

Nottingham Country Garden Club

Newsletter

February, 2017



NCGC Meeting Information

Date: Thursday, February 2, 2017; 9:30am social time; 10:00am meeting
Where: MUD #81 Meeting Room, 805 Hidden Canyon Road, Katy, TX
Program: Kathy Clark, "Attracting Birds and Butterflies"
Lunch:

Federation Meeting

HFGC*:
Friday, Feb. 10th, General Meeting;
9:30am social; White Oak Conference Center.
Program: Inspired by Art: Created by Designers

~Sharon

* Houston Federation of Garden Clubs

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/01 Phyllis Hogue
2/12 Deborah Hamm
2/21 Mary Lou Proctor
and Ester Spencer
2/22 Norma Beustring
2/25 Anita Parrott



Congratulations to our new Officers and new Event Coordinator

Cheryl Fawvor - President

Chris Rogers - First Vice President

Carol Royer - Second Vice President

Kim Patrick - Parliamentarian

Pamela Stevens - Event Coordinator

THANKS!!



Thank you to the January Hostesses for the wonderful refreshments and to Pamela Stevens for all she does each meeting.

Highlight - Vikki Rogers, Treasurer

Favorite Plant

Q: What is your favorite plant and why?

A: *My favorite plant...that's a tough one...I love any plant that flowers. They just make me happy. I had so much fun last year with the wildflower seed mix I planted...had so many "new to me" flowers.*

Favorite Resource

Q: What's your favorite "go to" resource?

A: *My favorite go to resource is Alice (Brown). We've been friends for over 30 years so I usually start with her. Then I search the internet.*

Advice

Q: What one suggestion would you give a new gardener?

A: *My suggestion to a new gardener is "Don't be afraid to try". If you like a plant, put it in your yard. You can always move it. I've only been in my house for 2 years, and I've already rearranged some plants several times. Had some failures, but a lot of successes.*

PROGRAM NEWS

Feb. 17th - Cockrell Butterfly Center, Houston Museum of Natural Science, Bus Trip \$10 (\$6 tour + \$4 for bus)

March 10th - Bus Trip to Azalea Trail

April 13th - Bus Trip to Japanese Gardens in Herman Park



The Azalea Trail is the first sign that things are coming back to life with a host of breathtaking flowers in full bloom. This year, a ticket to the Trail gives admission to 6 locations within the River Oaks neighborhood, including 4 private homes and gardens, Bayou Bend and Rienzi. A 7th free location is the River Oaks Garden Club Forum of Civics where free advice from "Ask the Experts" can be enjoyed each day.

Azalea is the name given to the various spectacular flowering shrubs (genus *Rhododendron*) of the Heath family that are in full bloom each Spring in Houston, hence our nickname, "Azalea City"! These showy flowers flourish at all seven locations in varying shades of pink, purple, white and red and are a magnificent sight to behold!

FUNDRAISING NEWS



CALADIUM BULB ORDER FORMS

Don't forget to bring your completed form with cash/ check.

This is our only fundraiser this year. We need everyone to participate.

The Plant Shoppe will be open for business. Please bring your labeled plant items to the *Shoppe*. After depositing your plant, shop for a great plant from your garden club friends. Please retrieve any unsold plants after the meeting.

~Kim



Check out the *Fundraising Table* for some great raffle items. One of the items this month is the item pictured here, donated by Doris Netto. Remember to bring cash/check for the raffle.

~Lori and Nan

Horticulture Announcements

Please bring your garden blooms to the NCGC meetings! *It is helpful if each bloom has it's own container. This will enable members to easily identify each plant.*

Use this label to identify your bloom and bring to our monthly meetings so everyone can enjoy what you have growing in your garden.



~Jean

Nottingham Country Garden Club Monthly Horticulture

Common name: _____

Botanical name: _____

Height/width: _____

(circle one or more)

type: light: soil: hardiness: annual sun moist hardy perennial partial sun boggy root hardy shrub shade dry tender tree filtered shade alkaline bulb "any" acidic "any"

Your name: _____

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