

# THE GARDEN DISPATCH

Newsletter of the Hunt Garden Club

Hunt, Texas

A member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.

*"Friendship through Gardening"*

## OCTOBER PROGRAM

Hill Country Youth Ranch

### Before and After: Metamorphosis of the Courtyard Garden at Hill Country Youth Ranch

The transformation of the Fine Arts courtyard from bare to pollinator garden and what it has meant to the residents there.

Follow the development, progress, and growth of the project during this presentation.

In 2019, our Hunt Garden Club took on this project to help the Hill Country Youth Ranch to assist the HCYR with fundraising, design, and installation of the Courtyard Pollinator Garden. Kathy Freeman spearheaded this project which included art classes for the children, a fundraising event, design of the garden, and installation of plants. An auction of the children's art was held to raise funds and after planting was done, the remaining funds were donated to the Ranch for future maintenance.

Over three years later...a follow-up.



### MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday,

Oct. 18, 2022

9:30

Hunt United  
Methodist Church  
120 Merrit Rd.  
Hunt, TX 78024

### HOSTESSES

Lead: Katy Allen\*  
Lindsey Roberson  
Eileen Parsons  
Robin Wheeler  
Nancy Atkins  
Barbara Staggs  
Alice King

### PRESIDENT

Laura Greenwood

**FIRST VP** (programs)  
Nancy Huffman

**SECOND VP** (membership)  
Carol Gannaway

**THIRD VP** (ways & means)  
Alice King

**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
Lanie Nickel

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**  
Gretchen Harris

**TREASURER**  
Patti Devlin

**PARLIAMENTARIAN**  
Elizabeth Cotton

Committee Chairs, Project  
and Activity Leaders are listed  
in the Yearbook

### President's Message



Halloween Greetings from the President:

I've always loved Rita Rudner's humor, she's a successful comedian and actress. As I began looking for an appropriate President's message, I thought her take on Halloween was pretty good!

"Halloween was confusing. All my life my parents said, 'Never take candy from strangers.' And then they dressed me up and said, 'Go beg for it.' I didn't know what to do! I'd knock on people's doors and go, 'Trick or Treat' .....Um ... No thank you." Let's celebrate and appreciate the Spiders, Bats and Creepy Crawley bugs that pollinate and enrich our gardens!!! Happy Halloween!!!

Laura

# MEMBERSHIP

79 active members  
39 associate members  
118 total membership

Remember to let the Membership Chair, Carol Gannaway, know if you will be missing a meeting. Travel or illness are excused absences. See Constitution, Article IV, Section 5 - Attendance. (pg. 25 of Yearbook)

## NEW MEMBERS

**Pamela Curtis** (Mike)  
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**Sandy Hightower** (Mike)  
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*Sponsored by Monica Hightower*

*Please add these new members to the back of your yearbook.*

Liz Bond has resigned as Recording Secretary and Lanie Nickel has graciously accepted the position.  
Thank you Lanie.

**Corresponding Secretary**  
(Gretchen Harris)  
Sent:  
1 Get Well Card  
1 Thank You Card  
1 Sympathy card

## What's Happening in Hunt Garden Club?

**Discovery Garden -**  
(Cathy Abercrombie, Ann Birkner)



Two weeks after planting seeds...  
lettuce, radishes and ..... weeds!



Watering the seeds



Discovery Garden at the Hunt School



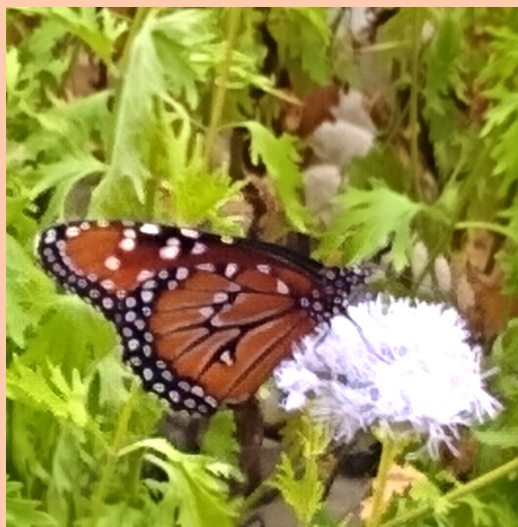
Each student has a Garden Buddy



## More Happenings

### Wildscape (Carla Stang)

Well it's October and the Wildscape has been coming on pretty strong for such a tough year. We're pleasantly surprised with the continued blooms, especially from the Esperanza, Salvia, Pride of Barbados and American Beauty Berry. The white mistflower should be blooming any time now and through the fall. The butterflies passing through love this late season bloomer! Fall is in the air and it'll be time to mulch again before we know it!



### 3rd VP (Alice King)

#### Tree and Seed Sale:

So far we have orders for 93 trees which translates to about \$1900 of profit. We have sold \$140 worth of seeds to members and have a good volume of packaged seeds for sale at the tree pick up.

### Financial Review (Bernadell Larson)

The committee has scheduled the review of the HGC financial books, for the September 2021 thru August 2022 time period, for October 10th and October 12th. Once the review has been completed, a report of our findings will be prepared and submitted to the Executive Board and the General membership

### Scholarships (Ruth Johnson)

The committee kicked off a new year on October 11<sup>th</sup>. We welcomed new members Elizabeth Cotton and Debe Palmer. We are in the process of reviewing the application and rubric changes. Our next meeting will be November 8<sup>th</sup>. Posters should be ready on the 8<sup>th</sup> to be picked up and distributed to local high schools.

### Bee Project (Beth Gaddie)

We have a record number 12 project members!! Welcome to new members Tracy Belew, Mitzi Silber, Sandra Hightower, and Kathy Turner. We are working on creating a presentation for our mobile observation hive. Excited for a new year with our bees.

## Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. Scholarship

**Eden (Edie) Lambert** was a student in the **HGC Discovery Garden**, graduated from Ingram High School and was the recipient of the **HGC Scholarship in 2020**.

Edie received the **TGC District VII Scholarship** in 2021 in the amount of \$4500.00, to be paid out in three semesters.

I was recently informed that she will be receiving the **2022 TGC, Inc. Scholarship** in the amount of \$2000.00.

Edie is attending Texas A&M and studying Agricultural Economics, with an interest in Ag Policy. Next year she will be starting her MS of Agricultural Science, and hopefully doing a bit of research with the Agricultural and Food Policy Center in College Station. Congratulations to Edie!



# Gardening Journal

Do you have a special recipe or craft idea for things that grow in our Hunt gardens? Do you have a favorite poem, prayer, song, or quote that is meaningful to you as a gardener, resident of the Hill Country, or member of the Hunt Garden Club? Drawings or paintings? Please share these with us for publication in the **Gardening Journal!**

The Gardening Journal will have lots of practical content for garden planning and record keeping but we want to make the Journal special to our members. We welcome any content that you think would be fun, moving, or interesting.

We would like to print the name of each member who contributes with their contribution so that this will also be a sort of memory book. Please contact

Alice King at  
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with a contribution or if you would like to help produce the Journal. We will need help in compiling submissions, in formatting them into a book form, and distributing the finished book.



The 2020-2022 scrapbook has arrived!



## CALENDAR

- October 24** - District VII Fall Meeting - San Antonio
- October 29** - Hunt School Carnival -  
Denise Cartwright to discuss at the HGC Meeting
- November 10** - Kerrville State Hospital Holiday Decorating workshop
- December 13** - Christmas Luncheon at Comanche Trace -  
Judy Couger to discuss at HGC Meeting

## ATTACHMENTS

- Minutes of Sept meeting
- Meeting agenda
- Treasurer's Report
- Annual Budget