow It cashier that you are a member of the GGC and you'll be given a discount card.

Members also receive a **FREE** subscription to *Better Homes & Gardens* or **NEW!** *Martha Stewart Living* magazine. (One subscription per family, please.)

In the past, after you renewed your membership, you were given a postcard for a subscription to *Better Homes and Gardens*. This process has changed. We will now subscribe and renew our subscriptions via an internet link, which will be published in the new GGC 2017-2018 Yearbook. Additionally, all renewing members will receive the link via e-mail from the GGC in September or October.

To ensure that you don't miss an issue, please check the subscription expiration date on your *BHG* address label. If your subscription is expiring prior to September, 2017, please e-mail me at membership@grapevinegardenclub.org and I will send you the link. We'd like to find out how many current members have subscriptions expiring before September, so please look at your *BHG* address label or your *BHG* online account and find your subscription expiration date. I will be asking for a show of hands at the April 25th General Meeting!

So as we continue to enjoy this beautiful Spring, don't forget to mail your check – or spring on over to the Membership table in the foyer of the Convention Center and pay your dues for next year!

☞Cheryl Neumann
Membership

Door Prize Alert!



Did you know that most of the door prizes awarded at the end of each General Meeting are donated by our members? It's true! A sincere thank you to all members who have contributed items for door prizes during the past year.

Please keep Garden Club in mind as you are out and about this summer, because we need door prizes for next year! As you run across items that your fellow gardeners would love to win, please consider making a small purchase to donate to our door prize bags. Your donations are always welcome, and who knows? Maybe YOUR name will be called for a great door prize!

☞Cheryl Neumann
Membership Chair

Save the Dates!

Date	Event	Location
May 9 th	Gardeners on the Go: Chandor and Clark Garden Tours	Weatherford
May 23 rd	Annual Spring Luncheon	Trawick Pavilion Lake Grapevine
June 6 th	Fairy Garden Workshop	Bessie Mitchell House Grapevine Botanical Gardens
October 14 th	Butterfly Flutterby	Grapevine Botanical Gardens

It's Almost Time for the Spring Plant Sale!

A sincere thank you to everyone who permitted us to dig in their gardens, those who did the digging, and those who are tending to the plants until the day of the Sale. This is truly a group effort and we appreciate everyone's help!

If you volunteered to help on Plant Sale Day, we will send out a reminder e-mail the week of the Sale with details on when you should arrive.

Our best publicity for the sale has always come from members of the GGC. So, in addition to attending yourself, please tell your friends, family, neighbors, and other gardeners about the Sale. The Sale will take place on April 22nd starting at 9:00 A.M. at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. A flyer is attached and please contact us if you would like a PDF file to forward to family and friends or post on social media.



Turk's Cap

GGC members receive a 10% discount, so please remember to tell the cashier when you are checking out at the Sale.

The following is a preliminary plant list. A complete list will be e-mailed to members the week of the Sale:

Artemisia, Butterfly Weed, Ajuga – varieties, Fall Aster, Blackfoot Daisy, Calylophus (Texas Primrose), Cast Iron Plant, Clematis, Columbine, Coral Bells – varieties, Coreopsis, Copper Canyon Daisy, Crinum Lilies, Daylily, Bronze Fennel, Ferns – varieties, Frost Weed, Hosta – varieties, Grasses – varieties, Gregg's Mistflower, Gaillardia, Helleborus (Lenten Rose) – varieties, Inland Sea Oats, Jerusalem Sage, Lamb's Ear, Lantana, Mexican Petunia dwarf, Mint – varieties, Oxalis – varieties, Pavonia, Penstemon – varieties, Phlox – summer varieties, Rain Lilies, Rudbeckia – varieties, Salvias – varieties, Skullcap, Spiderwort, Strawberries, Sedums and succulents – varieties, Turk's Cap, Verbena, Winecup, Winter Jasmine, Zexmenia and many more!



Thank you for your support of the Spring Plant Sale!

Ella Barber and Ginger Jones
Plant Sale Coordinators



Flowercade 2017



It's Flowercade time! On Friday, April 14th from 9:00 A.M. -12:00 Noon, we will gather at Joan Stewart's greenhouse (309 Drexel Dr. in Grapevine) to help you prepare your flowers, branches, and potted plants for the show.

The Flowercade show days are Saturday, April 15th, from 12:00 Noon to 5:00 P.M. and Sunday, April 16th, from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden, 3220 Botanic Garden Boulevard, Fort Worth.

Come have fun with us Friday -- and enjoy the show over the weekend!

Ann Fuller
Flowercade Chair

West Texas Street Work Day **Tuesday, April 18th, 9:00 A.M.**

I know everybody has been busy in their own gardens, so let's consider that practice (or a warm-up!) for the upcoming West Texas Street work day! We have a number of folks already signed up but there's ALWAYS room for more, so if you would like to join in on the fun, please let me know.



We will begin work at 9:00 A.M., pulling a few weeds, maybe trimming things up a little, planting a few shrubs, and adding our summer color. Be sure to bring your tools, gloves, and a smile, and let's have some fun! Water will be provided so everybody stays hydrated.

After we have finished our work, how about we grab a coffee and snack and meet at the picnic tables at the Gazebo on Main Street in Grapevine so we can visit some more? A few of us tried it before and it was really cool!

If you have a question, please call me or one of the committee members – we're all in the Yearbook. Thanks for your help!

Suzi Guckel, Chairman
Candy Cawley, Sandy Guthrey, Bruce Herndon, Joe Krimm,
Jamie Moser, Paula Wilbanks, Co-Chairmen

Redbud Project Update

On Thursday and Friday, April 27th and 28th, GGC volunteers will visit third grade classrooms at Colleyville Elementary, Dove Elementary, and Heritage Elementary. Volunteers will read *Who Will Plant A Tree?* by Jerry Palotta in each classroom, discuss the importance of trees, and demonstrate the proper way to plant a tree while explaining photosynthesis. At the end of the day, teachers will give each child a redbud seedling to take home to plant, along with planting information.

GGC volunteers will prepare the seedlings at the Bessie Mitchell House on Wednesday, April 26th at 1:00 P.M. Those who have volunteered for bagging or classroom presentations will receive an e-mail shortly as a reminder of their time and location. Many thanks to all of you dedicated volunteers who are helping to spread the news about the importance of trees!



GGC volunteers bagging redbud seedlings

☞Candy Cawley
Redbud Project

Boot Scootin' Boogie Spring Luncheon



Annual Spring Luncheon
Tuesday, May 23rd
10:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
Trawick Pavilion at Lake Grapevine
2700 Darren G. Medlin Trail, Grapevine

Say a big hello to summer by bringing your favorite salad or dessert to the Annual Spring Luncheon honoring the Grapevine Garden Club scholarship recipients. Congratulate the newly installed 2017-2018 GGC officers, greet civic leaders, and enjoy each other's company before summer sets in! Please sign up at

the April 25th General Meeting to bring a salad or dessert or notify Edie Williams by phone or e-mail of what you're planning to bring.

We still need clean half-gallon Blue Bell ice cream cartons, so take advantage of the warm weather and eat up! (Look at it as practice for the 100 degree days ahead - ☺.) Thanks to those who have already donated. You can drop off your Blue Bell containers at the April 25th General Meeting as well.

Just to be safe, y'all, in the event of inclement weather, the Luncheon will be cancelled. Members will be notified by e-mail that morning.

As always, we look forward to having a boot scootin' good time together!

**☺Lyn Argenbright
and the Spring Luncheon Committee**

**Gardeners on the Go
Chandor and Clark Garden Tours, Tuesday, May 9th
Weatherford, TX**

On Tuesday, May 9th, Gardeners on the Go will travel to Weatherford to visit Chandor Gardens, enjoy a catered lunch in "The Great Room," and tour Clark Gardens. We will depart from Marshall Grain in Grapevine at 8:00 A.M. and will carpool to Weatherford. At this time the trip is full, but you may join the waiting list if you wish.

**Fairy Garden Workshop, Tuesday, June 6th
Bessie Mitchell House at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens**

In recognition of National Gardening Week, please join Gardeners on the Go for a fairy garden workshop at the Bessie Mitchell House at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. Instruction will begin at 10:00 A.M. and will last approximately one hour.



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The cost for this workshop is \$35.00. Each participant will receive a fairy house, a cute little fairy, two fairy garden decorative items, a 16" container, soil, and plants (mostly succulents).

Please sign up and pay at the April 25th General Meeting or e-mail Ginger Jones or Annemarie Garlin. There is a limit of thirty participants for this workshop.

Annemarie Garlin and Ginger Jones
Gardeners on the Go Co-Chairs

Celebrate the Magnificent Monarch at Butterfly Flutterby Saturday, October 14th

The 20th Annual Butterfly Flutterby will take place on Saturday, October 14th. Every year the Grapevine Garden Club works with the Grapevine Convention & Visitors Bureau to make this free event possible, and many volunteers are needed to make it a success.





The event kicks off at 10:00 A.M. with a costume parade down Main Street, ending at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. The day's events include three Monarch Butterfly releases along with face painting, arts and crafts, lawn games, a scavenger hunt, and a science area coordinated by GGC member Dinah Chancellor. GGC member Gloria Land will be selling butterfly-related items prior to the parade and in a booth at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens.

Because there is only one General Meeting in the Fall before Butterfly Flutterby takes place, it is imperative that we begin signing up volunteers NOW. We hope you will sign up to participate in this fun event!

There are two shifts, 9:30 - 11:30 A.M. and 11:30 A.M - 2:30 P.M., and many of the jobs are seated, with little or no walking required. And if you're unavailable to help on October 14th, there are a few jobs prior to the event.

Volunteer Opportunities are as follows:

Ambassador	Answer questions and provide information BONUS: You get to wear wings and antennae!	
Art Contest	Distribute flyers to schools prior to event Hang up posters prior to event Provide security at Pavilion (no standing)	
Craft Table:	Assist children with various crafts	
Sales Booth:	Promote sale of items and take credit cards	
Sales Wing Stop:	Sell butterfly wings before the parade	
Science Area:	Engage children in looking at butterflies through microscopes Explain food sources and how weather patterns affect migration	



Debbie Monahan and Harriet Perrello



*Young visitors check out some of the
Art Contest entries*

Look for sign-up sheets at the April 25th General Meeting, or call or e-mail Cindy Miller or Harriet Perrello to volunteer.

The theme of this year's event has not been announced. If you have any ideas for a theme, please let us know. Last year's theme was "Through the Eyes of a Monarch."



Cindy Miller and Harriet Perrello
Butterfly Flutterby

Gardens on View

Please join us after the April 25th General Meeting as we tour a few members' gardens. Directions will be e-mailed prior to the Meeting.

✂Marge Carpenter
Gardens on View

Hostess Sign Up, 2017 - 2018

Please sign up at our April 25th General Meeting to be a hostess for one (or more!) of the General Meetings for the 2017 – 2018 GGC year. As a hostess, you will provide refreshments, put tablecloths on tables, welcome guests, and help with general cleanup following the meeting. Sign-up sheets will be circulated during the April 25th General Meeting.

✂Lindle and Jim O'Neil
General Meeting Hostess Co-Chairs

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. District II Spring Convention

Our Grapevine Garden Club hosted the District II Convention at Barbara and Doug Munn's home on Tuesday, April 4th. The luncheon was attended by 114 members from 21 local garden clubs.

Our special thanks to the committee who made all the details work smoothly: Julie Garza, Karen Rice, Suzi Guckel, Margaret Meharg, Sharon Swagerty, Annemarie Garlin, Cheryl Neumann, Barbara Thompson, and Candace Kyler.

✂submitted by Barbara Munn



L to R: Annemarie Garlin, Margaret Meharg, Julie Garza, Karen Rice, Suzi Guckel, Cheryl Neumann, Sharon Swagerty and Barb Munn (not pictured Barbara Thompson and Candace Kyler)



Attendees enjoy a catered lunch, program, and gifts (including jars of Barb's homemade Mustang Grape Jam) under the towering oak trees in Barb and Doug Munn's garden

District II Convention Awards

The Grapevine Garden Club received the following awards at the District II Spring Convention. Congratulations – and thanks! – to all GGC members whose hard work and dedication were instrumental in helping us win these awards:

16 FIRST PLACE, 2 SECOND PLACE, 1 CITATION, 3 DIRECTOR'S CITATIONS

President's Report
West Texas Street
Newsletters
Cookbook
Website
Ray Chancellor program
Rose Trials
GBG & docents
Butterfly Flutterby
Bird Sanctuary Week



Epic Earth Day, plant sale,
Redbud
Art Contest
Youth Tours with
environmental emphasis
GBG with environmental
emphasis
Youth Classes with PARD
Young at Heart classes

Yearbook



Civic Seed Money

CITATION:

TGC Club Service (Scholarships, Volunteering)



DIRECTOR'S CITATIONS:

Hosting District II Spring Convention
Completion of Grapevine Botanical Garden Greenhouse
fundraising
Presentation of four \$2,000 scholarships

Pam Braak and Kate Dohrer
Awards Chairmen

Open House at Chambersville Tree Farms Saturday, April 29th

Although this event is not sponsored by the GGC, we wanted to make you aware of it. Chambersville Tree Farms in Celina is hosting their 10th Annual Celebration of Blooms (aka "Bloom Dango") on Saturday, April 29th from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Additional details and directions can be found on their website, www.bloomdango.com.

District II Convention Photos



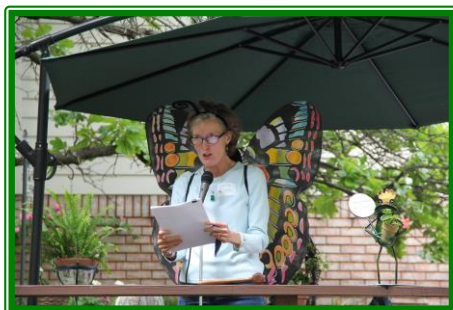
*Julie Garza and Cheryl Neumann
welcome Convention attendees*



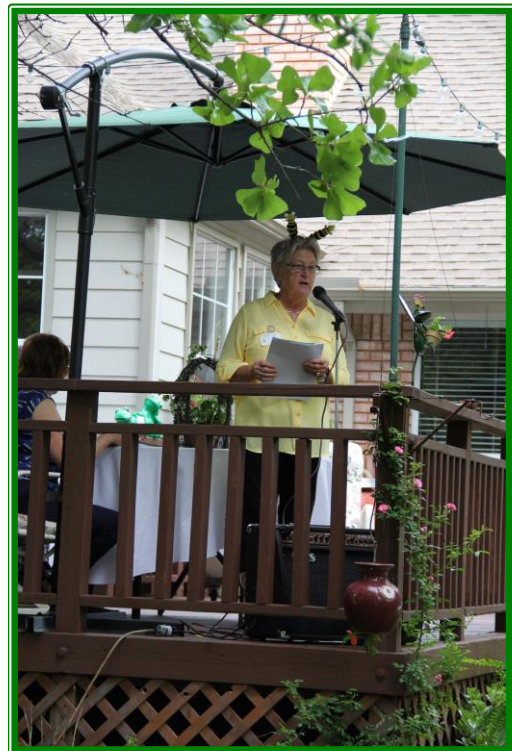
Sharon Swagerty assists at the raffle table



*Pam Braak and Elizabeth Jewett enjoy the lovely
gardens before the start of the Convention*



Karen Rice announces awards



*District II Director Linda Krimm
welcomes attendees*

Charleston / Savannah Photos



*Dinner at The Olde Pink House, Savannah
Front L to R: Annemarie Garlin, Barbara Williams,
Ginger Jones
Back L to R: Julie Garza, Sharon Swagerty,
Cindy Miller*



Charleston Windowboxes



Another Stunning Windowbox



Typical Charleston Side Garden



ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE

SURVIVE & THRIVE

GRAPEVINE GARDEN CLUB



Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park

411 Ball Street, Grapevine

Saturday, April 22, 2017

9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Proceeds benefit the Club's scholarship and civic programs.

Master Gardeners available for guidance.

Featuring drought tolerant plants, heirloom perennials and
butterfly nectar and host plants appropriate for our area.

