

# THE GARDEN DISPATCH

Newsletter of the Hunt Garden Club

Hunt, Texas

A member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.

*"Friendship through Gardening"*

## MONTHLY MEETING

**Tuesday,  
April 16, 2024  
9:30**

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

## HOSTESSES

Carla Stang., chair  
Chris Ann Brown  
Diane DeKerlegand  
Gretchen Harris  
Jane Reed  
Kathy Simmons  
Tess Tolliver  
Laura Ann Wagner

## PRESIDENT

Laura Greenwood

## FIRST VP (programs)

Nancy Huffman

## SECOND VP (membership)

Carol Gannaway

## THIRD VP (ways & means)

Diane Dekerlegand

## 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

## APRIL PROGRAM

### Beekeeping in the Texas Hill Country

**Elaine McMurray**



Hunt Garden Club  
Spring Installation  
Luncheon 2024

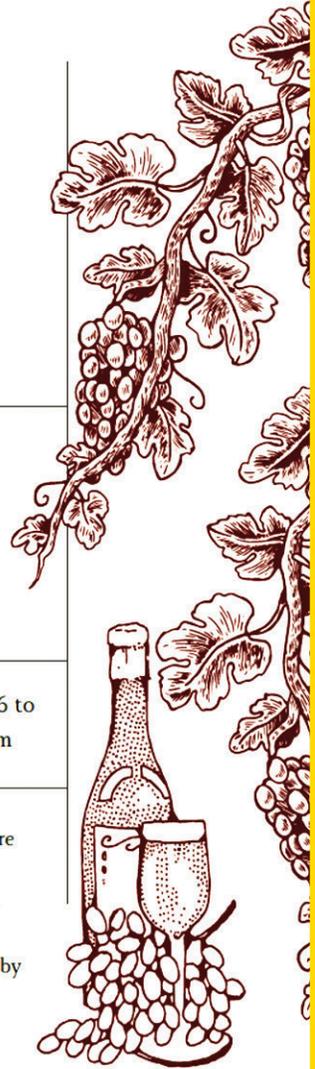
*Wine on  
the Vine*

Tuesday, May 21st,  
11 am-1 pm  
Mo-Ranch  
2229 FM 1340  
Hunt, TX 78024

RSVP by Friday, April 26 to  
[lynn@lynnandcurtis.com](mailto:lynn@lynnandcurtis.com)

Please bring a salad to share  
with an unattached label.  
Carpooling is encouraged.

Wine graciously provided by  
Bridget's Basket.



### A note from your President:

The English word April comes from the Latin Aprilis, the name given to the month by the ancient Romans. No one knows for certain why the Romans named it as they did. Some Roman authors thought that Aprilis was related to the Latin verb aperire meaning "to open," because April "opened" the buds of leaves and flowers. A more likely theory is that the name was based on Apru, an Etruscan form of the name of the Greek goddess Aphrodite.

Merriam-Webster

# What's Happening in Hunt Garden Club?

## MEMBERSHIP

**81 active members**  
**40 associate members**  
**121 total membership**

### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Leave of Absence:  
Alida Shimek  
Resigned:  
Ceci de la Torre

**Corresponding Secretary**  
(Gretchen Harris) – 4 get well cards

**Treasurer** (Patti Devlin) - Attached are the March treasurer's reports.

**HISD Wildscape** (Carla Stang) - Ladies from the Wildscape Team met on 2 days the end of March for tidying up the beds in preparation for spring growth. One of the peninsula beds was the showiest. The red salvia and blue bonnets, huisache daisies (volunteers from a different bed!) and dalea greggii groundcover looked very nice. The red yucca had blooms coming on, but the pearlvine milkweed hadn't started its new growth for this year yet. Interestingly, we had a couple different varieties of thistle...a first in my seven years in the wildscape. The white honeysuckle vine is also filling out very well and will be blooming soon. This year we will be planting some new plants. It has been a while since we've been able to responsibly plant some new plants and we'll be putting our heads together to decide which natives to try.



**Post Office**  
(Kyra Bowman) - Saturday, April 6, the Post Office team had a work day. Weeded, watered, and mulched the beds and around the redbud tree. We welcome Mary Jordan to our team!



## More Happenings



### Discovery Garden

(Megan Stolley and Haley Lehrmann)

On March 26 and April 2, the Hunt School 4th and 5th graders participated in two educational garden programs:

The Green Team gave a lesson on Plant Propagation.  
The Red Team gave a lesson on Water Movement.



### Parliamentarian (Elizabeth Cotton)

Based on recommendations from the Financial Review Committee's review, the Executive Board submits the following **By Laws addition** to the Hunt Garden Club general membership for their consideration. The addition will be voted on at the April general meeting.

Section 10. Keep what is written in this section of the yearbook in place, and add this sentence at the end: Increases to the approved budget less than \$200 shall be approved by the Executive Board prior to any expenditure. All line item additions to the approved budget, and increases to the approved budget exceeding \$200, shall be reviewed by the Executive Board and then presented to the general membership for approval at the next general membership meeting prior to any expenditure.

## *and More Happenings*

### **Mo-Ranch Greenhouse - Karen Taylor**

The Mo Ranch Greenhouse had two great work days in March, with a mini planting day right before I snuck out of town. Our first work day was spent cleaning the beds on the outside of the greenhouse and day two was spent planting herbs, flowers and peppers inside. We were finally able to get our hands on some Japanese Aralia to finish off our outdoor planting. If you haven't been by the greenhouse, please take time to do so.





### Scholarships (Ruth Johnson) –

The Hunt Garden Club Scholarship Committee received nine applications for our traditional scholarship and three applications for our trades scholarship. All the applicants were excellent; it was hard to make the selections. After evaluating the applicants, the committee awarded five traditional scholarships and two trades scholarships. Please meet our 2024 scholarship recipients.

#### TRADITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

**Luke Huber** is the son of Chad and Kristin Huber from Kerrville and a Hunt School alum. He was awarded \$600. Luke attends Ingram Tom Moore High School and plans to attend Grove City College majoring in Entrepreneurship. His accomplishments included founding the “Cake in a Cup” food truck, varsity tennis, band, student council, and Academic UIL Team. Luke also worked as an assistant coach with the Hill Country Tennis Academy. He volunteers with the ITM National Honor Society.

**Rebecca Mieske** is the daughter of Frederick and Wendy Mieske from Kerrville and a Hunt School alum. She was awarded \$600. Rebecca attends Ingram Tom Moore High School and plans to attend either Texas Tech or Angelo State University majoring in Music Education. She intends to pursue a career as a band director inspiring young musicians to push themselves to be the best version of themselves they can be. Her activities included band, tennis, NHS, UIL Calculator team and Hill Country Youth Orchestra. She volunteers in the Audio/Visual booth and in the nursery at her church.

**Dakota Martin**, daughter of Dana Martin from Harper, was awarded \$600. Dakota attends Harper High School and plans to attend Angelo State University majoring in Animal Science. She was involved with Mason FFA, FCA, softball, basketball, cheer, and was a member of the Texas High School Rodeo Association. Dakota is also an experienced ranch hand.

**Hailee Gooden**, daughter of Kevin and Heather Gooden from Hunt and a Hunt School alum, was awarded \$600. Hailee attends Our Lady of the Hills College Prep School and plans to attend Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Climate Science. She has observed the changes of the Guadalupe River and aspires to investigate Earth’s climate through the application of engineering technology and the development of methods and devices to slow, halt and correct the damage caused by climate change. Among her many accomplishments, she was chosen to intern in the STEM Enhancement in Earth Sciences at UT Austin Center for Space Research Cockrell School of Engineering. Hailee is a well-rounded student involved with many organizations, received many awards and honors, volunteered, and worked while in high school.

**Abygale Hudsonpillar**, daughter of Steven and Emily Hudsonpillar from Mountain Home, was awarded \$600. Abygale attends Tivy High School and plans to attend Texas A&M University College Station majoring in Nutritional Science. Her activities included golf, NHS, Band and UIL Writing Team. She also volunteered at Peterson Hospital, the Lions Camp and many other worthy causes. Abygale also worked throughout high school.

#### TRADES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

**Elijah Ozuna**, son of Julie Reina from Ingram, was awarded \$1,000. Elijah attends Ingram Tom Moore High School and plans to attend Boulder TEC in Colorado to become an HVAC Technician. He was heavily involved with sports management, earned a spot on the Superintendent’s List while also working full time to help support his family. Elijah has a passion for problem solving and building relationships which he feels will serve him well in the HVAC field.

**Blake Outlaw**, son of Linda Forston from Hunt and a Hunt School alum, was awarded \$500. Blake attends Ingram Tom Moore High School and plans to attend Texas State Technical College to become an Electrician. He attained his apprenticeship license this summer and has acquired most of the tools he will need to continue his training and education. Blake is always trying to find new ways to improve the process as he works.

# HGC BULLETIN BOARD



## Adopt a Highway

(Penny Deupree and  
Chris Ann Brown)

We will meet on

**April 20 at 8:30**

at Chris Ann Brown's - 907 Hwy 39.  
Park at the tennis court by the goats.

**RSVP** so we can make up the teams.

cabrown12446@gmail.com

penny@the deuprees.com

## FIELD TRIP

(Katy Allen)

**Glory Community Garden**

**May 9 at 10:00 am**

There will be a sign up sheet at the  
April 16 meeting



## Scrapbook

(Computer designed with info of the year's activities)

If you'd like to have the scrapbook continue,  
either printed or digital,  
and can help with creating it,  
talk to Cindy Janke.

There will be a meeting of the  
**Installation Committee**  
after the April 16th General Mtg.

## SAVE THE DATES

**April 13** - Beast Blast at the Main Hunt Firehouse

**April 20** - Adopt a Highway Trash Pick up

**May 9** - Field Trip to Glory Community Garden

**May 21** - Installation Luncheon

## ATTACHMENTS

Meeting Agenda

Treasurer's report

March meeting minutes