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AMGC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our club was well represented at the Spring Fort Worth Home & Garden Show. Thanks to Michael Auriene, Billy Clark and Duane Holman for setting up our booth. Also thanks to Gene Coe. Diana Posey. Roy Schmensky, Michael Auriene, Lance Jepson, Otto Witt, Duane Holman and Billy Clark for representing the club at our booth on the three days of the show. We had 14 people to sign up to get our News Letter and more information about TGOA in Arlington, Texas.



The packages of seeds that we gave away at the Fort Worth Home & Garden Show was a popular event that caused a lot of people to stop and talk to our representatives. The seed packets that Richard Clark donated were readily picked up. Thanks Richard.

Start collecting seeds for our club to give away at the Fall Show.

We are getting estimates for new badges reflecting our name change to TGOA (The Gardeners of America) in Arlington, Texas. We will be getting new caps reflecting the name change.

Planning ahead. I want us to have Board of Directors Meeting either before or after our meetings. Members are welcome to the BOD meetings, this is "our club", so we all have a say in what the club does.

The Fall Fort Worth Home and Garden Show is to take place in August 18 – 20, 2017 at the Will Rogers Memorial Center. Please keep this week end open to help the club at this show.

We need volunteers to sign up to provide SNACKS for the months July, August, October and November. Please look for the SNACKS Sign up Sheet at the next meeting.

May 15 Meeting Snacks:

Duane H.

Billy C.

NEXT MEETING

June 19 at 7:00pm (every 3rd Monday)

Garden Room of the Bob Duncan Center

2800 South Center Street, Arlington, Texas

OFFICERS

President	Billy Clark
Past President	Tim Leblanc
1st Vice President ...	Clint Probst
2nd Vice President ..	Michael Auriene
Secretary	Otto Witt
Treasurer	Roy Schemensky
Directors (Exp 2017)	Jay Hertzler
Directors (Exp 2018)	D. Holman & L. Jepson
Directors (Exp 2019)	G. Coe & E. Seal

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Audit	Coe & Jepson
Awards	Billy Clark
By-Laws ...	Sam Dews
Finance	Elbert Seal
Plant Show ...	Elbert Seal
House	Auriene & Holman
Programs ...	Clint Probst
Publicity	Hertzler
Scholarship ...	Auriene & Schemensky
Sunshine Report ...	Richard Harrell
Home & Garden Show	Jepson
Christmas Banquet	Michael Auriene
Membership	Billy Clark
Nominations	TBD by the President
Photographer	Lance Jepson
Newsletter & Website	Clint Probst

National Director.....Michael Auriene



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 has had a nerve problem in his neck that is causing pain and numbness of my left arm. It is very hard to do much for it, but some steroids have helped, but they caused some other health problems to become worse. He asks us to keep him in our prayers.

Snack Volunteers, June: Duane and Billy

Please Sign up at our next meeting for snacks!



Speaker Spotlight

June—Gina Woods: 'Wonderful World of Orchids'

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**June Speaker
Gina Woods
'The Wonderful World of Orchids'**



PERSONAL STATEMENT Gina became interested in gardening when she moved to a ranch in Mexico in 1987. Gina was fascinated with orchids and wanted to have a career even though job opportunities were limited for an American in rural Mexico who could not speak the language. She decided to build her first two orchid shade houses in 1991 and became the first commercial, cut-flower dendrobium orchid producer in Mexico. In the following 19 years, Gina expanded into plant rentals, events, and opened a retail location in Tampico, Mexico.

In addition to her love for orchids, Gina has a tremendous passion for education, and she served on the Board of Directors of the American School of Tampico for 7 years. Gina also enjoys traveling, cooking, reading, and entertaining. Gina speaks on Orchids, Bromeliads, and Tillandsias.

CERTIFICATIONS: TEXAS MASTER GARDENER, Dallas County and Native Plant Maintenance by NPSOT MEMBER OF AND/OR WORKS WITH FOLLOWING HORTICULTURE ORGANIZATIONS (includes offices held): Member, Tampico Garden Club from 1995-2010 President, Tampico Garden Club during its 50th anniversary year Co-founder and first president, Tampico Orchid Society Member, Designers with Flair, Founding member of Garden Masters, Designers and Diggers, Dallas Flower Show Judges Founders Group, NGC Student judge, Greater Dallas/Fort Worth Bromeliad Society, and Native Plant Society of Texas **EDUCATION:** Graduated from The Hockaday School, 1979 BBA, University of Texas at Austin, 1982 Bronze Medal for Horticulture 1996*



June

Gardeners To Do List For June

Planting

- Continue to plant warm season turf grasses (Bermuda, St. Augustine, and Zoysia). Early June is also an ideal time to establish new Bermuda lawns by hydro-mulching.
- Plant ground covers and tropical and warm season annuals such as begonia, hibiscus, periwinkle, portulaca, purslane, salvia, zinnia, coleus, Mexican heather, gomphrena, and caladiums.

Pruning

- Prune out any dead or broken branches of woody ornamentals (trees and shrubs) but avoid major pruning during summer heat.
- Cut back spent flowers of annuals and perennials to encourage new blooms.
- Prune spent flowers from roses and fertilize if needed according to a soil test.
- Pinch back chrysanthemums to encourage branching.

Plant Care

- Pay special attention to the water needs of new lawns, trees, and ornamentals as hot dry weather sets in. Water in the early morning hours (3 AM to 8 AM) to minimize fungal problems and reduce evaporation.
- Fertilize annual flowers and vegetables with your favorite fertilizer type to assure continued vigor, based on results from a soil test (which may cost as little as \$10).
- Check crape myrtles for aphids throughout the summer.
- Check ornamentals, flowers, and vegetables for spider mites, prevalent in warm months.
- Watch for bagworms on junipers, arborvitae and other conifers, treat as needed.
- Watch for webworms on trees, especially pecans and mulberries, and treat as necessary.
- Apply fungicide as necessary to control black spot and powdery mildew on roses.
- Early June is an ideal time to aerate your lawn.
- Fertilize your warm season turf grasses if needed based on soil test recommendation.
- Check for chinch bugs in St. Augustine lawns throughout the summer, and for gray leaf spot fungus in periods of high humidity and temperatures in the 80s and 90s.
- Spot treat fire ant mounds with ant bait or a mound drench.
- Begin to harvest vegetables and fruits as they ripen: potatoes, beans, cucumbers, squash, radishes, tomatoes, blackberries and peaches.

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