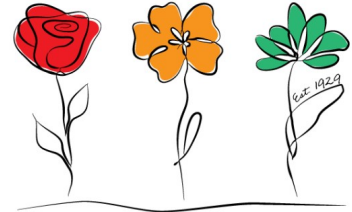




Garden Talk

MAY 2023



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Beautifying Tulsa since 1929!

PO Box 521003 Tulsa OK 74152-1003

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space

11am * June 5, 2023
Ti Amo Ristorante Italiano
6024 South Sheridan Road Suite A, Tulsa
\$35 * RSVP by May 31
Gathering Place Lead Horticulturist is Guest Speaker!

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ANNUAL APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

11AM | 6024 S SHERIDAN RD
TULSA

**FEATURING: THE
GATHERING PLACE,
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Rose Fund

April 2023

www.TulsaGardenClub.org/Rose-Fund

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of Kay Huddleston

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***Rachel and Jane won FREE
tickets for 72nd Annual
Garden Tour during
Springfest 2023! Get \$15
Advance Tickets at Tulsa
Garden Center OR
[Eventbrite!](#)***

EIN 73-1359566 Tulsa Garden Club is a not-for-profit educational organization subordinate to Oklahoma Garden Clubs. Charitable gifts are deductible to the extent allowed by current tax law.

Help Us Raise Needed Money!

Bloomin' Buck\$
with Brent and Becky's

**Order bulbs and perennials! Click the
Bloomin' Buck\$ image/link, choose
Tulsa Garden Club.**



President's Perspective

by Kathi Blazer, Member since 2018

The Value of Tulsa Garden Club

What does it feel like to be a Member of a long-established Tulsa tradition?



- Proud
- Knowledgeable
- An active community member and participant
- A supporter of environmental groups outside of the club
- A lover of all growing green things
- A student, always learning
- A benefactor of OSU horticulture and landscape architecture, TCC's Second Chance program with Conner Correctional Center inmates, OSU's *Oklahoma*



Gardening program aired on OETA and YouTube, Tulsa Garden Center and various Woodward Park programs.

- Pleased when others recognize your outstanding club and seek your input
- Pleased to reach out to Youth
- Happy to work with all of our Members and Partners



Kathi Raun Hromas Blazer
President, 2022-2024



National Garden Week

June 4-10, 2023

TulsaGardenClub.org



Sun June 4
Read gardening book, magazine, online to share with friend on Fri

Tues June 6
Buds & Blooms at Teaching Garden

Thurs June 8
Lend a gardening hand

Sat June 10
10am-Noon Open Garden
3-5pm Members-only

Gardening is Educational

Gardening is Celebrating

Gardening is Learning

Gardening is Exploring

Gardening is Caring

Gardening is Joyful

Gardening is Fun

Mon June 5
Appreciation Luncheon, Ti Amo

Wed June 7
Magical Mystery Tour III

Fri June 9
Share your garden with a friend

Everyone can grow in our garden!

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I continue to be amazed at what we do as an ever-changing club. I'm certain other groups have similar pride. However, ours is longstanding and devoted to gardening, community and education. In just six brief years I personally feel like I'm a Tulsan because of the activism of 94-year-old Tulsa Garden Club.

Thank you.

Here's to you having the same grand experience!

Kathi



Join us during National Garden Week, especially on Monday, June 5, and Wednesday, June 7!





72nd Annual Garden Tour

10am—4pm Saturday, May 20, 2023

Special thanks to our generous garden/homeowners!

- Alice Rodgers
- Shana and Trase Mahan
- Chris Murphy and Ben Stewart
- Cindy and Bill Davis



Rodgers

1519 East 26th Place

***\$5 RAFFLE
TICKET**

***\$20 5-TICKET
BUNDLE**

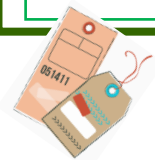
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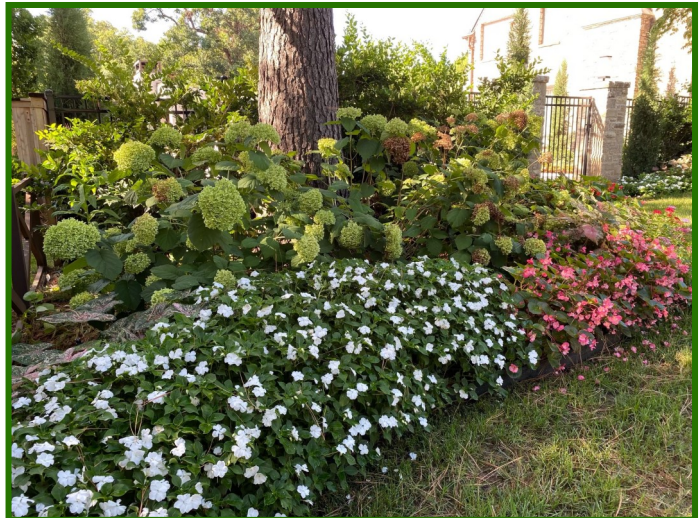
All Garden Tour Proceeds benefit gardening education.
Questions? TulsaGardenClub@gmail.com



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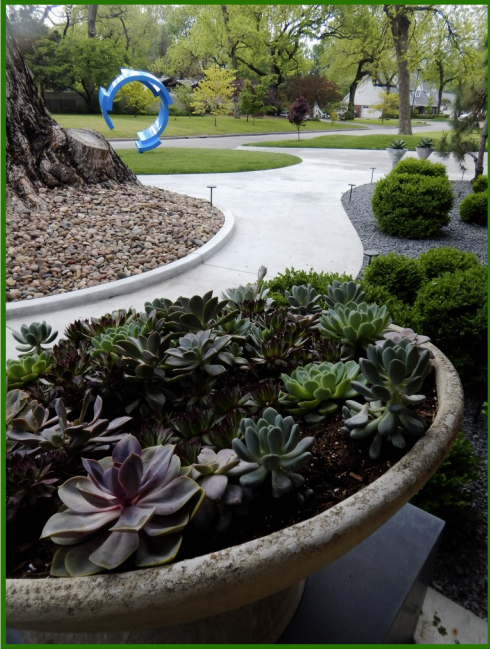
2120 East 30th Place

Patrons help present “Passport to Paradise” to fund the Club’s formal and informal gardening education projects. [Click](#) for more about the Tour and our giving Patrons.



Passport to Paradise

Four Midtown Tulsa Private Gardens



Scan for map
for your self-
guided Tour.



**Murphy-
Stewart**

4636 South Wheeling Avenue

\$15 Advance* Tickets until 3pm, Friday, May 19:

Tulsa Garden Center and [Eventbrite](#).

\$20 Tour Day tickets at first garden visited.

***Redeem Advance Tickets for Tour Guide at first garden visited.**

Present Tour Guide at each garden for self-guided strolling.



Davis 4323 Oak Road

Stop at the Club's Garden Kiosk when you visit 4323 Oak Road. Get garden tools and raffle tickets to



be eligible to win the limestone bench donated by Hardscape Materials!

Everyone can grow in our garden!

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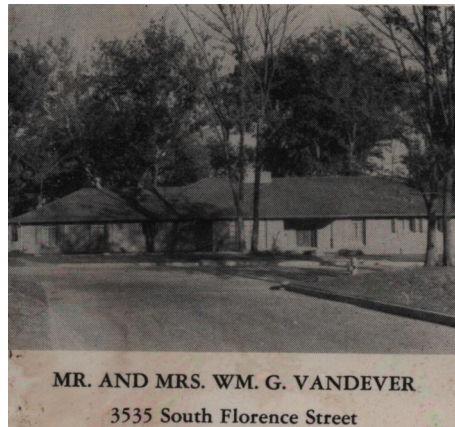
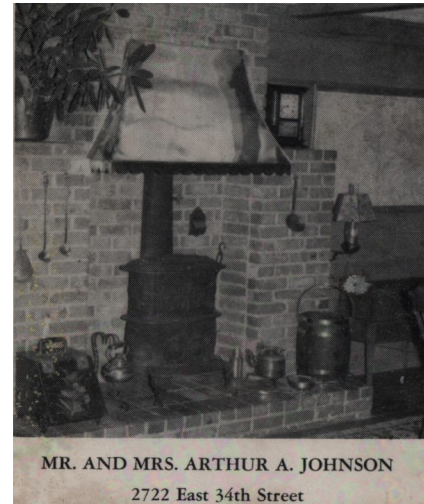
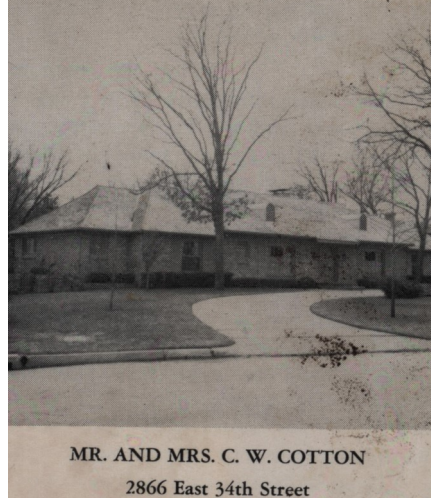
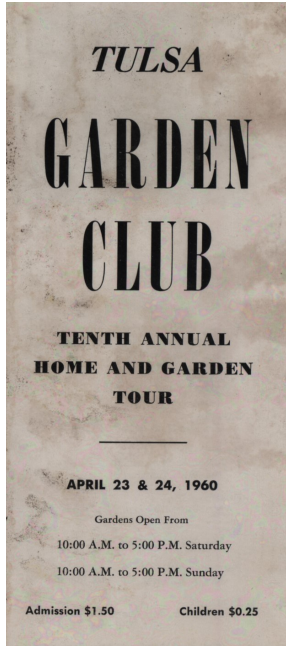


History Bites

by Linda Smith, Member since 2017 and Judith Weaver, Member since 2016

YESTERDAY

This article came from the Tulsa Garden Club's archives. It was published in 1960 by the *Tulsa Daily World* newspaper. Photos are from the 10th Garden Tour brochure, April 23 - 24, 1960.



TODAY

How did Tulsa Garden Club archives end up on thumb drives? Josie Driskill, President of the Tulsa Garden Club, 2018-2020, saw the need to digitize our records due to a flood in the basement. Members Nancy Moerer and Marillyn Lay volunteered for this project and copied every single page of yearbooks at the Tulsa Historical Society. Working 3-4 hours a day, the tedious process took a month.

President Driskill presented the Historical Society with \$1000 from the Club in appreciation for providing supplies and assistance. How thankful we are to have the history of Tulsa Garden Club available at our fingertips!

The Tulsa Garden Club's HOME AND GARDEN TOUR

SIX OUTSTANDING Tulsa home gardens and the interiors of three of the homes will be shown on the 10th annual home and garden tour sponsored by the Tulsa Garden club.

The idea of having a garden tour in Tulsa originated with Mrs. Dan Hunt Jr., and Mrs. W. J. Smiley, club members, who planned the first tour held in April of 1951.

The purpose of the project was to raise funds for the establishment of a garden center for Tulsa. At the time the garden center had a section of the Brookside library for its headquarters. Working with the Tulsa park board the Tulsa Garden club has used its tour funds for maintaining and expanding both the Tulsa Garden Center and the rose gardens.

In the rose gardens all the rose plants are furnished by the Tulsa Garden Club; Tulsa has the only Municipal Rose Garden whose plants are furnished by a garden club.

In addition to the gardens pictured are those of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cotton.

A French contemporary house of weathered brick is the home of the William Vandevers. The French influence is used from the formal living room with its Louis XV furnishings to the small formal French garden by the outside brick terraces.

Unusual furniture typical of old New England is used throughout the ranch type home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. A "keeping room" is outstanding with its copper hooded fireplace and Franklin stove.

A unique feature in the C. W. Cotton home is the glassed-in garden room where hundreds of potted cuttings are grown. Hanging baskets and a wall fountain add to the beauty of the greenhouse.

Tickets for the tour may be obtained from any Tulsa Garden club member and will be available at the gates of any of the homes during the tour.

The public is invited to visit the Tulsa Rose Gardens and the Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S. Peoria ave. The garden center and the conservatory are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The municipal rose gardens are located just north of the center grounds.

Tour these homes from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 23 and 24

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMichael, 3120 S. Quaker Rd.	Home and Garden
Mrs. Foster B. Parriott, 2545 E. 31st st.	Garden
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Johnson, 2722 E. 34th st.	Home and Garden
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cotton, 2866 E. 34th st.	Garden
Mr. and Mrs. William G. Vandever, 3535 S. Florence ave.	Home and Garden
Mrs. Courtney B. Nelson, 3726 S. Troost ave.	Garden

Complimentary refreshments will be served from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday in the gardens of Mrs. Courtney B. Nelson.



Gardening for Birds

by Joanna Potts, Member since 2018

Spring is in the air as we hear the early morning song of the American Robin, *Turdus migratorius*. They have returned to us from their winter stay, probably in some moist woods where berry trees were more common. Now they are back in our lawns, fields, city parks, woodlands and forests, too. Males vie for breeding territories where their new families will be raised. Maybe you will be lucky and get a front row seat to watch the magic.

Robins are found through out most of North America, Alaska and Canada to Florida and Mexico, and can be found on both coasts. The term “robin” for this species has been recorded since at least 1703.



Photo courtesy *Song and Garden Birds of North America* by Alexander Wetmore A volume in the Natural Science Library prepared by National Geographic Book Service Merle Severy, Chief

A member of the Thrush family, robins are a medium-size bird and used as the yardstick in estimating other medium-sized birds. They have brown backs and reddish-orange breasts, the female is duller in color. The male has a black to grey round head with white eye arcs and a white throat with black streaks. The belly and under tail coverts are also white, the bill is yellow mainly with a black tip. Their legs and feet are brown. The juvenal is paler in color and has dark spots on his chest like other birds in the thrush family. His spots are lost after his first molt.

Robins are a very familiar sight, early in the morning, running and hopping on our lawns in an upright stance, foraging for worms. They actually hunt earthworms by sight and not by hearing them under ground. Due to their habit of ground feeding, robins are vulnerable to pesticide poisoning and can be an indicator of pollution.

They normally raise two or three broods, April to July in nests from 5 to 15 feet above ground in a dense bush or fork in a tree. You might also see them in a sheltered recess or shelf on a building to keep out of the rain. The female alone builds the nest from grasses and mud making a neat deep cup with her feet and wing, with softer grasses lining the inside. She will lay one blue egg a day till her clutch of three to five are complete. She alone incubates them for 12 to 14 days. Both parents feed chicks earthworms, insects and berries before the babies leave two weeks after hatching. All babies leave the nest with-in two days of each other while father oversees care until they can fly two weeks later. This allows mom to return to nest building for the next brood. Interesting fact for us in Oklahoma, the American robin is suspected to be the key host and carrier for the West Nile Virus.

Crows and Blue Jays are the first to succumb to the virus and die earlier so we know it's around. The robins' living a longer time with the virus, gives it more time to infect the mosquitoes, which then transmit the virus to humans.

Resources: *Audubon Land Bird Guide* by Richard H Pough, Wikipedia, *Backyard Birds & Blooms Pocket Guide*, *All About Robin Nests and Robin Eggs* By Kenn and Kimberly Kaufman, *Guide to North American Birds* text by Kenn Kaufman, adapted from *Lives of North American Birds*, The Cornell Lab, [All About Birds](#).

Why Flower Shows?

By Linda Smith, Member since 2017

EXHIBITING HORTICULTURE

When you exhibit horticulture in a flower show all exhibits must be fresh and grown by the exhibitor. The plant must have been in the possession of the exhibitor the appropriate number of days as stated in the flower show schedule. If you plan to purchase a plant, plan well ahead of the show. Annuals, perennials, house plants, vegetables and fruit must have been in your possession 90 days. Troughs and arboreals for six months.



Plant material must be in its natural state. Only foliage or flowers naturally grown and still attached to the specimen can be entered. Unattached foliage is never included. Trimming foliage and flowers to remove damage is permitted.

You may not alter the plant in any way. No shine products may be applied to the plant. Specimens and pots entered should be clean with all debris, dirt and damage removed by the exhibitor. It is permissible to cover soil with unobtrusive coverings such as coarse sand, poultry grit, pea gravel, etc.

Watch for the Horticulture-Specialty Show Schedule, October 2023.

Tulsa Garden Club
Members and guests take gardening education "on the road" for the third year during National Garden Week. 8am leaving Tulsa Garden Center.
\$60 includes bus, lunch, snacks, fees for the day.
May 26 deadline: check payable to Tulsa Garden Club: PO Box 521003 Tulsa OK 74152-1003 OR register via [Eventbrite](#).

Celebrate National Garden Week visiting "secret" gardens

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Magical Mystery Tour III

8am-4pm Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Depart-Return: Tulsa Garden Center
2435 S Peoria AVE Tulsa

May 26 RSVP deadline

\$60+ check: Tulsa Garden Club OR Eventbrite
*Incl private bus/lunch/snacks/fees

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