HUNT, TEXAS

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A NOTE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had avery Merry Christmas and was able to be with family and friends. I'm so thankful that 2021 is finally here! I wish we had not had to cancel our meeting for January, but we will see what February brings - if we are not able to meet indoors we may have to wait until March when the weather gets warmer so we can meet outside. I know everyone is ready to see all their friends and be together again. The Garden Club ladies are staying busy though! I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Elizabeth

Words of Inspiration Carol Gannaway

Since we are all missing Discovery Garden and working with the students, I hope the following thoughts and quotes will help us look forward to happy times in the garden.

The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature.

To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body, but the soul.

Gardening is about enjoying the smell of things growing in the soil, getting dirty without feeling guilty and generally taking the time to soak up a little peace and serenity.

Essential advice for the gardener; grow peas of mind, lettuce be thankful, squash selfishness, turnip to help thy neighbor and always make thyme forloved ones.

Gardening is the art that uses flowers and plants as paint and the soil and sky as canvas.

January 2021 Monthly Membership Meeting

What's Happening in Hunt Garden Club?

2nd VP Membership - Beth Gaddie 79 Active Members, 34 Associate, 113 Total

Beehive Project - Vivian Morse Members of the Beehive Project will gather on January 20th at my house for a light luncheon and a meet-andgreet with the Project's newest member, Kimber Malcom. This occasion will also give the members an opportunity to check out our recentlyacquired hive boxes that will be used this spring for our expanding colony of bees.

Hunt Welcome Sign - Kathy Freeman – A BIG THANK YOU, to Larry Graham who so graciously mows around the Welcome to Hunt Sign and provides the electricity for lighting up the Holidays! We surprised him with a certificate to the Hunt Store.

Presidents' Garden - Sue Hilton

The Presidents Garden at the Hunt Fire Station has been resting as usual since fall of 2020 and will continue to rest until the proper time to cut back the lantana and prune other plants—most likely in February. I have been in discussions with both Bernadell Larson and Trish Stone, who both agree, and we will move forward when appropriate to accomplish this task.

Horticulture -Judy Anderson

- For those who garden seriously, it is time to prepare your garden to plant potatoes.
- It is also time for onions.
- There are still flowers that can be added to your garden for color.
- Visit your nurseries to see what they have available. The selection is good.
- Take advantage of the fallen leaves for mulch in your garden and add them to your compost or mow them on the lawn.
- In the meantime stay warm and healthy.

Hydroponic Garden -Bernadell Larson - The

Hydroponic garden growing system is almost complete. One more additional tube will be added so that each student will have their own plant. Proposed lesson topics have been sketched out and we will be meeting with Faith Bradbury to develop the final lesson plans. Hopefully this will happen sometime before the end of January. Unfortunately, with the recent COVID spike, we do not know when we can start the lessons with the children. At this point, we are hoping that we can start them this semester.



Scholarships - Gretchen Harris/ Ruth Johnson - Happy New Year! The scholarship committee is planning to meet virtually in January to discuss publicity to roll out in February. We are excited at the interest from the high schools and looking forward to creating a poster at the request of the counselors. Be on the look-out for the announcement in the newspapers and keep an eye out for posters at some of the local businesses.

Social Media - Mitzi Silber - For this past month, Kathy Freeman and I have been organizing a little project called "What you maybe didn't know about your club Officers". Each week an Officer is highlighted with a short write-up and photo op. And it's been interesting - from puzzles, to cookies and monogramming! This was just an idea to hopefully keep our members involved during our time apart and our Facebook page has been very busy. Please check it out!

Discovery Garden - Laura Greenwood - The Hunt School decided we should not plan for a Spring Garden due to ongoing COVID concerns. Martha and Laura will communicate a plan with the Discovery Garden Ladies for maintenance of the garden in the spring and summer.

Corresponding Secretary - Ann Birkner – 2 sympathy cards sent.



New HGC members:

Please be on the lookout for an email from Kristina Casanova if you would like to order a **Hunt Garden Club shirt.** You can get the button down, polo or tee shirt – all are navy blue with our logo.

These are great for wearing when you are representing HGC or we are doing a project as a group, or anytime really. Ladies who already have a shirt may want to replace their old one or add to their collection too!

