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Grow Again*
March 2024



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Beautifying Tulsa since 1929!

**11 a.m., Monday
May 6, 2024
Tulsa Garden Center
2435 South Peoria Avenue**

**MAY 1 PATRON PARTY RSVP
\$35 JUNE 3 CELEBRATION
\$65 MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR**



Caring and Planting for Pollinators

**Jackie Brewer, Beekeeper and
Horticulturist**

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**Bring change/\$
\$ for Penny
Pines**

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Welcome, Beekeeper Jackie Brewer!

- Jackie Brewer, M.Ed., Graduate Certificate in STEM Education, got her Bachelor's Degree in Horticultural Science from OSU. She was named NSU's "Spring

2022 Outstanding Graduate Student" and has worked at the Tulsa Zoo, Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences and is now with

#gardeningeducationpartner Global Gardens

- Jane Crawford, Member since 2022, and Ann McKellar, Member since 2001, lead Pledge of Allegiance and share Garden Inspiration
- Bring loose change/currency to support our Ouachita National Forest through Penny Pines
- Pick up Advance Tickets for May 11 "Tulsa Heart & Soil" 73rd Annual Garden Tour and sign up to serve as Cashier and/or Hostess
- Get clues for Nat'l Garden Week and Magical Mystery Tour
- Sign up to volunteer: Buds 'n Blooms/Generation Green, Designer's Showcase, Drillers Community Corner

Tulsa Garden Club 2023-2024 Officers

Planting Oklahoma: Let's Think Global and Plant Local

President *Kathi Blazer*

1st Vice President *Cathy Covington*

2nd Vice President *Jimmy Black*

Recording Secretary *Jane Crawford*

Corresponding Secy *Sharon Williams*

Treasurer *Phyllis Ogilvie*

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Historians *Judy Weaver & Linda Smith*

Standing Committees

Awareness *Brenda Michael-Haggard*

Education *Susan Foust*

Membership *Cathy Covington*

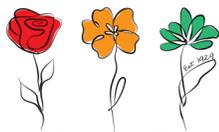
Organization *Fleta Haskins*

Garden Tour/Patrons *Sandy Farris &
Brenda Michael-Haggard*



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Rose Fund

March 12—April 8, 2024

www.TulsaGardenClub.org/Rose-Fund

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Josie Driskill

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Phyllis, Peggy and
Susan

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*Gardening is a medicine that
does not need a prescription...and
with no limit on dosage.*

George Eliot

Welcome, New Member!

Melanie Webb

Membership in Oklahoma's largest, longest-operating garden club, and one of the first nationally-federated garden clubs, extends Tulsa Garden Club's vision to engage the community through gardening education.

Members benefit from affiliation with Northeast District (NED) of Oklahoma Garden Clubs, Inc., Oklahoma Garden Clubs, Inc. (OGC), South Central Region of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (SCR), and National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC)

Help Us Raise Needed Money!

Bloomin' Buck\$
with Brent and Becky's

Order bulbs and perennials to plant for spring!
Click the Bloomin' Buck\$ image/link, choose
Tulsa Garden Club to "seed" in multi ways.



President's Perspective

by Kathi Blazer, Member since 2018

Take the scenic route!

Take the scenic route, stop and then sit in the sun. The benefits of taking time to enjoy is undervalued but the reward of taking extra time cannot be overlooked: it allows us to absorb both the good and questionable for future decisions and experiences; it allows our minds to catch up; it lowers your heart rate; it allows for increased hearing/listening; it allows for more than momentary joy.

My goodness, we certainly know all this from when the Club is busy we can substitute production for joy. The solutions can be thinking ahead about the goals and intended outcomes and finding pleasure there; avoiding production (safe but you may miss a truly joyful experience); or finding joy in the presence of others working toward a common goal.

I find this necessary to share as we rush

about our spring schedule. We don't want to 'burn out', get irritable or submit to indifference. We want to share a job well done.

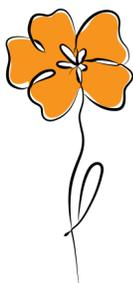
All of our gardening talents make a fabulous Club. So, think ahead to what creates joy for you in the Club and intently pursue it. We'll all take the scenic route when it's over and sit in the sun and reflect on what we have accomplished.



Kathi Raun Hromas Blazer
President, 2022-2024



More [Plant America-Feed America!](#) Click Gooseberry *Rivas uva-crispa* image below (Courtesy SongofJoy) for [National Gardening Association](#) article on edible shrubs!



Celebrating the journey... Sweepstakes presentation was grand finale of *Showing for Tulsa!*

**Register
YOUR GARDEN!
National Garden Clubs'
Certified Wildlife
Habitat**

Receive a certificate.
Purchase plaque pictured and display
in your garden!





Watch #gardeningeducationpartner [Oklahoma Gardening](#) on OETA, every weekend:
11 a.m. Saturday * 3 p.m. Sunday
Enjoy [Oklahoma Gardening Classics](#) on YouTube, anytime!

Everyone can grow in our garden!

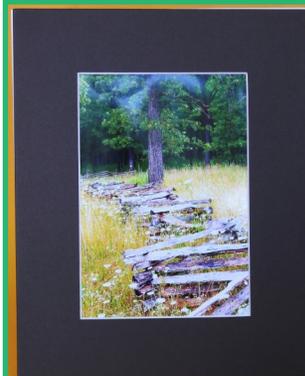
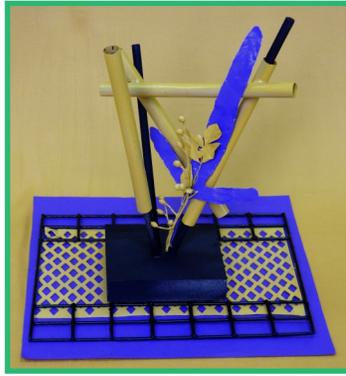
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Gardening Education in Action

By Club Awareness Team

Hundreds of visitors of all ages experienced “Showing for Tulsa!”, Saturday, April 6, 2024! This NGC Petite Design Specialty Flower Show featured creative floral artistry 12” or smaller, educational exhibits on alternatives to floral foam and “recycled for play”, botanical arts, photography, and exhibits for young gardeners and artists.



NGC Petite Design-Specialty Flower Show
Showing for Tulsa!

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 Club to Home & Garden

1-4 p.m. * Saturday
 April 6, 2024
 Open & FREE to Public

Tulsa Garden Center
 2435 S Peoria AVE
 TulsaGardenClub.org * TulsaGardenClub@gmail.com



Pictured are exhibits receiving top awards, along with People’s Choice!



See TulsaGardenClub.org for awards details.



History Bite

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

YESTERDAY

It is the annual tradition of our garden club to host garden tours with proceeds benefiting the Tulsa Garden Center, the Rose Garden, and community projects. The photo shows Tulsa Garden Club members in 1972 on the front lawn of a tour home installing the heavy cast iron sign which we still use today.

Some memorable relationships have been formed between Tour garden/homeowners and Club Members. The 32nd Annual Spring Garden Tour was held April 17-18, 1982 (tickets had increased from \$2 to \$3). One of the three Tour gardens belonged to sisters Mrs. Zink and Mrs. Avery.

Over a period of several years the sisters planted 1,000 azaleas outlining their house and the front stone wall. Bushes, trees, violets, candytuft, clematis, and hundreds of pansies had



Mrs. Zink and Mrs. Avery 125 East 26th Street

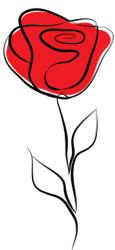
been planted in their lush yard. They didn't use insecticides or poisons but bought quarts of ladybugs and praying mantis to alleviate pest problems. Mrs. Avery said her sister was a natural gardener with "a green thumb up to her elbow." Mrs. Zink said everyone should have a garden because "you can't be very mad about anything or anybody when you are busy working in the garden."

TODAY

The public counts on Tulsa Garden Club tours to learn more about landscaping, hardscaping, lightscaping, irrigation, water features and



A big thanks goes to the 2024 Garden Tour Team and to our many Members who have volunteered as cashiers, hosts, and hostesses for our "Tulsa Heart & Soil" Garden Tour on May 11, 2024!



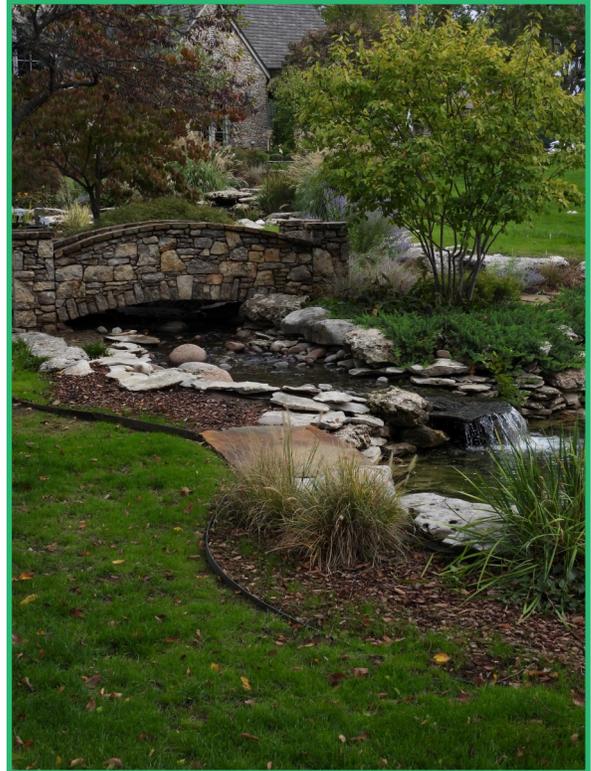
Resources: Club Archives with The Tulsa Tribune and Tulsa World newspaper articles

Thank you for supporting gardening education!
73rd Annual Garden Tour
Tulsa Garden Club
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Tulsa Heart & Soil
73rd Annual Garden Tour
Patron Recognition Party
6:30 p.m., Friday, May 10, 2024
Home & Garden of
Ben Stewart & Chris Murphy
Tour Day
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday
May 11, 2024

73rd Annual Garden Tour

by Sandy Farris, Member since 2004

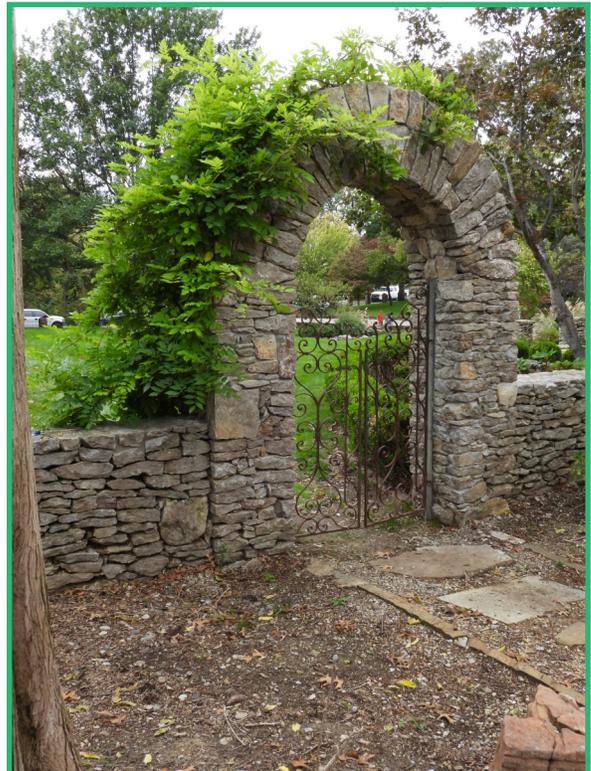
THANK YOU,
Fayenelle and Jay Helm,
for sharing your garden
2641 South Columbia Place
during
Tulsa Heart & Soil!



Join us,
May 10,
for exclu-
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Patron
Party!
Patron
gifts and
RSVP by
May 1.

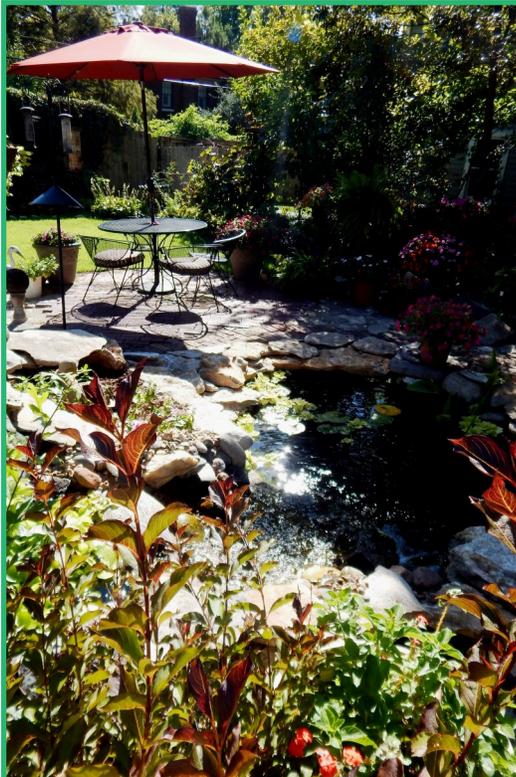


#Tulsa Heart and Soil2024
Mother Day treats and
prize details updates on
TulsaGardenClub.org, Event-
brite, Facebook, Instagram
and YouTube!



Tulsa Heart & Soil

By Sandy Farris, Member since 2004



THANK YOU,
The Butts Family,
for sharing your garden
240 East Woodward Boulevard
during
Tulsa Heart & Soil!



Special thanks to
prize donors!
Anonymous
Cobber Dean's
Colebrook Nursery
Garden Deva
Westlake Ace Hardware
Wild Birds Unlimited

\$5 each ticket 
\$20 five-ticket bundle
Via [Eventbrite](#) or at
Featured Gardens on Tour
Day



\$15 Advance Tickets at Tulsa Garden Center


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73rd Annual Garden Tour

Tulsa Heart & Soil

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday May 11, 2024
TulsaGardenClub@gmail.com
TulsaGardenClub.org

Advance Tickets via Eventbrite (scan QR, below)



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Gardening for Pollinators

By Judith Weaver, Member since 2016

The Black Swallowtail Butterfly

The black swallowtail, (*Papilio polyxenes*) became the official state butterfly of Oklahoma in 1996. The Oklahoma legislation declared that “the black swallowtail butterfly plays a vital role in the cross-pollination of plant life in Oklahoma.”



Photo courtesy Kathleen Potter
keep them alive and encourage black swallowtails to visit.

I am thrilled whenever I find little yellow eggs on the herbs. It takes about 5 days for the eggs to turn black and hatch. The first stage after they emerge is the very tiny “instar” larva. (Photo to right.) The caterpillars will continue to eat, shed their skins and morph to the stage of the large green caterpillar in about 10 days. Then they cease eating and seek a quiet place to form a chrysalis. (Butterflies form a chrysalis; moths form a cocoon.)

Swallowtails are known to emerge from the chrysalis at unpredictable times taking a few weeks to many months. The chrysalis is sometimes brown, sometimes green. Some black swallowtails overwinter to the next season, depending on the conditions at the time of forming the chrysalis. Enjoy “hosting” and discovering them, this season!

Resources:

Attract Black Swallowtail Butterflies to Your Yard, 6/13/2022 BirdsandBlooms.com

Oklahoma Symbols OkHistory.org

How to Raise Eastern Swallowtail Butterflies at Home TexasButterflyRanch.com



Photo courtesy David Cappaert

Black swallowtail butterflies are found throughout much of the U.S. and migrate to Oklahoma from May to October. They lay eggs on the herb leaves of sweet fennel, bronze fennel, caraway, parsley, rue, and dill, called host plants.

I try to lure black swallowtails to my yard by planting bronze fennel which I’ve found they prefer. The small yellow flowers also attract native bees. Host plants may struggle to grow in intense heat so plant the herbs in partial shade and water frequently to



Photo courtesy Monika Maeckle