

2022 TEXAS GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR



HUNT GARDEN CLUB

2022-2023

Membership 116

77 Active, 39 Associate

Club Rating - GOLD, Class IV

Club flower - Redbud

Organized / Federated -

1953

Affiliations:

District VII, West Zone

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

South Central Region

Nat'l Garden Clubs, Inc.

Friendship through Gardening

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HUNT, TEXAS

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Hunt Garden Club Meetings

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Third Tuesday,
September through May, 9:30 a.m.
Hunt United Methodist Church
120 Merrit Rd., Hunt, TX 78024
unless otherwise noted

BOARD MEETINGS:

Thursday before
third Tuesday meeting, 10 a.m.
Hunt United Methodist Church

2022-2023 Officers



PRESIDENT
Laura Greenwood



FIRST VP
(programs)
Nancy Huffman



SECOND VP
(membership)
Carol Gannaway



THIRD VP
(fundraising)
Alice King



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- BEEHIVE ----- Beth Gaddie
- BLUE STAR MEMORIAL MARKER Kristina Casanova
- DISCOVERY GARDEN ----- Cathy Abercrombie/Ann Birkner
- FIELD TRIPS ----- Katy Allen
- FINANCIAL REVIEW ----- Bernadell Larson
- HISD HYDROPONIC GARDEN----- Bernadell Larson
- HISD WILDSCAPE ----- Carla Stang
- HUNT WELCOME SIGN ----- Cindy Janke
- POST OFFICE LANDSCAPE----- Kyra Bowman
- PRESIDENTS' GARDEN ----- Sue Hilton/Trish Stone (*Assoc. co-chair*)
- SCHOLARSHIPS----- Ruth Johnson

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- ADOPT A HIGHWAY ----- Penny Deupree
- SOCIAL MEDIA ----- Mitzi Silber
- PUBLICITY----- Kari Short
- HISTORIAN ----- Beth Gaddie
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- YEARBOOK----- Janet Reinwald

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Calendar of Events



2022

June 5 - 11	National Garden Week
Aug 5-7	Gardening School, Course III - San Antonio, TX
Aug 31	District VII Scholarship applications due
Sep 20	Hunt Garden Club meeting - dues are payable
Sep 26 -27	Landscape Design School, Course I, College Station, TX
Sep 26-29	Flower Show School IV, Houston, TX
Oct 1	TGC Scholarship applications due
Oct 2 - 4	Flower Show School Symposium, San Antonio, TX
Oct 18	Hunt Garden Club meeting
Oct 24	District VII Fall Convention - San Antonio, TX
Oct. 29	Halloween cake or pumpkin judging at Hunt School
Nov 15	Hunt Garden Club meeting
Nov. TBA	Christmas decorations workshop - Kerrville State Hospital
Nov 1	Awards deadline
Dec. TBA	Hunt School Angel Gifts due
Dec 13	HGC Christmas Luncheon - Comanche Trace Country Club

2023

Jan 17	Hunt Garden Club meeting
Jan 30-Feb 2	Flower Show School I, Houston, TX
Feb 17-19	Gardening School, Course IV - San Antonio, TX
Feb 21	Hunt Garden Club meeting
Feb 22	District VII Spring Convention - San Antonio, TX
March 21	Hunt Garden Club meeting
Apr 10-13	TGC 95th Annual Convention - Austin, TX
April 17-19	South Central Region Convention - Edmund, OK
April 18	Hunt Garden Club meeting
April TBA	Hunt Volunteer Fire Department fund-raiser
May 2-5	National Convention - White Sulfer Springs, WV
May 23	HCG Spring Luncheon
June 4-10	National Garden Week



2022 Awards

Garden Club of the Year Award!

District VII

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

South Central Region
TX, OK, AR, NM

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Wildlife Survival/Bees	First			
November/December Award/ Blue Star		First		
Edible Gardening/ Discovery Garden	First			
Social Media/Facebook Club Program/ Going Green Presentation	First	First		Certificate
Water/Hydroponics	First	First		
Youth Program Award/ Hydroponics (SCR)	First	First		
Horticulture Education for Youth/ Hydroponics	First	First		Certificate
Membership Extension		Citation		
Publications/Newsletter	First	First	First + \$25	
Civic Development/Post Office	First			
Community Service/Post Office	First	First		
Club Service Award	First	Citation		
Social Media/Website	First			
Native Plants & Wildflower Venue/ Wildscape	First	First		Overall Winner + \$800
Butterfly Preservation Education/ Wildscape	First			
Yearbook	First	First		
President's Report		First		
Donations/Contributions		Award		
GOLD CLUB RATING				
2022 GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR		\$100.00		

Programs

2022-2023

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **SEPTEMBER 20** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

David Vaughan

Certified Arborist, ArborVaughan Consult, LLC

“Sustainable Soil”

Soil is teeming with life. Most of it is microscopic and forms a food web that provides trees and other plants with the water and nutrients they require. In exchange, plants provide all of the carbon required for life in the soil.

An arborist in San Antonio since 1978. A consulting arborist, ArborVaughan Consult, LLC. Bachelor of Science in Forestry from Stephen F. Austin SU. 1971. Master of Agriculture in Natural Resources Development from Texas A & M, 1977. Among the first group of 19 arborists certified in Texas. Texas Oak Wilt Certified and Qualified Texas Wildfire Risk Reduction Qualified. Organic Certified, Texas Organic Research Center. Currently serving on the Board of Directors for Alamo Forest Partnership and San Antonio Arborist Association. Former member Board of Director for International Society of Arboriculture, Texas Chapter. Member American Society of Consulting Arborists.

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **OCTOBER 18** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

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.

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **NOVEMBER 15** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Sharon Hixson

Native Plant Society of Texas, Kerrville

“The Wildlife Value of a Messy Garden”

Gardens are alive. No matter what time of year, if you quietly listen and watch, you will notice the plethora of activity. From budding flowers in the spring to the rustle of withered seedheads in the fall, our gardens are supporting animals of all shapes and sizes. Here’s a secret not all gardeners know—if you choose to be a messy gardener in the fall and winter—the wildlife value of your garden soars. This program discusses the benefits of a messy winter garden, suggests ways to create a dramatic winter landscape, and how to make “messy” look good.

Sharon and her husband moved to the Hill Country from California in 2008.

In 2010 she took the Hill Country Master Naturalist classes and also became involved in the native plant sales at Riverside Nature Center. She began coordinating the plant sales in 2015.

She helps to maintain the Kerrville chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas demonstration gardens at Riverside.

She is a team member for the Hill Country Master Naturalist’s Land Management Assistance Program (LMAP) and also a team member for the Pollinator Garden Assistance and Recognition Program (PGARP) which is co-sponsored by the Hill Country Master Naturalists and the Kerrville chapter of the Native Plant Society. Sharon is currently serving as secretary on the Kerrville Native Plant Society board.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **DECEMBER 13** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Christmas Luncheon
Comanche Trace Country Club

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **JANUARY 17** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Rachael Lindsey

Director of Science & Stewardship, Hill Country Conservancy

“The Texas Hill Country: Past, Present & Future”

Rachael will discuss the unique history, geology and vegetation of the region focusing on opportunities for creating resiliency and sustainability in a changing climate.

Rachael Lindsey is a born researcher and explorer who spent her formative years chasing wildlife in the hills and hollers of Tennessee and Kentucky (often barefoot). Rachael’s feral-esque childhood instilled a deep-rooted passion for the outdoors with a special affinity for water and caves. Eventually, Rachael turned (con”t)

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **MARCH 21** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Jackie Skinner

Hill Country Master Gardeners

“Blades of Glory”

Jackie will be discussing the wide array of ornamental bunch grasses available to the Texas Hill Country garden, many of them native, the benefits of installing these grasses and their easy care. If you're looking for a (White-Tail) deer-proof landscape, consider starting with native and adapted grass plants. They give your yard a big sensational bang for minimum care. There is no regular mowing in the summer, fertilizing is optional. They come in many colors and shapes, and thrive in a wide variety of garden conditions. In the autumn, ornamental grasses more than live up to their name, giving the turning leaves a run for their money.



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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **APRIL 18** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Leslie Jones

Communications Coordinator, Kerrville Convention & Visitors Bureau

“Dark Skies: Why They Matter”

Leslie Jones will offer insights into causes of light pollution. She has suggestions for common sense solutions that individuals and communities can employ to regain and retain the clarity of our Hill Country skies.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **MAY 23** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Spring Luncheon
and Installation of Officers

Community Projects



- The **Wildscape** Committee nurtures and maintains the Wildscape at the entrance to the Hunt School with numerous pollinator and native plants, winning an Overall National Garden Club award for their work planting pollinators. Leader: Carla Stang

- A dedicated HGC committee maintains the **Blue Star Memorial Marker** in Kerrville to beautify the VA Hospital and honor veterans in the community. In an effort to raise awareness of their Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker, the Hunt Garden Club raised \$1,000 for a Platinum Level Sponsorship in support of the Kerrville VA's 19TH Annual Veterans Day Car Show.

Leader: Kristina Casanova



- **Presidents' Garden** at the Hunt Volunteer Fire Department is maintained by former HGC Presidents for community beautification.

Leaders: Sue Hilton / Trish Stone

- HGC funded \$3,000 in **College Scholarships** for 3 former Hunt students.
- Leader: Ruth Johnson



- A committee maintains the landscape at the **Hunt Post Office**, bringing much pride to the community. A redbud tree, donated by District VII, was planted for Arbor Day. Leader: Kyra Bowman



- **Discovery Garden** members teach the Hunt School 4th and 5th graders how to plant and grow flowers and vegetables in the school's six row, raised bed Discovery Garden. Our lessons follow the Junior Master Gardener curriculum. Leaders: Cathy Abercrombie/Ann Birkner



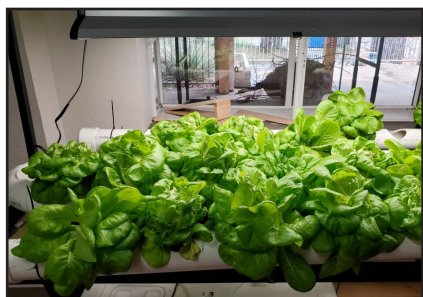
- Members prepare a **Harvest Celebration** every Spring for students using Discovery Garden produce. Leaders: Discovery Garden team members



- A summer **produce garden** is available for the Hunt community. Leaders: Cathy Abercrombie / Ann Birkner



Community Projects



- **Hunt School Hydroponic Garden** - Members of the Hunt Garden Club, along with the Hunt School 5th grade science teacher, have a project of growing lettuce hydroponically. A system was developed specifically for the science lab and the students learn about hydroponics, the food distribution system, commercial growers, nutrients and finished by designing their own system. Leader: Bernadell Larson



- Members maintain the club's **beehive project** created to support a healthy bee habitat in our community.

Leader: Beth Gaddie

- HGC members join with other community members to form an Auxiliary for the **Hunt Volunteer Fire Dept** to help with fundraising, maintenance, and managing the community center located at the main fire station.

Leaders: Tracy Belew / Janelle Carothers

- **Christmas Angel Gifts** are provided to the Hunt school children by HGC members. Leader: Gretchen Harris

- Along with other local garden clubs, members participate in the Christmas decorating workshop at the **Kerrville State Hospital**.

Leader: Gretchen Harris

- HGC's **Adopt-A-Highway** for 2 miles on Hwy. 39 is part of TXDOT's Adopt-A-Highway program, which benefits the Hunt community and its many visitors. Leader: Penny Deupree



Club Activities



- An evening of **Christmas Caroling** is organized by HGC for the community at the Hunt Pavilion. Leader: Sandy Griffin

- HGC members help with the **Hunt School carnival** by providing judges for the cake and pumpkin decorating contest and setting up and operating a free photo booth. Leader: Carol Gannaway

- **Memorial books** are purchased for the Hunt school library in memory of garden club members and other garden club supporters. Leader: Martha Kimbrell

- Our **social media** presence utilizing a web site, FaceBook and Instagram are maintained for outreach, which includes garden tips, club and community news. <http://huntgardenclub.com>. Leader: Mitzi Silber

- An HGC field trip to a **hydroponic garden** in Hunt was very informative. Led by member and owner Melissa Clark-Maynard

- Members meet monthly May thru October to **kayak** on the Guadalupe River as a health and wellness activity. Leader: Kathy Mater



Organizations and Projects

financially supported by Hunt Garden Club

ORGANIZATION / PROJECT	ANNUAL / ONE-TIME DONATION
Hunt School Discovery Garden Project:	\$1,564
Three scholarships to local area graduating seniors:	\$3,000
Wildscape Gardens at Hunt School:	\$389
Hunt Welcome Sign:	\$63
Hunt Garden Club Website:	\$200
Blue Star Memorial Marker:	\$81
Post Office Landscape Beautification:	\$63
Beehive Project:.....	\$600
Kerrville VA Hospital Car Show:.....	\$1,000
Penny Pines (NGC Contributing Project)	\$884
State (TGC Contributing Projects)	
Seeds for Life:	\$20
Texas A&M Forest Service:	\$25
Riverside Nature Center:	\$100
Texas A&M Gardens:	\$25
Total: \$8,014	



Meeting Hostesses

2022-2023



September 20

Linnea Johnson*
Kari Short
Barbara Byrd
Deborah Rommel
Terry Staub
Bernadell Larson
Elizabeth Cotton

February 21

Weezie Johnston*
Ginger Cave
Diane DeKerlegand
Carol Gannaway
Kathleen Cook
Kathy Turner
Martha Henderson



October 18

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

March 21

Laurel Paul*
Mitzi Silber
Carla Stang
Ann Birkner
Chris Ann Brown
Beverly Tremil
Bridget Symm



November 15

Monica Hightower*
Kathy Freeman
Lyneen Williams
Christine Morrison
Martha Kimbrell
Laura Ann Wagner
Karen Taylor

April 18

Denise Cartwright*
Kristina Casanova
Fluffy Cash
Emily Petty
Barbara Blackbird
Diana Czar
Lea Bitner



December 13

Judy Couger*
Joni Jones
Beth Gaddie
Laurie Catalani
Marianne Crain
Janet Reinwald
Sandy Griffin

May 23

Trisha McMahon*
Tracey Belew
Ruth Johnson
Nicole Bibao
Gretchen Harris
Melissa Clark-Maynard
Cindy Janke
Alida Shimek
Cathy Abercrombie
Becky Key
Lanie Nickel
Dusty Gilliam
Kathy Mater



January 17

Beth Houser*
Georganna Bell
Pam Hardin
Sue Hilton
Kyra Bowman
Johnna Curle
Constant Masterson

* *Committee Chair*

Hostess Committee Guidelines

Hostesses who need to switch months are responsible for finding their own replacements and notifying their hostess chair and the 1st VP of Programs.



The hostess chair is responsible for

- Coordinating with her Hostess Committee members to provide the food for up to 80 people for the monthly meeting.
- Assign menu items, beverages and plates/cups/napkin/utensil duties.
- The evening before the meeting, set up 11 tables with chairs in the Fellowship Hall. Decorating the tables is optional. There are some decorations and white vinyl tablecloths available in the HUMC storage room.



FOOD PREPARATION:

Food should be ready to serve at 9:30 a.m., the meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.

Menu suggestions:

- 4-5 protein offerings like quiches, kolaches, breakfast sausage, bacon, cheese board with meats, deviled eggs, egg casseroles, etc. Try to provide a gluten-free dish with a sign to indicate that it is gluten-free.
- 3 fruit/dessert trays
- 2 bread trays like sweet or savory muffins, bagels with cream cheese, tea cakes, banana bread, etc.



Beverages:

- Coffee, hot tea bags, juice and water.

Provide re-usable or disposable plates, napkins, utensils and cups. If you want to use the club's re-usable plastic cups, please contact the 1st VP of Programs.



CLEAN UP:

Wait until the business portion of the meeting is over with before cleaning dishes from the tables. Doing so during the meeting is too distracting. After the meeting, fold up tables and chairs.



May 2022 Luncheon hostesses

Christmas Luncheon Committee Guidelines



This event is held at a local venue that is able to cater or provide a set menu for a plated meal or buffet. Committee members work together to find an appropriate venue, select an affordable (\$30 or less per person) menu with options for different diets and arrange for entertainment during the luncheon.

Decorations are generally provided by the venue. Once the venue and menu has been narrowed down, the committee chair will present her selection to the HGC Board for approval.



May Luncheon Committee Guidelines

These guidelines are developed solely to help in the planning and coordination of the end of the year luncheon and the officer installation ceremony. This is typically a salad luncheon, with all attendees bringing a dish for the salad buffet. The appointed committee is always welcome to be innovative and creative in other ways in making this a fun luncheon for the club.

- Committee chair typically holds a planning meeting approximately 3-4 months prior to the event with all the appointed committee.
- Develop an invitation to include a theme, date, time, location, what to bring and RSVP. Distribute the invitation two months prior to the event (typically at a meeting and for those not in attendance make sure they get it through an email, newsletter or postal service).
- Determine what tables and chairs are needed for the food table, dessert table, drink table, name badges table and lunch tables, and decorations for any of these.
- Discuss who will be responsible for napkins, eating utensils, tablecloths, serving utensils, plates (luncheon and dessert), cups and drinks (water, wine, punch, lemonade, tea, etc.) Responsibility for cleanup should also be discussed.
- Expenses will be shared by the committee so any receipts should be kept. After receipts are added up, the committee chair will ask for a certain amount from each committee member and then divide it up according to what everyone spent. There is not a line item in the club budget for this event other than supplies needed for the actual installation of officers.



Constitution

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Hunt Garden Club (referred to herein, in the Bylaws and Standing Rules, as “the Club”).

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVE

SECTION 1. The objective of the Club shall be to spread beauty, study gardening, preserve natural beauty, educate, and foster civic pride.

SECTION 2. The Club shall be a regular garden club according to the guidelines of our State Federation of Garden Clubs.

ARTICLE III. TERRITORY

Anyone who resides or has a business establishment in the vicinity of Hunt, Ingram or Mountain Home, is interested in the objective of the Club and is willing to take an active part, may apply for membership by means of a written application and sponsorship by a Club member.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP & DUES

SECTION 1. The number of active members shall be limited to 90.

SECTION 2. Associate membership may be requested in writing and is limited to those who have been active members of the Club for at least ten years. Associate members may enjoy all privileges of the Club except those of voting, holding office or acting as a Standing Committee chair.

SECTION 3. All resignations shall be in writing and presented to the Membership Chairman.

SECTION 4. The annual dues of the Club shall be recommended by the Executive Board (which shall consist of the elected officers) and payable at the September meeting. (See Standing Rules, Number 1). Any change to annual dues shall be approved by at least 2/3 majority of the active members present at a general membership meeting.

SECTION 5. Attendance

(a) Any active member who is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings without reason will be removed from the active member list.

(b) Acceptable reasons for such absences: illness or travel.

(c) The Membership Chairman (Second Vice President) must be notified of reasonable absences prior to the general membership meeting(s). The Membership Chair will determine if an active member is unable to fulfill their membership and may recommend to the Executive Board to keep them on the Club roster as an honorary member. Their state membership fee will be paid by the Club.

(d) Any member in good standing (up to date on dues) may be granted a leave of absence for up to one Club year with a written request and the approval of the Executive Board. To maintain good standing, members must pay dues while on Leave of Absence.

SECTION 6. The Membership Chairman shall be responsible for the list of prospective members. When an opening arises, a prospective member will be invited to join the Club in the order in which names were submitted.

ARTICLE V. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

SECTION 1. General membership meetings of the Club shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month from September through May, at an hour to be set by the Executive Board.

SECTION 2. A quorum shall consist of at least fifty-one percent of active members present for voting purposes.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Club, also referred to as the Executive Board shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. The President may call an Executive Board meeting at any time.

SECTION 2. Officers shall be nominated by a committee appointed by the President. Subject to nominations from the floor, election may be by acclamation. Election will be at the January general membership meeting and officers installed the following May.

SECTION 3. In case of vacancy in the office of President, the First Vice President automatically becomes President and the Second Vice President automatically becomes First Vice President. In case of a vacancy in any other office, the replacement officer shall be appointed by the Executive Board. (See Bylaws, Article 1, Duties of Officers)

SECTION 4. All officer terms are for one year. No officer shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the Treasurer, who may serve four consecutive terms.

ARTICLE VII. RECORDS RETENTION

SECTION 1. The minutes of Executive Board meetings and general membership meetings shall be kept for a minimum of three full years.

SECTION 2. The financial records shall be kept for a minimum of seven full years.

SECTION 3. The organizational documents of the Club, including the Constitution, Bylaws and Addenda, but not limited to those documents, shall be kept perpetually.

SECTION 4. The scrapbooks and yearbooks shall be kept perpetually, unless a majority vote of the Executive Board periodically allows for the disposition of the scrapbooks and yearbooks.

SECTION 5. Any Club documents not specifically named in Sections 1 thru 4 shall be kept for a minimum of three full years.

SECTION 6. All records of each office, Standing or Special Committee shall be kept by the respective officer or chairman to be passed down to the succeeding officer or chairman.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. The Constitution and Bylaws of the Club may be amended at the general membership meeting by a vote of at least two-thirds of the active members present, providing there is a quorum and the proposed amendment has been presented in writing, including by email, at the preceding general membership meeting.

SECTION 2. The Standing Rules and email voting guidelines may be amended at an Executive Board meeting by a vote of at least two-thirds of the elected officers present.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

The Club shall be a corporation in perpetual existence. In the case of voluntary or involuntary dissolution, the Club's assets shall be distributed to another non-profit organization with an objective similar to the Club. The receiving organization will be determined by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

By Laws

ARTICLE I. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers.

SECTION 2. A quorum, for Executive Board meetings, consists of at least fifty percent of the elected officers for voting purposes.

SECTION 3. The Executive Board shall be permitted to conduct business via electronic device or telephone as set out in the Guidelines for E-mail Voting, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as an Addendum to these Bylaws.

SECTION 4. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club and the Executive Board, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.

SECTION 5. The First Vice President shall preside as President at meetings in the absence of the President, and shall serve as Chairman of the Program Committee.

SECTION 6. The Second Vice President shall preside as President at meetings in the absence of both the President and the First Vice President, shall serve as Chairman of the Membership Committee and shall keep a current roll of Club members.

SECTION 7. The Third Vice President shall preside as President at meetings in the absence of the President, the First Vice President and the Second Vice President and shall serve as Chairman of the Fundraising Committee.

SECTION 8. The Recording Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings of the Club. In regard to email voting, the Recording Secretary shall compile the vote and notify the Executive Board when a majority vote has been reached. At the end of the voting period, the Recording Secretary shall notify the Executive Board with a report, which

will include the number of votes needed for approval, the number of votes cast, the number of votes in favor and the number of votes opposed. Recording Secretary will accompany the President and Treasurer to the Club's banking institution to ensure that updates of the signature card records on file are changed when new officers have been elected into those roles.

SECTION 9. The Corresponding Secretary shall attend to correspondence of the Club.

SECTION 10. The Treasurer shall receive all money of the Club, pay out money as authorized, and give a monthly report at each Board and general membership meeting. The Treasurer shall also prepare an annual budget to be presented to the Executive Board at the first regular Board meeting of the Club year. After review by the Executive Board, the budget shall be presented to the general membership for approval at the first general membership meeting of the Club year.

SECTION 11. The Parliamentarian shall be ready to give her opinion on parliamentary law when called upon by any member, and be chairman of the committee to revise the Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE II. COMMITTEES & DUTIES

SECTION 1. All committees shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board. In the event that a Standing Committee Chair resigns, their replacement can be appointed by the President.

SECTION 1A Standing Committee Chairmen shall be appointed by the President at the beginning of each year. A Standing Committee is any committee whose existence is intended for more than one year, and has been established to further the Club's mission and objective.

By Laws *(continued)*

SECTION 1B. A Standing Committee Chair can be removed by the President with Executive Board approval.

SECTION 1C. Standing Committee Chairs are asked to attend all regular Board meetings and participate in discussion that leads to an Executive Board vote.

SECTION 1D. A Standing Committee Chair will have the right to vote on matters pertaining to their committee. All Standing and Special Committee Chairs are eligible to vote when approving the annual budget.

SECTION 2. Any other special committee chairmen deemed necessary to the successful work of the Club shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Board. Any person wanting to serve on a committee should contact the Committee Chair.

SECTION 3. The Nominating Committee shall consist of 3 members appointed by the President by November 1st.

Addendum

GUIDELINES FOR E-MAIL VOTING FOR THE HUNT GARDEN CLUB

SECTION I. The Executive Board, which consists of all elected officers, and any relevant Standing Committee Chair(s), shall be permitted to conduct business by electronic device. General membership meetings may also be conducted by electronic device.

SECTION II. Guidelines to be observed when an e-mail vote is conducted

1. The elected Officer or relevant Standing Committee Chair(s) shall present the action to be approved in the form of a motion, including the question, the debate period and the date and time the ballot must be returned. The motion will be sent to each member of the voting body by electronic device and shall request confirmation of receipt. An explanation of the circumstances, including why the matter cannot wait for the next board meeting, must accompany the motion. In the event a member of the Executive Board does not have an electronic device, contact by telephone will be acceptable.

2. The Recording Secretary records the motion being voted upon.

3. Comments may be made by any voting member and shall be sent to all members of the Executive Board and relevant Standing Committee Chairs.

4. Votes on the motion will be sent by "Reply All". The Recording Secretary will receive any required telephone votes and email the results of that vote to everyone included in the original action.

5. A vote, when cast, shall be final.

6. A majority vote of the entire Executive Board and relevant Standing Committee Chairs shall adopt a motion.

7. The Recording Secretary shall compile the vote and notify the Executive Board when a majority vote has been reached. At the end of the voting period, the Recording Secretary shall notify the Executive Board with a report which will include the number of votes needed for approval, the number of votes cast, the number of votes in favor and the number of votes opposed.

8. The motion and the result of the vote shall be recorded in the minutes of the next board meeting.

Standing Rules

1. The **annual dues** of the Club shall be \$35.00 for Active Members and \$15.00 for Associate Members, payable at the September meeting. (See Article IV, Section 4 in the Constitution, Membership and Dues)

2. The **Associate Member Liaison** shall serve as liaison between Active and Associate members. The Associate Member Liaison will determine if a member is unable to fulfill their membership as an Associate member and recommend to the Executive Board whether to keep them on the Club roster as an Honorary member for one year. Their dues will be paid by the club and their names listed separately in the Yearbook. If agreed, their state membership fee will be paid by the Club.

3. **Awards Committee Chairman** shall coordinate with other committee chairs to prepare awards submissions to the district, including youth awards.

4. **Civic Beautification Committee Chairman**, including **Adopt A Highway Project Lead** and **Beehive, Blue Star Marker, HISD Wildscape, Post Office** and **President's Garden Committees**, shall be in charge of any projects pertaining to community improvement.

5. **Communications Activity Lead** and **Newsletter Project Lead** shall notify members of the time and location of each monthly meeting and general information pertaining to the Club.

6. **Social Media Project Lead** shall manage information on the Club website, Facebook page, Instagram and other social media as deemed necessary.

7. **Discovery Garden Committee Chairmen** shall present at Club meetings all current garden activities and dates.

8. **Hydroponic Garden Committee Chairman** shall present at Club meetings all current garden activities and dates.

9. **Field Trip Committee Chairman** shall arrange educational and civic minded excursions for Club members' participation.

10. **Fellowship Activity Lead** shall prepare name tags for Club members, distribute them at functions and store the tags between functions.

11. **Historian Project Lead** shall keep the Club scrapbook up to date.

12. **Horticulture Activity Lead** shall present at Club meetings all current gardening information.

13. **Fundraising Committee Chairman**, the 3rd Vice President, shall be in charge of money-raising projects for the Club.

14. **Publicity Project Lead** shall send publicity to newspapers before and/or after every newsworthy Club event.

15. **Scholarship Committee Chairman** shall establish guidelines for awarding educational scholarships to local area graduating high school students, communicate those guidelines to the high schools, and choose a student(s) to receive a Hunt Garden Club scholarship(s) from applications received. They reserve the right to not award a scholarship.

16. **Financial Review Committee Chairman** shall review the financial records of the Club once every year to ensure accurateness.

17. **Yearbook Project Lead** shall compile and print the annual Yearbook, which includes the directory of all members and Club activities for the year. Copies should be distributed to Club members at the September meeting.

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Standing Rules *(continued)*

18. Memorial Books Activity Lead will coordinate with the Hunt School librarian to select appropriate books for the school library that memorialize a former or current Club member who has passed.

19. Words of Inspiration Activity Lead will select and present inspirational words to open Club meetings.

20. Photography Activity Lead will work with all Club members to take, collect and disseminate photographs that document the Club's various activities.

21. To ensure that **potential new members** have an understanding of the goals and activities of the Club, potential new members to the Club shall attend at least two regular meetings with their sponsor before submitting an application for membership.

22. The Club will reimburse the Awards Chairman and the President, or their designated replacements, for the following fees:

- District VII Spring Convention Registration
- District VII Fall Convention Registration
- TGC State Convention Registration and cost of awards dinner.

HUNT GARDEN CLUB CREED

Hill Country Gardeners, all are we, using our talents on field and tree.

By hoe, spade and watering can, we bring God's bounty through Hunt TX land.

With greenhouse, lasagna beds and gardening glove

To our school children we show our love.

In springtime our seedlings grow, leafy lace and high fashion florals;

For by His grace we have capable hands to revive the earth

From winter landscape to a welcome rebirth.

A larkspur here, dianthus there, turkscap thrives in spring's warm air.

Nature's bounty from vegetable vigor,

We load gardener's ammunition and God pulls the trigger.

Why do we labor, what are our goals?

When beauty is created it blooms within our souls.

For forever friendships, for our creative dream

We give our thanks to the Gardener Supreme.

Patsy Anne Newbolt

69 Years of History

Hunt Garden Club was federated in 1953, meeting then in members' homes. The 30 members were homemakers paying \$2 yearly dues. Their meetings focused on flower arranging. In later years, the ladies began to identify and address community issues and improvement, setting a yearly theme like "Come Climb My Hill" for which members would create a variety of interesting and inspiring monthly presentations. Limits to membership were determined by the size of available meeting space, and in 1960, the Hunt United Methodist Church became a regular venue. In 1984 dues were raised to \$5 and in 1992 membership was limited to 50 Active members. Today the limit is 90. Early local projects were supporting the Kerrville State Hospital and seeking to beautify the Hunt community and surrounding areas. These 20th century club members raised funds through various fundraising activities to contribute to larger State projects as well. Today we continue their legacy by committing ourselves to taking an active part in the club, attending meetings regularly, stepping forward to be on a committee and to participate in community projects. Our foremothers constructed a strong foundation for our club and today we are building another level.



Past Presidents

1953-1954	Chloe Bradford	1974-1976	Marvel DellRehm	1996-1997	June McAshan
1954-1955	Peaches Bettencourt	1976-1978	Jane Kinsel	1997-1999	Nelle Robinson
1955-1956	Edith Cullum	1978-1980	Mamie Webb	1999-2001	Grace Crites
1956-1957	Adele Benson	1980-1981	Evelin Abernathy	2001-2002	Margaret Davis
1957-1958	Myrtle Wagner	1981-1982	Mamie Webb	2002-2004	Tricia Stone
1958-1959	Alice Motte	1982-1984	June McAshan	2004-2006	Sue Hilton
1959-1961	Reine Peters	1984-1985	Ruth Morgan	2006-2008	Georgia Roth
1961-1962	Anne Matthews	1985-1986	Ann Hollacher	2008-2010	Sandy Martin
1962-1963	Dixie Kelly	1986-1987	Mamie Webb	2010-2012	Janet Moseley
1963-1965	Sophia Zander	1987-1988	Jo Sweeney	2012-2014	Bernadell Larson
1965-1967	Mamie Webb	1988-1990	Lana Edwards	2014-2016	Barbara Lingle
1967-1968	Dixie Kelly	1990-1992	Betty Fritts	2016-2018	Karen Taylor
1968-1970	Ruth Brown	1992-1994	Norma Jean Bond	2018-2020	Gretchen Harris
1970-1971	Ann Miller	1994-1994	Lynn Niedermann	2020-2022	Elizabeth Cotton
1971-1973	Mamie Webb	1994-1995	Norma Jean Bond		
1973-1974	Evelin Abernathy	1995-1996	Betty Matteson		

2022 TEXAS GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR

HUNT GARDEN CLUB

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

<http://www.gardenclub.org>
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Rumson, New Jersey 07760
732-513-2671
mwarshauer@gardenclub.org

Theme:

“Plant America - Play Outdoors”

South Central Region

<http://scrgardenclubs.org>
Director, Rose Knight
110 Maple Court
Arkadelphia, AR 71923
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Theme:

“Plant America -
Embrace the Future”

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

<https://texasgardenclubs.org>
President, Gwen DeWitt
178 Fairway Ridge
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361-813-9936
dewitt462002@yahoo.com

Theme:

“Preserve the Past, Serve the Present
and Insure the Future”

TGC, Inc., District VII

Director, Karen Taylor
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Hunt, TX 78024
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Theme:

“Save Our Planet to
Ensure Our Future”