



**PGS Officers
2010-2011**

<i>Wendi Carlucci</i> <i>Beckie Underwood</i>	<i>Co-Presidents</i>
<i>Margaret Collins</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
<i>Beckie Underwood</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
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<i>Jennifer Myers</i> <i>Randa Jessen</i>	<i>Hospitality</i>
<i>Susan Schlepperell</i>	<i>Historian/Publicity</i>
<i>Ed Richmond</i>	<i>Web Master</i>
<i>Sheryl Chambers</i>	<i>Newsletter</i>

Survey Results

As you all know, we've asked you to complete a couple of surveys to help our leadership team make sure that the club is everything that we want it to be. The Board used the results from these surveys to put together some recommendations for the club for next year. We wanted to share the survey results with you, so that everyone had a better understanding of what other club members are thinking.

Results from first survey distributed at March meeting:

After receiving about a 30% response, PGS members indicated that they want a small club where they can continue to have high quality programs on gardening. They want to be a club for serious gardeners who may or may not be experts.

Growth is OK, some dues increase is OK, meeting in homes is good but having an occasional meeting at The Lodge or another facility is fine—especially when we can invite friends to attend. Members like the intimacy of the club---feel that they can better meet and get to know other gardeners.

Members value the Garden Tour (held every 2 years)—and are willing to help. Members would accept a method to raise funds such as speaker, tour, etc. PGS is the primary garden club for the majority of its members and draws from other garden clubs for its specific programs and smaller size.

Volunteer leadership is more than adequate for 2011-2012.

Results from second "follow up" survey:

50% of the members responded and indicated that they would not mind if the membership were increased to 40 members. They also indicated that a rise to \$35 or \$40 would be OK. They would also support a city-wide fundraiser. 12 members said they'd be glad to host the meeting in their home while 5 indicated that their homes were too small or they couldn't host. Most indicated that they would support a plant sale although they noted that it seemed to be a lot of work.

The program ideas that drew the most support:

#1 - Perennial bulbs for North Texas

Blooming perennials for shade

Unusual perennials for NE Tarrant County

#2 - Perennials that thrive in heat and drought

Gardening without artificial chemicals

Pocket gardens

Least popular - composting 101

If there are any questions on the survey results, please feel free to bring them up at the May meeting. The Board recommendations will also be presented at the May meeting. Please be sure to arrive in time for the business meeting at the special time of 9:00 am, at The Lodge.

**Local Gardening
Events**

- April 30—Grapevine Garden Club Plant Sale
- May 1—Colleyville Garden Club Promenade
- May 7 - Dallas Arboretum Plant Sale
- May 15—Trophy Club Women's Club Garden Tour

SPIN Into Spring Garden Tour Recap



This year's SPIN Into Spring Garden Tour was a huge success! We had tickets available at additional locations this year prior to the Tour, and the beautiful weather the day of the Tour helped

ticket sales. We sold almost 700 tickets this year, up from about 300 two years ago.

Thank you to all of our volunteers!

May Garden Tips

- Plant summer- and fall-flowering bulbs
- Spray for peach leaf curl, peach leaf blight, and canker
- Plant permanent ground covers
- Plant or repair lawns
- Plant ornamental grasses
- Plant annuals for summer and fall color
- Plant balled-and-burlapped or container fruit trees
- Spray dormant fruit trees

- Prune frost-sensitive fruit trees
- Feed houseplants that are growing or blooming
- Plant heat-loving perennials
- Plant container roses
- Plant balled-and-burlapped or container trees, shrubs, and vines
- Prune spring-flowering or tender shrubs and vines during or just after bloom
- Plant or transplant warm-season vegetable seedlings



Election of Officers

It's that time again. As everyone knows, Wendi & Beckie are turning over their duties as Co-Presidents, after leading us for the past 2 years. We've taken nominations/volunteers for the many positions that support the club and we'll be voting on them at the May meeting (see below). Please note, there are still a couple of openings. If you are interested, please contact Margaret prior to the May meeting. This club exists because we've had great volunteers leading us—this is your chance to get involved! Even if you can't volunteer to take one of these positions "full-time", think about offering your services for part of the year.

Officer Nominees for 2011-2012:

- Co-Presidents - Margaret Collins and Tamara Hauser
- Programs - vacant
- Membership - Jennifer Myers
- Recording Secretary - Sharon Duquemin
- Newsletter - Sheryl Chambers, Sharon Duquemin
- Historian—Beckie Underwood
- Meeting Reminders - Randa Jessen
- Hospitality - Susan Schleppegrell and Deborah Knudson
- Publicity - vacant

May PGS Meeting

May is the annual Member Garden Tour, followed by a luncheon. Please meet at the Lodge at 9:00 and we'll take care of voting for officers for next season. Also, please plan on paying dues at the May meeting. It's important that we know how many members we will have for next year. Once

our business is completed, we'll head out to see Ed, Tamara and Ken's gardens. Diane Bredenberg has graciously volunteered to host the luncheon again this year. I know that we're all anxious to see how her garden has progressed over the past year.

Next meeting May 12th

Member Garden Tour and Luncheon

Meet at The Lodge at 9:00

Business Meeting starts promptly at 9:00



The Perennial Garden Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating its members on gardening topics specific to the North Texas area. The primary focus of the group is native and adapted drought tolerant perennials and grasses. Our purpose is to promote, encourage and share ideas with other gardeners regarding the implementation of native and adapted perennial in the suburban Texas landscape.

PERENNIAL GARDEN SOCIETY

2010 – 2011

PROGRAMS, HOSTS & CO-HOSTS



September 8th	Trends in Landscape Design - Sharon Duquemin
Location	The Lodge @ Bicentennial Park
Co-hosts	Pattie Minder, Wendi Carlucci, Jackie Phillips, & Beckie Underwood
October 13th	Propagation – Marilyn Sallee
Host	Susan Schleppegrell 525 Brooks Court, Southlake
Co-hosts	Barbara Schlauch & Pat Wiszneauckas
November 10th	Ornamental Grasses - John Snowden w/ Blue Stem Nursery
Host	Tamara Hauser 911 Emerald Blvd., Southlake
Co-hosts	Sharon Duquemin & Marge Carpenter
December 8th	Hands-on project – Claire Alford
Location	The Lodge @ Bicentennial Park
Pot-luck Brunch	Everyone bring something to share along with gift for GRACE
January 12th	Vegetables – Bill Vanderver and Bill Hall
Host	Wendi Carlucci 2000 North Peytonville, Southlake
Co-hosts	Sheryl Chambers & Jennifer Myers
February 9th	Ponds – Scott Wood w/ Terrascapes
Host	Margaret Collins 2901 Knight Court, Southlake
Co-hosts	Shirley Morris & Jackie Phillips
March 9th	Soil/Compost/Bugs – Michael Bosco w/ Soils Alive
Host	Bob Hudnall 1402 Plantation Drive
Co-hosts	Ken Stone & Kalena Cook
April 13th	Field Trip
May 12th –	Members Garden Tour and Lunch
Luncheon Host	Diane Bredenberg
	Members asked to bring Salad or Dessert
	1. Ed Richmond 2. Ken Stone
	3. Tamara Hauser