

# The Weeder

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## IMPORTANT DATES

We meet on the fourth Monday of each month, 7:30 pm at the Brentwood Community Methodist Church, 809 Second Street in Brentwood.

Board Meetings are held on the first Tuesday, (after the first Monday), of each month, 7:30 pm in the Fireside Room.

## Propagation Workshop

Propagation has ended for the 2018 season. Check your *Weeder* this fall for information on 2018-2019 activities.

## 2018 General Meetings

May 21 (Date changed due to holiday)  
June 25 (30th Anniversary Potluck)  
July 23

## 2018 Board Meetings

June 5  
July 3  
August 7

## DIG's 2019 Plant Sale

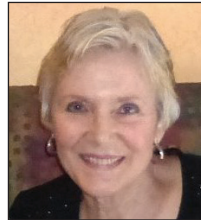
Saturday May 11

**Delta Informal Gardeners encourages gardening through education and beautification of the community**



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# Another Plant Sale is History



I hope that you were all able to attend DIG's Annual Plant Sale and load up on lots of well-established flowers and vegetables.

Here's a partial list of how to stay busy in your garden! If you plant your vegetables by seed, there's still time. Thin seedlings & toss out the weak ones so the strong

seedlings have room to develop good roots. Sow lettuce, carrots, spinach, radishes, beans, peppers corn, melons, eggplant, cucumbers, zucchini, squashes, and gourds. Cut off strawberry runners for more fruit and less plant. Fertilize shrubs, vines, and lawns. Prune Lilac, forsythia, and honeysuckle shrubs as soon as they finish blooming. Deadhead rhododendron and azalea blooms so the plant's energy will go toward producing next year's flower buds and faded roses will encourage a second bloom period for early summer. Be sure to fertilize your rose bushes.

I'm sure with all the flowers from the Plant Sale, your garden will be eye-catching.

*Helen*

## MAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING

### **Alicia Molder, *Build It and They Will Come*—Butterfly Gardens**

Learn how to build a butterfly garden where butterflies will visit and stick around. Learn the benefits and differences of host plants vs nectar plants. We will also learn a little about raising butterflies in our homes.

Alicia has been raising butterflies for about 3 years and has raised hundreds of butterfly's since. She has learned a lot about attracting butterflies to her small "suburban desert" garden, and how one person can really make a difference in this beautiful pollinators population. Alicia will discuss how we all can attract and raise butterfly's, attractor plants, etc.

She will be giving away a small Passion Vine (her favorite host plant) and will have live caterpillars and plenty of visual aids the membership will want to checkout before/after the presentation.

## Upcoming Programs

**June 25:** Annual pot luck. **July 23:** Stan Morgan on irises.

**August 27:** Lori Caldwell the Compost Gal.

*Bob Selders, Vice President, Programs*



**DIG Membership**  
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PLEASE LIST YOUR AREA(S) OF GARDENING INTEREST OR EXPERTISE \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out the membership form and mail it along with your dues to the address above. You may also bring your form and dues to the next general meeting.

Individual Membership.....**\$15**

Family Membership.....**\$20**

(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE)

Please make checks payable to DIG.  New Member  Renewal



**Directions**

DIG meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Brentwood Community Methodist Church, 809 Second Street in Brentwood.

Winter and Spring potting up events, as well as our annual plant sale, are held at Wolfe Ranch, 700 Creek Road, Brentwood.

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