

Nottingham Country Garden Club

Newsletter
April, 2013



NCGC April Meeting

Thursday April 4, 2013
8:45 a.m. MUD
Bldg. #81
805 Hidden Canyon Katy

Come join us for a field trip to Arbor Gate Nursery in Tomball. We will meet at the MUD building **NO LATER THAN** 8:45 a.m. We will leave promptly at 9:00.

We'll be treated to a wonderful presentation by Rand C. Hopkins of Monrovia Growers on "New, Unique and Unusual Plants for Your Garden". Are you a plant fanatic? Are you a gardening guru? Do you like knowing about the newest varieties of plants around? If that's you, then you'll want to come hear Rand Hopkins speak. He comes with over 14 years of experience as an Independent Sales Consultant for Monrovia Growers. He'll give us a sneak peak at what plants stand out above the others. Join us and be the "first on your block" to try out these new plants.

Just a reminder that field trips are for members only.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

JANET BLOWERS - 4

DONNA LUTHER - 13

MARGARET TILLERY - 23



Field Trip to Shimek Day Lilly Farm

Date: Thursday April 18, 2013
Time: 9:00 a.m.

If you signed up for the field trip to Shimek's, please meet at the MUD building promptly at 9:00 a.m. We will carpool from there. We will enjoy lunch together after the tour, place to be determined.

A Word From Our President

Hello Spring Ladies!

Now that the gorgeous winter weather is probably really over, you can sneak out to your garden and secretly look under and behind your plants...(there may be an unnoticed Easter egg still in your garden!) And while you are down there, notice the bugs, caterpillars, compost and mulch levels, little frosted bits, worms etc. Do not tell anyone if you really have a chat with the Easter Bunny. People will wonder?!

Thank you to all who made the Plant Sale a success. Villagio was a new setting for us and it proved successful in terms of \$\$\$. Hats off to our amazing Fundraising Chairpersons, Janet Blowers and Lori Fay. We will share the final results at our next general business meeting.

See you soon,
Sue

Looking Ahead



Our last meeting of the year will be on Thursday, May 1, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the MUD building. We will enjoy a delicious luncheon of lasagna, salad, bread and dessert. The cost is \$10.00. If you were unable to sign up at the March meeting, please have your money to Gwen Heck no later than April 18th. We'll also be having a fun white elephant gift exchange. More information will be coming in the May newsletter.

Events and Workshops

Fort Bend County Master Gardeners Monthly Program

Time: 6:30 social 7:00 program
Bud O'Shieles Community Center
1330 Band Rd., Rosenberg



*Thursday April 18, 2013

"Wild About Wildflowers" presented by Cheri Foster Colburn, author of several books, winner of several horticultural awards and collaborator with Chris Wiesinger on "The Bulb Hunter".

*Saturday, April 6, 2013

- Saturday in the Gardens: Visit the FBCMG demonstration gardens beginning at :00 a.m.

-Saturday, April 6, 2013

"Pecan-Citrus Grafting Clinic" beginning at :00 a.m.

For more information visit their website at www.fbmng.com.

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

Friday, April 12, 2013

Houston Civic Garden Center
1500 Hermann Dr., Houston

Program: "The Old Made New Again: Designing with Stuff."

Speaker: SJ Derby, The Hill Country collector of that "stuff" and designer extraordinaire.

For more information or for carpooling call Donna Luther @ (281) 492-1512

Plan Ahead:

Friday May 10, 2013

Display of Hupertufa Pot-et-fleur Designs and installation of new officers.

Free Herb Workshop

Date/Time: Friday April 19, 2013 10:00-11:00 a.m.

The Brookwood Community store at 10222C Westheimer, Houston is offering a free herb workshop featuring speaker Rebecca Martin, Brookwood's own herb specialist. Come and enjoy coffee and muffins while learning about herbs. Please make a reservation by calling 713-782-7757.

Harris County Master Gardeners Green Thumb Gardening Series

*Tuesday April 2, 2013

Maude Smith Marks Library
1815 Westgreen Blvd. Katy



"Plannng a Water Star Garden"

Lazy Gardener Newsletter

Brenda Beust Smith aka The Lazy Gardener now has a free newsletter she will email to you. If you are interested in receiving this, send your name and email address to lazygardenerandfriends@gmail.com.



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Pincushion Flower

Heartfelt Thanks!

A huge round of applause goes out to Janet Blowers and Lori Fay for organizing our successful Plant Sale. Thanks to everyone who worked the sale or brought plants.

A Reminder from Texas Garden

Clubs Texas Garden Clubs invites you to

read and enjoy the *Lone Star Gardener* online. Click on www.texasgardenclubs.org to go to the TGC home page. Click the white flower in the box on the right side of the home page to read the LSG online.