

HOSTESSES

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Hunt Garden Club

HUNT, TEXAS

"Friendship through Gardening"

www.huntgardenclub.com

A member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Monthly Membership
Meeting

**THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 17, 2020**

9:30

**November Location:
Bridget's Basket**

1551 Highway 39
Hunt, TX 78024

A NOTE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

I want to thank everyone for social distancing and wearing face masks - you make it possible for us to have our meetings, and I appreciate your efforts. I'm looking forward to our meeting in November and Christmas luncheon in December - see y'all at these events!

Elizabeth

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

To be determined

You are invited

to the

Christmas Luncheon

December 15, 2020 -11:00 am

RIVER HILL COUNTRY CLUB

The Mansion Banquet Hall -

100 River Hill Club Lane

Entertainment by

Bill Stacy, singer/songwriter

Cost per person (including gratuity)

\$30.00

**Please pay at the meeting on Nov. 17th,
checks made out to Hunt Garden Club.**

OR mail to Hunt Garden Club,

P.O. Box 873, Hunt, Texas 78024

Must be paid by December 1, 2020

What's Happening in Hunt Garden Club?

Parliamentarian (Gretchen Harris) - I have successfully recruited Sandy Griffin to help on the project to align the Club's Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules. We will not be changing the spirit of the guidelines, just making them more clear and easy to understand.

Beehive Project (Vivian Morse) - Project members poured sugar syrup for the bees in September and October in preparation for the coming winter months. Additionally, insulation around the hive was added to provide more protection from colder temperatures.

Scholarships (Sue Hilton) - The scholarship application is being adjusted and corrected as usual in the fall. I have been in touch with the counselors at the four area high schools our students attend and have received positive responses.

Social Media (Mitzi Silber) - Our website has been updated with some new photos and you can also access our monthly newsletters now - just in case you need to look back for some information. And since our newsletters are available, it's an even better time to share the website address with your friends and family. I'm sure they would enjoy (and be amazed!) our beautiful newsletter as well as photos of our many projects. Please pass along the address - www.huntgardenclub.com.

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Cloudless Sulphur



Painted Lady

HISD Wildscape (Carla Stang) - The Wildscape Team continued work from last month in getting all of our new native pollinator plants planted and mulched. Since then, we have mulched the rest of the beds and have been keeping a watchful eye over our new plants. The deer and/or other critters have sampled leaves on several plants so we have put cages around those especially tasty plants and sprayed them with deer/rabbit repellent. Happily, most have shown new leaf growth (or no further nibbling) after they were protected! We're also trusting our gardening knowledge that there is growth happening below the soil in the root system at this time of year that isn't readily apparent to the eye. All of the new plants have been labeled so we'll be able to easily identify them after they die back during the winter. Those in the Wildscape Team who were interested benefited from the seed harvesting we did on several of our mature plants, such as: **Pride of Barbados, Esperanza, Huisache Daisy, Desert Willow, and Butterfly Milkweed**. Gleaning seeds was fun to do and something we may expand next year and maybe have a lesson with the kids to help us harvest.

If anyone would like some **Pride of Barbados** seeds I will have some to give away at the Nov meeting. One surprising shining star this fall in the Wildscape has been the **White Mistflower (Ageratina Havenensis)**. There are two mature plants and their fragrance is wonderful! These are considered a rare source of late-season nectar and pollen for hummers, butterflies and other insects. This is a great example of the having plants that support wildscape design concepts by having plants that bloom at different times of the year.

More Happenings

Our Face-book page is getting quite a bit of exposure between 'Likes' and 'Comments'. Please remember to send along photos of any garden club events or work days. It's a quick way to stay in touch while we can't be together very much.

Hydroponic Garden (Bernadell Larson) - We have exciting news. Faith Bradberry toured the Maynard's hydroponic greenhouse in October and is very excited to have a hydroponic growing system at the school. The system for the school is being built in components and the plan is for the children to do the dry fit. Once the system is fully functional, seeding will take place and each child will have a seed and a plant marker.

The plan is for the hydroponic garden to go live in the Spring semester, probably late January. Melissa is developing a lesson matrix, and the team, along with Faith, will develop the lesson plans. Mikey will provide the first round of lessons with help from the team. The goal is to transition future lessons to HGC team members and/or Faith.

To help fund the project, Karen Taylor applied for a \$ 1,000 Plant America Grant. We will have a better idea of costs once the system is built and the lessons have been developed. Until then, we will use HGC money that has been budgeted for the project. If the Plant America Grant is not awarded to the project, there is a potential donor that expressed interest in helping defray the costs.



MEMBERSHIP

78 active, 34 associate members
totaling 112

Resigned: **Aileen Hodgson**

NEW MEMBERS

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Hunt Welcome Sign

(Kathy Freeman) Six ladies gathered at the Hunt Welcome Sign to decorate for the Fall Presentation. All live materials were used for the bottom display.

In lieu of Halloween Presentation, we are submitting the Fall Presentation for the West Kerr Chamber Fall contest. Wish us luck!



HGC BULLETIN BOARD



It's Angel Tree time again!

There are approximately 72 children in the Hunt School Angel Gift Program this year. You will have the opportunity to pick up your Angel Gift Tag at the November 17th Monthly Meeting or via an email to Gretchen Harris. Your wrapped, \$15 gift, with the Angel Tag attached to it is due to the school office on December 4th.

CALENDAR

Nov. 17: Hunt Garden Club meeting
Dec. 4: Hunt School Angel Gifts Due
Dec. 15: Christmas Luncheon at Riverhill CC
(reservation required)

ATTACHMENTS

Minutes of Oct. meeting
Treasurer's Report
Meeting agenda