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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Isabel Olsen

"Helping Gardeners Grow"



Summer time and the living is easy! Well, maybe not as easy as enjoyable. My term as state president began by my attending the National Garden Clubs, Inc. 84th Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington. There were numerous highlights and enjoyable moments for me. I was able to visit the Space Needle and the amazing Chihuly Art Glass Gallery and Garden. I'm proud to say, from our region, New Mexico had the most members in attendance at the convention. It is always nice to see old friends, and establishing new ones from around the nation, including our newly elected National

President Linda Nelson.

In New Mexico we have many wonderful garden tours taking place throughout the year. I was impressed with the two that I recently attended. In May, the Las Cruces Tour of Gardens toured beautiful gardens south of Mesilla. It was well organized by the garden club members and master gardeners.

The second tour was the 11th Annual Garden Tour by the Angel Fire Garden Club, which took place immediately following the Environmental Study School. I commend all those that were involved in the planning of these wonderful tours and I encourage all of you to attend them next year.

One of the many advantages of being a National Garden Clubs, Inc. member is the opportunity to attend the schools that are available. In June we held Flower Show School III in Roswell and in July the Environmental Study School I was held in the beautiful high country of Angel Fire. I want to thank Chairman Mary Ann Moreno and her team of helpers for all their efforts in organizing these schools.

My theme, "Helping Gardeners Grow," will provide an opportunity for garden clubs to participate in several different projects. My hope and goal is for each of us to GROW in three particular ways. First is in our knowledge of how to *Grow* better gardens. We do this through the speakers, programs and publications that are provided at our meetings and schools. Next is how we *Grow* personally. I will focus on providing the information and tools for all our members to help them become better informed. This fall every garden club member will receive their personal copy of the State Bylaws, Standing Rules and Manual. Our state meetings will have productive breakout sessions and workshops. And third, *Grow* our membership. This is a high priority and requires strategic planning for all our clubs. The state officers and I are committed to the challenge and we will be sharing ideas and suggestions with your clubs on how to accomplish this.

In order to continue the legacy given to us, we need the support of all members as we seek new and innovative methods to encourage new member growth and retention.

As your State President, I am honored to serve you and welcome your suggestions for making garden club more enjoyable and productive. Together we can work and strive to "Helping Gardeners Grow."



NMGC, INC. NEW OFFICER BIOS

1st Vice-President – Suzy Andrego



Suzy has spent her entire gardening life in Albuquerque. She had a friend in the real estate office she worked at that loved to garden too. She started asking lots of questions. Then one day that friend came into her office and gave her a brochure about becoming a master gardener and the rest, as they say, is history. So, thank you Dru Hager of Uptown Garden Club! Suzy has served as Corresponding Secretary, 1st Vice-President and President of Uptown and Valley Garden Clubs. She is a 19 year Master Gardener, a Master Flower Show Judge. She has held various chairmanships for various clubs and plant societies, she has been the NMGC Corresponding Secretary, NMGC awards chair, and held various NMGC chairmanships. She has held numerous chairmanships for south central region, including corresponding secretary and is currently the South Central Region Awards Chair. She has had many chairmanship positions on the National Garden Club boards, most recently the “Golden Days Committee” and is currently the National Garden Clubs Plant Society Liaison. She is the Facilities Manager at the Albuquerque Garden Center where she has served as President and held an executive board seat for the last 15 years. She is the NM State Fair Floriculture Chair. When she is not gardening or attending meetings she can be found participating in numerous activities with one of her three children and husband or at her office where, she has a homeopathic practice.

2nd Vice-President – Nancy Ketchum

Nancy and her husband, Lendell Cocke, live in the Mimbres Valley in Southwest New Mexico where she is a member of Evergreen Garden Club and a member of the Southwest Judges Council as a student judge. Before retirement, Nancy taught elementary-aged students for 34 years in Missouri and Illinois. She considers herself a life-long learner and is enjoying the challenges of learning about gardening in the southwest. Lendell and Nancy still enjoy flying their small airplane through the beautiful blue skies of New Mexico.



Treasurer – Debi Harrington



Debi Harrington is the NMGC, Inc. Treasurer for 2013-2015. Debi is currently the corresponding secretary of Uptown GC and is a three time past president. Debi is the 2013-2015 NGC, Inc. SCR Ways and Means Chair. She is serving her second term as the NMGC District I Treasurer and is also in her second term as the Recording Secretary for the Council of Albuquerque Garden Clubs.

Debi has successfully completed all four Flower Show Schools and is studying for the NGC Exam in October. She has completed two of four NGC Environmental Schools. She is passionate about both Horticulture and Designing. She was the 2012 NM Horticulturist of the Year. She loves sharing her knowledge of gardening with others by giving various programs to clubs throughout NM. She has helped with several children's gardening camps and clubs. Debi is currently an instructor for "Outdoor Container Gardening in the SW," "Dish Gardens, Terrariums, and Indoor Gardening", and "Cornhusk Wreath Making" for UNM Continuing Education.

In addition to gardening and floral design, Debi enjoys camping, photography, birding, quilting/ fiber arts, baking, and traveling with her husband, John and their family. Debi and John have two children, six grandchildren, a German Shepherd 'Sophie', and two exotic birds, 'Rosie' and 'Bobbi'.

Recording Secretary – Christine Longthorp

Christine was born in Cornwall, U.K. and came to New Mexico in 1976. She joined New Mexico Garden Clubs in 1978 after realizing that what she knew about gardening in England would not work in New Mexico. She became involved in leadership right away, holding many positions on the boards of Albuquerque Council of Garden Clubs, District I, Southwest Region and New Mexico State. She is an NGCG Master Flower Show Judge and currently she is President of Uptown Garden Club and President of District I Judges Council.



After raising her family of three sons and a daughter, Christine created a wedding and event floral business which she plans to continue working until she is "gnarly with arthritis" and then she'll supervise others! She and her husband, Reggie, live in Albuquerque's West Side with their rescue dog, "Fauna." She likes to read and/or water color when she has time.

State Historian – Diane Peterson



Hello, my name is Diane Peterson, and I am most excited to be New Mexico's State Historian. Seems I have some big shoes to fill, but I am looking forward to this new adventure.

I just finished my two year term as President of Angel Fire Garden Club and probably you have seen me doing resolutions the last four years at our State Conventions.

My passion is dance and I taught for 20 years in Illinois with my partner and friend, Pat. We had a successful studio with 300 students called The Dance Connection. Some passions die hard and I still teach a ladies class of 10 ladies both ballet and tap. My husband and I teach beginning ballroom and this year I am adding Hawaiian since we are having a luau at our country club in September.

I have never been a gardener, that is my husband's passion! I have acquired a new respect and love of gardens and their attendants since joining Angel Fire Garden Club 8 years ago!

It is my honor to serve you and I look forward to seeing you. The picture was taken at our Garden Tour in Black Lake; it is our club's big annual fundraiser!

Cheers! Bloom and Grow 🌹 *Diane Peterson*

Parliamentarian – Sally Warner

Sally Warner has been appointed to be the Parliamentarian for the 2013-2015 term. Sally has served as NMGC 1st and 2nd Vice President and President for two terms, 1999-2001 and 2005-2007. She has served in elected offices for the SCR including Assistant Director. Currently Sally is serving a third two year term as the NGC Credentials Chairman and has served on the NGC Nominating Committee and as Historic Trails Chairman. As a member of Los Alamos Garden Club, Sally has chaired the annual Christmas wreath sale for many years and served as 1st Vice President many times. She has also served as President for two years of Summit Garden Club.



Sally and her husband, Larry, have been married for 60 years and have two daughters and a son, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Larry served

in the Navy for over 20 years and retired in 1977. They have enjoyed living in Los Alamos where Larry is retired from LANL and enjoys serving on the County Planning and Zoning Board.

Currently Sally is a member of Los Alamos Garden Club and enjoys the club activities and friendship of its members.



NEW MEXICO GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
State President Isabel Olsen
and District V cordially invite you to the
2013 Fall Board
"Helping Gardeners Grow"
October 24 & 25th, 2013
Roswell, New Mexico

Print Your Name As you would like it to appear on your name tag.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Garden Club(s): _____

Please mark either a Package or Part-time Registration:

Package includes: \$25.00 Registration fee, Breakfast Buffet, Lunch.

EARLY PACKAGE ** (does not include Judges Council)

(postmarked on or before **10/8/13**) \$ 55.00 _____

LATE PACKAGE

(postmarked after **10/8/13**) \$ 75.00 _____

NOTE: No refunds on registration after registration closes **10/8/13**. *Registration fee is NON-REFUNDABLE.*

Sunflower Hat Contest: Bring your most recent fall hat creation, adorned with sunflowers, and maybe you could win a prize for the most creative hat, or the most unusual hat, or the "Obsessed with Sunflowers" hat. Voting will happen during the luncheon.

NM JUDGES COUNCIL: (**not in package plan)

Thursday, October 24, 2013

NM Judges Council Dinner/Program

Dinner & Program Judges Fee \$ 30.00 _____

Dinner & Program Non Judges Fee \$ 35.00 _____

Program Only \$ 10.00 _____

NOTE: All NMCG Members and Guests are welcome to attend the NM Judges Council Dinner and Program.

PART-TIME REGISTRATION

Friday, October 25, 2013

Registration fee \$ 25.00 _____

NMGC, Inc. Breakfast Buffet \$ 10.00 _____

NMGC, Inc. Lunch/Program \$ 25.00 _____

Special Dietary Needs: Please contact Rene McCoy –renemac88@hotmail.com.

HOTEL: Best Western Sally Port Inn & Suites, 2000 North Main Street, Roswell, NM 88201, (575) 622-6430. Single or Double Rate: \$70.00 (plus tax)

When making your reservations use the name:

“New Mexico Garden Clubs”

***Deadline for special rate reservations is
October 11, 2013.***

Please make checks payable to: District V, NMGC 2013 Fall Board and mail them to: **Judy Needham-Parham, 1714 West Third Street, Roswell, NM 88201.**

NEW MEXICO GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

“Helping Gardeners Grow”

OCTOBER 24 & 25, 2013

Roswell, New Mexico

Fall Board Schedule

Thursday, October 20, 2011

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Registration & Silent Auction
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	NMGC Executive Board Meeting
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	NM Judges Council Exec Meeting
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	NM Judges Council General Meeting
6:30 pm	NM Judges Council Dinner
7:30 pm	NM Judges Council Program: <u>"Sunflowers" presented by Jay Burson</u>

Friday, October 26, 2012

7:30 am – 9:00 am	Registration & Silent Auction
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Breakfast Buffet
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Official Opening of NMGC, Inc. Fall Board Meeting
9:30 am – 12:30 noon	NMGC General Meeting
12:30 noon – 2:00 pm	NMGC Lunch and Program speaker – Rick Kraft
2:30p.m. – 3:00 pm	Payment of Silent Auction items

**1 Awards Received at the National Garden Clubs, Inc.
84th Annual Convention,
May 25, 2013
Seattle, Washington**

Award No. 74, Outdoor Classrooms, Nature Trails - **OVERALL WINNER, Morning Garden Club, Roswell** - \$1,000 award.

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. - \$100 award. Greatest number per capita of new Life Members.

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. - Award No. 12-4Di Publications - **1st Place** for **The New Mexico Gardener**.

Angel Fire Garden Club - Award No. 13-3Aii Publications Horticulture, Design - **1st Place** for **“Nature Has Its Way”**.

Morning Garden Club, Roswell - SCR Club Yearbook Award #16-A-3, **1st Place**.

Award No. 8 - Aii, Youth Horticulture Education, **Morning Garden Club, Roswell**, Certificate of Commendation (**2nd Place Overall**).

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc., Presidential Citation for hosting the NGC Winter Meeting, January 12, 2013.

Albuquerque Council of Garden Clubs, Certificate of Appreciation, Award No. 53B, National Garden Week.

Lincoln County Garden Club, Certificate of Appreciation, Award No. 49, A.ii, Community Landscape Design.

Santa Rosa Garden Club, Certificate of Participation Citation, 2011-2013 NGC President’s Project, Plantings for Public and Special Places.

Santa Rosa Garden Club, Certificate of Participation Citation, 2011-2013 NGC President’s Project, Container Gardening.

Morning Garden Club, Roswell, Certificate of Participation, 2011-2013 School Gardens Project.

Working Mother’s Day Nursery, Roswell, Certificate of Participation, 2011-1013 School Gardens Project.

OFFICERS/CHAIRPERSONS REPORTS

Environmental Studies School – Mary Ann Moreno, Chair

Environmental Studies School I was held at the Angel Fire Baptist Church on July 18 to 20, 2013. Eleven students attended the school. Isabel Olsen, Jan Smith, Doris Jackson, Penni Davey, Fannie Mackie, Diane Peterson, Thelma Escalante, Suzy Andrego, Debi Harrington, Sonia James and Dodi Suhr. We enjoyed the wonderful Hospitality of the Angel Fire Garden Club members. The Saturday morning Angel Fire Garden Tour of seven fabulous homes and gardens, and then lunch at the Angel Fire Country Club was enjoyed by all who attended.

Environmental Studies School is one of the four schools offered by National Garden Clubs, Inc., to give Garden Club members an opportunity to learn more about gardening practices, and how to apply them. All schools have a set curriculum the instructors use in their lectures. NMGC, Inc., has Flower Show Schools, Environmental Studies Schools and will presently add Garden Studies Schools for garden club members to attend. You do not have to be a member of a garden club to attend these schools, as they are part of our function as garden club members, "To Educate the Community."

We would like to thank our five instructors who lectured at the ESSI. They are: Joran Viers, Executive Director of the Bernalillo County Extension Office, Albuquerque, NM, Fred and former NMGC President 2005-2007, Colleen Hinker, Santa Rosa, NM. They own a large ranch, and are environmental experts in wildlife, organic farming, water management and conservation. Bryn Suhr is the University of New Mexico Head Arborist, who with his large staff, oversees the trees on the UNM Campus. Both Bryn and wife, Dodi, are Master Gardeners and live in Albuquerque's North Valley. Mary Ann Moreno, a Master Gardener loves to garden and raises orchids, Guinea pigs and exotic chameleons for fun. She is a member of National Garden Clubs Inc., Board of Directors, a past 1997-99, NMGC President and 2009-2011 NGC, Inc., South Central Regional Director. Her home is in Albuquerque, NM

Flower Show School – Mary Ann Moreno, Chair

Flower Show School III was held in Roswell, NM on June 22-24, 2013, at the Chavez County Extension Office. Our Design and Flower Show Procedure Instructor was Fran Wittgartner from Colorado. Pam Braum our Horticulture Instructor from Tennessee lectured on Succulents, Cacti and Daylilies. All the

students either made a Succulent/Cacti container garden or a design, assigned by the flower show committee. Pegi Naranjo served as the Flower Show Chairman, with Rene McCoy assuming the duties of Registrar. Many thanks to all the students, Jennifer Moreno, Debi Harrington who made arrangements, container gardens and assisted the chairmen in helping make the school a success. (L to R: Debra Sorrell, Horticulture Instructor- Pam Braun, Isabel Olsen, Thelma Escalante, Joanne Case, Rene McCoy, Renate Reisel)



Flower Show IV will take place immediately after NMGC, Inc., Fall Board Meeting, Friday, October 21, 2013. Friday evening from 7-9 pm there will be a Flower Show Procedure class with Horticulture Instructor, Judy Newman, from Wisconsin. On Saturday, October 22, 2013 our Design Instructor will be Shirley Tetreault, who will teach Exhibition Tables and Miniatures. Sunday, October 23, 2013 Judy Newman will teach horticulture, ivy's and chrysanthemums. We hope you will stay for Flower Show School IV and support our efforts to have the Flower Show Schools continue in 2014.

Garden Therapy – Helen Moser, Chair

GARDEN THERAPY - WHAT IS IT? HEALING FOR THE MIND, BODY AND SOUL

The American Horticultural Therapy Association defines “horticultural therapy” as an accepted, beneficial and effective therapy, widely used in a broad range of rehabilitation, vocational, and community settings.

A therapeutic garden is a plant-dominated environment purposely designed to create interaction with the healing elements of nature. Examples of therapeutic gardens include *healing gardens* such as in a hospital or hospice setting or retirement village; *enabling gardens* in a school setting. *Rehabilitation gardens* and *restorative gardens* help troubled youth or prisoners and returning military people. These examples teach children and adults about the wonder of a seed planted in soil. Youth and incarcerated people learn about caring for something, nurturing the plants by planting, watering, fertilizing, harvesting and preparation of the garden produce to feed their bodies; taking care of themselves through growing food, learning about where it comes from and the beauty of the plants.

Other examples, such as in a hospital setting, provide relief for the eyes and the mind, giving peace and calmness, relief of stressors and wonderful fragrances from the plants. There is much proof that the aromas from many plants help our minds find peace and some even stimulate the appetite.

Some design features of therapy gardens are wide and gently graded paths and entrances. Raised garden beds and containers also enhance a person's experience. A sensory-oriented plant selection focuses on color, texture and fragrances. This stimulates the full range of senses including memory, hearing (bees and birds visiting the plants), touch, smell and sometimes taste as in herb gardens.

A FINAL THOUGHT: *HOW DO YOU ACHIEVE WELL-BEING IN THE GARDEN?*

Thanks to the *American Horticultural Therapy Association* for some of the above information.

Rest your mind in the garden.

Habitat for Humanity – Jan Smith, Chair

In May 1999, a partnership was formed between National Garden Clubs, Inc. and Habitat for Humanity. HFH's mission is to eliminate poverty housing from the face of the earth. NGC's goal is to encourage garden clubs across the nation to participate in the landscaping of HFH homes. The theme of this project is "**Open Your Heart and Hands,**" and the philosophy is that no commitment--physical or monetary--is too small. The emphasis is to plant native plants and shrubs at these new home sites. In Roswell the clubs have worked with a local nursery to procure plants and shrubs that will grow in our environment. Some years members and the new homeowners plant large containers with vegetables or flowers. A donation of gardening tools is always appreciated.

New Mexico Garden Clubs wants to know about your partnership with HFH. Take pictures and write an article for the *New Mexico Gardener*.

I challenge each Garden Club in New Mexico to contact their local Habitat for Humanity program and work with them to landscape new homes.

Below is a list of HFH contacts in New Mexico.

Habitat affiliates serving your area

Alamogordo, New Mexico Otero County HFH 1109 Tenth St Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310	Phone: (575) 437-8373 Fax: (575) 437-8373 Web site Email
Albuquerque, New Mexico Greater Albuquerque HFH 204 San Mateo SE Ste E Albuquerque, New Mexico 87198	Phone: (505) 265-0057 Fax: (505) 255-0937 Web site Email
Artesia, New Mexico Artesia, HFH of PO Box 686 Artesia, New Mexico 88211-0686	Phone: (575) 746-6365 Fax: (575) 746-6365 Web site Email
Carlsbad, New Mexico	Phone: (575) 234-9658

<p>Carlsbad Area, HFH of PO Box 277 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88221-0277</p>	<p>Fax: (575) 234-9658 Web site Email</p>
<p>Deming, New Mexico Deming HFH PO Box 1104 Deming, New Mexico 88031-1104</p>	<p>Phone: (575) 546-4450 Email</p>
<p>Espanola, New Mexico Espanola Vly/Los Alamos, HFH- PO Box 238 Espanola, New Mexico 87532-0238</p>	<p>Phone: (505) 747-2690 Fax: (505) 753-7293 Web site Email</p>
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<p>Santa Fe, New Mexico Santa Fe HFH, Inc. 2414 Cerrillos Rd Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505</p>	<p>Phone: (505) 986-5880 Fax: (815) 366-8054 Web site Email</p>
<p>Silver City, New Mexico Gila Region, New Mexico, HFH - PO Box 5025 Silver City, New Mexico 88062-5025</p>	<p>Phone: (575) 538-9540 Web site Email</p>
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World Gardening – Virginia Podmenik, Chair

Deep in the heart of Cotswolds, England is Hidcote Manor, dating from the 17th century. An obsessive American gardener owned it over 100 years ago. This

American by birth, Lawrence Johnson, created a series of themed rooms out of the surrounding countryside. By 1920 he had in his employ 12 full-time gardeners.

Using hedges, hornbeams, yews, stone walls, and magnificent topiary, he created these rooms and filled them with masses of flowers, shrubs, ponds and fountains. There is a white garden, a fuchsia garden, a tulip garden and, of course, a Hidcote lavender garden. The rooms go on and on and there are "those" long, structured vistas of greenery, which often take the eye out to the surrounding rolling, peaceful fields.

Hidcote is a delightful walk in the past, and you can enjoy a cup of tea on the grounds. In 1947, Lawrence entrusted Hidcote to the National Trust. Visit in person or on the Internet.



MEMBER'S CORNER

HERBED VINEGARS **Submitted by Lisa Peake** **Lincoln County Garden Club**

Herb infused vinegars are simple to make and easy to improvise. Just snip a handful of 1 to 3 inch sprigs and get ready. Each recipe yields about 2 cups and takes around 15 minutes to prepare.

To make your own herb vinegars you'll need about 1 cup of fresh herbs for every 2 cups of vinegar. White wine vinegar pairs well with almost any herb. Red wine vinegar is best with stronger herbs such as rosemary and oregano. Rice wine vinegar is a great match for delicately flavored herbs and flowers such as chive blossoms.

Some sources recommend not using distilled vinegar – it's a natural for household cleaning, but the harsh acidity can overpower the flavor of herbs. However I've found lots of recipes that use white distilled vinegar.

Quart size canning jars with plastic storage caps make the best containers for steeping flavored vinegars. The wide opening helps with inserting the herbs. If you use metal lids, place plastic wrap over the top of the jar before adding the lid to prevent the vinegar from turning dark. There are lots of decorative, airtight glass bottles that may be used. Corks make a good topper for vinegars.

1. Gather herbs in the morning. Wash, remove excess water in a salad spinner or between clean kitchen towels. Bruise or gently crumple herbs to release maximum flavor.
2. Some literature recommends immersing the herbs in a solution of 1 tsp household bleach to 6 cups of water to sanitize. Rinse thoroughly, and dry.
3. Fill dry sterilized jars with desired herbs and seasonings. A quick run through the dishwasher sterilizes jars if the heat cycle is used. Plastic lids are usually top rack safe.
4. Heat vinegar in a non-aluminum saucepan over medium heat just until bubbles appear. Do not boil. Remove from heat and pour into prepared jars making sure herbs are completely submerged. Cool completely (about 2 hours). Cover and chill one week.
5. Line a fine wire-mesh strainer with a paper coffee filter or paper towel. Pour vinegar mixture through a strainer into a large measuring cup, discarding herbs and seasonings.

6. Fill dry, sterilized glass bottles with fresh, cleaned herb sprigs and add strained vinegar. This is the point where a wine bottle, or similar small necked bottle will work well if you decide not to add additional fresh herbs. Tightly seal the bottles with nonmetallic lids or corks and store in the refrigerator up to one month. Many traditional recipes say that the vinegar will only mellow with age and that a more reasonable shelf life is much longer.

Recipes:

Italian Herbal Vinegar

¼ cup each: basil, oregano, marjoram, chives, or chive blossoms, and thyme.
2 garlic cloves smashed
1 cup white wine vinegar
1 cup red wine vinegar

Classic Tarragon Vinegar

1 cup tarragon and 2 cups champagne vinegar

Basil, Garlic, and Chive Vinegar

1 cup basil
½ cup chives or 6 chive blossoms
2 garlic cloves smashed
2 cups red wine vinegar

Peppercorn Vinegar

1 Tbsp. black peppercorns
1 Tbsp. white peppercorns
2 (6 inch long) strips lemon rind
¼ cup thyme
2 cups white wine vinegar

Herbs that work well to flavor vinegars:

Basil, bay, chervil, chives, dill, fennel, garlic, horseradish, juniper, lavender, lemon balm, lemon verbena, lemongrass, lovage, marjoram, mint, nasturtium, oregano, rosemary, sage, sweet marjoram, tarragon, thyme.

Garlic, shallots, lemon and orange rinds, and chilies are great additions. A slit cut in the chili will help disperse the flavor.

Too good not to share:

Everyone has lots of mint!

Mint Almond Pesto – wonderful on lamb chops.

1 ½ cups packed fresh mint leaves

½ cup sliced almonds, lightly toasted

1 lemon, zested, plus the juice of ½ lemon (about 2 tablespoons)

Salt

¼ cup olive oil plus 2 +/- tablespoons water

Put the mint, almonds, zest, and a pinch of salt in the bowl of a food processor. Pulse till finely chopped. With the motor running, add the lemon juice and slowly drizzle in the oil until thick and smooth. Add the water till a desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper as needed. I added a clove of garlic.

Basil Almond Pesto

3 cups basil leaves

½ cup slivered almonds, lightly toasted

3 cloves garlic

¼ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese

½ to ¾ cup olive oil

Salt to taste

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Submitted by Sue Ferguson

Morning Garden Club

The Royal Horticultural Society, Great Britain has paid tribute to Andy Murray's Wimbledon success by naming a flower after him. Dahlia "Andy Murray" is a "dark-stemmed Dahlia with a golden flower and is perfect for the golden boy of British tennis. It is a top-seeded flower and a certain ace for the garden. It also has good stamina and will flower from July right through to November." *Daily Express, Friday, July 12, 2013.*

TARRAGON REVISITED
Submitted by Rosemary Maddox
Mesilla Valley Garden Club

In response to my request for recipes using the herb tarragon, the following recipe was submitted by Debra Turner of Uptown Garden Club. I have appointed Debra president of my fan club, as she said some kind words about my articles. She is the only member so far.

Debra says, "I first ate this salad at a stand at the Eastern Farmers Market in York, Pa. Its creator was the restaurant 'Wickey's at the Woods'. This is a well-mannered, 'ladies lunch item.'"

Tarragon Chicken Salad with Grapes and Almonds

1 C cooked, skinless diced chicken breast (leftover meat from a store-bought roasted chicken is terrific)
1/2 C green grapes, halved and seeded (I only had red grapes on hand and they worked beautifully. RM)
1/4 C slivered almonds
About 1/2 teaspoon of roughly chopped fresh tarragon, more or less to taste.*
Mayonnaise to taste or a mixture of mayonnaise and sour cream
Salt and pepper to taste

Mix all. Allow to sit, refrigerated, until flavors mix. Serve on lettuce and/or with freshly baked bread slices, including a quick bread like blueberry.

*Because my tarragon plant, Audrey--as in "Little Shop of Horrors"-- is spreading rapidly, I went with "more", about a tablespoon full. It was wonderful.
RM

I have several tarragon recipes submitted by Sharon Willoughby of Mesilla Valley which I will make available to those who request them after I recover from summer visits by teen-aged great-grandchildren, hopefully by the next issue. I am particularly high on a green bean/potato salad which calls for "a handful of tarragon or other fresh herbs."

Speaking of spreading rapidly, garlic chives are threatening to take over my garden. I religiously remove all blossoms but they have some secret way of reproducing. The only way to eradicate the plant is to dig up the bulbs, and they know that. They form an unbroken line in the cracks between my brick walks and the scalloped edging. It would take a crowbar and a shovel to remove them. But the bottom line is, they are food, and because I grew up on a cotton farm during the Depression, I can't bring myself to dig up food and throw it in the trash.

But there is good news. I recently read a newspaper article which stated that garlic chives are survival food, that they will survive any disaster which would destroy all other food sources. Woohoo! They are the cockroaches of the vegetable world. It seemed urgent to find recipes using garlic chives, and surprisingly there are many on the internet--ten websites came up.. I found several recipes for garlic chive pesto, including one which was identical to "Aunt Cassy's Pesto" printed in the 2012 summer issue of the New Mexico Gardener--I chopped the chives into short lengths before putting them in the food processor. I served it last night, slightly diluted with fat-free Italian dressing, in a pasta salad with black olives, to rave reviews from my husband and two visiting sons. Tonight we are having Linguine with Garlic Chives and Rosemary Oil. If I can just control my urge to stomp on cockroaches, a protein source, we should be OK.



GARDEN CLUBS NEWS

District I

Blooming Gardeners Garden Club meets two times during the summer and once during the winter. This year we have done lots of fun and exciting things. We have gone to see the Arabian horse show that was a blast --- everybody had a great time. We have also had a lesson about bees. We learned how they lay their eggs, how they pollinate the flowers and many other items of interest about bees. We also learned about a worm that goes into and basically destroys the bark of a tree. Eventually after the worms make their tunnels in the tree, the bark will fall onto the ground. Blooming Gardeners have also made gifts for the holiday fair: we mod podged clay pots with pictures of flowers. Another thing we did was recycling projects. We made containers to carry baked goods. We have also made little tiaras that you can set on cupcakes or they can be used as napkin holders. We do a lot of fun things at Blooming Gardeners but we wouldn't be able to do it without Connie Elmore, Marilyn Garcia and, Shirley Tetreault.

Petal Pushers Garden Club – Nancy Kanthack, we all thank you for coordinating the Patio Garden volunteers efforts. It was a joy working with you through the years. Your loyalty, cheerfulness and gardening knowledge has been greatly felt and appreciated by many people including Petal Pushers, Garden Council members and the general public. Ginny Rigby gave an interesting talk of the patio gardens history at our farewell gathering.

Our May meeting speakers were Virginia Burris and Sally Vance. They spoke on the Native Habitat Garden at the Garden Center, which was very interesting and informative about the life of a natural garden. We appreciated their fascinating and informative program on the importance of working with nature's natural environmental cycles. After the meeting our members had an enjoyable workshop to make Petal Pusher hand outs for the Fathers Day Fiesta in the Garden.

The June program was held in the gardens at Mary Ann Moreno's. We had the pleasure of seeing her abundant display of daylilies and perennials in bloom. We thank the Moreno family for sharing their beautiful gardens, hospitality and delicious refreshments.

We are saddened at the loss of our Petal Pusher Juniors member Suzanne Stomp. In Suzanne's memory we have donated a Children's Garden Book to the Council Library.

Petal Pushers Juniors have a very busy summer schedule. In June they planted zinnias at the Garden Center. The July Sunflower Camp was a lot of fun according to Skye and Tao West. The making of pinecone bird feeders filled with

peanut butter and rolled in birdseed were particularly enjoyable Tao and Skye stated. *Back Row (l to r): Skye West (PP Jrs.), Anna Mulkey and Shirley Bray Middle Row: Joan Higgs, Janice Bohlman, Nancy Kanthack, Carol Stomp, and Sonja James front row: Tao West (PP Jrs.)*

New members are Janice Bohlman, Adrienne Ewing-Meyer and Margarita Hutchison. We are all looking forward to seeing you at our meetings. We welcome new members. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am at the Albuquerque Garden Center.



District II

District II Judges Council held a Small Standard Flower Show, "A Walk Through the Gallery Garden," on Friday June 28, 2013 at the historic Fuller Lodge and Art Center in Los Alamos. The show was open to the public in conjunction with the opening reception for the "Wall Flower" art show.

Members from each of the three District II clubs; Floral Designers, Los Alamos and Summit entered both horticulture and design divisions. In spite of the hail there were 76 entries in horticulture with 39 blue ribbons. There were 20 design entries.

Division I. Horticulture, Best of Show was a Shrub Rose, Flower Girl from Shelby Green, Floral Designers. *(Photo at right, top)*

Division II. Design, Best of Show a Line Mass Design "Jewels of the Garden" by Trish Stammberger, Floral Designers. *(Photo at right, bottom)*

Division III. Educational exhibit of Roses by the Santa Fe Rose Society, John and Juanita Ortega received the Educational Award.



Floral Designers Garden Club continues to help each member as they are able to bring a design to share and be critiqued. In 2013-2014 we continue to use the book "Designing by Types" and the Handbook. Members are presenters each month. May meeting was a Hanging Design-Non-Kinetic-Type I titled "Keep Me in My Place."

We helped sponsor the District II Judges Council small standard show on June 28th in Los Alamos. 10 of our 11 members entered horticulture and design.

The Fuller Lodge Art Center was a great venue for the designs. The designs were quite good.

July was a Framed Spatial design "Hanging in There." The challenge was a non-moving hanging design within the frame.

August is a pilgrimage to Trish Stammberger's garden in Taos featuring dahlias of all colors and sizes. September is Miniature Designs.



*Design, Hanging in There, by Pat Copple
Photos by Pat Copple*



*Design, Keep Me in My Place.
by Dorothy Crawford*

Summer has been busy for **Summit Garden Club** members. President, Laurie Hixson is spearheading the move for a community garden in White Rock. We've made a lot of progress on the White Rock Community Garden. (Photo: Summit members working in the White Rock Community Garden, Laurie Hixson, Summit Photographer.) After 2 years, it is actually tangible. The beds have been laid out and fertilized, tilled, raked and made ready for plants.



We did such a good job prepping, the weeds are having a field day! After several planting parties we've put in nearly 50 plants and shrubs. Come fall, we should have a lot more in the ground. Several people have offered to donate some plants when they divide their own garden plants. (This is exactly what we've been hoping would happen!)

Several members also entered the District II Judges Council Flower Show. It was a good learning experience.

In May the annual business meeting was held and our Scholarship recipient Orion Staples, was present. June brought a report from the National Garden Club Convention in Seattle and the Butchart Gardens. We also learned more about the

ingredients in Yum-y-Yum. The pilgrimage to Payne's Nursery in Santa Fe with the topic of Care of House Plants and much more, followed by lunch. August is our annual summer social with guests. In keeping with our theme we are encouraged to "Share Our Wealth" with bounty from the garden.

Fall programs include: Los Alamos Trails Restoration, Attracting Migratory Birds to Your Garden, Rose Planting and Care and a Christmas Cookie Exchange.

District III

Angel Fire Garden Club had a rocky start this year after our elected President was unable to serve due to family issues. Jo Ann Layden, First Vice-President stepped up and is now the President for this term. The rest of the Board is also new: Johnese Turri, Second VP, Dorothy Thrasher, Secretary and Debbie Dean, Treasurer. We are still looking for a First VP but know that with over 60 members that should happen soon. A week after being installed the officers had National Garden Week to plan and had a great time greeting people at the local Lowe's Super Market, selling raffle tickets for a plant and informing them about our great club and our activities. We signed up several new members in the process and raised about \$300 for the club! We have wonderful programs planned for the year and for the July meeting, held at Jo Ann Layden's home, we toured her Enchanted Trail. The August meeting will be held at the A-OK Ranch, a local organic gardening farm and we hope to learn a lot about organic gardening. Our annual Garden Tour and Luncheon was a success with 125 people attending the tour and luncheon. The homes and gardens featured were unique; including a railroad station complete with train, located about 10,000 feet up the mountain! Comments were heard that this was the best Tour and Luncheon ever. We continue to maintain our Blue Star Memorial at the Vietnam Memorial, the Median in town and the Butterfly Garden at the Library.



Our members have been busy with their spring garden chores. **Santa Rosa Garden Club** suffered a devastating hail storm on July 3rd which damaged not only our gardens but also our homes. Roofs, windows, screens, sidings, and

vehicles were hit by 2+ feet of hail with heavy wind and rain added. Businesses were flooded, trees and shrubs lost most of their leaves. Mother Nature is re-growing our plants and insurance companies are repairing the structures.

Our Santa Rosa president and husband, Colleen and Fred Hinker, attended State, Regional and National conventions this spring, enjoying the fellowship and received lots of garden club information. The Club is still in the planning stages of the next State Convention to be held here in 2014. Our club flower show is scheduled to be held August 2 - 4. Our theme is "Racing around Santa Rosa." We look forward to showing off our creativity! It is held in conjunction with the Guadalupe County Fair and we get a lot of participation.

Along with all of this, we still are maintaining our Hospital Medicinal Herb Garden, our School Native Plant Garden, our three cemetery planters and Jean Digerness keeps our Blue Star Memorial decorated with flowers and pretty red, white and blue decorations. Colleen and Fred presented programs at the Environmental Schools held in Angel Fire and was joined by Carolyn Bedford and Francis Speight in attending the lovely Garden Tour held in the same area. WOW! The weather was great despite afternoon rains and the gardens were full of wildflowers and beautiful beds. Most homes had musicians and demonstrations by local artists to add to the fun. The architecture of these lovely homes was incredible, including the Surprise Home made of a railroad boxcar with a caboose guesthouse. Need I mention the mountain views from every window, road and yard?

We would like to thank JJ Huddleston, Diane Peterson, and Fannie Mackie for chairing such a successful event. We in District III are so happy to be connected again with Angel Fire Garden Club. Their median planting has been upgraded and looks GREAT! They are always working on the Veterans Memorial Park that is located to the north of the town. And the Butterfly Garden at the library is small but lovely. It successfully attracts all sorts of insects to educate and surprise the public. We look forward to working with them in the future.

District IV

This past April, each member of **Mesilla Valley Garden Club** was given a survey with questions developed by vice-president, Virginia Podmenik. Members were asked their preference on meeting times, refreshments, club donations, programs, and field trips. Their ideas and suggestions were incorporated into the 2013-14 programs and yearbook. A big "thank you" to all for taking time to share ideas to improve our club.

One of the suggestions given was quickly acted upon. A summer luncheon minus a formal meeting was held in July at a local restaurant. Those who attended

suggested that it become a yearly summer activity.

Mesilla Valley Garden Club's September meeting will be a pot-luck luncheon. We will welcome prospective new members and give a short history of the club. Also, a program about prepping flowers to keep them at their freshest for arrangements will be given by Flower Show Judge, Barbara Gerhard, a Mesilla Valley Garden Club member. We look forward to an exciting, informative new year.

In May, **Sunshine Valley Garden Club** members carpoled to Hillsboro to Ellie Nordgren's home. It was a very cloudy day and everyone was hoping it would not rain. We held a brief meeting to discuss our projects around town. We planted summer flowers and plants at the Civic Center so it would look nice for the Fiddlers Program. We also planted new flowers and plants in our hospital planters and at Bullock's Grocery Store. We all brought pails and dirt with us so we could take some of Ellie's herbs home.

In June we met at Sandy Hopper's home in Elephant Butte to tour her yard and see other projects she has done. Then we all went to the Elephant Butte Inn for lunch.

We will not be meeting in July and August. Our next meeting will be on Friday, September 13, 2013. We will be discussing our plans for our Flower Display at the County Fair in October.

District V

Home Garden Club – It has been a hot summer here in Roswell and our gardens have needed extra care. Now that the monsoon rain has started our permanent plantings are breathing a sigh of relief.

We take the summer off from formal meetings, but have met with Morning Garden Club representatives to discuss the plans for participating in the Eastern New Mexico State Fair Parade and our display in the Educational Building.

Renate Reisel and her grandsons, Isabel Olsen and Jan Smith spent several hours weeding and trimming up the plants at our corner garden at the zoo. It is amazing how fast the weeds and plants grow!

Isabel Olsen and Jan Smith attended the first Environmental School class in Angel Fire. This class is well worth attending – and everyone passes the test! Part of the class was attending the Angel Fire Garden Tour. The gardens were amazing and the local artists added a wonderful touch. Congratulations to Angel Fire Garden Club for a job well done.

Our first meeting in September will be a trip to Colleen Hinker's Organic Farm in Santa Rosa.

During a play day on May 3rd at Smokey Bear Ranger Station, **Lincoln County Garden Club** presented a donation to the New Mexico Alliance for Children to Julia Price, Director. Seventy Region IX Head Start children from Capitan and Ruidoso learned how to plant seeds and potatoes, how earthworms live, learned about healthy sandwiches and snacks, how to paint with their hands and much more! Most fun of all, Smokey Bear appeared when the children called him by chanting "Smokey, Smokey!" *(Photos by Marilyn Barnes)*



On May 21st new officers for 2013-15 were installed by Imelda Horne at Casa Blanca Restaurant, followed by a delightful and delicious lunch. Imelda presented each officer with a significant herb representing her responsibilities as she pledged to perform the duties of her office. New Yearbooks for 2013-2014 were distributed.

On a beautiful spring morning in June LCGC held a successful plant sale in the front yard of the Ruidoso Public Library. Beginning at 9am we had customers ready to purchase plants, soil, containers, bird feeders, the "High Altitude Gardening" book and more.

LCGC presented Keep Ruidoso Beautiful with a donation on June 11th to help with their projects around the village.

For the June meeting, we visited the peaceful and cool Hondo Iris Farm. Botanist, Chris Comacho guided us through the farm, pausing to talk about lilies, iris, poppies, trees and their latest addition, succulents. Lunch was at the Silver Dollar in Tinnie.

Work in the library water-wise garden and the hospital courtyard garden continued this summer. After the amazing July rains both gardens perked up and look healthy.

July 23rd brought garden tours at the homes of members Imelda Horne and Lisa Peake. Both gardens feature native plants and water harvesting devices. Lisa grows various aromatic herbs and she showed us how to make flavored vinegars and oils with these herbs. She sent everyone home with basil plants.



As **Morning Garden Club's** regular season wound down we had our last meeting at Denise Schmidlen's home. A potluck luncheon was held on the covered porch. The Schmidlen's lovely swimming pool and BBQ area made for

great atmosphere! After our business meeting, there was a fun, spirited raffle. We shared garden items from our own homes. A great way to end the season!

For Mother's Day at the Working Mother's Day Nursery the children were guided as they filled mugs with their flower arrangements to take home for someone they love. Some of these children really have a flair for working with fresh flowers.

Our club did something a little different this year for National Garden Week in June. We put an electronic message on the marquee at Roswell Convention Center to remind people about gardening. This is on a busy thoroughfare (Hwy. 70) so the sign is seen by many travelers. One had to look up quickly to see our message, but it was fun to have our club name in lights for a week!

After the National Convention took place we learned that our club had won two national awards: one for our yearbook and one for the work at the Nursery for Operation Wildflower/Outdoor Classrooms. We were all so surprised and thrilled to be recognized this way, not to mention receiving the sizable monetary prize attached to the Operation Wildflower award. Melanie Deason's hard work certainly paid off.

In July a display was set up at the SE Historical Society Museum linking the early days of Morning Garden Club with the new gardeners at Working Mother's Day Nursery. A wonderful old scrapbook highlights some of the work of Mary White whose family built the home where the Museum is located now. Mrs. White was Historian for many years.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

October 25 – FRIDAY

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm Registration
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Flwr. Show Procedure

October 26 – SATURDAY

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

LUNCH

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Design Lecture
Practice Point Scoring

October 27 – SUNDAY

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

LUNCH

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Horticulture Lecture
Practice Point Scoring

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE

HB, Chapters 1, 2, 3, and 12. Review: additional requirements of a Standard FS, evaluating a SFS for NGC Achievement Award. Requirements of a schedule for a SFS for NGC AA.. Procedure for writing a schedule. Written Exam on FS Procedure.

HORTICULTURE

HB, Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6, 14 and Required Reading for Selected Plant Groups to be studied. General horticulture course curriculum, lifecycles, environmental factors, nomenclature and classification of plants. Also, scale of points for collections & displays, requirements for all Horticulture Top Exhibitor Awards, Judging Etiquette, Ethics, and Procedure, and Practice Point Scoring. **Study Chrysanthemums and Ivies.** Written Horticulture Exam.

DESIGN

HB, Chapters 3, 8, 9, 10, 14 and Required Reading. Review the elements and principles of design: esp. pattern, light, proportion, and scale; Table Designs; and Petite Designs. Also, requirements for all Top Exhibitor Awards, Design Top Exhibitor Awards, Sectional Awards; judging qualities which appear on all Design Point Scoring forms, point scoring procedure, Practice Point Scoring, Written Point Scoring, and Written Design Exam.

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE, DESIGN, AND HORTICULTURE EXAMS WILL BE TAKEN ON WEDNESDAY, October 30, 2013 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 WRITTEN AND POINT SCORING EXAMINATIONS FOR ALL SUBJECTS.

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The National Gardener – 3 years
(Reference: Updates/Changes for the Handbook)

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FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE
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HORTICULTURE
FSS IV – HB, Chapters 3, 4, 5, 6, and 14 and
REQUIRED READING for Selected Plant Groups.
**The Bulb Expert, The Tree Expert, The Tree and*
Shrub Expert, and The New Flower Expert by
Hessayon.

**Hortulana*, Revised – Heber: "Intro" and "How to Use
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the plant groups studied in this course.
***Download from the internet: www.gardenclub.org**
Plants and Their Respective Families
Plant Families Frequently Used in Flower Shows

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FSS IV – HB, Chapters 3, 8, 9, 10, 14 and
REQUIRED READING.
**Essence of Creativity – A Legacy* by Thomas – Chapters 1,
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Click on State Fair, premium Book, Floriculture, then Design, Horticulture or Youth.

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**NEW MEXICO JUDGES
SYMPOSIUM ANNOUNCEMENT
February 28th – March 2nd, 2014**

News Hot Off The Press!

All judges, student judges, garden club members, and friends are invited to attend a symposium to be held at the Albuquerque Garden Center (times and topics to be announced later).

Instructors will be Barbara May – Design, Past NMGC President and Gay Austin Horticulture from Mississippi who will teach on March 2nd.

Please mark your 2014 calendars and plan to attend. If you are not a judge, please come and audit for the sheer pleasure and education.

More to follow...

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sep 11 – 22	New Mexico State Fair & Flower Show, Albuquerque
Sep 19	Full Corn Moon
Sep 22	First Day of Autumn
Sep 24 – 28	NGC Fall Board, St. Louis, Missouri
Sep 27 – 28	Council of Albuquerque Garden Clubs Harvest Fair & Garden Market at the Albuquerque Garden Center 10120 Lomas Blvd., NE, 9am-4pm each day
Sep 29	"The 2013 Dahlia Society Festival" Albuquerque Garden Center
Oct 7	District I Fall Board, Albuquerque
Oct 8	District II Fall Board, Santa Fe
Oct 15	District IV Fall Board, Alamogordo
Oct 17	District III Fall Board, Santa Rosa
Oct 18	District V Fall Board, Ruidoso
Oct 18	Full Harvest Moon
Oct 24 – 25	NMGC, Inc. Fall Board, Roswell
Oct 25 – 27	Flower Show School IV, Roswell
Nov 1	Article deadline for <i>New Mexico Gardener</i>
Nov 3	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov 17	Full Hunter's Moon
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Jan 1	NGC, Inc. Awards Deadline
Feb 1	NMGC, Inc. Awards Deadline
Feb 1	SCR Awards Deadline
Feb 1	Article Deadline for <i>New Mexico Gardener</i>
Feb 28 – Mar 3	New Mexico Judges Symposium, Albuquerque
Mar 19 – 21	NMGC, Inc. Convention, Santa Rosa
Mar 28 – 29	SCR Convention, Addison, TX

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