



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

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2023-2024 Officers



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(ways and means)



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Calendar of Events

2023

Aug 22-24 Gardening School, Course IV - San Antonio Sept 19 Hunt Garden Club meeting. Dues are payable Landscape Design, Course II - College Station, TX Sep 25-26 Sep 25-28 Flower Show School, Course I - Houston, TX Hunt Garden Club 70th Anniversary Celebration Tea Oct 17 Oct 23 -District VII Fall Convention - San Antonio, TX Hunt Garden Club meeting Nov 14 Nov TBA Christmas decorating workshop - Kerrville St Hospital Dec TBA Hunt School Angel gifts due

2024

Jan 16 Hunt Garden Club meeting Jan 29-Feb 1 Flower Show School, Course II - Houston, TX Feb 20 Hunt Garden Club meeting District VII Spring Convention - San Antonio, TX Feb 22 March 19 Hunt Garden Club meeting TGC 96th Annual Convention - Abilene, TX Apr 8-12 Apr 16 Hunt Garden Club meeting SCR Spring Convention - Little Rock, Arkansas Apr 24 April TBA Hunt Volunteer Fire Department fund-raiser May 1 -State and District dues due May 21 Hunt Garden Club Spring Installation Luncheon National Garden Week June 4-10

District VII Presidents Meeting - SAGC

HGC Christmas luncheon - TBD

Dec 12

Jun 7 -



2023 Awards

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
South Central Region

| District VII

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

| Gold Club Rating | Club | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----|--------|--------|----------------------|
| TGC Litter/Recycle/Reclamation | Compost | 1st | | | |
| Community Gardens | Discovery Garden | 1st | | | |
| Edible Gardens | Discovery Garden | 1st | | | |
| SCR #18 Youth Program | Discovery Garden | | | | |
| Social Media (Facebook) | Facebook | | | | |
| Water | Hyrdroponics | 1st | | | |
| TGC | Hyrdroponics | 1st | | | |
| Horticulture/Youth | Hyrdroponics | | | | |
| Publications | Newsletter | 1st | | | Cert of Appreciation |
| SCR Publications | Newsletter | | | | |
| SCR Civic Development | Post Office | | | | |
| TGC Community Service | Post Office | 1st | 2nd | | |
| President's Report | President | 1st | | | |
| TGC Scrapbook | Scrapbook | 1st | | | |
| Website | Website | 1st | | | |
| Community Project | | | | | |
| w/Native Plants/Wildfflowers | Wildscape | 1st | | | Cert of Appreciation |
| TGC Butterfly Preservation | | | | | |
| Education | Wildscape | 1st | 1st | | |
| SCR Yearbook | Yearbook | 1st | | | |
| TGC Yearbook | Yearbook | 1st | 3rd | | |
| TGC Contributions/Donations | | | Cert o | Appred | iation |
| TGC Club Membership Extension | | | Citati | on | |
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SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

"Solar Eclipses" Jeff Stone

Jeff's talk will cover why eclipses happen, when it will happen here, and how to prepare for the event and viewing safely. There will also be recommendations and links to resources for further information.

Jeff worked almost 100 Shuttle flights in the Mission Control Center, and was honored to serve on the last shift of the last Space Shuttle flight, STS-135. While working in Mission Control, Jeff met his future wife Susan and in 1991 they traveled to Mexico for their first total eclipse. They have witnessed and photographed several solar eclipses and many lunar eclipses and shared their excitement with literally thousands of people over the years. The culmination of their eclipse experiences will be the 2023/2024 solar eclipses in Kerrville where they built their retirement home for the occasion!

Since moving to the hill country in 2020, Jeff has been active in the Kerr County Friends of the Night Sky, a volunteer group dedicated to preserving our night sky resource through education and awareness. He is also serving on the Kerrville City Solar Eclipse Education and Outreach Committee.

OCTOBER 17, 2023

"Hats off to the Hunt Garden Club"

70th Platinum Anniversary Party
Karen Taylor

We will celebrate the **70th Platinum Anniversary** of Hunt Garden Club with an **Afternoon Tea** at

Club Charles

720 Water St., Kerrville, TX 78028 3-5 p.m.

So dig out your hats and floral attire and plan to attend this elegant event.

NOVEMBER 14, 2023

note: Second Tuesday in November

"The Benefits of Native Plants for Your Vegetable Garden" Becky Leal

This program discusses how native plants help the vegetable garden with pollination and integrated pest management while providing year-round beauty and interest to your landscape. Topics will include companion planting, hedgerows, and beetle banks with plants native to our area. A handout listing the benefits of each plant in the presentation will be provided. "Developing this presentation was an opportunity for me to further research two of my favorite topics – native plants and food gardening."

Becky and her husband moved to the Kerrville area in 2007 and found out they weren't in Houston anymore after planting non-native plants and watching them die. They met some Texas Master Naturalists who helped them identify the plants on their property and taught them the advantages of adding native plants to their landscaped areas.

In 2015, she graduated from the Texas Master Naturalist program and joined the Native Plant Society of Texas. In September of 2021, she retired from a career in Information Technology and now spends more time outside than inside. In 2022, she was certified as a Master Gardener with our local Hill Country chapter.

DECEMBER 12, 2023

note: Second Tuesday in December

Christmas Luncheon

LOCATION TBD

JANUARY 16, 2024

"Attracting Birds to Your Yard"

Paul was here in the spring of 2019 to talk to us about plants for your garden that attract birds. After 5 years of gardening on his property near Ingram, he has learned so much more about what the birds need. He will discuss additional aspects of attracting birds, including water and shelter.

Paul Sellin and his wife have led the monthly bird "walk/talks" for the Riverside Nature Center since 2016. Paul was the coordinator for the West Kerr County Christmas Bird Count in 2021 and 2022.

Photographing birds and recording their calls and songs are Paul's ways of documenting his experiences. Cornell University's eBird app is his favorite location to keep track of his birdwatching efforts, where he is ranked in the top 20 in Texas and #1 in Kerr County.

FEBRUARY 20, 2024

"The Natural and Human History of the Lost Maples Area" Greg Walton

This presentation covers the flora, fauna, geology and human history of the Lost Maples area of Texas. Topics of special emphasis include the plants of the area, particularly maples and cypress trees and the many rare and endemic plants in the park, human habitation patterns, local folklore, and the evolution of Lost Maples as the Texas Parks and Wildlife's first State Natural Area.

Greg's family has ranched in the Sabinal Canyon since 1895, and he manages the family ranch there. A hundred years ago, his ancestors owned much of the land which is now the Lost Maples State Natural Area. He is a founding member of the Friends of Lost Maples.

MARCH 19, 2024

"A Glorious Community Garden"

The idea for Glory Community Garden was planted in 2013. It was a great idea, but it was unfunded. But by 2016, the first gardeners planted crops! Today the fenced garden consists of 35 beds, an equipment building, an event pavilion, and a water catchment system; additional storage and a "real" bathroom is scheduled for construction mid-2023. Come hear the inspiring story!

Pam Umstead became a Master Gardener in 2012. Glory Community Garden has been a favorite volunteer opportunity of hers since its inception. She also served as Chair of the UGRA EduScape Design Committee, and is the "Voice of the Hill Country Master Gardeners" delivering daily public service announcements on the Ranch Radio group of stations.

APRIL 16, 2024

"Attracting Native Bees to Your Garden" Becky Etzler

We will discuss how Riverside Nature Center attracts native bees to their gardens and why this is important.

Becky Etzler, the Executive Director Riverside Nature Center, is a self-proclaimed nature nerd which makes her job as the Director of Riverside Nature Center so much easier.

Becky has a BS degrees in anthropology and psychology. She spent 26 years working in the veterinary and animal welfare world. Her interests are quite varied but tend toward the creative.

MAY 21, 2024

Spring Installation Luncheon

I OCATION TBD

Community Projects

• Hunt School Hydroponic Garden - Members of the Hunt Garden Club, along with the Hunt School 5th grade science teacher, developed a project of growing lettuce hydroponically. The system is specifically for the science lab to teach the students about hydroponics, the food distribution system, commercial growers, and nutrients. The students complete the project by designing their own system. Leader: Kari Short

10% club participation. This continuing project is funded through Hunt ISD.



• Every Fall and Spring, **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:
Megan Stolley, Haley Lehrmann.
This continuing project is funded
through HGC and Hunt ISD
with 50% club participation.







Community Projects





• A committee is partnering with MoRanch to beautify the beds inside and out of their 1940's **greenhouse**. Leader: Karen Taylor



- A committee decorates the **Hunt Welcome Sign** every season, beautifying the entrance to the community.

 Leader: Cindy Janke 10% club participation
- A committee continually 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. New flower beds were dug and planted with Nolina trees.

Leader: Kyra Bowman 10% club participation

• 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 Funded by HGC with 20% club participation.



Community Projects





• Members maintain the club's continuing **beehive project** created to support a healthy bee habitat in our community. Leader: Beth Gaddie



- An HGC committee maintains the **Blue Star Memorial Marker** in Kerrville to beautify the VA Hospital and honor community veterans. Leader: Kathy Turner
- **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 4 local area graduating seniors. Leader: Ruth Johnson



 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



• HGC's Adopt-A-Highway volunteers pick up trash along 2 miles of Hwy. 39 as part of TXDOT's Adopt-A-Highway program, which benefits the Hunt community and its many visitors. Leader: Penny Deupree

Club Activities

- Along with other local garden clubs, members participate in the Christmas decorating workshop at the **Kerrville State Hospital.** Leader: Gretchen Harris
- Christmas Angel Gifts are provided to the Hunt school children by HGC members. Leader: Gretchen Harris
- 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, garden tips, club and community news. http://huntgardenclub. com. Leader: Mitzi Silber
- Club members took a Field Trip to the Hill Country Youth Ranch Art Center courtyard, which the club previously helped design and plant. Leader: Katy Allen
- Members meet monthly May thru October to **kayak** on the Guadalupe River as a health and wellness activity. Leader: Kathy Mater









Ways and Means Projects



• The club designed and sold tee-shirts celebrating being chosen 2022 Texas Garden Club of the Year.





- A very successful **Tree Sale** was supported by the community.
- HGC sold tickets to a home tour of a newly constructed home in Hunt.

Organizations and Projects financially supported by Hunt Garden Club

ORGANIZATION / PROJECT ANNUAL / ONE-TIME DONATION

| Hunt School Discovery Garden:\$150 | 00 |
|---|----|
| Four scholarships to local area graduating seniors: \$300 | 00 |
| Wildscape Gardens at Hunt School: | 34 |
| Hunt Welcome Sign: | 13 |
| Blue Star Memorial Marker: \$9 | 93 |
| Post Office Landscape Beautification: \$ | 18 |
| Beehive Project: \$27 | 74 |
| Spring convention:\$10 | 00 |
| Riverside Nature center: | 50 |
| Total: \$53 | 32 |





Meeting Hostesses

2023-2024

SEPTEMBER 19

Griffin, Sandy *
Bond, Liz
Cave, Ginger
English, Libby
Key, Becky
Mater, Kathy
Staggs, Barbara

OCTOBER 17

Taylor, Karen *
Atkins, Nancy
Butcher, Marilyn
Cartwright, Denise
Curtis, Pam
Hardin, Pam
Johnson, Ruth
Petty, Emily
Turner, Kathy

NOVEMBER 14

Kimbrell, Martha *
Bowman, Kyra
Byrd, Barbara
Clark-Maynard, Melissa
Gilliam, Dusty
Johnson, Linnea
Larson, Bernadell

DECEMBER 12

Janke, Cindy *
Abercrombie, Cathy
Chaudoir, Gay
Conley, Kelly
Dekerlegand, Diane
Greenwood, Laura
Latch, Linda
Palmer, Debe

JANUARY 16

Belew, Tracy *
Cook, Kathleen
Henderson, Martha
Masterson, Constant
Johnston, Weezie
Staub, Terry
Symm, Bridget

FEBRUARY 20

Gaddie, Beth *
Bilbao, Nichole
Cougar, Judy
Hightower, Monica
Reinwald, Janet
Silber, Mitzi
Treml, Beverly

*Lead Hostess

MARCH 19

Stang, Carla *
Bitner, Lea
Curle, Johnna
Hightower, Sandy
McMahon, Trisha
Short, Kari
Williams, Lyneen

APRIL 16

Wheeler, Robin *
Brown, Chris Ann
Harris, Gretchen
Hilton, Sue
Morrison, Christine
Shimek, Alida
Wagner, Laura Ann

MAY 21

Freeman, Kathy *
Allen, Katy
Crain, Marianne
Deupree, Penny
Greenwood, Laura
Huffman, Nancy
Jones, Joni
Jordan, Lynn
King, Alice
Parsons, Eileen
Roberson, Lindsey
Stolley, Megan





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.
- Set up at the Hunt Methodist Church fellowship hall at 8:30 a.m. on meeting date.
 Set up 11 tables with chairs.
 Decorating the tables is optional. There are some decorations and white vinyl tablecloths available.

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.
- 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 reusable or disposable plates, napkins, utensils and cups.

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

















Guidelines

Christmas Luncheon Committee

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.



Spring Installation Luncheon Committee

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 Chairmen, 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. (continued)

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

Seventy Years of History

unt 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 improvement, community issues and 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 1992 membership was limited to 50 Active members. Today the limit is 90.



Marilyn Butcher receives a Lifetime Member Award

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 | 2022-2023 | Laura Greenwood |
| 1973-1974 | Evelin Abernathy | 1995-1996 | Betty Matteson | | |

Seventy Years of Service

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

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Theme: Go Green... Plant America

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Theme: Plant America – Pollinate South Central

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

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Theme: Choose Your Path and Make a Difference

District VII, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

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Theme: Plant Wisdom in the Minds of the Children... They are the Seeds of the Future