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Perenníal Garden Society



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Newsletter

I was born and raised in Vermilion, Ohio. After graduating from Bowling Green State University I worked in several Children's Hospitals as a Child Life Specialist. I met my husband Dan in 1982 and we

were married and moved to Texas in 1985 (he is a native Texan). We have 2 children ~ Riley who is in nursing school at The University of North Carolina and our son Cade who is a freshman at The University of Alabama. We lived in Fort Worth for 22 years before moving to Southlake in 2006. My mother instilled in me the love of gardening. As a child I remember her growing perennials, roses and veggies in our garden. I will never forget the day my mom called me crying on the phone. My sister was home from college for the weekend with a friend and decided to help our mom out while

she was at an appointment. My sister and her friend "weeded" my moms English cottage border that encircled our yard. They didn't know much about gardening or plants and had pulled up all of the perennials !! I am very blessed to have a husband who loves to garden as much as I do. We involved our children in our gardening projects at a young age and they too enjoy gardening. A wonderful memory is when they were young we would go into the garden and pick our vegetables to have for dinner. When I am not gardening I enjoy working part-time at Anthropologie, reading, cooking, walking, yoga, and doing decorating projects. I have enjoyed meeting so many gardening friends at PGS. I was a member of the Fort Worth Garden Club for about 10 years, but it seemed like the members all had hired gardeners to tend their yards. That is why I LOVE PGS ... we all have dirt under our fingernails!

PGS for 2012 and beyond

Local Gardening Events

- Mar 5- Apr 10—Dallas Blooms, Dallas Arboretum
- Feb 26-27—All Texas Gardening Show, Arlington
- Feb 26—Gardenfest!, Calloways
- Mar 4-5—Home & Garden Show, Dallas

Those of you who were at the February meeting heard Wendi & Beckie talk about the relationship with Keep Southlake Beautiful and the fact that KSB is going away this summer. KSB and the City have been great to help support PGS through education grants, meeting spaces, etc. Unfortunately, with that going away, we need to take a look at how we do things in PGS and decide how we adapt.

Margaret Collins, one of our new Presidents for 2011-2012, will host a special meeting at her house on Friday, March 25th at 8 am. The purpose of the meeting is to talk about where we go from here—what size do we want the club to be, where do we want to have meetings, what

should the functions of the officers be? This meeting is open to all club members and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Prior to the meeting on the 25th, Margaret will develop a survey and will send—via e-mail—to all members. Please be sure to complete the survey and return to Margaret. Your feedback is important and will help to shape the future direction of the club. These survey responses will be used as the basis for the discussion on the 25th.

We look forward to seeing you on the 25th. Meeting time is 8 am and a light breakfast will be served. Page 2 Volume 2, Issue 7





Next meeting March 9th-

Bobby Hudnal

1402 Plantation Drive, Southlake

MEETING TIME 10:00 Coffee and snacks at 9:30

> Special Meeting-March 25th

Margaret Collins home 2901 Knight Court, Southlake

MEETING TIME 8 am

SPIN Into Spring Garden Tour

As noted previously, PGS will no longer be receiving financial support from the City or KSB. However, the proceeds from this year's Garden Tour, presented by SPIN and KSB, will go to PGS. This is our opportunity to make an impact on how successful the tour is, and what kind of proceeds are available. At the March meeting, we will ask that each PGS member commits to selling 5 tickets each. Tickets are \$8. You can sell the tickets, or you may want to buy 5

tickets and share with your family and friends. There are 6 beautiful gardens on the tour this year and this is a wonderful chance for us to share the beauty of Southlake with those who live in other areas of the Metroplex. The Tour takes place on Sunday, April 17th. We will have tickets and brochures at the March PGS meeting. We thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to seeing everyone at the Tour!

March Garden Tips

- Prune winter-flowering shrubs and vines after bloom
- 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 hardy and annual ornamental grasses
- Plant bare-root and container roses

- Plant or transplant warm-season annuals
- Plant fruit trees
- Feed houseplants that are growing or blooming
- Plant heat-loving perennials
- Plant ornamental and evergreen trees, shrubs, and vines
- Prune spring-flowering or tender shrubs and vines during or just after bloom
- Plant warm-seasoned vegetable seedlings

February Meeting Re-Cap

The Perennial Garden Society met on February 16th at the home of Margaret Collins. The members enjoyed snacks at 9:30 a.m. and Wendi Carlucci introduced the speaker, Scott Wood, at 10 a.m. Scott, owner of Terrascapes, presented the program on ponds--from design and building to maintenance. He made specific suggestions on

optimum size, placement in the landscape, choice of plants and fish and tips on maintenance. The members asked lots of questions and enjoyed the very informative program.

Beckie took great notes during the meeting and they are attached to this as a hand out.

March PGS Meeting

Back by popular demand— Michael Bosco of Soils Alive! Many of you remember our Sept. 2009 meeting where Michael talked to us about improving our soils, types of compost, etc. We ran out of time before we ran out of questions.

Michael will be back with us in March to talk about soils, compost and bugs. Oh my! Please plan on joining us at Bobby Hudnal's house for this informative discussion.



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

Becky Gamble
Ken Stone

3. Tamara Hauser 4. Marge Carpenter

(alternate—Ed Richmond, if needed)