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# THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

GARDEN CLUB of the YEAR

## November 22, 2016

***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 NOVEMBER HOSTESSES:

**Coordinator, Ella Barber**

**Hostesses: Rhonda Ackley, Maddie Fitzgerald, Dee Gates, Vicki Haines,  
 Marilyn Johnson, Marci Junge, Joyce Quam, Beverly Ryan,  
 Sharon Steele, Sara Stover, and Joyce Wuetig**

### Grapevine Garden Club November Program

Susan Hagemeyer, owner of Design Works, will pique your decorating interest for the holidays with tips on decorating Christmas trees and festive centerpieces.

And if you need a new centerpiece for your holiday table, the beautiful centerpiece designed by Susan will be included as a silent auction item after the November meeting in conjunction with our annual Craft Bazaar.

**✂ Candace Kyler  
Programs**

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## President's Message

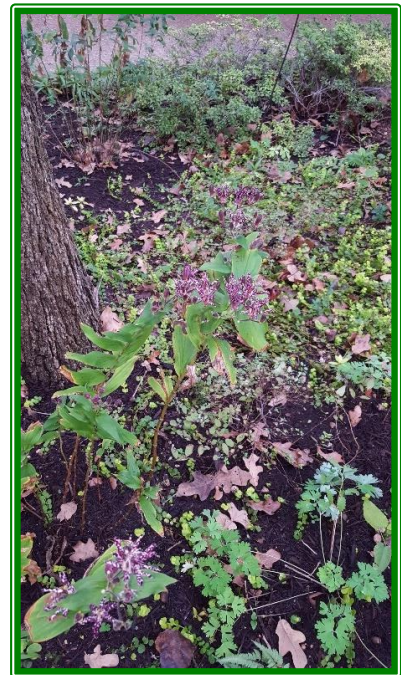
November has arrived here in North Texas, accompanied by some welcome rain.

I recently took advantage of the offer to tour four private gardens in connection with the 2016 Southern Region Master Gardener Conference. I had seen all four of these gardens a few years ago. It always amazes me to see the change in a yard over time. I'm sure we all have pictures of our own yards and their evolution over the years! I have included with this message two photos that I took in Adele Claeson's yard.



Coming on the heels of Butterfly Flutterby and the Monarch release, I thought this photo of butterfly plates and decorative metal pieces on Adele's fence tied in well with this message. Perhaps these ideas will inspire you to find an interesting way to decorate your own fence!

Thanksgiving is a very special holiday for Americans. It provides us an opportunity to give thanks for our families, our friends, and all the blessings of our lives. In Adele's garden, I noticed a toad lily in bloom. I never realized that the pass-along plant I bought at last April's GGC plant sale could produce such a unique bloom! My toad lily came from Pam Braak's garden. Please consider whether you have pass-along plants you would like to bring to the attention of the "Dig" Committee. I hope that my little toad lily will one day produce blooms as lovely as those I saw on Adele's lilies. Your donation of pass-along plants could make someone very thankful indeed!



I look forward to seeing you at the next Grapevine Garden Club meeting on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. In addition to the General Meeting, we will also have our annual Craft Bazaar, a wonderful opportunity to do some early holiday shopping!

✂ Sharon Swagerty

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	West Texas Street Workday	West Texas Street 10:00 A.M.
November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Ft. Worth Garden Club Council Meeting	Ft. Worth Botanical Gardens
November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Craft Bazaar	Grapevine Convention Center 9:30 – 10:00 A.M. and after the General Meeting
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Gardeners on the Go: Holiday Tea	Dallas Arboretum 9:00 A.M. departure
December 6 <sup>th</sup>	Rose Trial Garden	N. side Dove Loop / Shadybrook 8:00 A.M.
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Luncheon	Lancaster Theatre 300 S. Main Street, Grapevine 10:30 A.M. Social; 11:00 A.M. Lunch

## November Birthdays

Rhonda Ackley  
Lynne Carpenter  
Martin Cowart  
Rocky Drew  
John Erickson  
Emily Galpin  
Xavier Garza  
Penny Hardy  
Kathy Holliday  
Joy Mayo  
Marty Mazur



Cyndia Moore  
Jamie Moser  
Jo Ogletree  
Paula Pafford  
Harriet Perrello  
Joan Pierce  
Kathy Pierson  
Judie Porter  
Sharon Steele  
Robert Tatangelo  
Laurie Williams

## *A Warm Welcome To Our New Members!*

Kim Distaso    Larry France    Seth Van Eyk    Teresa Van Eyk

The GGC now has 264 members.

☞ Cheryl Neumann  
Membership

# Save the Dates!

Date	Event	Location
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Gardeners on the Go: Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge	Sherman, Texas
January 24 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop: Orchid Basics	Mitchell House Grapevine Botanical Gardens
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop: Get ( <i>Your Body</i> ) Ready for Gardening	Grapevine Recreation Center
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop: Container Gardens	Mitchell House Grapevine Botanical Gardens

## GGC Craft Bazaar

The annual GGC Craft Bazaar will be held in conjunction with the November 22<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting. Tables will be open from 9:30 – 10:00 A.M. and again after the Meeting. There will be twelve tables in all, featuring a wide variety of items including wine cork birdhouses, suet feeders, and bird feeder hangers to hang them from! Other items include mini Christmas trees, baked goods, miscellaneous crafts, knit scarves, and pottery made by three of our club pottery experts.



Additionally, Barb Munn has been caring for several African violets from a former club member and will have them available for purchase.

This is a great opportunity to pick up a few holiday gifts, so remember to bring your cash or checkbooks. You'll be glad you did!

And if you didn't sign up earlier and you've decided that you'd like to participate, never fear! It's not too late! Contact Sheri Jones to reserve a table.





## Windbreaker Jackets

There has been a good response to the windbreaker jacket with our club logo and the first order has been delivered. Several names are already on a list to place a second order. If you are interested in purchasing one, please contact Sheri Jones for more information.

☞ Sheri Jones  
Ways and Means

## THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to all the members who volunteered or purchased plants at the 2016 Plant Native–Plant Now sale in October. We could not have done it without all your support. A very special thank you to our great mentors, Karen Rice and Chuck Voelker. They have been a hard act to follow!

After all is said and done, we should net over \$3,700.00 that the Club will use to fund civic programs and scholarships.

We are already planning ahead for Spring. If you think you might have some plants to be dug for the spring sale, please contact Ella Barber or Ginger Jones so we can schedule a time to look at your garden.

☞ Ella Barber and Ginger Jones  
Plant Sale Coordinators



*The Plant Sale Crew*

## November 8, 2016, 10:00 A.M. -- West Texas Street Work Day

IT'S PANSY TIME!!!! We have eleven flats of pansies and a few one gallon plants to get in the ground and I think we can do all of that in less than thirty minutes with the crew we have signed up to work. But we all know this is about coffee, right? And visiting on Main Street, right? You bet!



Come join in the fun! If you did not sign up at the GGC General Meeting, please let me know you're coming so I know who to contact if we have any changes to the schedule. I'm in the BOOK!

We have added a new member to our WTS Committee since our sweet Pat Mingus needed to step away from this project. We are very pleased that long-time GGC member Paula Wilbanks has agreed to join our ranks. Welcome, Paula, from all of us.

I'll bring water for all to share so bring the tools you need to plant pansies and let's have some fun digging in the dirt together.

See ya Tuesday!

**Suzi Guckel, Chair**  
**Candy Cawley, Sandy Guthrie, Bruce Herndon,**  
**Joe Krimm, Jamie Moser, Paula Wilbanks, Co-Chairs**

## District II Fall Convention

Sixteen members attended the District II Fall Convention at the home of GGC member Marcy Blagg in Aurora, Texas. We enjoyed a lovely morning viewing the floral arrangements designed by Avant Gardeners that were on display throughout Marcy's beautiful home. This tour was followed by refreshments outdoors under the oak trees and an entertaining meeting led by our own Linda Krimm, District II Director.



*What a beautiful setting!*



*Rachel Clark*



*L to R: Barbara Atkins, Karen Rice, Joetta King, Evelyn Urbanowsky, Kate Dohrer, Miriam Ward, Marcy Blagg, Pam Braak, Margaret Meharg, Sharon Swagerty, Ann Fuller, Joe Krimm, Rachel Clark, Linda Krimm, Debbie Smith, Barb Munn*

**☞ Pam Braak**

## Gardeners on the Go

Please join us for a festive Holiday Tea at the Dallas Arboretum on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Space is limited so go to <http://reservations.dallasarboretum.org> to sign up for the 11:00 A.M. tea. When completing the reservation, be sure to request to be seated with the Grapevine Garden Club in the comment section on the Billing page. The cost is \$49.00 for tea, or \$59.00 if you would like champagne. We will leave at 9:00 A.M. from the Grapevine Botanical Gardens and carpool to the Arboretum.



On January 12, 2017, Gardeners on the Go will travel by bus to the Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge near Sherman, Texas, for a docent-guided birding tour. We will meet at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens at 8:30 A.M. After the tour, we plan to stop for lunch in Gainesville at the Fried Pie Lunchroom and return to the Grapevine Botanical Gardens by 3:00 P.M. The cost of this tour is \$25.00.



Please contact Annemarie Garlin or Ginger Jones if you are interested in either of these tours.

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

### **Holiday Luncheon Reminder**

Our Holiday Luncheon will take place on December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Lancaster Theatre in Grapevine. If you have not already signed up and paid, please contact Barb Munn, Holiday Luncheon Chair.



☞ **Barb Munn**  
**Holiday Luncheon Chair**

### **To Believe in Seeds...**

C. JoyBell C. said, “Inside that tiny seed, lives the roots, branches, bark, trunk, leaves, twigs and apple fruit of that apple tree. You can’t see, feel, hear, taste or smell any of that yet; nevertheless, it is all inside that seed. The moment the seed is in your hand—all of that is in your hand, too, from the root to the bark to the fruit! All you have to do is to push the seed into the soil. And what makes anyone plant any apple seed? It is the belief that in the seed, there is the tree. So, believe. To have a seed, is to have everything.”

Our own Therrie Mazur believes in seeds. For years Therrie has been the friendly face behind the Seed Table at our GGC meetings—distributing the seeds you have brought to share from your own gardens. Now Therrie would like to mentor another who would like to be that friendly, knowledgeable face behind the Seed Table. If you are interested, please contact Therrie Mazur or Sharon Swagerty.



☞ **Dinah Chancellor**  
**Newsletter Co-Editor**

### **Rose Trial Update**

The most recent data collection was on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Attendance continues to be high for these monthly collections and we seem to have a dedicated group. A sincere thank you to all who have volunteered to assist in this Trial.

Unfortunately, we now have Rose Rosette disease on three roses. All three are in the same bed, but not next to each other. Wedding Bells has completely expired.



Also suffering from the disease is Betty Prior. Most disappointingly, Miracle on the Hudson has symptoms. Even with symptoms, Miracle has the best overall appearance of all the roses in the Trial by far, even the one plant that is exhibiting symptoms. This rose has not yet been made available to the public.

The research protocol calls for us to leave the afflicted roses in place. Please note this is NOT the recommended procedure if a rose in your garden has Rose Rosette disease. If you should find symptoms on a rose at your home, be sure to remove all parts of the rose, bag it, and send to the landfill.

☞Lisa Grove  
GBG Horticulturist

### GGC Scholarships

Each year the GGC awards scholarships of \$2,500.00 to selected students majoring in Horticulture, Landscape Design, Conservation, Forestry, Botany, Environmental Management, City Planning, or other horticulture-related subjects.

The applicant must be a graduating senior residing in Grapevine or enrolled in the Grapevine/Colleyville ISD, a college student with a permanent residence in Grapevine, or a GGC scholarship recipient from a previous year.

The scholarship application is available from local school counselors or from the GGC website, <http://www.grapevinegardenclub.com/civic.html>. Applicants can email the completed application to [scholarship@grapevinegardenclub.org](mailto:scholarship@grapevinegardenclub.org). Applications must be received by April 1, 2017.

☞Pat Mingus  
Scholarships

### In Memoriam

#### Marion Brekken (1935-2016)

#### Grapevine Garden Club Honorary Life Member

In the early 1980s, the City of Grapevine did not appear to allocate significant funds toward landscape beautification projects for public buildings, city parks and public sites. From 1984-2002, several beautification landscape projects undertaken by the GGC may have influenced a change in attitude. Among these significant projects were the grounds of the police department and library (307 W. Dallas), Torian Cabin at Liberty Park, Town Square Park (Main Street gazebo), Heritage

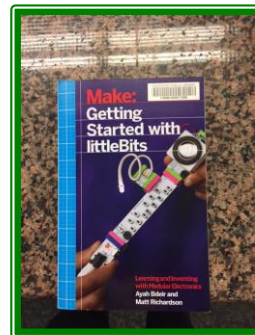
Center (railroad depot), traffic medians, and wildflower seeding to provide colorful entrances at the city's main arteries.

Marion Brekken, who was a City Councilwoman from 1980-1986, stated, "I would say that there is more awareness of the fact that beautification has dividends, and possibly beautification of public grounds was a factor."

Marion's involvement in bringing the beautification projects to fruition and her commitment to Keep Grapevine Beautiful are how I primarily remember Marion Brekken. However, through the years, Marion served in numerous organizations and boards including the GCISD Board of Trustees.

Considering the GCISD Education Foundation's Marion Brekken STEM Endowment Fund, the two books selected by the GGC for the Grapevine Public Library in memory of Marion seem very appropriate. They are *Little Bits* by Amber Lovett and *Make: Getting started with littleBits* by Ayah Bdeir.

These books support the STEM curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four different disciplines—science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.



submitted by Joetta King

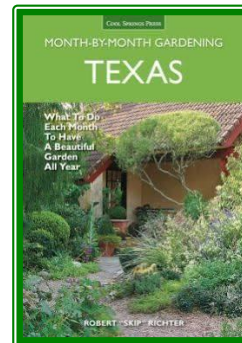
### Remembering Our Friend, Peggy Reyher

Peggy Hoover Reyher left us last month, but with a wonderful legacy and fond memories. Peggy had been a member of the GGC for twenty years. Before she became mostly homebound the past two years, Peggy contributed to Flowercade every year, sometimes a cutting from her garden, at other times place settings and centerpieces. She helped at plant sales, served as a Saturday docent at the Botanical Gardens and enjoyed helping with many other garden projects such as Butterfly Flutterby.

Peggy had been an elementary school teacher and loved talking with children about nature. She also helped establish a Mini-Garden at the public library in 2004-2005, and was an active contributor to the Friends of the Grapevine Library and the Historical Society, in addition to the GGC.

Peggy was a friend to everyone she met, and never forgot a single person. She was a Scheherazade of story-telling, always having a story to share on almost any subject. Peggy had traveled extensively and established homes in four other states, not counting three different areas of Texas. She had accumulated much knowledge about gardening in all those different climates and soils.

We thank you, our friend, for your service and dedication. The GGC has donated *Texas: Getting Started Garden Guide* and *Month-by-Month Gardening: Texas* to the Grapevine Public Library in Peggy's memory.



submitted by Barbara Thompson

Terry Curcio  
Outreach

## Butterfly Flutterby

Thanks to all the volunteers who made Butterfly Flutterby a huge success!







*Candy Cawley and young visitors*



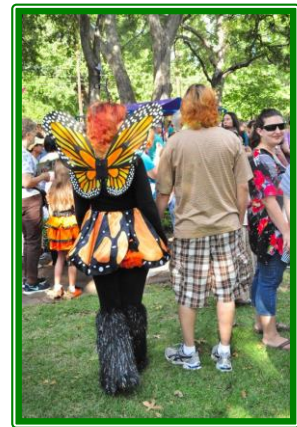
*Dinah Chancellor talking to rapt children*



*Margaret Meharg and  
Suzi Guckel*



*Sharon Swagerty*



✂Margaret Meharg  
✂Gloria Land  
Butterfly Flutterby





## Art Contest

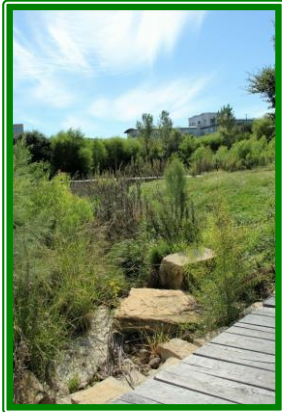


Winning artwork is currently on display at the Grapevine Public Library.

**Terry Curcio**  
**Butterfly Flutterby Art Contest**

## Gardeners on the Go

### George W. Bush Presidential Library and Native Texas Park



*Blackland Prairie in the middle of Dallas!*



### Magnolia Market



*Annemarie Garlin*

**GARDENERS ON THE GO!**