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AMGC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear fellow gardeners:

As you know, Tim Leblanc has stepped down as president. My thanks to Billy Clark, Michael Auriene and Elbert Seal for taking care of the 2017 nominations, which we will vote on at Monday's meeting:

- President..... Billy Clark**
- 1st VP..... Clint Probst**
- 2nd VP..... Michael Auriene**
- Treasurer..... Roy Schemensky**
- Secretary..... Ott Witt**
- Directors 2017 thru 2019..... Eugene Coe and Elbert Seal**

As a club we will vote on the above at our meeting on November 21st. Officers will be sworn in at our December holiday party by our special guest, Tom Wilton.

I will be travelling out of town again for the Thanksgiving holiday and will be unable to attend Monday's meeting. I am happy to accept the nomination for first Vice President for 2017. I will also continue to publish our monthly newsletter and do my best to keep our website updated.

Clint Probst

Holiday Party! Saturday, December 3 at 1pm, Romano's Macaroni Grill in Arlington. 1670 W Interstate 20, Arlington, TX 76017

December is our Holiday Party! Please invite your spouse or friend!

Saturday, December 3 at 1pm, Romano's Macaroni Grill in Arlington. \$15/person so bring you checkbook to our 11/21 meeting and you can take care of your \$25 2017 dues too!

You can bring a check to our meeting on Monday, 11/21 or mail to Roy Schemensky, 1903 Alpaca Ct, Arlington, Texas 76001.

NEXT MEETING

November 21, 2016 at 7:00pm (every 3rd Monday)

Garden Room of the Bob Duncan Center

2800 South Center Street, Arlington, Texas

OFFICERS

President	Tim Leblanc
Past President	Billy Clark
1st Vice President ...	Clint Probst
2nd Vice President ..	Elbert Seal
Secretary	Otto Witt
Treasurer	Roy Schemensky
Directors (Exp 2016)	Otto Witt
Directors (Exp 2017)	M. Auriene & J. Hertzler
Directors (Exp 2018)	L. Jepson

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Audit	Schemensky & Leblanc
Awards	Billy Clark
By-Laws ...	Ed MacLeod
Finance	Elbert Seal
Plant Show ...	Tim Leblanc
House	Auriene & Holman
Programs ...	Clint Probst
Publicity	Hertzler
Scholarship ...	Auriene & Schemensky
Sunshine Report ...	Richard Harrell
Home & Garden Show	Jepson & Clark
Christmas Banquet	Michael Auriene
Jr. Livestock Show	Conley & Seal
Membership	Jack Sinclair
Nominations	TBD by the President
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OUR SUNSHINE REPORT

AMGC Members and/or their family's health conditions and well-being, as received, are listed below. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Ric Overley asks again for prayers because he cannot drive any longer and cannot come to our meetings.

Our fellow Master Composter and friend, Charlie Shiner, has been hospitalized at Baylor Grapevine hospital for a heart attack and masses on his liver and lungs. His wife Marge says he is in relatively good spirits and is expected to come home in a couple of days. Please keep Marge and Charlie in your thoughts.

Snack Volunteers:

Please Sign up at our next meeting for January snacks!



Speaker Spotlight

November - Brad Sandy, 'Fall Planting for the Best Spring Ever!'

December—Holiday Party!



RICHARD CLARK

Richard Clark will be our speaker for the November meeting. He will speak to us about "Propagating Miniature Roses".

Richard has spoken to our club in years past. He operates a large greenhouse and is very active in the Community Gardens in Grand Prairie.

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT:

The "President's Call To Service Award" is a Lifetime Achievement Award given to by the President of the United States of America to individuals for their lifelong commitment to building a stronger nation through volunteer service. The recipient has to have volunteered a minimum of 4,000 volunteer hours. Our club member, Billy Clark, has been given this prestigious award for his volunteer hours as a Dallas County Master Gardener. Let's all congratulate Billy Clark on this prestigious award!

AMGC Most Valuable Member

The AMGC will vote on which member of the AMGC is the Most Valuable Member for 2016 at our meeting on November 21st.

Results of the election will be announced at our December Installation meeting in December with the winner being awarded the "Little Man Award".



November

Gardeners To Do List For November

Average Date of First Freeze in Dallas County: November 21 - 30

Planting

- **Continue to plant shade trees, ornamental trees, and shrubs.**
- **Relocate established trees and shrubs after they enter dormancy (late November to January). Plant 'balled and burlap' trees and large shrubs.**
- **Continue refrigerator chilling of tulips and Dutch hyacinths in preparation for late December/early January planting.**
- **Plant pansies, flowering kale and cabbage, dianthus, cyclamen, violas, and other cool season annuals. Plant daffodil and grape hyacinth immediately after purchase.**
- **Divide and replant perennials such as Iris and daylily.**

Pruning

- **Prune evergreen trees (as needed) such as magnolias, live oaks, and wax myrtles to minimize possible ice damage.**
- **Cut back dormant perennials such as lantana and salvia after the first freeze.**
- **Trim back tropical plants such as cannas, banana and elephant ears after their foliage freezes down.**
- **Do major re-shaping of shade trees as needed after the first freeze when plants go dormant. This is a good time to remove mistletoe that stands out on bare limbs.**

Plant Care

- **Mulch leaves on your lawn. Shred excess leaves and add to planting beds or compost pile.**
- **Replenish finished compost and mulch in planting beds, preferably before the first freeze.**
- **Harvest pecans after mid November.**
- **Continue to mow warm season turf up to first freeze.**
- **Fertilize new fescue and ryegrass lawns at one half the rate recommended.**
- **Apply your favorite fertilizer to pansies and other winter color plants to promote strong growth if needed.**
- **Inspect houseplants that are coming indoors to be sure they have no insect pests.**
- **Harvest fall vegetables before the first freeze.**
- **Remove and drain garden hoses from outlets and cover faucets to prevent freeze damage.**

