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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION DIRECTOR'S REPORT FROM LINDA LAWSON

State Presidents, SCR Board members and SCR Members;

Our region had some really strange weather this spring! Flooding in Oklahoma and Arkansas is extreme and devastating. To my knowledge, no garden club member has had property damage, but some in both Oklahoma and Arkansas have been 'flooded in'. Just today we see on the news of the possible flooding with torrential rain in Houston; New Mexico members have experienced hail damage with these storms and tornado records set in nearly every state. We must all be mindful of our neighbors and communities that will need assistance and support. I know how resourceful garden club members are and we need to remember to network within our communities to help rebuild, replant and refurbish historical plantings, park gardens, etc., with trees, shrubs and perennials where we can.

Congratulations to each of you as new presidents of your states; Nancy Rana—Arkansas, Christine Longthorp - New Mexico, Peggy Moreland – Texas, and April Pratt – Oklahoma. South Central Region welcomes you to the Board. Your new role happens as NGC prepares for new leadership.

The 2019 – 2021 term Theme will be **Plant America** once again. NGC President Gay Austin shall give new emphasis on Plant America. Please take the time to go to the NGC website and read her vision for us. I hope each state will do a project centered on Gay's theme. Start with you state, expand to include SCR in reporting what you have accomplished and remember to apply for the **SCR Director's Project**.

My theme shall be "Unite to Plant America" to continue the Plant America theme set in place for four terms. Most of the State presidents have themes in place. We will hear all about that in the next Communicator.

I would like to see projects where our garden clubs work with other groups such as Master Gardeners, Civic Development Groups, Plant Societies, Park Departments, Youth Groups, Museums, Hospital Gardens, Art Leagues, etc.

I understand and am so proud that some of the SCR states are already working on projects that fit into the scope of Plant America.

Make sure to copy the SCR Region Officers and Chairperson's List. We are blessed with wonderfully talented people; tell them what you are doing and ask for assistance, guidance and information to make your project the best it can be! AND, make sure you keep Debi Harrington a very busy Editor by flooding her with reports backed up with photos.

I am very excited to be your 2019-2021 Director. I will be in contact with you whenever needed. I was most happy to see each of the Presidents and SCR Members in Biloxi at the NCG convention. I hope to see many members in Little Rock, Arkansas next April 22-23.

Warm regards, *Linda*



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SCR Regional Director’s Project — 2019-2021



“Unite and Plant America”

Linda Lawson’s Theme “Unite to Plant America” for SCR emphasizes the spirit of the NGC Theme. She would like to see all garden clubs network with other community organizations to accomplish this goal. There are so many organizations that too beautify their communities: Master Gardeners, Civic Development Groups, Plant Societies, Park Departments, Youth Groups, etc., by planting and maintaining gardens around Libraries, Hospitals, Museums, Cemeteries, Parks, churches, adult centers, assisted living/retirement homes; the list can continue to include many public locations. As the 2017-2019 Alternate Director Shirley Tetreault said,

“This is probably one of the most rewarding aspects of being a garden club member”.

Gay Austin, 2019-2021 National Garden Clubs President: ***“I challenge all garden club members to reach out to individuals who want to learn more about gardening. This act Will broaden the exposure and awareness of National Garden Clubs. It is proven that gardening not only has health benefits, but it also strengthens our communities through Beautification projects as we work together to bring beauty and pride to our communities.”***

So let us continue with that momentum and expand on beautifying our communities.

Networking within our communities can only impact the awareness of our desire to ***“Unite and Plant America”.***

Project Qualifications:	Scope of the Project	40 points
	Interaction with Another Group	30 points
	Benefit to the Community	20 points
	Overall Distinction	10 points

The deadline for states to submit the application will be Wednesday, December 1, 2021.

Send project description and photos to: Donna Marsheck, 402163 W 2650 Drive, Bartlesville, OK 74006-0555 dmarsheckgardenclub@yahoo.com 918.440.1325

Each state that submits an application and qualifies for the SCR Regional Director’s Project will receive an achievement Plaque and a \$100 Award.

Donna Marsheck, Alternate Director

Immediate Past Region Director – Isabel Olsen



The South Central Region 90th Annual Convention held at Hilton Garden Inn - Bricktown of Oklahoma City was certainly PLANT-ASTIC ! For those of you that missed it, let me share some of the highlights with you. The convention began with an all day pass on the streetcar trolley which took attendees to Myriad Botanical Gardens and to local shopping and wonderful restaurants for lunch. Four creative designs representing each of our states were displayed by members; Nancy Voyles and Terri Waterman of AR, Christine Longthorp of NM, Judy Grotts of OK and Idalia Aguilar of TX. SCR Gardener's Market was open for the two days for attendees to buy their favorite plants and other garden related items. Oklahoma Garden Clubs had a silent auction of several huge theme baskets with many items. For the evening all SCR Life Members were honored with special seating at dinner and a drawing for Iris from my garden was given. Scholarship Chairman, Heather White announced the scholarship recipient for this term to be Kelby Biswell who attends the University of Arkansas. Our evening speaker was Allan Storjohann who presented a power point of 'The Artful Gardener, Making a New View Using Art in the Landscape'. He showed us many examples of how to enhance our gardens with objects, and creating focal points. Following the general meeting and lunch, our speaker was Linda Vater a Garden Lifestyle expert who appears weekly on local TV programs. Her garden is featured on the cover of Garden Gate Magazine and other publications. Her power point presentation showed how she designed her landscape of her 1935 English Tudor home with her beautiful display of horticulture and hundreds of tulips. Bobbie Verser, Awards Chairman presented the award winners for the year. The Member Award of Honor recipient is Ronna Precure of Huntsville, Arkansas. The Director's Project brass plaque garden marker was awarded to Garden Club of Rogers along with \$200.00 and Angel Fire Garden Club of NM received \$200.00 for their project. All SCR Chairmen that attended the convention received a plant of their choice as gratitude for serving and seventeen first time attendees also received a special gift. A hands-on workshop was presented by member Suzy Andrego, and everyone had great fun making kokedamas to take home. The dinner banquet was very special to have our guest, NGC President elect, Gay Austin perform the Installation of 2019-2021 SCR Officers. Linda Lawson, the newly installed Region Director had many of her family members in attendance for her special moment. Director Citations were given to April Pratt the convention chairman and Donna Marsheck, co-chairman for their superb attention to detail and providing us with an enjoyable convention. The success of this convention was truly a group effort from the Oklahoma committee and its members along with many of the members of our four states that comprise our region. Thank you to all that donated supplies, merchandise and their time for South Central Region. I want to give special recognition to Renee Blaschke for serving as Parliamentarian for a number of years for me and previous SCR Directors. Your wisdom and guidance has been a great source to the success of our region.

It has been a privilege and honor to serve as region director and I look forward to seeing you all in Little Rock, Arkansas for the 2020 Annual SCR Convention.

2019-2021 SCR State President's Reports



**Arkansas—Promoting The Love Of Gardening,
Floral Design, & Civic And Environmental Responsibility."
Nancy Rana, President**



Greetings from Arkansas!

We are excited to announce that several students have successfully completed Course IV of the Flower Show School series. We had students attending from Alabama and California. The Flower Show Chairman is planning for another series to begin in the new year and a Symposium has been scheduled for this fall.

Arkansas clubs celebrated National Garden Week in a variety of ways. The Garden Club of Rogers had events planned for the entire week starting with a seed swap. The club made 21 flower arrangements which were delivered with a card talking about National Garden Week to hospitals, clinics, and libraries. The club even met with the mayor and a proclamation was signed! The Harrisburg Garden Club conducted a hands-on activity called "Grass Head Kids" with 21 children and 18 adults attending and had a Plant It Pink activity.

We are very proud of Ronna Pecure, Garden Club of Rogers member, for winning the National Garden Club Member Award of Honor. Ronna has worked tirelessly on many projects to promote the goals and objectives of her own club, AFGC, SCR, and National Garden Clubs. She is continuing to serve as the state awards chairman for the next two years.

As you are aware, Arkansas is experiencing record breaking flooding. Please continue to keep our state in your thoughts as we recover from the devastation and recovery efforts.

Nancy Rana, President Arkansas 2019-2021

New Mexico
Christine Longthorp, President



New Mexico Garden Clubs this Spring has been very active with all five Districts holding meetings in the month of March. I attended three of them, and was impressed with how active and how much fun each was having. For the past four years, each of the District Directors has awarded a ROSE award to a member who has gone above and beyond for their club or District. ROSE stands for Recognition of Service Excellence, and a pink rose pin is given in the Spring, and a purple rose pin in the Fall. This award, hopefully, encourages members to see that their work is noticed and important. We awarded one in each District this Spring.

New Mexico Garden Clubs Annual Convention was superbly hosted by District III and held in Las Vegas (NM). Many first time attendees were recognized and the energy was palpable as we were educated with programs, “All about Bees”, and the creation of a river walk on the Gallinas River. Our New Mexico Judges Council had a superb program showing us how to utilize our cell phones for photos worthy of award entries. Our time together from all over our vast state was both memorable and inspiring.

South Central Region held their convention in Oklahoma City, and many members from New Mexico attended to honor the outgoing Director Isabel Olsen from our state, and to welcome Linda Lawson from Oklahoma. It’s always a pleasure to meet members from all four states.

SCR’s Convention was quickly followed by the National Garden Clubs Convention in Biloxi, Mississippi which celebrated 90 years of garden clubs in the USA. Gay Austin was installed as our new National President, and we were all treated to true Southern hospitality. It was a special honor to be introduced as the incoming New Mexico State President along with the other 49 States. What an amazing organization we all belong to!

My theme for the next two years is **“Growing in Harmony in The Land of Enchantment”**, and my hope is to encourage New Mexico Garden Clubs to increase membership, energize, and bring focus to those clubs which need a boost. I am also planning to install a “sensory garden” on the grounds of our Veterans Administration Hospital for Veterans in rehabilitation. I will keep you all apprised of our progress as time goes on. Meanwhile our vastly diverse State continues to “Plant America”.

Christine Longthorp, New Mexico State President 2019-2021

Oklahoma
April Pratt, President



Whew! We've had such a busy spring; I'm just now getting a chance to catch my breath! We were honored to host the SCR Annual Convention in April in Oklahoma City. I hope everyone had a great time. I know those of us who hosted loved the opportunity to get to know you all better. We just finished our Flower Show IV last week, along with numerous Butterfly events, Garden Festivals and plant sales just in the past month – there's not enough room to list them all. And we've done this all with flooding, tornadoes, lightning, torrential rains – us Okie gardeners are TOUGH!

My theme for this term will be "Plant OK!" We are working on a President's Project that will encourage all the clubs in our state to get the word out to the communities that we are here to promote gardening, not just with our words, but with our hands, our actions.

I have been a member of the Amaryllis Unit, Oklahoma City Council of Garden Clubs since 1990. I have been working full time as an insurance agent until recently. Both my work and family knew that I put Garden Clubs at the top of my priority list (after my faith and family, of course) and I have been blessed that they support that. My husband of 41 years, Bob, my son, Brandon, and his wife, Megan, are always willing to help me with any part of the work – they haul stuff back and forth to plant sales and flower shows then pitch in at home when I cannot keep up with my own garden. With my recent retirement, I'm excited to be able to commit even more time to serve the organization (and get my garden whipped back into shape!).

We are excited that Oklahoma has a new State Nebula – the Rosette Nebula! The husband of Pat Murrell, a member of Garden Party Rose Unit of Oklahoma City Council, submitted the proposal for consideration to the State legislature, and it was signed into law in April.

I'm working hard now to finalize committees, contests, and calendars so we can communicate all of this information before our first board meeting in July. Watch your email for updates!

April Pratt, 2019 – 2020 OKLAHOMA STATE PRESIDENT

***Texas — Promoting the Love of Gardening
Across the State of Texas
Peggy Moreland, President***



The Spring season is springing into Summer very fast. Just as the seasons change so is TGC. The new officers were installed at our April Convention and they are ready to begin their term of office. Also, at this convention we were very proud to have a Blue Star Marker Dedication and a tree planting for Arbor Day at the Keystone Heritage Park in El Paso.

I am honored to be the Texas President and I look forward to working with the Presidents of Arkansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma in supporting the South Central Region.

My theme is "Plant America – Grow Our Future". I believe that our members are our future. We must always work to retain and recruit new members if we are to survive.

The goals for my administration are to Grow our members by 2% of our total membership, increase the dollar amount of spendable funds for Scholarships and Headquarters maintenance, landscape and fixed expenses, and have fun and educational conventions. I hope to accomplish these goals by working with and having the support of all of our membership.

Peggy Moreland, President Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.



Our Youth – Our Future

One thing I can tell you with confidence is - children love for garden club members to visit their schools. The Simplicity of a child's mind and the way they think is a beautiful thing. The projects you choose should always be age appropriate.

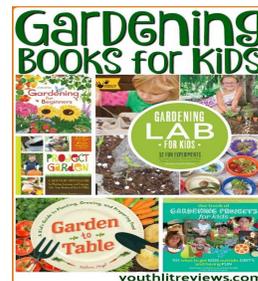
South Central Region is doing their part in keeping our youth involved is by they continuing to offer contests. All contest entries must be sponsored by a local Garden Club.

SCR #17, Youth Bird Contest is one example of getting grades 1st thru 5th students involved.

SCR #18, Youth Essay Contest is for students in grades 9th thru 12th.

SCR #19, Youth Poetry Contest is for students in grades Kindergarten thru 9th

SCR # 20, Youth Sculpture Contest for grades 4th thru 8th is a great way to teach our youth to keep our earth green.



SCR # 21, Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Poster Contest is for grades 1st thru 5th and is the most popular contest that the kids participate in. The U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. offer students the opportunity to participate in Smokey Bear & Woodsy Owl poster contest for 1st through 5th grades. To get this project started you may want to provide the **paper (11"x17", this is the required size of paper)** for the children to use.

This is a good way to educate the kids on wildfires and the environmental conservation principles. This takes very little effort from the members, yet has a huge impact on the children. For their efforts, if their poster wins, they are given a certificate and awarded cash prizes. For more information on this worthwhile project go to www.symbols.gov where you are able to see each year's requirements/rules and purchase promotional and educational products.

In addition to sponsored contests there are other ideas to give you that may be of interest.

One garden club has a youth garden club of preschoolers. The garden club members have to do shifts with them so all children are able to be involved in the project. We constructed a miniature garden in the shape of the face of a flower using donated materials. We have the kids plant multiple flowers and vegetables throughout the school year. They are so proud of the "Youth Garden". They can't wait to brag to their parents that this is their own identified space. The garden club members discuss all the concepts of growing plants and how to make them grow as we work the flower bed together. We encourage the children to participate in this discussion and they do so excitedly. This is an ongoing project which takes around one hour of your time.

Another unique project is indoor gardening. Items you will need: terra cotta pots, potting soil, seeds and water. The pots are placed in the windowsill where sunlight can reach the seeds. Each child is able to watch their seed turn into a plant. After the plant is established the youth gardeners can take it home. This is fun for the kiddos. They learn a great lesson on our precious resources and how they can contribute to "Plant America", one seed at a time.

On a larger scale, with the approval of the school administration, you may want to plan a "real" garden and let the kids help with the planting of the materials we use for our area. Throughout the school year you can have a work time to weed, eat and replant, according to the season and also mulch the garden.

The simple things bring the best results when working with our youth.

Making a difference one child at a time,

Linda Jean Brown

SCR Youth Activities & Programs

2019-21

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SCR Youth Sculpture Contest, SCR # 20

SUMMER FUN WITH THE KIDS!

SCR Youth Sculpture Contest! This contest challenges kids to express themselves in a creative way with recycled materials. Encourage the kids around you this summer to get involved in saving the environment by taking recyclable or trashed items or even discarded food and make something cool with it! Maybe at Vacation Bible School, in your backyard with grandkids or even organize a project at your local library or youth center. This is a really fun project...you give it a little thought, the kids will have fun for an hour or two, the kids will learn valuable lessons and this can offer an opportunity for BIG publicity in your community for your club. Everybody likes to see the kid stuff in the news...



Rules:

Children in 4th through 8th grades are eligible to enter

The sculpture is limited to a size that will fit sitting on an 8 ½ " X 11" sheet of paper

Entries should include as many photographs as can be printed on the back of the entry form; (2) 4" X 6" are recommended

Club entries must be sent to your State Chairman by your state's deadline. State winners will be sent to Regional Chairman by Feb. 1st, 2020. Regional winners will be sent to NGC by Mar. 1st, 2020

Scale of Points:

Creative use of materials and self-expression: 60%

Description of sculpture and materials used: 30%

Craftsmanship and technique: 10%



Take a bit of time and look at projects making something from litter, in magazines, on the web or at your library. There are some easy projects and some way fun ideas...ask the kids, they may have done something at school, they may have ideas! Take pictures of the project this summer and put the simple entry form together on a cold rainy day this coming fall! You will only send in one or two sheets of paper...not the sculpture itself!

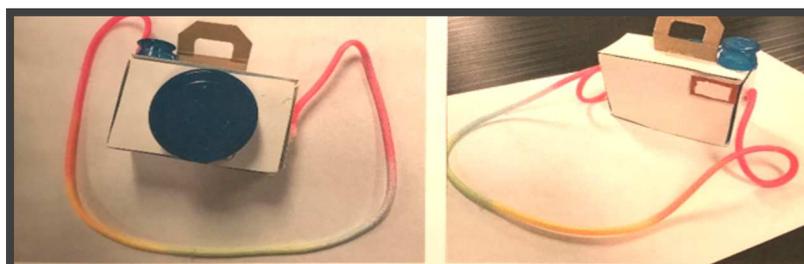
Rules and entry forms may be found on the NGC website, or contact me if your state does not offer them!

Ronna Precure, SCR Youth Sculpture Chairman, South Central Region

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2673 Madison 1230 Huntsville, AR 72740-7840



SCR Youth Bird Poster Contest, SCR #17

All poster entries are submitted to the SCR Bird Chairman, Clara Bishop

SCR Bird of the Year will be announced at the beginning of each SCR term by the SCR Bird Poster Awards Chairman and published in the *Communicator* and on the SCR website.

2019-2020

North American Male Cardinal – *Cardinalis cardinalis*



2020-2021

Male Downy Woodpecker – *Picoides pubescens*

1. All entries must be sponsored by a local Garden Club.
2. Posters must feature the "SCR Bird of the Year":
3. Eligible students are 1st - 5th graders. Home schooled students are eligible.
4. Materials may include: Crayons, markers, poster paints, water colors, etc.

Paper choice is decided by the student. **The paper choice size must be submitted on a 8 ½ X 11 inch page.**

5. Attach a computer generated information piece of paper on back lower right corner of poster to include: Student's name, grade, sponsoring club, and contact information for sponsoring club member, (give name, address, phone #, and e-mail of contact person).
6. Each club should have entries judged to determine a first place winner for each grade level.
First Place winners from 1st through 5th graders should be mailed to SCR Chairman:

Clara Bishop, 9808 S Broadway Avenue, Oklahoma City 73139-8819

Deadline: February 21, 2020

Scale of points:

Originality 25 points.

Method 25 points

Artwork 25 points

Overall effectiveness of the entry 25 points

7. Please make a copy of winning entry/s as they will not be returned unless a club member attends the SCR Convention.
8. Posters may include artwork pasted upon a 2nd piece of paper, but 3D entries aren't allowed.



Uptown Garden Club’s ‘Blooming Gardeners’ Youth Club

New Mexico Garden Club’s Blooming Gardeners is a youth club sponsored by Uptown Garden Club. The group meets every Wednesday from 10 a.m. until noon. Throughout the year, they participate in a variety of gardening activities — most notably planting numerous containers at the New Mexico State Fairgrounds for the visitors to enjoy each September. These containers are provided by Keep New Mexico Beautiful in conjunction with NM Expo. Shirley Tetreault coordinates all of the Blooming Gardeners activities and meetings.



Three Generations of Gardeners!

Blooming Gardeners Hard at Work



The JOY of planting together!



Hands On! Planting Cheery Yellow Marigolds!



Harrisburg GC of Arkansas Conducts a “Grass Head Kids” Workshop

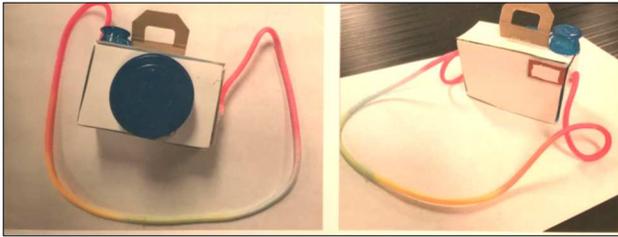


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SCR YOUTH SCULPTURE CONTEST Winners Go on to Win at NGC!

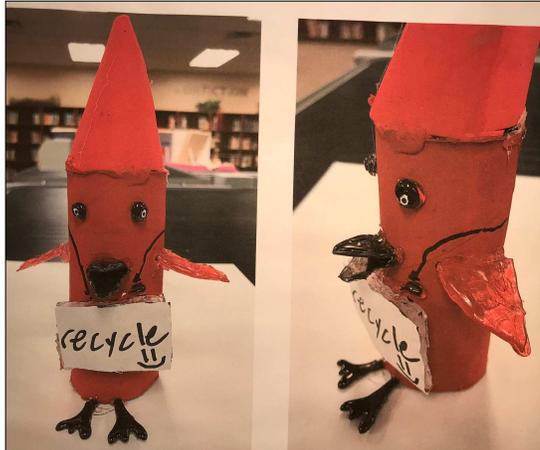
All Youth sponsored by Harrisburg Garden Club of Arkansas



Third Place from NGC
Miley Lacy, 5th Grade

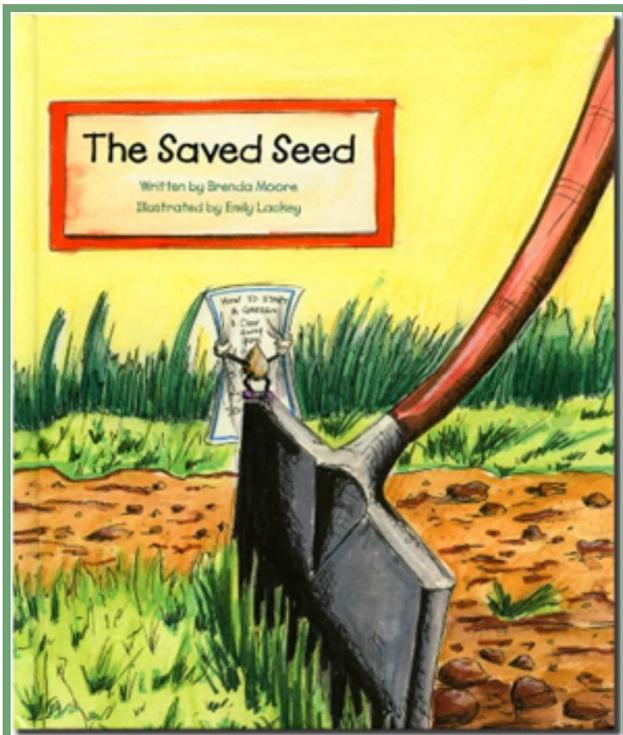


Third Place from NGC
Jason Reese, 8th Grade



Honorable Mention from NGC
Chloe Greer, 6th Grade

Not Pictured: Third Place from NGC
Andy Biggs for his Robotic Horse



The Saved Seed is the second early reader book written to educate elementary children about the life cycle of seed plants.

A North American based fall staple for thousands of years, the pumpkin is treasured in our society for being not only a food source, but a Halloween favorite! There are dozens of varieties ranging from tiny ornamental varieties, to those weighing in at over 100 pounds each! The Saved Seed follows the journey of a smiling pumpkin seed from Halloween pumpkin through the year becoming a seedling, a vine and then a new pumpkin!

Along the way, children learn through beautiful illustrations how to care for their own pumpkin seeds and become successful pumpkin gardeners! The Saved Seed is the second early reader book written to educate elementary children about the life cycle of seed plants. A North American based fall staple for thousands of years, the pumpkin is treasured in our society for being not only a food source, but a Halloween favorite! There are dozens of varieties ranging from tiny ornamental varieties, to those weighing in at over 100 pounds each! The Saved Seed follows the journey of a smiling pumpkin seed from Halloween pumpkin through the year becoming a seedling, a vine and then a new pumpkin! Along the way, children learn through beautiful illustrations how to care for their own pumpkin seeds and become successful pumpkin gardeners! **Available on the NGC website**

Plant a Shakespearean Garden This Summer



A Shakespeare Garden at the home he was born in in the United Kingdom

*I know a bank where the wild thyme blows
Where oxslips and the nodding violets grows,
Quite over-canopied with luscious woodbine,
With sweet musk-roses and with eglantine.*

A Midsummer Night's Dream (2.1)

The lazy days of summer are the perfect time to read Shakespeare's *Midsummer Night's Dream* since it is set during the summer solstice, which usually falls the twenty-first of June.

While reading this play, you will notice several herbs are mentioned. Shakespeare used many different herbs and flowers in his writings and several books have been written just on this subject.

Theme gardens are a very popular way to plant herb gardens and using some of the herbs and flowers mentioned in Shakespeare's writings is a great way to learn about both these herbs and flowers and his plays. The following is a list of thirty herbs and flowers that Shakespeare mentions, along with the work in which the plant occurs. Jim and Dotti Becker, co-authors of *An Everlasting Garden*, used *The Riverside Shakespeare* to organize this list.

Most of these herbs are readily available and grow in our area.

Aloe (<i>Aloe vera</i>) "A Lover's Complaint"	Hyssop (<i>Hyssopus officinalis</i>) <i>Othello</i> (1.3)
Balm/Lemon Balm (<i>Melissa officinalis</i>) <i>Antony and Cleopatra</i> (5.2)	Lavender (<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i>) <i>Othello</i> (4.4)
Bay laurel (<i>Laurus nobilis</i>) <i>A Midsummer's Night Dream</i> (2.4)	Marigold/Calendula (<i>Calendula officinalis</i>) <i>Pericles</i> (4.1)
Brier/Wild rose (<i>Rosa sp.</i>) <i>A Midsummer's Night Dream</i> (3.1)	Marjoram/Marjoram (<i>Origanum sp.</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)
Broom (<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>) <i>A Midsummer's Night Dream</i> (5.1)	Mint (<i>Mentha sp.</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)
Burnet (<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>) <i>King Henry V</i> (5.2)	Myrtle (<i>Myrtus communis</i>) <i>Antony and Cleopatra</i> (3.12)
Camomile/Chamomile (<i>Chamaemelum nobile</i>) <i>King Henry V</i> (2.4)	Pansy/Johnny jump-up (<i>Viola tricolor</i>) <i>Hamlet</i> (4.5)
Carnation (<i>Dianthus sp.</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)	Parsley (<i>Petroselinum crispum</i>) <i>The Taming of the Shrew</i> (4.4)
Cowslip (<i>Primula veris</i>) <i>The Tempest</i> (5.1)	Poppy (<i>Papaver somniferum</i>) <i>Othello</i> (3.3)
Eringo/Sea Holly (<i>Eryngium campestre</i> , <i>E. maritimum</i>) <i>The Merry Wives of Windsor</i> (5.5)	Rose (<i>Rosa sp.</i>) <i>The Merry Wives of Windsor</i> (3.1)
Fennel (<i>Feniculum vulgare</i>) <i>Hamlet</i> (4.5)	Rosemary (<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)
Gillyvor (<i>Dianthus sp.</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)	Rue (<i>Ruta graveolens</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)
Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>) <i>As You Like It</i> (2.7)	Savory (<i>Satureja sp.</i>) <i>The Winter's Tale</i> (4.4)
Honeysuckle (<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>) <i>Much Ado About Nothing</i>	Thyme (<i>Thymus sp.</i>) <i>A Midsummer's Night Dream</i> (2.1)
	Violet (<i>Viola odorata</i>) <i>King Henry V</i> (4.1)
	Wormwood (<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>) <i>Love's Labour Lost</i> (5.2)

Sherie Clarkson, Herb Gardening Chairman 2019-2021

DOLLAR TREE® - Becomes A Major Player in Health & Environmental Justice



Over the past decade, dollar stores have grown, expanding into urban pockets of high poverty and flooding rural American towns unserved by big-box stores. Because these stores have filled a need for poverty stricken and low served areas, they have had no pressure from the poor and underserved about their products.

Dollar Tree® has recently acquired the other three main dollar stores, Family Dollar®, Dollar General® and the 99 Cents Only stores®. Now these dollar stores, lead by Dollar Tree®, are moving to pull dangerous plastics from shelves. Under steady pressure by consumer advocates, Dollar Tree® has committed to phasing out harmful chemicals like BPA in their plastic products.

Dollar stores, those great small stores, that sell everything from bathroom cleaner to eggs, are starting to take action that begins to right what consumer advocates call a clear wrong: Many of the plastic products on their shelves contain chemicals that can have grave health effects for their customers.

Earlier in of May 2019, Dollar Tree® — one of America’s largest dollar store chains — signed onto a program that would help the company phase out heavy metals such as lead and harmful chemicals including the plastic additives bisphenol A (BPA) and phthalates from their products. They joined the Chemical Footprint Project.

The Chemical Footprint Project (<https://www.chemicalfootprint.org/>) measures a company’s chemical footprint and then tracks their progress toward using safer alternatives throughout their supply chain. Any company involved with the CFP formally submits data to the program, beginning with a survey that establishes a baseline score.

Usually, financial risk and fierce competition between chains drives companies to sign onto the CFP. But with all the four main dollar stores, which serve largely low-income communities, there was pressure to do right by these vulnerable groups, lead by the Dollar Tree®.

Dollar Tree® felt that social injustice was served to the poor and underserved populations. “Are people who can’t afford organic products inadvertently being sold the most toxic ones?”

For the past five years, the Campaign for Healthier Solutions — a coalition of organizations stretching from Texas to Maine — has called for dollar stores to phase out hazardous chemicals from their products. These type of companies have been slow to think about the health hazards for low income families. Until Dollar Tree’s recent pledge, the dollar chains haven’t always factored into public concern. The campaign was born when environmental justice advocates realized that although stores such as Target and Walmart were being pressured by consumer groups to address toxic chemicals in their supply chain, that same scrutiny was missing for the four major dollar store chains: Dollar Tree®, which recently acquired Family Dollar®, Dollar General®, and the 99 Cents Only® Store. So now Dollar Tree® can make sure they take out hazardous materials and products from all their stores.

Sarah McReynolds, Environmental Concerns Chairman

Life Membership ~ South Central Region



I want to encourage SCR members who do not have an SCR Life Membership to consider purchasing a Life Membership during this term. These memberships also make wonderful gifts for honoring members in your Club, District, State or our Region.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$50 + PIN \$5 = \$55

Pins are available with a magnet back or standard pin back.

All proceeds from the SCR Life Membership sales go to the \$1000

SCR Scholarship given in the second year of a term. (That will be 2021.)

Order from:

MaryAnn Holman, SCR Life Membership Chairman

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Trees and Shrubs



So many trees have succumbed to the banks of the swollen rivers in Oklahoma and Arkansas. Let us hold off with the replanting. It may help to adhere to the old trick of not planting or transplanting trees and shrubs if the month doesn't have an "r" in it. In other words, wait till September and finish the planting projects before May.

Our club, Fort Cobb Improvement Club plants redbuds in our cemetery; but we will wait until early spring.

A good way to honor the flooding of trees might be a *Penny Pines* donation for this catastrophic and epic flooding.

Lucy Clinton, Trees and Shrubs Chair

OKLAHOMA FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL SERIES IS COMPLETED!!!

Oklahoma's Judges Council and Oklahoma Garden Clubs, Inc. agreed to host the series of 4 schools in 2017. We began with our first school in July of 2018. We had more than a dozen students for our first school. The next school trimmed down to 10 and we have held the interest of all those students for the long term. Actually, two were out of the country for School IV but they will go out of state they assured us for their last school.

Our Chairman and Registrar/Treasurer, MaryAnn Holman and Donna Marsheck, respectively, worked hard with the committee of Oklahoma's Master Judges to provide specimens for the horticulture and the many designs needed for point scoring. Among our Master Judges was Linda Lawson, SCR Director, 2019-2021, who proctored courses, served on the Master Panel, provided Horticulture and presented a design for every course.

Each course had instructors that were very knowledgeable, patient and just plain fun to be with. This made learning easier for the students and a delightful environment for the committee. Our snacks and lunches were provided by 3 Councils in our state. That made it possible to stay on site for lunch and those Councils had a fund raiser.

Our instructors for the courses were Course I: Flower Show Procedure & Horticulture - Sue Kirkman & Design - Shirley Tetreault; Course II: Flower Show Procedure & Design - Jo Krallman & Horticulture - Pam Braun; Course III: Flower Show Procedure & Horticulture - David Robson & Design - Madelyn Hucker; and Course IV: Flower Show Procedure and Horticulture - Dot Yard & Design - Shirley Tetreault.

Students now must meet the final challenge of writing a Flower Show Schedule and passing the Final Test. Our Council is looking forward to these new judges coming on board with all their talent and we will be striving for new goals and bigger and better Flower Shows.

MaryAnn Holman, Chairman

Oklahoma Garden Clubs, Inc. Flower Show Schools



Design Instructor, Shirley Tetreault and MaryAnn Holman, Flower Show School Chair



MaryAnn Holman, Flower Show School Chair and Dot Yard, Horticulture and FSS Procedure Instructor

Blue Star Memorials

Shirley Tetreault, Chair

There are a lot of changes that have occurred this year regarding our Blue Star/Gold Star program. Andrea Little has moved from our National Chair to the Executive Board. The price of the markers has not increased and new fliers are in the process of being printed. As you plan your marker dedications all information is on our National website for your convenience. Forms and checks should first be sent to your State Chairman and then forwarded on to the National Chair.

I have requested from our new State Presidents a list of all dedicated markers. If you are a Blue Star Chair, please make sure that information gets to your President with club name, district, date of dedication and location. When members are traveling through our states we can provide them with this information if they care to visit any of those locations. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (505) 259-2263 or email me at: ammasangels@comcast.net

I look forward to this Chairmanship and would love to see any pictures from your dedications.



NMGC, Inc. member, Joanne Case, provides perpetual care to one of New Mexico's Blue Star Memorials by maintaining the plantings and providing a wreath for holidays. This BSM is located at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial in Albuquerque.



Kelby Biswell wins the Arkansas Scholarship, the South Central Region Scholarship and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. "June P. Wood" Scholarship!

GARDEN CLUB OF ROGERS, ARKANSAS AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP TO DESERVING APPLICANT

The Garden Club of Rogers, AR awarded their first Keeta Arnold Memorial Horticulture Scholarship to Kelby Biswell.

Kelby is a sophomore at the University of Arkansas, majoring in Agriculture Education and Horticulture. Kelby maintains a 3.56 grade point while attending the U of A full time, participating in extracurricular activities and working 2 jobs. She is a double major and an honor student. Her first year in college she completed 31 hours.

Kelby is from Prairie Grove, AR where she grew up on a farm with 5 siblings. She is the first of her family to attend college. In high school she was active in 4-H, band, cheer, softball, Key Club, UNICEF Club, Food Science Club, and FFA. College activities include Horticulture Club, Collegiate Cattleman's Association, Agriculture Communicators of Tomorrow, and other community service activities.

Kelby is working her way through college with 2 jobs, loans, scholarships and grants. Her professors highly recommend her. They describe her as engaged as a student, as a leader, committed to her goals, bright, personable, mature, lover of plants and a hardworking young woman.

It is evident from her personal letter that she is dedicated to her education and to paying that forward with teaching youth about agriculture and horticulture.

Kelby's application was forwarded to the Arkansas Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. for consideration for their scholarship, which she won. It was for \$2000. That win put her in the running for the SCR Scholarship of \$1000, which she also won. Her application was then forwarded to National Garden Clubs, Inc. where she won a \$4000 scholarship.

The Garden Club of Rogers is very proud of Kelby and wishes her the best in her continuing education.

Member Award of Honor

Congratulations to **Ronna Pecure**, Garden Club of Rogers, AR member, for winning the National Garden Club Member Award of Honor for the South Central Region. Ronna has worked tirelessly on many projects to promote the goals and objectives of her own club, Arkansas Federation of Garden Clubs, SCR and National Garden Clubs, Inc. She is continuing to serve as the state awards chairman for Arkansas for the next two years.



Ronna Pecure at the 2019 NGC Convention receiving a certificate for the Member Award of Honor from NGC President, Nancy Hargroves.



New Mexico Gardening School Series

In August of 2018, New Mexico Garden Clubs held it's first Gardening School Series in Albuquerque with twenty-one students from three western states taking Course I for credit. All students passed with flying colors! Course II was held in February 2019, at the Rio Grande Nature Center State Park and Course III was held in late May, at the Albuquerque Botanical Gardens. This first series has had excellent instructors and informative topics. Our final Course will be IV, and will be held August 9-10, 2019 at the Rio Grande Nature Center once again. Please consider joining us if you want to get started in a Gardening School Series, need Course IV or you need a refresher. More information can be found on the SCR website, the NGC website or in this issue under the Calendar Section.



NMGC, Inc. Gardening School students are led on a tour by Maria Thomas at the Albuquerque Botanical Gardens during Course III.



“Share the Beauty Day”

Share the Beauty Day is the kickoff for National Garden Week in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

It is always the first Monday in June. Members of several NGC affiliated garden clubs and Albuquerque plant societies join together to create 800 floral designs in decorated soup cans. Volunteers pick up donated flowers from local businesses and members bring from their own gardens. The arrangements are made from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. Volunteers then deliver the 800 designs to various nursing homes and the VA Hospital. For this year’s event, over 25 members created and packed the designs in boxes and then delivered them. Shirley Tetreault and Esther Russell have chaired the event for over ten years.



Shirley Tetreault, standing, and Esther Russell, event co-chairs for Share the Beauty Day.



In 2019, twenty-five volunteers put together 800 floral designs in just four hours to bring happiness to members in the community.





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Dear Members:

Thank you for your contribution to National Garden Clubs, Inc. Your donation on April 25, 2019 in the amount of \$250.00 has been credited to the Plant America Fund.

In accordance with IRS regulations, National Garden Clubs, Inc. provided \$0.00 in goods or services in consideration, in whole or in part, for the contribution. The contribution may be tax deductible, please consult your tax advisor.

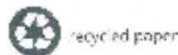
Once again I would like to thank you for your donation. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at 314-776-7475 ext. 211.

Sincerely,

Chris Schmidt

Chris Schmidt
NGC Accounting Assistant

Receipt # 8289



The Thank You note pictured above was sent to Donna Marscheck, SCR Treasurer, from National Garden Clubs, Inc. for SCR's contribution in Spring 2019 of \$250 towards the "PLANT AMERICA" Fund.

NGC AWARDS received by SCR Clubs

(as listed with NGC)

#CS-1 Community Gardens

Frisco Garden Club (Texas)
Friends of Oak Cliff Parks (Texas)
Angel Fire Garden Club (New Mexico)
Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)

#CB-1 ROADSIDE BEAUTIFICATION

Angel Fire Garden Club (New Mexico)
Hunt Garden Club (Texas)

#EC-1 The Lucille Droege Mauntel Conservation Award in honor of Shirley Nicolai - **OVERALL WINNER:** Little Rock Garden Club (Arkansas) This club, in conjunction with several state and private partners, are working to restore a 12-acre open field site to native prairie. The site is located between the Ouachita National Forest and the Maumelle River Wildlife Management Area north of Little Rock. The work will be accomplished through herbicide applications, prescribed burning, and native plantings. The club is gathering native plant seeds for future planting, and is helping to restore the site to a native prairie for increased pollinator life.

#EC-2 Litter/Recycling/Reclamation (The Harriet Thomas Award)

Grapevine Garden Club (Texas)

#EC-4 Birds (The Nannine C. Wallis Award)

Grapevine Garden Club (Texas)

#EC-5 Pollinators **OVERALL WINNER:** Hunt Garden Club (Texas) The Hunt Garden Club began beekeeping in 2014 and continues to maintain hives each year. Club members have become knowledgeable about bees and give classroom lessons to 4th and 5th grade students at Hunt School.

#EC-6 Water

Angel Fire Garden Club (NM)

#EC-7 Organic Gardening Practices

Comal Garden Club (Texas)

#FD-2 Floral Design Program

Plano Garden Club (Texas)

#G-1 Container Gardening

Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)
Bridgeport Garden Club (Texas)

#G-2 Edible Gardening **OVERALL WINNER:** Waverly Park Garden Club (Texas)-Second graders were guided by this club as part of their science program and created an edible garden. They learned about seeds, plant parts, weeding and the joys of gardening. Other topics covered were pollinators, safety in the garden, watering, and the needs of plants for sun, water, food and air. A host of amazing edibles were grown!

Jacqui Binford-Bell, individual winner (Angel Fire Garden Club) (New Mexico)

#HP-1 The May Duff Walter Achievement Award for Preservation of Beauty

A&M Garden Club (Texas)
Bella Vista Garden Club (Arkansas)

#HP-2 Decoration of a Historic Building

Plano Garden Club (Texas)

Congratulations to ALL of
these NGC Award Winners!
On behalf of SCR, thank you
for taking time to apply.

#L-1 Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker OVERALL WINNER: Brookhaven Garden Club (Texas) Brookhaven Garden Club made an extra gardening revitalization effort in order to show off an existing marker for the state convention, where the marker was on a featured tour. The garden was lush and lavish and full of bees in late October, a beautiful setting for the marker.

#L-3 Blue Star Memorial Marker at a National Cemetery, Veterans Facility or other civic location OVERALL WINNER: Angel Fire Garden Club (New Mexico) - This club maintains an extensive garden at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial site just outside Angel Fire, New Mexico. The memorial marker is surrounded by a beautiful, environmentally-friendly garden that does not use chemicals and employs organic composts and mulches.

Hunt Garden Club (Texas)

#L-4 The Dr. William C. Welch Award OVERALL WINNER: Columbus Garden Club (Texas)-Columbus Garden Club members agreed to plan a landscape design and plant the new Columbus Visitors Center. Construction was completed in early 2018 and the site was barren of any landscaping. The club designed a landscape featuring large areas of seasonal color, and pollinator friendly perennials, accented with large boulders and stepping stones. The club prepared the soil, planted the flowers and solicited donations in the community. They also provide maintenance and upkeep. It was a beautifully executed plan!

Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)

#MP-1 Garden Club Membership

Harrisburg Garden Club (Arkansas)

Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs (Texas)

#MP-2 National Garden Week

Bella Vista Garden Club (Arkansas)

#MP-3 Social Media/Website

Rainbow Garden Club (Texas)

Grapevine Garden Club (Texas)

Rainbow Garden Club (Texas)

Friends of Oak Cliff Park (Texas)

Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)

Group of Clubs-Houston Federation of Garden Clubs (Texas)

#MP-4 Video/CD/DVD/Flash Drive

Comal Garden Club (Texas)

Grapevine Garden Club (Texas)

Dallas Council of Garden Clubs (Texas)

#NPW-1 Roadside Plantings

Angel Fire Garden Club (New Mexico) - \$100.00

#NPW-2 Civic Project with Native Plants

-Frisco Garden Club (Texas) - \$100.00

2018 NGC PUBLICATION AWARD WINNERS

Texas Hunt Garden Club newsletter

Arkansas Garden Club of Rogers bookmark

Arkansas Arkansas Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. "AFGC Avenues & Adventures"

Texas Grapevine Garden Club "Through the Grapevine"

New Mexico New Mexico Gardeners Photography Awards booklet

New Mexico New Mexico Garden Club "New Mexico Gardener" New Mexico New Mexico Garden Club "Awards Handbook"

Texas Colleyville Garden Club "New Member Handbook"

Texas A & M Garden Club "Milkweeds for Monarch Butterflies"

Texas The Bridgeport Garden Club "To Bee or Not to Bee... What was the Question?"

Texas The Bridgeport Garden Club "Favorite Recipes – 60th Anniversary Edition"

Texas Grapevine Garden Club, Inc. "Out of the Garden and Into the Kitchen"

*Congratulations to ALL of
these NGC Award Winners!
You brought honor and pride
to SCR.*

#SR-3 MEMBER AWARD OF HONOR WINNERS for 2018

South Central-Ronna Precure (Garden Club of Rogers) (Arkansas)

Yearbook Awards from SCR

- 1. (under 20) Dardanelle Garden Club (AR)
- 2. (20-29) Harrisburg Garden Club (AR)
- 3. (30-44) Uptown Garden Club (NM)
- 4. (45-69) Garden Club of Rogers (AR)
- 5. (70-99) Frisco Garden Club (TX)
- 6. (100-299) Village Pines G.C. (AR)
- 7. YB-3 Councils Houston Federation of Garden Clubs (TX)

#Y-2 Horticulture Achievement by a Youth Garden Club - The Hessie Thomson Morrah Award Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas)

#Y-4 Youth Environmental Concerns Award - The Winnifred Fink Award **OVERALL WINNER:** Garden Club of Rogers (Arkansas) This club works with 120 4-5 year olds that attend the school each year. They do 3 classrooms a day. Programs include Chia People, All About Mason Bees, Feed the Birds, Pollinators, Let’s Learn to Plant, All about Those Caterpillars and Butterflies, It’s About Recycling.

2018 Youth Recycled Sculpture contest winners from SCR

- 3rd - Robot Horse - Addy Biggs Arkansas
- 3rd - Camera - Miley Lacy Arkansas
- HM - Cardinal - Chloe Greer Arkansas
- 3rd - Flying Dutchman - Jason Reese Arkansas



SCR AWARDS PRESENTED DURING THE SCR 2019 CONVENTION

- #1 — Arbor Day Bella Vista GC — AR
- #2 — Civic Development Morning GC — NM
- #3 — Club Program Rogers GC — AR
- #4 — Yearbook Theme Mesilla Valley GC — NM
- #5 — National Garden Week Harrisburg GC — AR
- #6 — Community Concern Rogers GC — AR
- #7B — Flower Show Schedule Multi Club Arkansas Federated Garden Clubs
- #9 — Landscape Design Angel Fire GC — NM
- #10 — Recycling Dogwood GC— TX
- #12 — Floral Design Program Little Rock GC — AR
- #13 — Youth Program Morning GC — NM
- #14-1A — Brochure Rogers GC — AR
- #14-3A — 3 pages plus/Newsletter..... Grapevine GC — TX
- #14-3B — 3 pages plus/Newsletter..... Arkansas Federated Garden Clubs — AR
- #14-4B — Handbook Manual New Mexico Garden Clubs — NM
- #14-6A — Cookbook Grapevine GC — TX
- #14-7B — Other/Booklet New Mexico Garden Clubs — NM
- #15 — Container Gardens Morning GC — NM
- #23 — SWEEPSTAKES Rogers GC — AR
- DIRECTOR’S PROJECT AWARD Rogers GC — AR and Angel Fire GC — NM**

Congratulations to ALL of the Award Winners for their 2018 Amazing Projects!



2020
Vision of Beauty

Congratulations to Debra Sorrell, of Uptown Garden Club in New Mexico, and Debi Harrington, of Valley Gardeners Garden Club in New Mexico, for having floral designs accepted for the 2020 **Vision of Beauty** Calendar. Debra's winning Botanical Arts photo is shown for the week of May 10-16 and is titled "Ruby Slippers". Debi has a Traditional Mass Design shown for the week of November 15-21 titled "Summer Memories" and a Abstract Creative Design shown for the week of December 27-31 titled "Hiking New Mexico's La Luz Trail". Entries for the 2022 Vision of Beauty may be sent between now and July 1, 2020. Entry forms can be found on the NGC website. **Vision of Beauty** Calendars are inspirational to designers, make great gifts and may be purchased at the NGC website .

SCR 2019 Convention Photos

courtesy of Isabel Olsen and Donna Marscheck



Awards!



Donna Marscheck pinning Gay Austin with an OK State Pin.



NGC 2019 Convention Photos



Isabel Olsen and Shirley Tetreault
Director and Alternate Director 2017-2019



Isabel with Texas Attendees



Isabel with New Mexico Attendees



Oklahoma GC, Inc. Delegates



South Central Region Directors - serving us well in both the past and in the future!
L to R: Mary Ann Moreno, Judy Grotts, Nancy Voyles, Barbara Baker, Isabel Olsen and Linda Lawson



Isabel with Arkansas Attendees

SCR was well represented at the 2019 NGC Convention!



Educational Opportunities

Gardening School Course IV - August 9-10, 2019 Albuquerque, NM

Registrar: Debra Sorrell | Phone: (501) 519-3505

Gardening School Course I - August 24-25, 2019 San Antonio, TX

State Chairman: Cecelia A. Lussen | Phone: (830) 837-5262

Symposium - September 9-11, 2019 Little Rock, AR

Registrar: Rose Knight | Phone: (501) 519-3505

Instructors: Design: Frances Thrash / *new designs, allied topic: design techniques*

Horticulture: Dot Yard / *composite flowers, allied topic: evaluating a flower show*

Flower Show School Course IV - September 16-18, 2019 Houston, TX

Registrar: Jody Rogers | Phone: (713) 562-0408

Instructors: FSP & Design: Shirley Tetreault Horticulture: Judy Newman

Landscape Design Course III: September 23-24, 2019 College Station, TX

State Chairman: Michele Wehrheim | Phone: (313) 649-1067

Flower Show School II - October 8-10, 2019 Dallas, TX

Registrar: Joyce Cochran | Phone: (214) 357-1147

Instructors: FSP & Horticulture: Judith Newman Design: Janice Hamlin

Symposium – November 1-3, 2019 Albuquerque, NM

Registrar: Debra Sorrell | Phone: (505) 615-8564

Instructors: Design: Penny Decker / *tapestry & abstract*

Horticulture: Dot Yard / *house plants grown for foliage & botanical arts, allied topic: compiling a book of evidence for FS achievement award*

Flower Show School Course I: January 20-22, 2020 Houston TX

Tri-Refresher: May 11, 2020 Milwaukee, WI (at the NGC Convention)



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE REGION:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ August 9-10, 2019 ♦ August 24-25, 2019 ♦ September 10-11, 2019 ♦ September 16-18, 2019 ♦ September 23-24, 2019 ♦ October 8-10, 2019 ♦ November 1-3, 2019 ♦ January 20-22, 2020
 ♦ April 22-23, 2020 ♦ May 11, 2020 ♦ May 11-16, 2020 | <p>Gardening School IV - Albuquerque, NM</p> <p>Gardening School I - San Antonio, TX</p> <p>Judges Symposium - Little Rock, AR</p> <p>Flower Show School IV - Houston, TX</p> <p>Landscape Design School - College Station, TX</p> <p>Flower Show School II - Dallas, TX</p> <p>Judges Symposium - Albuquerque, NM</p> <p>Flower Show School I - Houston, TX</p>
<p>SCR Convention - Little Rock, Arkansas</p> <p>NGC Tri-Refresher - Milwaukee, WI</p> <p>NGC Convention - Milwaukee, WI</p> |
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After seeing all the fun that takes place at SCR and NGC Conventions, why not make plans now to join in next year at one or both events! See you there?



SCR Garden Clubs Mission Statement

National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education resources and national net working opportunities for its members to promote the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.

LEARN MORE ABOUT SCR AND NGC BY VISITING THEIR WEBSITES

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC. website is www.gardenclub.org

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION website is www.scrgardenclubs.org

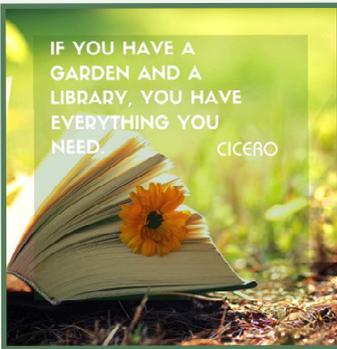
Arkansas Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. website is www.arkansasfgc.com

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. website is www.newmexicogardenclubs.org

Oklahoma Garden Clubs, Inc. website is www.oklahomagardenclubs.com

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. website is www.texasgardenclubs.org

The South Central Region Website address: scrgardenclubs.org



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