

JANUARY 2025

# MANSFIELD GARDEN CLUB

## NEWSLETTER



### Message from the President of Mansfield Garden Club

Dear Club Members,

As I sit down to write this, I'm reminded of how grateful I am to be part of a community that shares such a love for the beauty and inspiration a garden brings into our lives. It's truly inspiring to see what happens when our individual talents and ideas come together to make something extraordinary.

Looking ahead, I'm especially looking forward to all the events we have planned this spring. It's a season of growth and renewal, and I can't wait to see the energy and enthusiasm you'll bring to everything we do.

Thank you for your commitment to making our club a place where gardens and friendships flourish. It's an honor to serve as your president and to see the impact we make together.

With warmest regards,  
Sonya

# UPCOMING MEETINGS

## **GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 6:00 p.m.  
Chris W. Burkett Service Center  
620 S. Wisteria St., Mansfield, TX 76063  
Emily Puente MGC Member

Join us for social time and appetizers at 6:00pm. Then Emily Puentes will share her knowledge of propagation of plants.

## **GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 6:00 p.m.  
Chris W. Burkett Service Center  
620 S. Wisteria St., Mansfield, TX 76063  
TBD

Join us for social time and appetizers at 6:00pm.

## **GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 6:00 p.m.  
Chris W. Burkett Service Center  
620 S. Wisteria St., Mansfield, TX 76063  
Andrea Garcia

Join us for social time and appetizers at 6:00pm. Andrea Garcia teaches classes on Herbs at FWBG regarding healthy uses in food and medicine







I'm still amazed at how incredible the food was at our January Monthly Meeting! I picked up several items and can't wait to experiment in the kitchen using 1890 Oils and Spices. Here are a few recipes inspired by that memorable evening. For shopping and more recipes visit their website at <https://eightenninety.com>

### Italian Vinaigrette

1/4 Cup Water  
1/4 Cup Lemon Juice  
1/4 Cup 1890 A-Premium White Balsamic  
1 Tbsp. 1890 Granulated Molasses  
2 Cloves of Garlic  
1 1/2 tsp. 1890 Mediterranean Oregano  
1 tsp. Dijon Mustard  
1/2 tsp. 1890 Sweet Hungarian Paprika  
1/2 tsp. 1890 Granulated Onion  
1 tsp. 1890 UP Extra Virgin Olive Oil  
3/4 tsp. 1890 Coarse Sea Salt

Add all ingredients to mason jar then shake and serve! Makes 1 1/2 cups

### 1890 Signature Salad

#### Ingredients

4 Leaf Lettuce Mix  
Feta Cheese Crumbles  
Toasted Silvered Almonds  
Seasonal Berries  
Cranberry Pear White Balsamic  
Persian Lime Olive Oil

Whisk equal parts of olive oil and white balsamic in a small bowl with either a bar whisk or fork until they are blended well together. In a large bowl, place mixed greens and seasonal berries then toss with the mixture of oil & vinegar. Top that off with toasted almonds evenly on lettuce and finish by sprinkling feta cheese over the whole salad and serve.

### BBQ Dry Rub

#### Ingredients

Makes 8 cups

1 lb 1890 Demerara Sugar  
1 Cup 1890 Sweet Hungarian Paprika  
1 Cup 1890 Ground Black Pepper  
1 Cup Guajillo Chile Powder  
1 Tbsp. 1890 Mesquite Smoke Flavor  
1 Tbsp. 1890 Granulated Garlic  
1 Tbsp. 1890 Granulated Onion

Thoroughly mix ingredients in medium container, breaking up brown sugar to ensure there are no lumps. Rub liberally on pork ribs, beef brisket, chicken or any grilled meat.



# Upcoming Events

**April 26, 2025 - Earth Day Mansfield - 9:00am - 1:00pm**

Earth Day Mansfield is typically held on the last Saturday in April and is a family-friendly event that puts the fun in the Fundamentals of learning how to become an environmentally sustainable member of our community. You can expect to see a variety of activities such as: kids and crafts, food and beverage for purchase, live music, product vendors, butterfly release and much more!

**May 10, 2025 - Monarch Festival - 9:00am - 12:00pm**

**May 13, 2025 - Spring Social - 5:00pm - 8:00pm**

The executive committee is hard at work planning this year's spring social. It will be at Town Park 500 N Main St. Stay tuned for more info.

## **MANSFIELD GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

The Mansfield Garden Club is proud to offer an annual scholarship to one graduating high school student or a current college student. The 2025 scholarship is a one-time check in the amount of \$1500.

Please pass this on to a student who fits the following requirements:

- Applicants must be pursuing post-secondary training at a college, university, or technical school. They must be enrolling in a program related to Horticulture, Environmental Science, Forestry, Agriculture, Conservation, Landscape Design, Agronomy, Environment Management/City Planning, Botany, Plant Pathology, or other related subjects.
- Applicants are required to submit an essay explaining why they have selected their field of study. The essay is not to exceed 250 words and should be typed on a separate piece of paper or as a PDF document and attached to the application.
- Applicants must submit two (2) letters of recommendation from a member of the Mansfield Garden Club, counselor, club advisor, church leader, teacher, employer, or any person qualified to attest to the applicant's character and scholarship ability.
- Applications must submit an official high school and/or college transcript.
- Applications and attachments must be submitted and/or postmarked by April 19, 2025. Application and attachments may be emailed to [mgc@mansfieldgardenclub.org](mailto:mgc@mansfieldgardenclub.org) or mailed to PO BOX 1119, Mansfield, Texas 76063. Questions may also be submitted to the same addresses.

Enclosed in this newsletter is the application. It can also be found on our website at [www.mansfieldgardenclub.org](http://www.mansfieldgardenclub.org)

**Mansfield Garden Club**  
PO BOX 1119, Mansfield, TX 76063  
www.mansfieldgardenclub.org

**\$1,500 Scholarship Application**

The completed application with attachments can be emailed or mailed to the Mansfield Garden Club. It must be received or postmarked by **April 19th**. PLEASE PRINT legibly.

**Applicant Information \* Required**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Gender \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Male      Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Father's cell # \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Background \* Required**

High School attended \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Profile and Financial Information \* Required**

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/Employer \_\_\_\_\_

With whom do you live \_\_\_\_\_ Number of siblings living at home \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members enrolled in college \_\_\_\_ Ages of family members in college \_\_\_\_\_

Child or Grandchild of an Active Mansfield Garden Club Member \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

Combined parent/legal guardian(s) gross income range

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|---|-----------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Below \$30,000    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> \$81,000-\$100,000  |
| <input type="radio"/> \$30,000-\$40,000 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> \$101,000-\$120,000 |
| <input type="radio"/> \$41,000-\$60,000 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Over \$120,000      |
| <input type="radio"/> \$61,000-\$80,000 |                       |   |

**Work Experience \* Required**

List work experience for the last 3 years whether related to horticulture or not and for how long.

Employer	Job title/duties	Dates (start/end)
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

Do you intend to work while attending college? \_\_\_\_\_ Part time? \_\_\_\_\_ Full time? \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for working? \_\_\_\_\_

**College Information \* Required**

List your intended/declared college major (must be related to Horticulture, Environmental Science, Forestry, Agriculture, Conservation, Landscape Design, Agronomy, Environment Management/City Planning, Botany, Plant Pathology, or other related subject).

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List college(s) or technical schools you are considering in order of preference. \_\_\_\_\_

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List college(s) or technical schools you have applied to. \_\_\_\_\_

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List college(s) or technical schools you have been accepted to. \_\_\_\_\_

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List college(s) or technical schools you are currently attending. \_\_\_\_\_

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**School & Community Activities and Honors \* Required**

Please complete this section including club memberships, offices held, extracurricular activities, community activities and honors outside of school: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Scholarship Activities \* Required**

Have you applied for and/or been granted other scholarships? (List the names of each awarded scholarship and its amount). \_\_\_\_\_

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What additional information would you like to share with the Mansfield Garden Club Scholarship Committee?

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**Essay \* Required**

Please submit an essay explaining why you have selected your major. This is an opportunity for you to let the scholarship committee know more about you as an individual in a manner that your application, resume and transcript do not express. This essay should not exceed 250 words. Please submit your typed essay on a separate sheet of paper and/or attach it as a PDF document.

You must include the following for consideration as an applicant for the MGC Scholarship:

1. A completed application submitted and/or postmarked by **April 19th**.
2. A completed essay detailing why you have selected your major.
3. A copy of your official high school and/or college transcript.
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from a member of MGC, counselor, club advisor, church leader, teacher, employer or any person qualified to attest to your character and scholastic ability.

If you are a finalist, we may request an in-person interview via Zoom or similar media.

If you are our scholarship recipient, you and your family will be invited to participate via Zoom or in person at our May or June general meeting held the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Application and attachments can be emailed to [mgc@mansfieldgardenclub.org](mailto:mgc@mansfieldgardenclub.org).

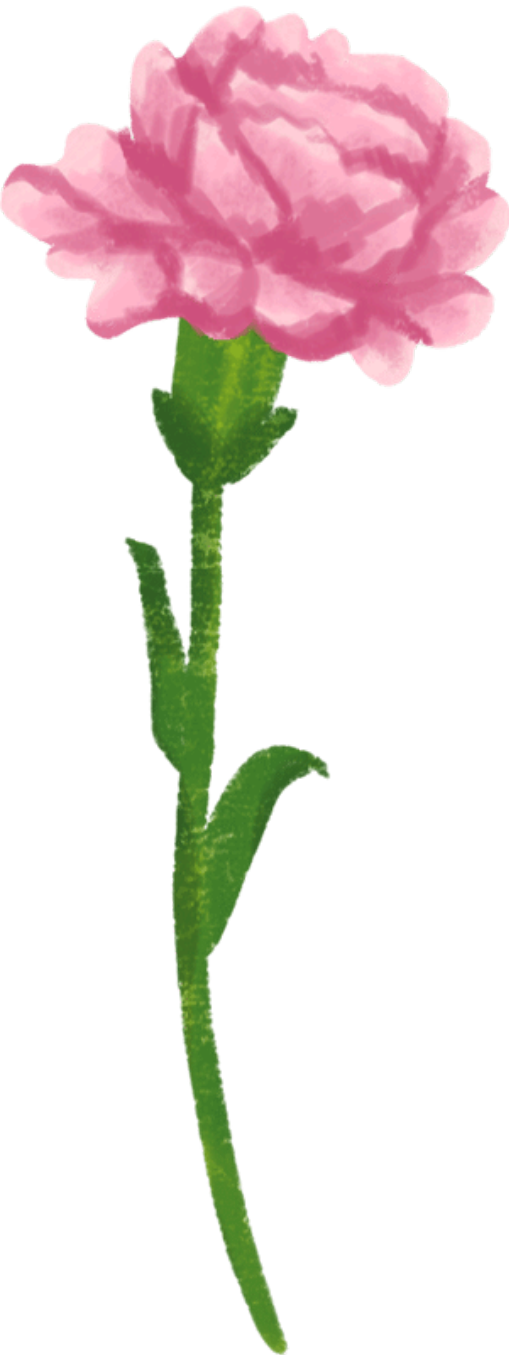
Please feel free to contact Rebecca Sales, Vice President of Youth & Education Programs, at [beccasales57@gmail.com](mailto:beccasales57@gmail.com) or 817-371-0656 if you have any questions.

By signing below you acknowledge that you have read, understand and agree with application information being submitted.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# PLANT OF THE MONTH:

## JANUARY BIRTH FLOWERS



Common Name	Carnation, pinks
Botanical Name	Dianthus caryophyllus
Family	Caryophyllaceae
Plant Type	Perennial
Mature Size	6-24 in. tall, 10-14 in. wide
Sun Exposure	Full, partial
Soil Type	Well-drained
Soil pH	Alkaline
Bloom Time	Spring
Flower Color	White, pink, red
Hardiness Zones	7-10 (USDA)
Native Areas	Europe
Toxicity	Toxic to animals2

The carnation (*Dianthus caryophyllus*) is a perennial grown widely for use as a cut flower. Who among us hasn't been gifted with a carnation flower corsage, boutonniere, or bouquet? Carnation plants are a variety of dianthus, and are also known as pinks because their natural color range includes many shades of pink, white, coral, and red. White carnations are frequently dyed in various colors for holidays (like green for Saint Patrick's Day or pastel colors for Easter).

**January 14, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**1890 Marketplace**

**February 11, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**Emily Puente -  
MGC member**

**March 11 , 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**TBD**

**April 8, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**Andrea Garcia**

**May 13, 2025  
6:00pm  
Town Park**

**Annual Spring  
Fling**

**June 10, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**TBD**

**July 8, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**MGC Members  
Garden Forumn**

**August 12, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**TBD**

**September 9, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**TBD**

**October 14, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**Plant Bingo**

**November 11, 2025  
6:00pm  
Chris W Burkett  
Service Center**

**TBD**

**December, 2025  
6:00pm  
Holiday Party**

**TBD**

# MANSFIELD GARDEN CLUB

## **MANSFIELD GARDEN CLUB 2024 - 2025 EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President – Sonya Byrne  
Secretary – Donna Rauh  
Treasurer – Baronda Bradley  
1st V.P. of Programs – Pam Smith  
2nd V.P. of Publicity – Donna Mendenhall  
3rd V.P. of Special Events – Rosa Weith and Diane Dillon  
4th V.P. of Community Projects – Valerie Crowe  
5th V.P. of Youth and Education – Kris Schulz and Rebecca Sales

## **MANSFIELD GARDEN CLUB COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Farmer's Market – Annette Atkinson & Melissa Peckler  
Scholarship – Kris Schulz  
Butterfly Garden – Rhonda Oertwich & Kathe Cleveland  
Man House Gardens – Val Crowe  
Service Center Garden Plots – Rosa Weith  
Gazebo Decorating – Pamela Smith  
Gazebo Garden – Janie Runyan



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