



Roto-Teller

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Calling all project managers and anyone else who has pictures of Association events, etc.

Please turn all pictures into the Extension Office or to Susan Musgrave so that they may be included in the DCMGA Scrapbook before the end of December. Pictures and information may be emailed to Susan at susan.musgrave@verizon.net.



Happy Birthday!



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November 2	Phil Weatherby
November 5	Joe Moore and Adele Petty
November 6	Lee Neithammer
November 7	Maurine LeBeau
November 11	Pam Owens
November 15	Nancy Miley
November 19	Mary Ellen Richards
November 20	Brian Byrwa and Darla Bostick
November 21	Ruth Orpin
November 24	Carol Fitch
November 26	Connie Johnson
November 28	Donna Wolfe

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Comments & Suggestions: Please call Pam McClimon or e-mail [Editor](#) with your comments and suggestions. Photos, phone numbers and email addresses printed in this publication are only for use by DCMGA members.

Mentors Needed for 2006 Intern Class

Last month's Round Up of prospective Class of 2006 interns was very successful, with 16 attendees "signing in." We now have a total of 25 applicants. Sandy Hiatte, First Vice President, and Sue Chellew, Hospitality Chairman, did a great job in putting together this event.

But with a large class expected in January, there will likewise be a need for mentors for these interns. Our mentor program gives each new intern an immediate "friend" in the association, as well as someone to answer questions, give advice, and be a "link" to projects, while completing their busy class schedule. Having a mentor for each intern is an important part of helping the class succeed.



If you are interested in being a mentor for 2006, please email me.

Maurine LeBeau, Chairman, Mentor Committee

November General Meeting- Fall Designs

Join us at the November general meeting, Wednesday, November 9, at 9:00 AM for some "hands on" design help for the holidays. DCMGA member Judy Cobb will show us how to do some simple holiday designs, from party favors to table/buffet arrangements. She is also bringing the fall table design created by DCMGA for the Denton Benefit League's "Sensational Settings" event.

Judy, in addition to being a DCMGA intern, has belonged to garden clubs for many years and has won many creative design awards. She also teaches design technique programs at all levels, from the beginner to the acclaimed.



MASTER GARDENERS WILL JINGLE AND JANGLE AT THE DCMGA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GATHERING

You have about five weeks to decide what favorite dish to bring and share with others at the Christmas Party as well as shop for a gift for the gift exchange (\$10 suggested limit.)

Scotty Kolb has volunteered her home for the festivities and since she has a special 'holiday room' setup with Christmas décor all year long, it is a perfect place for a party. Mark your calendars now!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2005
10 a.m. until ...
Scotty Kolb's home (see address roster)
Argyle, TX

Updates



The first TREE meeting was attended by almost 70 educators and interested community members. John Cooper and Brigid Corbett represented DCMGA. There was also representation from NPSOT, Master Naturalists, the Wild Bird Center, KDB, LISDOLA, BRIT, REAL (the Rainwater Environmental Alliance for Learning), and Elm Fork (UNT). There was staff from Denton elementary schools, two Denton high schools, one Denton middle school, the district operations staff, two members of the school board, and some representatives of an Argyle campus. There are plans for one more meeting in the spring, but an exact date and location have not been set. This next meeting will have a shorter formal presentation and more time for networking, with networking stations set up to identify who is in attendance. TREE offers a great opportunity to meet and learn from others interested in outdoor learning environments.

Brigid Corbett, Project Manager



2006 Garden Tour

The garden tour selection committee has been hard at work touring DCMGA gardens and the final selections have been made. Those gardens, along with other information on tour details, will be announced in the December Roto-Teller.

But its never too early to start planning publicity for our biggest annual fundraiser. If you belong to an area garden club, civic club, homeowner's association, or similar group, please provide any contact information to Pam McClimon, Publicity Committee Chairman.

Darla Bostick, Tour Committee Chairman

Speakers Bureau

Thanks to the following DCMGs for making presentations on behalf of our association: Deanna Miles, Canyon Oaks Garden Club; Diane Land, Hood County Master Gardener Conference; Mary Ellen Richards, Denton County Newcomers Club.

The Speakers Bureau is very fortunate to have many capable and willing members who represent us throughout Denton County, and other areas of Texas, as well. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of them for their ongoing cooperation. As always, I am

eager to welcome any other Maser Gardeners who are interested in the Speakers Bureau. Please to contact me with any question or suggestions you might have.

Annell Burns, Project Manager

Highland Village Elementary School

Fall has been a season for general cleanup and maintenance at the Highland Village Elementary Outdoor Classroom. The area fifth grade Girl Scout troop applied weather protector to both arbors, trimmed trees, planted flowers, put up two scarecrows and started building birdhouses. The first graders have plans to sow wildflowers very soon.



Jill Peak, Project Manager

Minutes

President Carolyn Tinner called the DCMGA Board of Directors Meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Those in attendance were Karen Archambault, Annie Brackin, John Cooper, Sandy Hiatte, Maurine LeBeau, Susan Musgrave, Carolyn Tinner, Linda Williams, Donna Wolfe, and Mary Morrow.

The minutes were submitted to the Board via email by **Mary Morrow, Secretary**, and approved as written.

Susan Musgrave, Historian, gave an update on the "Cool Shade for the Third Grade," LISD tree distribution project. The trees will be shipped on October 17, bagging will be on October 20-21, and distribution will be the week of October 24. A minimum of 9 additional volunteers is needed to distribute the trees. Susan will do sign up sheets to have available at the Retreat, and directions to her home.

Linda Williams, Treasurer, submitted the Treasurer's Report; the ending balance is \$13,914.18.

Carolyn provided pricing comparison for the purchase of a laptop, related hardware, and software. Lengthy discussion followed. It was decided to continue research of purchasing the equipment and finding an AV coordinator. Joanne fellows will conduct Power Point training, beginning with the Speakers Bureau

Sandy Hiatte, First Vice President, advised everything was set to go for the Retreat on October 6. We have 25 registered to attend.

Sandy gave the 2006 Slate of Officers and advised of the positions not filled. **

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First Vice President: Karen Archambault
Second Vice President: TBF
Treasurer: Brenda Wellenreiter
Secretary: Mary Morrow
Historian: TBF
Program Coordinator: TBF
Volunteer Coordinator: Donna Wolfe
Mentor Coordinator: TBF
Editor: Mary Morrow

The following committees have been filled:

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Website: Janie Farler
Garden Tour: Darla Bostick

Sandy advised the Garden Tour Selection Committee is meeting on Friday, October 7, to view gardens and make selections.

Carolyn provided information on locations/related cost for the Annual Dinner and Graduation in January. Annie Brackin made a motion to have the Annual Dinner and Graduation at the Ruby Room in Highland Village, contingent upon visual approval. Mary seconded the motion; all approved.

Karen Archambault, Second Vice President, gave an update on Plants, Birds, and Elephants held on September 24 at LISDOLA. She advised 75 attendees completed survey forms. She advised attendance was good considering the threat of the hurricane, and everyone, including attendees, vendors, and volunteers, had an enjoyable time. She voiced her concern regarding the amount of work involved in the preparation of the event, and the lack of support received to ensure success of this event. It was decided a separate committee would be formed to prepare for this event in the future.

Sandy advised the Round-Up would be held on Wednesday, October 19, at 10:00 AM. Sue Chellew, Hospitality, will be coordinating refreshments and decorations. Sandy advised our next meeting, October 12, will be held at night, and include a Plant Swap and training on revised Project Forms.

Mary advised volunteers for Work Days at LHOFF were not as forthcoming as in the past. She will solicit help at the Retreat and send emails to those she had not heard from that have worked before. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.

** Some positions were filled at the Retreat. The following is an update of the 2006 Slate of Officers:

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Hospitality: Clarice Luce
Garden Tour Plant Sale: Ann Banks

Datebook

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Nov. 9, 9am - Fall Designs and a slate of nominees will be presented at the monthly meeting at the Extension Office
December 2005
Dec. 1, 10am - The Scent of Christmas, Holiday Design Course
Dec. 3 or 4 - The Benz School of Floral Design Master Gardener Workshops
Dec. 14 - General Meeting will be our annual Christmas Party at Scotty Kolb's home
May 2006
May 4-6 - 2006 State Conference in Reed Arena at Texas A &M University



The End