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GARDEN CLUB of the YEAR

September 22, 2015

Grapevine Convention Bureau, Grand Hall (2nd Floor) 636 South Main Street, Grapevine TX 76051

Regular meeting site: 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:

Chair, Valerie Reed, Linda Barraclough, Dinah Chancellor, Kathy Clark, Vicki Haines, Sally Hart, Anne Hogue, Mary Ledeboer, Jo Ogletree, Jackie Peel, and Cyndee Pollio

Grapevine Garden Club September Program Shade Tolerant Plants for North Texas Gardens

Our speaker will be Roger Sanderson, Director of Horticulture at the Texas Discovery Garden. Mr. Sanderson's presentation will illustrate the huge diversity of plants, from groundcovers, to perennials, to shrubs and small trees that do well in shady situations in North Texas.

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President's Message

Hard to believe how quickly the summer has flown by. It's time to get involved in garden club activities again. Our first meeting on September 22 will bring us together in a new location. Just for the September 22nd General Meeting we will meet in the Grand Hall on the second floor of the Convention and Visitors Bureau Headquarters, 636 S. Main Street, Grapevine, Texas 76051. I think of that Main Street building as the one with the Clock tower where two gunslingers battle it out periodically throughout the day!

As many of you know, Linda Krimm has taken on the role of Director for District II Garden Clubs. She has chosen as her theme – Environmental Awareness begins with a LEAP in Leadership, Education, Action and Purpose. Grapevine Garden Club is going to connect to Linda's theme by taking a LEAP (Learn, Educate And Publicize) against Rose Rosette. Over the summer, we have begun evaluating the roses which were planted in the Grapevine Botanic Gardens trial rose garden for rose rosette disease. This is an opportunity for our members to engage in the trial study. You can learn more about this work later in this newsletter.

September and October are known for being two of our busiest months. General meetings resume including Gardens on View and Gardeners on the Go. And of course the Plant Native – Plant Now sale coupled with Butterfly Flutterby, will both occur on Saturday, October 17th. There are so many wonderful opportunities for you to choose to participate and make a new friend! We are going to need lots of help. Please volunteer for either the Plant Sale or Butterfly Flutterby by writing your name down on one of the sign-up sheets at the September meeting.



The upcoming garden club year holds the promise of wonderful speakers, fun activities, and many learning opportunities for you to participate in. I thought I would tie in with LEAP by including a picture of one of my 'green' gardening friends who has resided on my patio table for 16 years!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our September General Meeting in the Grand Hall of the Convention and Visitors Bureau!

Sharon Swagerty

Hot Off the Press!!!

The *Grapevine Garden Club Yearbook 2015-16* will be available for pick up at the September General Meeting.

Evelyn Urbanosky Miriam Ward Yearbook

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
Date	Event	Location	
September 22	Gardens on View after the regular GGC Meeting	Watch your email for directions to these gardens.	
September 30	Gardeners on the Go: Nature Hike and Wildscape Gardens	8:20 A.M. – 4:15 P.M. Midlothian, Oak Leaf and Waxahachie, Texas	
October 6	District II Fall Convention	Denton, Texas	
October 10	Gardeners on the Go: Butterflies Unlimited Annual Open House	10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Glenn Heights, Texas	

September Birthdays

Ron Anderson Barbara Atkins Ella Barber Marilyn Bayer Diane Cauwels Adele Claeson Carmen Drew Peggy Harris Peggy Reyher



Karen Rice
Babs Sidorowicz
Shari Stanfield
Lisa Stokdyk
Marty Swindell
Beckie Underwood
Elayne Vick
Travis White
Edie Williams

Welcome
New Members!
Sef Crollett, Sr.
Dana Ernst
Julie Garza
Sandi Rosenstiel



Save the Dates!

Date	Event	Location
October 12	New Member Coffee	10:00 A.M. Mitchell House Grapevine Botanical Gardens
October 13	Work Day	West Texas Street Grapevine, Texas
October 17	Butterfly Flutterby Fall Plant Sale: Plant Native, Plant Now	Grapevine Botanical Gardens Heritage Park, Grapevine
October 29	Gardeners on the Go: Shopping Extravaganza – Traveling to Canton by Bus	7:15 A.M. – 5:30 P.M. Canton, Texas
December 8	Holiday Luncheon	Lancaster Theater Main Street, Grapevine, TX
March 29, 2016	District II Spring Convention	Alvarado, TX

Membership News

A big welcome to each of our 251 members as we begin our new club year! As one of our membership benefits, discounts are offered at two local nurseries:

- Blooming Colors Please pick up your discount card at the Membership Desk.
- Marshall Grain Complete their 'Frequent Buyer' form also at our Membership Desk.

As always, our Membership Committee would greatly appreciate new (or nearly new) garden gifts for our monthly door prizes. Please bring your donated prizes to our general meetings and leave them with Linda Harris or Barb Munn at the Membership Desk.

&Barb Munn Membership

The GGC Executive Board recommends that Marion Brekken receive honorary life membership in the Grapevine Garden Club. This recommendation will be presented at the September General Meeting and may be approved by a majority vote of the voting members present.

Many of you know Marion Brekken well, but new members may not be familiar with her service to GGC. Marion joined in 1981 and served on the Executive Board for 25 consecutive years. Her service on the board during my

presidency was invaluable, but I will always remember Marion's participation in the many landscape beautification projects the club sponsored over the years — planting bluebonnet seeds along roadsides, landscaping and maintaining beautification projects at the police department and library building on Dallas Road, five traffic medians, Liberty Park, Town Square, Farmers' Market and Heritage Center entrance, and Heritage Garden. Marion was there with shovel in hand!

"Gardening and gardeners age and change," Sydney Eddison wrote in *Gardening for a Lifetime*, "Why wouldn't they? The passage of time brings about changes in all living things, yet old age always takes us by surprise. In the sliding glass doors to the kitchen, I catch glimpses of an old woman hobbling around my garden, and I realize in amazement that it's me." I'm not suggesting Marion fits into an old age category (Horrors - that would include me!), but it may be time for her to lay the shovel aside and be recognized for her contributions to the club.



Blue Star Memorial Marker Dedication

In addition to serving as a member on numerous committees, working at plant sales, volunteering as a hostess through thirty-four years, Marion has served as an officer and a chair including: Recording Secretary 1984-86, 1995-96; 2nd Vice President 1986-87; 1st Vice President 1987-88; Publicity 1988-89; Budget 1988-92; Treasurer 1990-91, 1993-95, 2001 & 2002; Civic 1983-86, 1991-93, 1997-2000; Blue Star Highway 1999-2001, 2005-07; and Educational Pavilion Treasurer 2007-08.

Marion has been very active in the Grapevine community and has served in numerous organizations and boards including –

- ➤ Keep Grapevine Beautiful Founding Member and Lifetime Achievement Award 2012 in recognition of 20 years of service (See January 2013 GGC newsletter)
- ➤ Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce (Woman of the Year 1990)
- ➤ Grapevine Chamber of Commerce (D.E. Box Citizen of the Year 1987)
- ➤ GCISD Education Foundation Founding Director 1998 -2009, President 2002 and served in leadership roles during her membership; Distinguished Friend 2015 of the Foundation (presented June 1, 2015)
- ➤ GCISD Board of Trustees 1990-May 1997; President 1995-1997

- ➤ Heritage Foundation 1990-1998 Founding Member
- ➤ City Council 1980-1986 (Liaison to the Library Board)
- Friends of the Library (served in all leadership roles through the years and some multiple times)
- ➤ United Way Northeast Steering Committee
- > Tax Increment Financing District
- > Parks and Recreation Board 1995
- ➤ Main Street Committee 1986
- ➤ Grapevine Historical Society (Secretary 1990-1991; 1st VP/Curator 1992-1995; 2nd VP/Program chair 2000-2003; Committee Chair that originated the Historical Markers project that provided landmark plaques for historical buildings in Grapevine 1987-2007.)
- > Friends of the Library (Past President)
- > Texas Bank Executive Board
- > Baylor Hospital Board
- ➤ Grapevine Wine Pouring Society
- ➤ American Cancer Society

Solution Joetta King



Marion Brekken, Docent, Grapevine Botanical Gardens





GGC Seed Exchange

Fellow gardeners, fall is here and it's time to deadhead flowers, thin plants, and divide bulbs & extra plants for next year. Please remember our seed exchange table if you encounter extra seeds, bulbs, or plants. Please place seeds in paper envelopes with the following information: 1) name of plant 2) color of flower 3) height of mature plant 4) plant in sun or shade 5) whether the plant is a perennial or an annual 6) cautions: invasive or poisonous to pets or people.



In the envelope with the seeds, please place a preservative pack to help seeds dry out without danger of mold or mildew. (These preservative packs are often found in medication containers or in boxes with new shoes.) Please bring your donations to the general meetings and leave them at the seed table. ALSO NEEDED are old envelopes that don't stick, or are yellowed, or earmarked for disposal. These can be repurposed for packaging seeds for the seed table. Thank you for sharing.

Thierrie Mazur
Sef Crollett, Sr.
Seed Exchange

Gardens on View

Following our September 22nd General Meeting, we will be viewing the gardens of Tammy Meeker, Diane Cauwels as well as the gardens of Carol and Gary Dickson (non-members but our own Toni Moorehead designed their garden). As the meeting date draws nearer, be sure to check your email for directions to each garden.

Marge Carpenter
Gardens on View

Vegetables and Herbs for Your Fall garden – Available after the September Meeting



Brussel sprouts

Dress up your fall garden with a selection of colorful and aromatic edibles. Fall vegetables and herbs such as kale, cabbage, Brussel sprouts, dill (good for Swallowtail butterfly caterpillars too!), cilantro and others will be offered for sale during the "Gardens on View" tours after the September General Meeting. The fall edibles will be offered to the side of the Tammy Meeker home.

&Karen Rice and the Plant Sale Team

Ways and Means

Stop by the Ways and Mean table each month to shop for t-shirts, hats, aprons, tote bags, gloves, notecards, books, plant markers, bird houses and feeders, soil knives, and other garden specialties.

At the September meeting, you can purchase Crocus speciosus to plant immediately and still have blooms this fall.



Crocus speciosus

You can also place an order for 6 varieties of spring blooming bulbs to be delivered at the October meeting. Bulbs include Peppermint Stick and Little Beauty tulips, Tahiti and Minnow daffodils, and Charlotte Bishop and White Star Ibheion. Find the order form in this newsletter for more details. (See page 23.)



Looking ahead, Crafts Corner with member-crafted items will be held before the November meeting for your holiday shopping pleasure.

Sally Hart Ways and Means

C. Shane Wilbanks: A Legacy of Community Service

Many members of Grapevine Garden Club were friends of dedicated public servant C. Shane Wilbanks who passed away August 21, 2015. He and his wife Paula joined GGC in 2005. Although Shane's participation in club events was restricted due to his many community service commitments, you could expect to see his smiling face at luncheons, Arbor Day programs, and plant sales.

Shane served as the City Council's liaison to the Parks and Recreation Department for 30 years. His legacy of commitment to projects of Parks and Recreation is intertwined with that of GGC. In particular, the development of the

Grapevine Botanical Gardens.

In 1938 the first park, approximately 2.8 acres, was established in Grapevine and was called City Park. On December 5, 1939, the trustees of the park designed a plan for operation of the park. The Boy Scouts of Grapevine were given a place to meet in the



Shane Wilbanks, GGC Spring Luncheon, 2014

park and were asked to do maintenance on the grounds set apart for them. The Grapevine Garden Club was in charge of the landscaping. The club accepted the request and went to work. City Park was eventually named Heritage Park.

Inspired by a visit by City Councilman C. Shane Wilbanks and his wife Paula to the Botanica Gardens in Wichita, Kansas, Shane encouraged the city staff to begin planning a botanical garden in 1995.

One Sunday following church services, Shane and Paula purchased sandwiches and chose Heritage Park for enjoying their picnic lunch. As they gazed at the surrounding property with its bicentennial oak tree and other large trees, they concluded that Heritage Park was an ideal site for Grapevine's botanical garden.

The City Council agreed and Parks and Recreation Director Doug Evans and Councilman Wilbanks then began planning the concept for the gardens and interviewing architects. Because of its location adjacent to Heritage Park, the new garden was named the Grapevine Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park. In total, the Heritage Park and Botanical Gardens span approximately twelve acres.



Grapevine Botanical Gardens, Heritage Park

Following the ground-breaking ceremony for the Botanical Gardens, Shane is quoted in a *Grapevine Sun* article (May 14, 2000) as stating, "Grapevine has parks for sports, but there needs to be places set aside for non-sports activities. A place where you can meditate and relax. The gardens will be used as an educational facility and for outdoor demonstrations."

"It is an honor to take care of the Botanical Gardens," said City Horticulturist Lisa Adams Grove. "I had deep respect for Shane. Without his leadership, there would be no Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park. While his support and encouragement will be missed, his legacy will continue to grow. Every time I came in contact with Shane, he made me feel as if I was the single best employee the City of Grapevine had ever hired. Now I realize that he made everyone feel special. Shane was quite sincere in letting each of us know that every chance he got. It is no wonder everyone felt special in his presence and thought so highly of him."

For 77 years, GGC members' footsteps have traversed what are now Heritage Park and the Botanical Gardens. We continue to be involved with projects and activities at the Botanical Gardens and in many ways continue C. Shane Wilbanks' legacy of commitment. His vision, talents, and service in making Grapevine a great place to live will be remembered.

Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Mitchell said, "Shane's impact on Grapevine Parks & Recreation can be seen everywhere. It gives me great joy that generations for years to come will benefit from Shane's vision."

₻Joetta King

Editor's Note: This tribute has been difficult to write. Those who contributed to Joetta's article all agree that there are no words that can adequately describe the impact a single individual like Shane Wilbanks has made to the city he loved and the lives he touched. We all grieve his passing and are grateful to have known him.

®Dinah Chancellor

GGC Civic Seed Grant Program

The Grapevine Garden Club is now accepting applications for our Civic Seed Grant Program. The program promotes the study of horticulture, floral design, environmental awareness, and protection and conservation of natural resources.



Heritage Elementary Tool Shed Artwork courtesy of Heritage Garden Club students.



Betsy Marsh & student work on the Grapevine Elementary herb and butterfly garden

In the past, the money has been used to create outdoor learning environments, raised planting beds, and green house gardens for local schools and the community.

Criteria and applications may be found at www.grapevinegardenclub.org, or contact Debbie Smith. Applications can be filled out and emailed or mailed back to me and I will see that the application is submitted. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you!



©Debbie Smith Civic Coordinator

You Are Invited!

The Grapevine Garden club will host a New Member Coffee on Monday, October 12th, at 10:00 A.M. at the Mitchell House (411 Ball Street, Grapevine, TX 76051). All members who have joined since September of 2014 are invited to attend. A myriad of garden club projects and activities will be showcased and information about becoming involved will be presented. Best of all, the fellowship of new friends who share your gardening enthusiasm will be a great opportunity at the coffee. For more information, contact Sarah Erickson.

Sarah Erickson

West Texas Street Work Day October 13, 2015, 9:00 A.M.

It has been an amazing spring and summer so we will have lots to do for our neighbors on West Texas Street. It is time to weed the beds and plant some stuff. And yup, you guessed it! Halloween will be coming up pretty soon. So start thinking about something wild and crazy for a fun costume to wear while we dig in the dirt together. Sometimes it is scary to come as ourselves, but occasionally we are in for a treat when somebody really shines, if you know what I mean.



Suzi Guckel, 2012



Pam Braak, 2012

In order to get some new ideas and interest in this project, this year I have formed a committee which will be announced at our General Meeting. The

committee will be working together to evaluate each of the beds and make recommendations for improvements they deem necessary for the next work day, as well as to consider for any long-term improvements.

The sign-up sheet will be at our September 22nd General Meeting. So come look me up, sign up and join in on the fun. New to the Club? Come play with us, learn new things, share your knowledge, and meet some new friends.

After we have worked hard we will go drink coffee on Main Street so we can swap lies and stories about what we did over the long hot summer. If you have any questions, call me. I'm in the book.

Suzi Guckel West Texas Street Project

Fall Plant Sale, "Plant Native – Plant Now" October 17, 2015

The Fall Plant Sale will be held at the Grapevine Botanical Gardens on Saturday, October 17th from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. The plant sale is held on the same date as the Butterfly Flutterby. It is a fun time and a chance to purchase trees, shrubs, and fall perennials with proceeds that support the GGC's community projects. We will also have a selection of butterfly attractant plants. And as we know, fall is the perfect time to plant the items being offered at the sale. There will be sales consultants to help with your plant selections and Citizen Foresters to help with any tree questions. See next month's newsletter for the selection of trees, shrubs and plants that will be available.



Nancy Searl, Pam and Greg Braak, 2012



Barbara Atkins, Barbara Munn, Lisa Adams Grove, 2012

The **only** opportunity to volunteer to help out at the plant sale will be at the September GGC General Meeting. Volunteering is a great way to meet other members and learn about fall plants. Volunteers are needed for the holding area, cashiers/assistant cashiers, sale setup and pricing, and general assistance during the sale. By volunteering, you will learn about the items for sale and work alongside other GGC members. <u>Sally Hart</u> is coordinating the volunteers for this sale. Please contact her with any questions or what any of the volunteer jobs entail. Please look for the sign-up sheet at the September General Meeting. So get ready for the opportunity to fill your garden with the plants you want! GGC members will receive a 10% discount of all purchases.

& Chuck Voelker Fall Plant Sale

Celebrate FALL and the Monarch at Butterfly Flutterby Saturday October 17th

As the Monarchs migrate from Canada to Mexico via the Grapevine Botanical Gardens we will celebrate with the Butterfly Flutterby. This is an annual event which includes a parade, butterfly exhibits, arts, games, crafts, and a native tree and shrub sale. There will also be a scavenger hunt, butterfly releases, and a display of the children's art contest "Journey of the Butterfly". The winners of the art contest will be announced and there will be food, fun items for children and cute bug boxes for kids of all ages!



Newly emerged Monarchs sip nectar from fresh flowers from GGC gardens, 2013.

This fall day is the Grapevine Garden Club's biggest volunteer effort each year and a great way to get involved. We need volunteers to help with crafts, games, perform science experiments, explain the life cycle of the butterfly, sell trees and shrubs, answer gardening questions, and assist in other ways. Choose the job and time that works for you 8:30 - 11:30 A.M. or 11:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Sign-up sheets will be available at the September General Meeting.

Saturday, October 17th promises to be a fun and educational event for GGC members, families, friends, grandparents and the community. Don't miss it! Questions? Contact Margaret Meharg or Gloria Land.

Solution Meharg **Solution** William Butterfly Flutterby

No garden truly blooms until butterflies have danced upon it. **20**K. D'Angelo

Kids Art Contest"Journey of the Butterfly"

The Grapevine Colleyville ISD, the Grapevine Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Grapevine Garden Club will again sponsor a Kids Art Contest for students in grades K-5. The theme for the contest is "Journey of the Butterfly". The purpose of the contest is to give students an opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the theme through original art.



Sprouting Artist K-1st: Lexi Allen, 2014

Entries will be judged by local artists. Winners will be announced during the annual *Butterfly Flutterby* on Saturday, October 17th. Garden Club members with children or grandchildren in grade K-5th are also eligible to enter the contest even though students do not attend a GCISD school. Contest rules and entry forms are available from Miriam Ward or www.grapevinegardenclub.org.

&Miriam Ward Butterfly Flutterby Art Contest

Gardeners on the Go

Gardeners on the Go – Upcoming Tours

There are many reasons for joining a garden club...sharing gardening failures and successes, learning more about plants, developing residential wildlife habitats, and learning conservation methods. The reasons are numerous, but getting to know others with a common interest and making friends is a high priority for most of us. Traveling with members on tours can achieve these goals!

Wednesday, September 30 - 8:20 A.M. - 4:15 P.M. Nature Hike and Wildscape Gardens Midlothian, Oak Leaf and Waxahachie, TX Tour limited to 24 attendees \$10 prepaid tour fee - paid on the day of the tour



Mockingbird Nature Park in Midlothian

Put on your hiking shoes and join gardening friends as we explore a part of the 62-acre Mockingbird Nature Park in Midlothian with the Indian Trail Chapter of Texas Master Naturalists. Mockingbird Nature Park was chosen as one of their primary projects with a mission to provide service and education on preserving and protecting our native Texas environment.

One of the first things these Master

Naturalists did at Mockingbird was to start a butterfly garden near the front entrance. The garden attracts large numbers of Monarch, Queen and other butterflies in the spring and fall. There may be 50 to 100 butterflies around the garden at any one time. Join us in walking the trails, observing wildlife, and viewing the wildflowers at this hidden gem in Midlothian!

If you are interested in using tough native plants in your landscape that serve as pollinators and attract butterflies, you can learn from the selection found at the Mockingbird Nature Park and from our tour of three residential landscapes. Master Naturalists Eileen Berger, Carolyn Ross, Dan and Deborah Rayfield have graciously invited us to visit their gardens and view their efforts to establish a



Monarch on zexmenia – Joetta's Gardens

wildscape – making a place for wildlife in the home landscape.

Naturally, no tour is complete without lunch with friends and an opportunity to shop! The tour will end with shopping at The Greenery – a family-owned nursery covering over four acres of plants, pottery and iron yard art. The Greenery will be offering the following discounts during our visit – 50% on pottery, 30% on iron works, and 10% on regular priced items.

Saturday, October 10 – 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Butterflies Unlimited Annual Open House No tour fee

1732 S. Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, TX

Dale Clark, owner of Butterflies Unlimited, has graciously invited GGC members to attend an open house at his butterfly farm with members of the Dallas County Lepidopterist Society (DCLS).



Butterflies Unlimited supplies live butterflies to exhibits all over the country. Located in southern Dallas County where Dale has been raising butterflies for twenty years, the farm is not normally open to the public. So this is a special opportunity! Walk through the flight cage with butterflies from around Texas; see hundreds of caterpillars of many species of native butterflies in the 'caterpillar greenhouse'; tour the gardens and get ideas for your own butterfly habitat, and look at Dale's extensive butterfly collection with specimens from around the world.



Monarchs on Gregg's Mist

Timed during the peak of monarch migration, it is not uncommon for there to be several hundreds of monarchs tanking up on the nectar rich flowers at the farm. Bring your camera, family, friends and fellow gardening fanatics. You need not be a member of DCLS to attend, but you may want to consider membership in the future. As always, attendance at DCLS meetings and events is free of charge and open to everyone.

Unlike most GGC tours, attendees will be responsible for organizing a carpool group or traveling independently to this event. There is no need to register with

Joetta King for the event. Driving directions to Butterflies Unlimited will be posted the week of the event on www.dallasbutterflies.com (under the calendar of events tab). Be sure to check the DCLS website or their Facebook page that Saturday for any changes.

Information for this article was provided by Dale Clark, co-founder of Dallas County Lepidopterists' Society.

<u>Thursday, October 29 – 7:15 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.</u> Shopping Extravaganza – Traveling to Canton by Bus \$30 payment due no later than September 23 Tour is restricted to females over 18 years of age.



Ladies, are you ready to start shopping for an upcoming holiday or finding garden art for your landscape? If so, please join us on our bus trip to Canton. What a fabulous way to relax and avoid the crowds! Put on your comfortable clothes and good walking shoes so you can shop some of the 150 acres of arts, crafts, and antiques.

Only 25 seats were reserved for GGC members and only a few openings remain! The first members submitting a reservation check will be assured of being on the trip.

How do you sign-up?

- Contact Joetta King to verify that reservations are still being accepted. She will send you the 'where, what, when' tour details.
- Once you know that an opening is available:
 - ✓ \$30 check payable to Grapevine Garden Club
 - ✓ Indicate 'Canton Tour' on bottom of check
 - ✓ Mail check to Kathy Stone (address is in GGC yearbook)

The \$30 fee covers the bus rental, driver's tip, continental breakfast, map and bottle of water when we arrive, wine, cheese, chocolate and munchies on the way back.

www.cantontxfirstmonday.com for more information about the shopping potential.

You may register for tours with Joetta King by home phone, email or at the general meeting. Driving directions and tour information will be emailed to tour attendees about a week before the tour date. If you register for a tour and fail to receive the tour information, please contact Joetta. If you do not use email, you must provide a self-addressed, stamped, size 10 envelope at the general meeting for each tour you register.

Solution Joetta King Trips and Tours

Grapevine Rose Trials for Possible Rose Rosette Disease Resistant Cultivars

As you may remember from a February 2015 GGC newsletter article about the 2005 EarthKindTM Rose Trial, our club participated in a two-year project with Texas A&M University to field test 24 cultivars of antique roses. The roses thrived for nearly ten years with almost no care. But in late 2014, Rose Rosette Disease was identified on all the roses except the cultivar Lafter. All the rose bushes were dug up and destroyed in January 2015.

Lisa Grove, horticulturalist for the City of Grapevine and GGC member, suggested that the location would be a good spot for a new rose trial and she approached Laura Miller, County Extension Agent for Commercial Horticulture at Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. Laura agreed and the City of Grapevine prepared the site and bought and planted 68 roses in June of 2015. Pictured below are GGC members collecting data. Not pictured is Greg Braak who worked & took pictures.



July 7, 2015 Paul Ernst, Barb Munn, Marilyn Johnson, Debbie Boyle, Catriona Noble, Pam Braak, Mercy Kettler, Lynne Carpenter and Lisa Grove kneeling



September 1, 2015 Row 1: Lisa Grove, Susan Stanek; Row 2: Catriona Noble, Angeline DePaux, Sharon Duquemin, Barb Munn, Sharon Swagerty Row 3: Paul Ernst, Pam Braak, Debbie Boyle, Karen Rice

This is a rose trial of possible Rose Rosette Disease resistant cultivars which will be beneficial to all rose lovers but also for Dr. David Byrne's breeding program at Texas A&M. Cultivars were selected from Dr. Byrne's list of likely RRD resistant cultivars based on availability at nurseries in our area. Sixteen shrub rose cultivars were selected and one climbing rose.

On June 19, 2015, four roses of each cultivar were planted for a total of 68. Grapevine Garden Club members and Tarrant County Master Gardeners are evaluating the plants each month for RRD symptoms as well as Black Spot and many other conditions. Unfortunately, rose bushes have been stolen, completely removed and taken away TWICE. This makes data collection more difficult when there is no plant to evaluate. One rose we are evaluating from Certified Rose in Tyler has not been released to the public yet. The growers are referring to it as Knockout on Steroids. Stay tuned to see how it does in our trials.

We are excited to see what happens in the upcoming months and hope we can learn more about Rose Rosette and eventually make recommendations for good rose choices in Tarrant County and other areas where Rose Rosette Disease is prevalent.

&Pam Braak

COME JOIN US!! Monthly Data Collection:

1st Tuesday of the Month Dove Loop & Shadybrook Or next to Cross Timbers Winery 805 Main Street, Grapevine, TX Contact: Pam Braak or Lisa Grove

Message from Linda Krimm, long time GGC member and new Director of District II of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. (TGC)



I hope you will consider joining the National Pollinator Garden Network to **BEE an Action Hero.** You may want to register your own garden into *The Million Pollinator Garden* Challenge supported by National Garden Club (NGC). Wouldn't

it be exciting if District II added or improved the most pollinator gardens within TGC and NGC?!! How proud would we be?!! These are awesome programs aimed to educate the public and support our pollinators and their critical role in the health of our environment. Questions? Contact Linda Krimm or Karen Rice, Awards Chair for District II.

> **&**Linda Krimm **&**Karen Rice

Gardeners on the Go: June 12th National Garden Week Tour Echo Springs Blueberry Farm, Murchison and Frankston, Texas



GGC members preparing to enjoy their day at the farm



Greg Braak displaying the fruits of his labors (Please forgive the PUN!)



Joetta King picking blueberries

PLANT NATIVE - PLANT NOW

GRAPEVINE GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE SATURDAY, OCT. 17 2015

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Botanical Gardens at Heritage Park 411 Ball Street, Grapevine

Featuring butterfly nectar and host plants, native and adapted trees, shrubs, and perennials. Master Gardeners & Citizen Foresters available for guidance Cash, check or charge

Proceeds Benefit
Grapevine Garden Club Scholarship & Civic Programs
www.grapevinegardenclub.org
817.410.3350

While in the gardens enjoy Grapevine's Butterfly Flutterby event 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.











You are invited to the
District 2 Fall Convention, Garden Tour and Picnic
Tuesday, October 6th
10:30 am – 1:30 pm
at the home of Joyce and Don Nuckels
13916 Old Stoney Road, Ponder, TX 76259
325-647-0586

"Meet, Greet and Eat" is the theme for the 2015 District 2 Fall Convention. District Presidents, officers and all members are encouraged to attend the convention, garden tour and picnic. After a short business meeting, we will enjoy lunch and tour the Wildlife Habitat garden of Joyce Nuckels and her husband Don. She is a member of the Twlight Garden Club of Denton and a retired Master Naturalist and Master Gardener. Joyce has many unique and interesting plants, garden art and surprises which you will not want to miss. She loves to share seeds from her native and perennial plants so be prepared to go home with your pockets full!

The Convention is intended to be a very casual, fun affair. We ask all attendees to bring a salad or dessert which serves 8 to share and does not require refrigeration or reheating and a picnic blanket or comfortable lawn chair to relax on. We will lunch under the large hackberry trees while greeting friends and sharing garden club ideas. Join us and other fellow gardeners for this "un-conventional" district meeting.

Registration for the Fall Convention must be received by Sept 30.

Send completed registration form with a \$10 check payable to Twilight Garden Club. Mail to Dorothy Farris, 411

North Second Street, Krum, TX 76249. Questions? Contact Dorothy at colafarris@juno.com or 940-482-3774.

Directions? Click on map link https://goo.gl/maps/a5Kcj

Name		_ Garden Club
Address, City, Zip		
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I plan to bring a salad or dessert (circle one) which serves 8 and does not require refrigeration or reheating, and a lawn chair.

The Twilight Garden Club will provide drinks, dinnerware and condiments. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes suitable for walking on uneven terrain found in gardens. If the convention is cancelled due to weather, you will be notified by email or phone by 8:00 am on the day of the convention. Check your email if you have concerns or questions.

Please circle all that apply:

Garden Club: President Member Delegate Alternate Council: President Delegate Member

District: Officer Chairman Life Member

Region: Officer Chairman Life Member

National: President Officer Chairman Life Member

Former National President Former State President Former District Director **NGC Flower Show Judge**: Master Life Accredited Student Emeritus Instructor

NGC Landscape Design Consultant NGC Garden Study Consultant NGC Environmental Consultant TGC Design Consultant Texas Master Gardener First-Time District II Convention: Attendee Guest

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	Crocus: Speciosus Plant in next 2 weeks and blooms this fall!!! elegant violet blue to mauve flowers, most floriferous, easy to naturalize, 3" – 5" tall	15/bag	(pick up 9/22/15)
	Tulip: Peppermint Stick true red and white tulip with purple heart diminutive flower, naturalizes when happy blooms mid to late spring, 6" – 8" tall	12/bag	
	Tulip: Little Beauty reddish pink petals with bluish heart super strong, showy, naturalizes when happy blooms mid spring, 4" – 6" tall	15/bag	
	Daffodil: Tahiti double flower with multiple rows of rounded yellow per bright red segments in middle strong stemmed, 14" – 16" tall; late mid spring blooms blast resistant perennializer, great show flower a staff favorite at Dallas Arboretum trial garden	8/bag tals with	
	Daffodil: Minnow white or yellow petals and tiny yellow cup 3 – 5 fragrant flowers per stem; 5" – 6" tall excellent perennializer; blooms mid spring	15/bag	
	Ipheion: uniflorum Charlotte Bishop pink petals, 6-petaled star-shaped; sweetly fragrant with grass-like foliage pest resistant naturalizer, 7" – 12" tall long-lasting blooms, early to late spring	18/bag	
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Questions? Contact Sally Hart.	cash check charge