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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Shirley Tetreault

"Serving Those Who Serve Us"

Again, it has been a long hot summer and I hope that all of you have been able to enjoy some quality time with friends and family. On October 25th and 26th we will have our state fall board meeting at the Marriott Courtyard. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

Our annual convention this year was held a little later than usual in Angel Fire and everyone in attendance had a great time. There were several new members that had never attended a convention and it was a pleasure to have them there.

Ideas and thoughts are passed around at these meetings to help with membership, programs etc. Diane Peterson gave us line dancing lessons and really got the crowd up on their feet or squirming in their chair. District II really put on quite a show and I cannot thank them enough for their efforts.

On June 4th District I made 680 designs at the Albuquerque Garden Center that were taken to individuals in nursing homes. Esther Russell prepared all the cans with ribbon and coke tabs. We had specific drivers deliver to all the homes and hand carry the designs to their rooms. Dru Hager worked on the designs for the VA Hospital, all in red, white, and blue. We worked with the Rose Society, Day Lily Society, Master Gardeners, Uptown GC, Valley GC, Petal Pushers, and Ko Shari GC. We started working at 7:00 a.m. and at 11:05 a.m. all designs had been completed and delivered. This is such a team effort and makes so many people happy. All of the plant material and flowers were donated by our members.

It took fourteen months of work and preparation by New Mexico Garden Club, Inc. members, Uptown GC and many, many individuals to install and dedicate our Blue Star Marker on the June 23rd. The marker is very visible inside the gate and can be seen going in and coming out of the Veterans Memorial Park in Albuquerque. Everyone in this organization can take pride in their efforts on the installation and dedication of this Blue Star Marker. We had a great turnout, including Judy Grotts our South Central Region Director from Oklahoma which was a very special visit. Thank you New Mexico.

Our focus quickly turned to the "The Little Bear Fire" in Ruidoso. I traveled to Ruidoso and met with Pat Smith, Colleen Hinker, Isabel Olsen, Barbara Bauer, Connie Elmore, Cynthia Shafer, Judy Preston and David Tremblay. Pat is our National Grants/Gifts and Smokey Bear chair. Pat will be available to help in any way that she can in applying for a \$5,000 grant to help restore damaged public property in the area. The fire did a tremendous amount of damage, however, it was uplifting to see our members of Lincoln County Garden Club in action and ready to help in any way they could. They will take on a tremendous task for their community and they need our help.



My Daughter-In-Law, Brandi Tetreault came up with the idea of the seed program I focused on in an earlier e-mail. As of this writing, Joanne Case and Norma Cilley have put up 280 seed packets that I will deliver to Ruidoso on the August 9th. If all members will deadhead their plants, dry the seeds, package and label, we can send them to Ruidoso to be used wherever needed. This is a project that any member, child, Girl Scout, Boy Scout etc. can work on as a community project. Fred and Colleen Hinker have an abundance of seed packets that will be available on request. Please make every effort to participate in this project.

In September I will travel again to Arkansas for our National Fall Board bringing back new ideas and updates to our Fall Board on October 25th. I hope to see many of you at the New Mexico State Fair in September with all of your design and horticulture entries. In November you will find me in Roswell teaching Flower Show School II on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. Keep Cool!



Colonel Steve B. Reese, Judy Grotts, Shirley Tetreault & Colleen Hinker

CONVENTION POSTERS AVAILABLE

Last chance ~ Convention posters on sale now, \$20.00 + \$3.00 postage. Make checks payable to New Mexico Garden Club, Inc. District II. Mail to: Penni Davey, P.O. Box 276, Angel Fire, NM 87710. (Picture of poster will be sent separately as a .pdf file.)

NMGC, INC. MEMORIAL SERVICE
State Convention 2012
Barbara Vance

Today we remember and celebrate the lives of garden club members who have passed. We thank God for wonderful memories of joys and sorrows shared. We cherish our memories of those whose lives blessed us, and who shared with us the precious gift of friendship. We celebrate the lives of our departed friends.

The mind is a garden where thought flowers grow. Thoughts that we think are seeds that we sow.

LIFE'S GARDEN

Each of us is a garden
That keeps growing day by day.
We can make each moment a flower
If we plant our lives that way.

For the Garden of Life draws its beauty
From our little daily deeds.
Our kind thoughts are the lovely roses
And our selfish thoughts the weeds.

So fill your garden with flowers
And the snow will come in vain.
For you always will be remembered
When the flowers bloom again

(Nick Kenny – *Loving Treasures*, Salesian Missions Booket)

Let us go forth remembering our friends - who touched our lives through their work and friendship. May we honor them by carrying on the work, the vision, they prepared for us to follow. Our friends are remembered by name and garden club affiliation. As we hear their name read – remember something about them and how they touched your life.

HONOR THE FOLLOWING

Hanni Best – Summit Garden Club
Wanda DeShurley – Morning Garden Club
Lannie Dunham – Morning Garden Club
Kathy Greene – Blue Belles Garden Club
Ruth Hinker – Santa Rosa Garden Club
Geri Huston – Santa Rosa Garden Club
Bess Kline – Santa Rosa Garden Club
Shirley Neuhaus – Lincoln County Garden Club
Bunnie Newman – Summit Garden Club
Louisa Sando - Valley Gardeners

A closing thought: Our world is a better place for having had these people as our "friends".

NEW MEXICO GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
2012 FALL BOARD
"Sharing Nature's Bounty"
October 25 & 26, 2012
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Print your name as you would like it to appear on your name tag.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Garden Club(s): _____

Please mark either a Package or Part-time Registration:

Package includes: \$25.00 Registration Fee, Breakfast Buffet, Lunch and Workshop.

Early Package

(postmarked on or before 10/8/12) \$ 66.00 _____

Late Package

(postmarked after 10/8/12) \$ 86.00 _____

NOTE: No refunds on registration after registration closes 10/8/12. **Registration fee is NON-REFUNDABLE.**

NM JUDGES COUNCIL: (not in package plan)

Thursday, October 25, 2012

NM Judges Council Dinner/Program

Dinner & Program Judges Fee \$ 35.00 _____

Dinner & Program Non-Judges Fee \$ 40.00 _____

Program Only \$ 10.00 _____

NOTE: All NMGC members and guests are welcome to attend the NM Judges Council Dinner and Program.

PART-TIME REGISTRATION

Friday, October 26, 2012

Registration Fee \$ 25.00 _____

NMGC, Inc. Breakfast Buffet \$ 16.00 _____

NMGC, Inc. Lunch/Program & Workshop \$ 25.00 _____

Workshop Only \$ 15.00 _____

Special Dietary Needs: Please contact Shirley Tetreault,
ammasangels@comcast.net

Please make checks payable to: District I, NMGC 2012 Fall Board and mail to:
Debi Harrington, 1228 Landman Dr., NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112.

HOTEL: Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center, 5151 Journal Center Blvd., Albuquerque, NM 87109. (505) 823-1919. Single or Double Rate: \$82.00 (plus tax) When making your reservations use the name: "New Mexico Garden Clubs Fall Board."

Deadline for special rate reservations is October 1, 2012.

**NEW MEXICO GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
"SHARING NATURE'S BOUNTY"
October 25 & 26, 2012
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

Fall Board Schedule

Thursday, October 25, 2012

12 Noon – 6:00pm	Registration
2:00pm – 3:30pm	NMGC Executive Board Meeting
3:30pm – 4:30pm	NM Judges Council Executive Board Meeting
4:30pm – 6:00pm	NM Judges Council General Meeting
6:30pm	NM Judges Council Dinner
7:30pm	NM Judges Council Program: TBA

Friday, October 26, 2012

7:30am – 9:00am	Registration
8:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast Buffet
9:00am – 9:30am	Official Opening of NMGC, Inc. Fall Board Mtg.
9:30am – 12:30pm	NMGC General Meeting
12:30pm – 1:30pm	NMGC Lunch
1:30pm – 2:15pm	Costume Parade & Vote
2:30pm – 3:30pm	"Windowsill Herb Garden Workshop"

OFFICERS/CHAIRPERSONS REPORTS

Convention Highlights - Isabel Olsen, 1st Vice President

"Honoring our Veterans While Serving Our Youth" - That was the theme for the New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. 63rd Annual Convention. District II, located in the North Central Region in Angel Fire hosted the three day event. The convention committee did an outstanding job in the planning including activities such as golf, hiking, horseback riding and shopping for everyone who accompanied the members to the convention. Many went to visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial which is the location of a Blue Star Memorial by the Angel Fire Garden Club.

The first evening opened with the Judges Council dinner followed by a program "Terrariums" given by Mary Ann Moreno. She had many beautiful examples as table centerpieces. Chuck Howe, President of the National Veteran's Wellness and Healing Center of Angel Fire made the opening welcome and talk at the breakfast. State President Shirley Tetreault presided at the general meeting, where she informed us of national news and information. Reports from District Directors and Chairpersons informed us of all the great projects and work through out New Mexico. An informative program of "Medicinal Herbs" was given by Dr. Selah Chamberlain. Creative and beautiful centerpieces were designed by members of District II including the youth garden club members. Speaking of creative, you should have seen the unique western boots that were decorated and used as plant displays. Many of us were lucky enough to take one home.

The theme for the banquet was "Putting on the Glitz, Ranch Style". Everyone was decked out western style! We had live music performed by Pancho & Lef - T, with a dance demonstration and lesson by The Ranchitas (all garden club members). It was truly fun seeing so many on the dance floor having fun including our state president dancing with husband Allen Tetreault.

Let's talk about Awards now... We had a fully loaded awards presentation from our Awards Chair, Suzy Andrego. Our NMGC, Inc. Top Award recipients were Maryann Moreno for Horticulturist of the Year, Rosemary Maddox as Member of the Year and Esther Russell the Silver Medallion. Congratulations to all three ladies! An Awards Book with all results was printed and given to all members by Suzy Andrego. Before we all went home, a hands – on "Designing with an Armature", program was presented by Stephanie Hamilton. An entertaining invitation for next year's convention was given by District I, led by Betty Heisler. Hope to see you all in Albuquerque for it.

As we all know, it takes several people to plan and work together to host an Annual Convention. I would like to thank and congratulate District II Director Penni Davey, all of those on the planning committee, and all that contributed (including some husbands) in making this convention fun and enjoyable by all that attended!

Awards NMGC, Inc. & SCR – Suzy Andrego, Chair

FALL THE TIME TO THINK ABOUT AWARDS!

Did you know that in addition to all of our New Mexico awards that you can apply for There are also South Central Region Awards and National Garden Club Awards?

Just as our President, Shirley Tetreault has a special project award, so does the regional director and the national garden club president. There are also youth categories for all the children in your life, whether it is a large group, a classroom, a handful or just one.

There are many ways to win an award. Hope you try at least one!

This year Sue Ferguson, will be helping with questions and submissions, for all National Garden Club awards you will be applying for.

I will still be your contact for submission and questions for any South Central Regional awards you apply for.

With the age of technology, it really does not take much to apply for an award. Each and everyone one of our garden clubs and individuals does the work. We just need to take a moment to document it and send it in!

Watch your Inbox for a list of the President and Director's Project's you can apply for.

For a complete South Central Region awards book, email me. If you can not find your NMGC awards book, email me for a copy.

I look forward to MANY more award submissions this year!

Awards SCR/NGC – Sue Ferguson, Consultant

National Garden Clubs, Inc., Award Applications

National Garden Clubs, Inc., award applications for award year 2012 should be sent to Sue Ferguson, 5065 Bright Sky Road, Roswell, NM 88201 to arrive no later than January 5, 2013. Please contact Sue by phone at 575-625-9182, or via E-mail at ferguson@rt66.com with any questions.

You will find an amended awards list, and full instructions on the National Garden Clubs, Inc., website www.gardenclub.org. It is now even easier to apply for national awards. They have really simplified their requirements, and have limited each application to 3 pages (front page only). Each application needs to be accompanied by a NGC Awards Application Form (see website). This form is used as Page 1 of the application and explains topics to be addressed.

Let's make a good showing this year! Good Luck!

District I Director – Betty Heisler

NMGC, Inc. Fall Board Meeting, October 25 – 26, 201

NMGC's Fall Board Meeting will be held at the Marriott Journal Center, 5151 Journal Center Blvd., Albuquerque, NM 87109, (505)823-1919. Registration Form in this issue of your NM Gardener.

We will have a Pumpkin Contest and a Costume Contest again this year. The decorated pumpkins will be used as table decorations. The Costume Parade and Voting will be held after the luncheon on Friday. We will have a Silent Auction Table again this year.

We will have a Workshop after the Costume Parade and Voting. Please make plans to attend this meeting. This is the last Fall Board Meeting by our current President Shirley Tetreault! We hope to have a great turnout!

The New Mexico Dahlia Society presents:

"The 2012 Dahlia Festival"
10120 Lomas Blvd NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico
September 30, 2012

Information and schedule for entries ([Horticulture–Judged] [Floral Design–Nonjudged] [Photography–Nonjudged]) available by calling Jim Lohkamp at 505-821-5757 or by picking up an entry form at the Albuquerque Garden Center.

The public is welcome to present entries to the Show from 7 AM to 10 AM. The Show will be open to the public from 12 Noon until 4 PM.

No admission charge.

Kathy Burt
Dahlia Society Festival Chair Person
Cell 505-410-3098

AWARDS

(Awards Year: January 1 – December 31, 2011)

Suzy Andregio, NMGC, Inc. Awards Chair

THANK YOU to the following people for their support and contributions for awards.

Lequita Lett	\$10.00 – Club History
Louie Meissner	\$10.00 – Design of the Year
Maggie Rubino	\$10.00 – Garden Therapy
Mary Ann Moreno	\$25.00 – Youth Activities
Shirley Tetreault	\$50.00 – President's Projects
	\$25.00 – Litter & Recycling
Al Elliott	\$20.00 – Small Club Longevity
	\$20.00 – Medium Club Longevity
	\$20.00 – Large Club Longevity
Nancy Core	\$10.00 – Beginning Designer
June Spooner	Photo Frame – Photo Print of the Year
Suzy Andregio	\$25.00 – Photo Print of the Year
Sally Warner	\$10.00 – Membership Increase
Summit Garden Club	\$15.00 – Pat Edmonds Yearbook Memorial
June Gibson	\$30.00 – Water Conservation

AWARDS

(Awards Year: January 1 – December 31, 2011)

Standard of Excellence

Uptown GC, Albuquerque
Total Points earned 1105
\$10.00 cash award
Santa Rosa GC, Santa Rosa
Total Points earned 495
Angel Fire GC, Angel Fire
Total Points earned 335
Mesilla Valley GC, Las Cruces
Total Points earned 290
Home GC, Roswell
Total Points earned 280

Beginning Designer

No entries received
\$10.00 cash award

Birds

A: Club – No entries received
B: Individual
1st Place, Karen Beckenbach,
Evergreen GC; \$10.00 cash
award

Butterfly Gardening Across Americas

A: Club – No entries received
B: Individual – No entries
received

Certification of Commendation

Award: NGC, Inc. 20 year
certificate for individuals who
have been members of an
accredited garden club for 20 or
more years.
Uptown Garden Club
Gerry Alls
Suzy Andrego
Peggy Atencio

Certification of Commendation (Cont.)

Betty Chowning
Charlotte Cross
Connie Elmore
Pauline Gubbels
Dru Hager
Elsie Kear
Christine Longthorp
Ruth Malone
Margaret Moeding
Ellen Reed
Roberta Robertson
Patricia Scharrer
Dee Trester
Charlotte Williams

Certificate of Meritorious Achievement

A: Club(s) for outstanding
contributions to NMGC, Inc.
No entries received
B: Individual(s) who contribute
outstandingly to NMGC, Inc.:
Cynthia Shafer, Lincoln Co. GC
Barbara Bauer, Lincoln Co. GC
Mary Ann Moreno, Uptown GC

Civic Development

Class I: No entries received
Class II: No entries received
Class III:
1st Place, Morning GC
Project – Working Mother's Day
Nursery, Roswell; \$10.00 cash
award
Class IV: No entries received

Club History

Best in State: Uptown GC,
\$10.00 cash award

Class I: Under 20 Members
HM, Ko Shari GC
HM, Moriarty GC

Class II: 21–30 Members
1st Place, Mesilla Valley GC
2nd Place, Santa Rosa GC
3rd Place, Sunshine Valley GC
HM, Evergreen GC

Class III: 31–49 Members
1st Place, Uptown GC
2nd Place, Morning GC

Class IV: 50+ Members
1st Place, Angel Fire GC

Design of the Year

No entries received
\$10.00 cash award

Flower Show Schedules

\$10.00 cash award

Class I: Standard Show staged by
a single club
No entries received

Class II: Standard Show staged
by two or more clubs
No entries received

Class II: Standard Show staged
by two or more clubs
No entries received

Class III: Standard Home Show
No entries received

Class IV: Standard Specialized
Flower Show such as Holiday,
Rose, Miniatures, etc.
No entries received

Class V: Small Standard Show
No entries received

Flower Show – Fair Schedules Only

Class I:
1st Place, Moriarty GC
"The Lazy Days of Summer"
Torrance County Fair Small
Standard Flower Show

Food Gardening – Individual

1st Place, Helen Moser, Mesilla
Valley GC; \$25.00 cash award

Member of Distinction Citation

Daina Blount, Home GC
Edith Malcolm, Lincoln Co. GC
Mary Ann Moreno, Uptown GC
Lequita Lett, Evergreen GC

Garden Therapy

No entries received
\$10.00 cash award

Herbs

A: Clubs – No entries received
B: Individuals – No entries
received

Horticulturist of the Year

Mary Ann Moreno, Uptown GC

Litter Control & Recycling

No entries received

Longevity Award

1st Place, Home GC, Roswell
\$20.00 cash award
2nd Place, Morning GC,
Roswell

Member of the Year

Rosemary Maddox, Mesilla
Valley GC, Las Cruces

Membership Increase

Largest Membership Increase for 2011:

Mesilla Valley GC (41.2%)
\$10.00 cash award

District I:

Moriarty GC (18.75%)
Ko Shari GC (11.9%)
Valley Gardeners GC (2.8%)

District II:

Los Alamos GC (22.6%)

District IV:

Evergreen GC (4%)

District V:

Artesia GC (25%)
Lincoln Co. GC (5.1%)

Photographic Print of the Year

1st Place, Karen Beckenbach
Evergreen GC; "Fall
Cottonwoods"; \$25.00 cash
award

2nd Place, J.J. Huddleston, Angel
Fire GC; "Ox-Eyed Daisies"

3rd Place, Carol Rupp, Angel
Fire GC; "Aspen Glory"

HM, Jo Lynne Fenger, Angel
Fire GC; "Joan Douglas Garden
Flowers"

HM, Marilyn Barnes, Lincoln
Co. GC; "Sun Setting Over
Sierra Blanca"

HM, Sue Ferguson, Morning GC;
"Butterfly & Petunia"

President's Project Award

Evergreen GC; \$25.00 cash
award

Uptown GC; \$25.00 cash award

Publicity Press Book

Class II:

1st Place, Morning GC
\$10.00 cash award

Class IV:

1st Place, Angel Fire GC; \$10.00
cash award

Scholarship

Lauren Hotovec

Scrapbook

District I:

1st Place, Blooming Gardeners
Uptown GC's Jr. Club
\$10.00 cash award

District II:

1st Place, Angel Fire GC

Special Achievement

Silver Medallion

Esther Russell, Uptown GC

Trees

1st Place, Morning GC; \$20.00
cash award

Water Conservation

Clubs: No entries received
\$30.00 cash award

Wildflowers & Native Plants

Clubs: No entries received

Individual:

1st Place, Helen Moser,
Mesilla Valley GC

World Gardening

No entries received

Yearbooks

**Pat Edmonds Yearbook
Memorial**

Evergreen GC; \$15.00 cash
award

Class I:

1st Place, Desert Daubers GC
2nd Place, El Jardin Encanto GC

Class II:

1st Place, Evergreen GC
2nd Place, Home GC
3rd Place, Mesilla Valley GC
HM, Santa Rosa GC
HM, Sunshine Valley GC

Class III:

1st Place, Morning GC
2nd Place, Lincoln County GC
3rd Place, Uptown GC

Class IV:

1st Place, Angel Fire GC

Youth Activities

1st Place, Morning GC; \$25.00
cash award

2nd Place, Angel Fire GC

3rd Place, Blooming Gardeners,
Uptown GC's Jr. Club

**NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS,
INC. AWARDS**

Scholarship Presented to:

Lauren Hotovec

Certificate of Appreciation

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc.
for

supporting National Garden Clubs
Inc. in all programs and projects

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGION
AWARDS**

Award #11 A Historic

Preservation

2nd Place, Morning GC, Roswell

Award #22 Youth Program

2nd Place, Morning GC, Roswell

Award #25 Publication

Newsletter Multiple Pages:

1st Place, New Mexico Garden
Clubs, Inc.; \$25.00 cash award

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION AWARDS (CONT.)

NM Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Poster Contest

(Two New Mexico Clubs participated: Santa Rosa GC & Morning GC)

First Grade:

1st Place, Courtney Owens; \$10.00 cash award; Morning GC (Deana Bozarth)

Second Grade:

1st Place, Anica Lucero; \$10.00 cash award; Santa Rosa GC (Carolyn Bedford)

Third Grade:

2nd Place, Delaney Baca; \$5.00 cash award; Santa Rosa GC (Carolyn Bedford)

Fourth Grade:

2nd Place, Eva Gallegos; \$5.00 cash award; Santa Rosa GC (Carolyn Bedford)

Fifth Grade:

2nd Place, Daniel Esquibel; \$5.00 cash award; Santa Rosa GC (Carolyn Bedford)



MEMBER'S CORNER

ALL HAIL TO KALE! Submitted by Rosemary Maddox Mesilla Valley Garden Club

According to "The Seasonal Chef," kale has earned a spot on many nutritionists' lists of Top 10 Healthiest Vegetables. The Chef goes on to say that it is full of nutrients including phytochemicals believed to help prevent cancer, Vitamins A, C and K, and manganese and calcium. For this article and "Seven Kale Recipes from Around the World," go to <http://www.seasonalchef.com/recipe1205f.htm>.

I have a recipe book entitled "Top Secret Restaurant Recipes" which falls open to "Olive Garden Toscana Soup," the main ingredients of which are Italian sausage, potatoes, and kale. My extended family counts on my making this soup when they visit, and I often make and freeze an extra batch for them to take home.

Kale was the only ingredient I didn't keep on hand--I have never seen kale in the frozen food section--so this necessitated a special trip to the grocery store. I did what any gardener would do; in November 2010 I planted a six-pack of kale, along with spinach and Swiss chard. The following summer the spinach and Swiss chard wilted or bolted. I was amazed that the 90 hours of below freezing weather in February of 2010 did not affect the kale nor did the summer heat, and it was spectacular into fall and the next winter, finally beginning to look tired in mid-spring of 2012. These plants bore heavily--little new leaves coming in at the center of the plant almost daily--for about 16 months. The bottom leaves were picked off until the plants resembled little palm trees. The variety I plant is Winterbor, which is the only one I have seen in the nurseries here in Las Cruces. I have planted both fall and spring, and the plants don't seem to have a preference.

This spring I bought and planted two six-packs of kale, which I regret, as twelve plants could feed a small country that was really into greens. I grew up on a cotton farm during the depression and wasting food is right up there with blasphemy on my list of sins, so every Monday morning before delivering the donated food from my church, I head to the garden with four or five plastic bags and rubber bands to put around the stems, and harvest kale. Before doing this I asked a worker at the local food bank if they wanted kale. The answer: "Absolutely." I still have trouble keeping up

with it; I blanch and freeze several batches each week. Bottom line: One six-pack is probably enough for anybody. It is the plant that keeps on giving. And giving.

OLIVE GARDEN TOSCANA SOUP

2- ³ / ₄ cups chicken stock or broth	¹ / ₂ pound spicy Italian sausage
¹ / ₄ cup heavy cream	¹ / ₂ teaspoon salt
1 medium russet potato flakes	¹ / ₄ teaspoon crushed red pepper
2 cups chopped kale	

1. Combine the stock and cream* in a saucepan over medium heat.
2. Slice the unpeeled potato into ¹/₄-inch slices, then quarter the slices and add them to the soup.
3. Add the kale.*
4. Grill or sauté the sausage. When cooked and cooled, cut the sausage at an angle into slices about ¹/₄-inch thick. Add to the soup.
5. Add the spices and let the soup simmer for about 2 hours. Stir occasionally.

*When I followed these directions exactly the soup had a curdled appearance, which really didn't bother anybody but me. Kale contains oxalic acid, and cream doesn't like a lot of simmering. I fixed this by putting the kale in a pot of water and bringing it to a boil, then draining it before adding it to the soup. Then I add the cream just before the soup is ready to serve.

I have seen slightly different versions of this recipe on www.yummly.com which contain various other ingredients, but I've never tried them. My second favorite recipe uses kale as a substitute for cabbage in the potato dish Irish Colcannon. For other kale recipes go to www.relish.com/articles/versatile-kale.

CONTAINER GARDENING FOR KIDS

Jennifer Moreno, NGC Special Education Activities Chairman
Mary Ann Moreno, NGC Container Gardens Committee

On a sunny July morning at the Albuquerque Garden Center, the Blooming Gardeners junior garden club joined Mary Ann and Jennifer Moreno, as well as several other members of the Uptown Garden Club, for a two-hour container gardening workshop. Approximately 16 children attended the workshop ranging in age from 2 to 15 years old. Each child was given a small, clear, pre-cut plastic drink bottle and an empty cat food container. *(Show at right: Kaitlin Bodily)* These containers were being recycled into a unique container garden and terrarium planter to be created individually by each child. Soil, charcoal, gravel, a selection of small and miniature plants, as well as a generous helping of fun and creativity were used to create beautiful planters. In the bottom of the drink bottle, children placed individual layers of charcoal, gravel, and a light, pre-moistened, soil-mix. This would become the terrarium-part of the planter. Children chose various plants to complete their terrarium and learned which plants are more appropriate for terrarium gardens versus container gardens. Once the terrariums were finished, the top of the bottle with the cap screwed back on was turned upside down and placed into the opening of the drink bottle over the terrarium. This was then filled with a layer of light, pre-moistened soil-mix and was planted with more small and miniature plants to create the container garden. Once the container gardens were finished, the bottle was placed into the empty cat food container which served as a stable base. Much laughter and giggling accompanied proud smiles as each child beheld their wonderful garden creations.



Learning how to create gardens, no matter how small, is a joyous experience that can be shared with children of any age. Schools, junior garden clubs, church groups and other youth organizations are just a few examples of groups that can benefit from the knowledge and experience that garden club members can provide. The 2012-2013 NGC President's Project, Plantings for Public and Special Places, is a wonderful way to include children in gardening projects. This contest includes three categories in which garden clubs can compete for monetary prizes. The categories include: Gardens with Edibles, Container Gardens, and Trees and Shrubs.

Please refer to The National Gardener for the description of the contest as well as entry requirements and deadlines. As always, please remember that children are our future garden club members!

GARDEN CLUBS NEWS

District I

As president of the **Blooming Gardeners** I am extremely proud to tell you all about what we do to make New Mexico Beautiful.

We do a lot of planting at the state fair, for example we planted tomatoes, chilies and cucumbers in the square vegetable planters. We also planted peppers in The Ronald McDonald Farm.

But we don't only plant outside sometimes we go to Mrs. Connie's office and do a project like when we put sweet potatoes in cups with water, took them home and watched the roots and leaves sprout.

Sometimes we do other activities like go to the Arabian horse shows at the fair. We also learned about endangered species with dusty roadrunner. And a butterfly lady came from the botanic gardens and taught us about butterflies.

The Blooming Gardeners not only help make New Mexico Beautiful but **IT'S FUN!** *Katie Tetreault*

I am the Vice President of the **Blooming Gardeners** in Albuquerque, NM. During the school year we meet every month on the third Wednesday, during the summer we meet twice a month on Wednesday. We have been working on a lot of things. In our first meeting in June we had a lady who owns her own butterfly pavilion and she came out and taught all of us kids different things about butterflies. Every year we go down to McDonalds Farm and we plant different vegetables, this year we planted corn, chilies, tomatoes, and cucumbers. The one thing we enjoy is picking them and getting to eat them. ☺ We have also done sweet potato vines. Mine is going crazy and Amy's is about to take over the whole kitchen! We have also had Dusty Roadrunner come to our meetings a couple of times. Dusty teaches us every time he comes not to litter, not to use as much water and not to waste it. Types of things like that so we can always Keep New Mexico Beautiful! Another thing that we have also done is endangered species. We got coloring books with endangered species in them, we have also gotten 2 full

pages with endangered species on them I had no idea that there were that many endangered species in the world. Our last meeting on Wednesday, July 25 we went to the Arabian horse and half Arabian National Horse show that was amazing. There were some very young kids there riding their horses. My grandma was telling me that it's a lot of work to be riding horses and taking care of them. We have also been working on a project to help people in Ruidoso because of all of the wild fires out there. We have been sending different types of trees so they can get all of their trees back. We are sending down plum trees, apple and cherry trees. *Megan Hill*

In April, **Petal Pushers Garden Club** met at the beautiful home of Mary Frances Santistevan for the installation of officers and annual spring luncheon. Shirley Tetreault, New Mexico Garden Club State President, presided over the installation ceremony. She gave the officers pretty bracelets which represented the duties of each office. Norma J. Cilley, Shirley's Mother, was the honored guest as Petal Pushers helped her celebrate her 82nd birthday. It was a beautiful and happy occasion. The officers for 2012-13 are President Sonia James, Vice President Mary Frances Santistevan, Secretary Patty Williams, Treasurer Lois Byron and Yearbook Chair Susan Olinger.



May found Petal Pushers visiting the garden and greenhouse of Ruth Bronson. Ruth presented a program "Flowers of the Mineral Kingdom" while delivering a crash course on rocks and minerals. Sonia James enjoyed a great weekend when she attended the State Garden Club Conference in Angel Fire. Sadly, also in May, Maxine Hopping, one of the founding members of Petal Pushers, passed away. Mary Frances Santistevan and Joan Higgs attended her funeral. The club will donate a book to the Garden Center Library in her memory.

In June, members visited the Fig Man and were fascinated with the stories of Loyd Krutzer who has traveled around the world researching figs and agricultural projects.

Junior Petal Pushers had a busy summer with some great projects. They made "sit upons", cushions to sit and kneel on in the garden, constructed from foam and vinyl and laced together with yarn. The children learned

about day lilies and took home gallon potted lilies to plant in their gardens. The group visited the city rose garden and made bird seed cookies to hang in the trees for wild birds to eat this fall.

Trailblazers Garden Club's May meeting was a busy one with Colleen Hinker, Past-President of the New Mexico State Gardener Club visiting us and presenting her theme "Just One Flower". We also had a landscaper speak to us on how he does his job and new plants available. He also generously gave us some lovely plants to give away.

The club made plans to go to the Good Samaritan Home and plant perennials at the end of May.

The San Juana County Fair is coming up so at the June meeting, several of our members displayed, demonstrated and discussed flower arranging using few flowers. The many projects associated with the fair were discussed and many of our members volunteered to get the jobs done.

We will host the statewide fall board meeting October 12 and 13, so we are making plans for that event as well.

Our July meeting began with a delicious lunch prepared by a few of our members. Our speaker was Suzy Andrego, District I Director. Her presentation on horticultural entries for the fair was excellent. Our thanks to Suzy.

The Fair is almost upon us and we are in high gear to get ready. Ready, Charge!!

District II

What a busy three months **Angel Fire Garden Club** has had! We dedicated two signs in one of our signature gardens - the median. One to Tom Bowles and Max Pacheco who donated Elliot our beautiful Elk statue. The other sign says the median is maintained by AF Garden Club.

On to State Convention – We were so pleased to host with our sister District II Clubs. What fun was had by all and it was a very successful event! Speakers, meetings, programs, decorations, food, silent auction, and entertainment (Pauncho & Lef-T and the Ranchitas) all blended to make this a wonderful convention.



Whew! We rolled into Garden Week with displays and raffle opportunities at Pacheco's High Country Nursery followed by Taste of Angle Fire at the Community Center later in the week. Good P.R. for our club!

Next up – our 10th Annual Garden Tour. With 6 lovely gardens spread across the Moreno Valley, a successful silent auction, a delicious luncheon at the Roasted Clove, and simply gorgeous weather, we gals and guys thought this was one of the top ten tours. Many thanks to our co-chairs, committee chairs, numerous club members, and garden hosts.

August brings us time to smell the flowers and “Bloom and Grow” Why? Because we're bloomin' tired!!!!!!

Floral Designers Garden Club: Members participated in the State Convention in Angel Fire – providing floral designs for designated areas in The Lodge and donating articles for the Silent Auction. All who attended enjoyed the festivities. We started our new calendar year by choosing designs listed alphabetically in the NGC book Designing by Types. In creating designs for our meetings we try to adhere to the rules in the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows and use the Designing book (and other references) to help us interpret the design type. Critiquing the designs results in lively discussion as to whether we adhered to the handbook requirements. In June, we created Abstract Designs "FUN WITH FINDINGS". The designated design for July was Angular: "ANGLES AND TANGLES". The August design is Assemblage "BITS AND PIECES".



District III

Since March, Colleen Hinker has attended the South Central Region meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas and brought back a lot of information for **Santa Rosa Garden Club**. She also attended the NMGC Inc. convention in Angel Fire and enjoyed the fellowship and beautiful scenery.

The first part of May our club had a very successful rummage/plant/home decorations sale and made more than \$1200.00 in profit. At the same time we applied to the Lodgers Tax Board and were awarded \$1,000.00 for our projects around the city. One of the projects was to prune the roses around the central plaza. Another was to install the medicinal herb garden at the new hospital in Santa Rosa. The tax money

will be used to plant the last planter at the Evergreen Cemetery. Also in May we awarded two \$350.00 scholarships to deserving high school graduates.

In August we held a standard flower show at the Guadalupe County Fair and both the public and the coordinators were very proud of our efforts.

District IV

Desert Daubers Garden Club does not meet during the summer months. In May we did travel to Leasburg Dam State Park for a picnic. It was extremely windy that day, so Jo Johnson who lives nearby and is a member of the Mesilla Valley Garden Club invited us to have our picnic and meeting at her lovely home. After our meeting we adjourned to the Margaret Todsens Memorial Garden and planted three New Gold Lantana, in keeping with the President's project of Planting Plants or Shrubs in Public or Special Places. Margaret Todsens served as President of the New Mexico State Garden Club from 1967 to 1969, She also served as President of the Mesilla Valley Garden Club and started the Desert Daubers Garden Club. She was a superb gardener and was quite knowledgeable of Garden Clubs. Margaret formed the Dona Ana Council of State Garden Clubs. She established the State Garden Historical Archives at NMSU and was instrumental in establishing the State and Local Garden Club Scholarship Funds.

Five members of **Evergreen Garden Club** attended the State Convention in Angel Fire. We all had a great time, met new people and learned lots. Our club won awards for the following; Best Yearbook in the State; Best Yearbook for District IV; State President's Project Award "Serving those that serve others" for our Enchanted Christmas fund raiser; Member of Distinction for Lequita Lett; Bird Award for Karen Beckenbach; Best Photo for Karen Beckenbach; 2011 Membership increase – 4%; Club History – Honorable mention
Planning and hosting our Annual Garden Tour in June and a Standard Flower Show the end of July kept our members pretty busy this summer. The Garden Tour was sufficiently successful we were able to continue our support of the Volunteer Center of Grant County's Community Gardens.

Our Flower Show, "In the Good Old Summer Time", winner for the Award of Design Excellence was Nancy Ketchum, the State Second Vice President. She won for her entry in "Desert Sunset".

Tresa Berridge (at right), a new member and first time Flower Show participant, won the Award of Horticultural Excellence and Growers Choice Award for her lovely *Cotyledon orbiculata*. She was very surprised and pleased and is already looking forward to the next Show.



Our August meeting will be a presentation by one of our members, Teresa Olivas, on "Chihuly's Garden and Glass." September will be a delightful taste treat as we learn about "Edible Flower Recipes" from Blythe Whitely. October will bring more art when Judith Meyer gives a presentation on incorporating art into garden design.

Also in October we will have another Highway cleanup work party, which always brings interesting surprises. This will be followed by our participation in the Mimbres Valley Harvest Festival. We will be selling house plants, sharing information on gardening, and encouraging kids to try growing plants by giving them a plant or seeds.

Mesilla Valley Garden Club usually doesn't meet June through August, but we had two events that led us to have a morning social in June.

Our longtime member, Mary Jane Masters is moving to Michigan soon to be closer to family. She was an active member for twenty-five years. We gifted her with a "three crosses" pendant necklace to remind her of Las Cruces. Also a slate plaque painted by one of our artistic members featuring the NM Zia symbol and the Organ Mountains. She was so delighted and will be missed from our gatherings.

Rosemary Maddox was named "Member of the Year" at the NMGC, Inc. Convention in Angel Fire, NM. She, too, has been a member of the club for many years, serving in all board positions and currently Chairperson of the Standard Flower Show at the Southern NM State Fair held in early October. She is very active in the community also. A lovely "traveling" plaque with her name added to the past year's roster was given to her along with a beautiful crystal vase from State President, Shirley Tetreault. A very surprised and happy lady was she.

We also celebrated receiving six awards for our club: The Standard of Excellence-290 points. Club History Award, 1st place, Class II. Yearbook, 3rd place, Class II and Largest Membership Increase for 2011. A 1st place award for Wildflowers and Native Plants and 1st place award for Individual Food Gardening were given to member, Helen Moser.

We enjoyed many delicious treats and chatting with each others about our summer activities. Many of our members are growing all kinds of vegetables from garlic and bunching onions to kale and Armenian cucumbers. Also heirloom tomatoes, chilies of all types and Acoma Pueblo melons which taste like a very sweet honey dew, but look like an over ripe watermelon, along with herbs and many flowers. The high temperatures are a challenge to growing things here in southern NM, but more monsoon rains are hoped for.

The Executive Board has been meeting to put together the new MVGC Yearbook as our meeting year begins in September. We have some very interesting programs lined up for the coming months.

In May, **Sunshine Valley Garden Club** installed new officers. President Doris Adams; First vice president Linda Brandis; Second Vice President Inez Maier; Secretary Florence Reddy; Treasurer Prudence Thornton. All out going officers received house plants for their dedication to the club during their time in office.

We cleaned out all of the dead plants and flowers out of the Hospital Planter, and replaced them with new plants and flowers for the summer.

Ellie Nordgren brought in oregano and strawberry plants for all members to take home and plant in their gardens.

In June, we discussed increasing our membership and having better programs. We will be working on our projects around town during the summer.

We will not be having a meeting until September 14, 2012.

District V

Several of the members of **Home Garden Club** met in June to work on next year's programs. We are also working on our participation at the Bitter Lake Dragon Fly Festival which will be held on Sept 8th. The club has participated for many years. We hold a coloring contest for youngsters and have plants and bulbs for them to plant and take home.

The Club is responsible for the maintenance of the corner garden at Spring River Zoo in Roswell. It has been maintained for many years by Joanne and Hans Gottlieb. The club decided to look into replanting the garden plantings



with more xeriscape and lower maintenance plants. Members Isabel Olsen, Pam Davis and Jan Smith spent a morning in July digging up all the old plants and planting daylilies, Texas yuccas, bear grass and other xeriscape plants. They also moved the iris into one planting bed for more impact. The bed was then mulched.

Regular meetings start up again on September 20th.

Lincoln County Garden Club (LCGC) member, Joyce Davies, special education director in Hondo, Donna Sisneros, and Nate Cordova of the US Forest Service coordinated the Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl poster contest in the Hondo Elementary school May 10. Smokey was on hand to visit the classrooms. Fire prevention mementos from the US Forest Service and Smokey Bear Museum gift shop were given to the students and the 1st and 2nd place winner's posters are displayed at the Capitan Library and Smokey Bear Museum.

LCGC became the Happy Hatters for the May meeting held at the Sanctuary on the River. Members celebrated spring's arrival by decorating hats to wear to the meeting and participating in a contest. Winners were: Brenda Restivo, most creative; Imelda Horne's hummingbird and flower, most beautiful; and Stephanie Bishop, most outrageous featuring "side of the road treasures." Past President Barbara Pruitt (2001-2003), was our special guest.



The June meeting was spellbinding, as George Tippen presented a program on pine needle art. In an entertaining, informative session he demonstrated how to weave pine needles into baskets and bowls of various shapes and sizes. Then he made a broom! Next he showed us a clock, salt and pepper shakers, a cookie jar, toothpick holder, etc. covered with woven pine needles.

In an effort to help victims of the Little Bear Fire, we voted to donate \$50.00 from club funds plus each member's donation to Christian Services Relief Fund in honor of the faithful and life-long garden club member Edith Malcolm. Edith received the Distinguished Service Award at the annual NMGC convention.

Other awards garnered by LCGC at the state convention were:

2011 membership increase certificate

2011 2nd Place, Class III yearbook

Barbara Bauer Certificate of Meritorious Achievement 2011
Presidential Citation
Cynthia Shafer Certificate of Meritorious Achievement 2011
Presidential Citation
Cynthia Shafer South Central Region 1st Place for *New Mexico
Gardener*
Marilyn Barnes Honorable Mention 2011 Photograph of the
Year

The July meeting brought a program on container gardening. Maria Lerna from Season's Nursery in Ruidoso gave us ideas for herb gardens using parsley, chives, basil and thyme, which became the door prize. We learned to provide herbs with full sun and well drained soil. She suggested using herbs such as chamomile, lemon balm, lavender, sage, oregano, etc. for soothing herbal baths. Just tie up herbs in cheesecloth and hang under the hot water tap. The next discussion concerned colorful and hearty flowers, cascading vines and grasses to grow in pots.

Morning Garden Club held its April meeting at All About Spas in Roswell. The owners generously shared door prizes and ideas for decorating outdoor living areas. Sue Ferguson announced that our club won the South Central Regional 2nd place award for Youth Program Award and 2nd place for Historic Preservation Award. Ponda Brick announced that Courtney Owen won 1st place in the First Grade category for the Woodsy Owl Poster Contest.

Several members attended the planting of a Vanguard Elm in front of the Historical Society Archives Building in honor of Centennial Arbor Day and Roswell's designation as a Sterling Tree City. An informative talk was given on the history of trees and orchards in Roswell.

Sue Ferguson and Peggy Voigt of Home Garden Club will chair the flower show which will be held during the ENMU State Fair in October.

Our May meeting ended a very successful year at the home of Judy Needham. We wore our hats for a potluck luncheon and meeting as we admired Judy's gorgeous backyard and gardens. Rain showers the night before and that morning kept us all indoors, but did not dampen our spirits.

New officers were installed: Martha Morris, President; Renate Reisel, 1st Vice President; Carol Himanga, 2nd Vice President; Rene McCoy, Secretary, and Theresa Coll, Treasurer.

Four of our members attended the NMGC, Inc. Convention in beautiful Angel Fire. District II hosted a fun-filled, informative convention.

June and July brought several activities to the Working Mother's Day Nursery. Melanie Deason planned and coordinated efforts to include an ambassador level Girl Scout



Troop that was working on a badge for community service. Some of the projects included planting tomato plants, and making bird feeders out of bagels, pinecones, peanut butter, and birdseed. The children completed the experience by hanging the feeders in trees around the play ground. Mini-terrariums were created, and a sundial was made out of plastic swimming pools and planted with impatiens. We also did seed-sprouting in wet paper towels and had a fun-filled junior flower design workshop. Children aged 3 to 5 participated in these projects and had a ball digging in the dirt. We will continue teaching these little ones about gardening, nurturing future gardeners.

In August before kindergarten begins, a thank-you party will be hosted by the Nursery for all volunteers, as well as those who have donated materials.

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DAILY SCHEDULE

November 2 – FRIDAY

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm Registration
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Flower Show Procedure

November 3 – SATURDAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am – 10:15 am Horticulture Lecture
10:15 am – 10:45 am Break
10:45 am – 12:00 pm Horticulture Lecture

LUNCH

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Horticulture Lecture
Practice Point Scoring

November 4 – SUNDAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am – 10:15 am Design Lecture
10:15 am – 10:45 am Break
10:45 am – 12:00 pm Design Lecture

LUNCH

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Design
Practice Point Scoring

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CURRICULUM

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE

HB, Chapters 1, 2, and 14. Introduction to the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Six basic requirements of all categories of Standard Flower Shows, duties of FS Chairmen & committees, and judging procedures.

HORTICULTURE

HB, Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6, 14 and Required Reading for Selected Plant Groups to be studied. General horticulture course curriculum, anatomical features of plants, environmental factors, introduction and explanation of nomenclature and classification of plants. Also, exhibiting & judging procedures, etiquette, ethics, and procedure for judging horticulture, horticulture comments, requirements for all Horticulture Top Exhibitor Awards, Judging Procedure, and Practice Point Scoring.

Study selected plants Pelargoniums and Pansies.

DESIGN

HB, Chapters 3, 8, 9, 10, and 14, and Required Reading. Review ELEMENTS and PRINCIPLES of DESIGN with emphasis on Line, Color, Space, Balance, and Rhythm., American Creative Design w/minor & moderate abstraction, Stage designs w/ and w/o backgrounds, and Creative Mass Designs. Also, General Requirements for all Top Exhibitor Awards and Design Top Exhibitor Awards especially "Award of Design Excellence", "Holiday Excellence", and "Designer's Choice Award". Study judging qualities which appear on all Design Point Scoring forms, point scoring procedure, Practice Point Scoring, Design Judging ethics, etiquette, and procedure. Discuss Design commenting vocabulary.

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE, DESIGN, AND HORTICULTURE EXAMS WILL BE TAKEN ON WEDNESDAY, November 7, 2012, IN THE STUDENT'S HOMETOWN OR DESIGNATED PLACE.

THERE WILL BE NO OPEN-BOOK TESTING IN ANY OF THE FOUR COURSES IN THE SERIES. A STUDENT MUST EARN A MINIMUM GRADE OF 70 ON THE

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 (Reference: Updates/Changes for the Handbook)

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Chapters 1,2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, & 14.

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE
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REQUIRED READING for Selected Plant Groups.
 Potted Pelargoniums and Pansies
 **Hortulana*, Revised – Heber: "Intro" and "How to Use the
 Book", plus paragraphs pertaining to members of the plant
 groups studied in this course.
 **The Houseplant Expert* – Hessayon, *The Tree and Shrub*
Expert – Hessayon, *The New Flower Expert* – Hessayon,
The Bulb Expert – Hessayon.

*Download from the internet: www.gardenclub.org
Plants and Their Respective Families
Plant Families Frequently Used in Flower Shows

DESIGN
FSS II – HB, Chapters 3, 8, 9, 10 and 14 and
REQUIRED READING.
 **Designing by Types* - Osborne
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sep 12 – 23	New Mexico State Fair & Flower Show, Albuquerque
Sep 22	First Day of Autumn
Sep 25 – 29	NGC Fall Board Meeting, Little Rock, AR
Sep 29	Full Corn Moon
Sep 30	2012 Dahlia Festival, Albuquerque
Oct 1	District I Fall Board Meeting, Albuquerque
Oct 17	District III Fall Board Meeting, Santa Rosa
Oct 18	District V Fall Board Meeting, Roswell
Oct 22	District II Fall Board
Oct 25 – 26	NMGC, Inc. Fall Board Meeting, Albuquerque
Oct 29	Full Harvest Moon
Nov 1	Article Deadline for <i>New Mexico Gardener</i>
Nov 4	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov 28	Full Hunter's Moon

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Jan 1	NGC Awards Deadline
Feb 1	NMGC, Inc. Awards Deadline
Feb 1	Article Deadline for <i>New Mexico Gardener</i>
Mar 20 – 21	NMGC, Inc. Convention, Albuquerque
Mar 22 – 23	SCR Convention, Albuquerque
May 24 – 26	NGC, Inc. Convention, Seattle, WA



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