



The Garden Path

The Official Newsletter of the Tomball Garden Club

Summer
2026

2026 – 2027
TGC Year

Celebrating
70 Years
of Growing, Giving & Gardening!

TOMBALL GARDEN CLUB
1956 – 2026

Tomball Garden Club is delighted to celebrate a very special milestone — 70 years of gardening, friendship, and service to our community!



*Join us for our 70th Anniversary
Seven-Tea Afternoon Tea!*

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A Note from the President

Celebrating 70 Years of Growing Together

It is a true honor to serve as President of the Tomball Garden Club as we celebrate our 70th anniversary!

As summer unfolds in all its vibrant glory, our gardens are bursting with color, fragrance, and life. This beautiful season reminds us why we gather—not only to nurture our gardens, but also to cultivate friendships, share knowledge, and celebrate the beauty that blossoms when we grow together.

We've weathered heat waves, sudden storms, and plenty of stubborn weeds, yet our club continues to flourish. Every meeting, workshop, field trip, and community project reflects your dedication, enthusiasm, and creativity. Whether you've been planting pollinator-friendly flowers, experimenting with drought-tolerant landscapes, or simply enjoying the shade of a favorite tree, your passion for gardening inspires us all.

Looking ahead, we have an exciting year planned for 2026–2027. We'll celebrate our 70th anniversary with a special Garden Tea, enjoy outstanding educational programs each month, take memorable field trips, participate in meaningful community projects, and share many other fun activities together. I encourage you to invite friends and neighbors to join us. After all, gardens are always more beautiful when they are shared!

As we begin our new club year, I'm especially pleased that we are meeting at Home Bank in Tomball. We are sincerely grateful to Home Bank for generously providing its beautiful conference room for our monthly meetings.

You'll also notice a fresh look for our newsletter this year! I've given it more of a magazine-style format, and I would love to hear your thoughts and feedback.

Our club's accomplishments include District IV Gold Medal – President's Report; Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. First Place – President's Report; District IV First Place – Newsletter; District IV Top Club of the Year; First Place – Memorial Prayer; and Third Place – Blessing Prayer.

Thank you for bringing your passion, your talents, and your hearts to the Tomball Garden Club. May the months ahead be filled with sunshine, gentle rains, abundant blooms, and the simple joy of watching something you've planted grow strong and beautiful.

With gratitude and warm wishes,

Teresa Bosworth Green

President, Tomball Garden Club



2026–2027 TGC Board

Working together to make our 70th Anniversary year a memorable one!



1st Vice President, Programs — Lynette Forcht

Treasurer — Teresa Gunlock

Recording Secretary — Lisa Gibson

2nd Vice President, Membership — Linda Berger

President — Teresa Bosworth-Green

Corresponding Secretary — Alleine McGahen

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT — Meet Gloria!



Gloria Milburn has been a member of the Tomball Garden Club since 2013. She has been a dedicated member of our Hospitality and TEAM/VA committees for many years and has served as chairman of both committees. One of Gloria's favorite things about Garden Club is the opportunity to go on field trips. She especially enjoys exploring new places and sharing those experiences with fellow members. But perhaps what Gloria loves most about Garden Club is the people. She says being surrounded by such warm and loving friends is one of the best parts of belonging to TGC. Outside of Garden Club, Gloria enjoys working in her yard—which, for those of us lucky enough to have seen it, is truly incredible! We're so glad Gloria is part of the Tomball Garden Club family!



Texas Gardening Tip

When the summer heat arrives, choosing plants that are naturally adapted to hot, dry conditions can make all the difference. These heat-tolerant favorites can help you create a garden that stays colorful and interesting while requiring less fuss.

10 Heat-Tolerant Perennials for Texas Summers

Texas summers can be tough on a garden, but the right plants can take the heat and keep blooming. Here are 10 hardy choices that can help your garden stay beautiful even when temperatures soar.



1. Lantana

Lantana

A tough-as-nails plant that laughs in the face of Texas heat. Lantana shines in full sun and doesn't fuss about soil quality.



2. Texas Sage

Leucophyllum frutescens

This shrub is a real workhorse in hot gardens and makes a stunning backdrop of purple flowers.



3. Black-eyed Susan

Rudbeckia

Cheerful flowers brighten any garden with yellow petals and dark centers.



4. Salvia

Salvia

These tough plants bring waves of color with varieties of red, purple, blue, pink, and white.



5. Coneflower

Echinacea

With distinctive purple blooms and raised centers, coneflowers are easily recognized and add great garden character.



6. Esperanza

Tecoma stans

Trumpet-shaped golden-yellow flowers light up the Texas landscape.



7. Blackfoot Daisy

Melampodium leucanthum

A petite powerhouse for rock gardens and along pathways.



8. Russian Sage

Perovskia atriplicifolia

This plant thrives in blazing heat and dry soil and becomes delightfully low-maintenance once established.



9. Yarrow

Achillea millefolium

These tough plants thrive in challenging conditions and come in white, yellow, or pink shades.



10. Mexican Feather Grass

Nassella tenuissima

This grass adds movement and life to your Texas garden with soft, fine, pale-green foliage.

Community Service Project Underway

Tomball Garden Club is already off and growing with one of this year's new community service projects, led by **Kathy Nasr, Teresa Gunlock, and Lynette Forcht**. Students at **Central Baptist Academy in Magnolia** were excited to discover what plants need to grow and thrive. To help them remember the essentials, the students created fun hats representing the things plants need to survive and flourish. Then it was time to get their hands dirty! The students helped fill the garden beds with soil, enrich the soil with compost, and plant seeds. Throughout the school year, they will care for their garden as the seeds germinate and grow into healthy plants. Each month, members of the Tomball Garden Club will return to the school to guide the students, encourage their curiosity, and help them learn more about gardening and the natural world. One of our goals is to **nurture these young, curious minds and inspire the next generation of Junior Master Gardeners!** What a wonderful way to watch both gardens and young gardeners grow. 🌱



Learning, planting, and growing together!

Celebrating 70 Years: Tea Party Preparations!

On August 3, many TGC members gathered for a fun afternoon of creativity and fellowship as they designed and decorated their hats for our upcoming anniversary celebration.



Save the Date! Monday, October 19, 2026

Tomball Garden Club • Seven-Tea Afternoon Tea

Nancy's Fancys Pottery Event

Friday, October 23 • 38023 Beyette Rd., Magnolia, TX 77355

Join friends in selecting and painting the perfect piece of pottery! It's a creative, relaxing day to enjoy fellowship, try something new, and take home a one-of-a-kind treasure.



Summer Painting June 2026



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TGC at a Glance

***Tomball Garden Club meets on
the first Monday of the month,
September to May.***

10 am -noon (9:30 social time)

Location: Home Bank

27702 Tomball Parkway, Tomball TX

tomballgardenclub.org

Houston Federation of Garden Clubs (HFGC)

**Meets 2nd Friday of each month. Sept to May, 10
am – noon, St Philip Presbyterian Church, 4807
San Felipe St, Houston 77056**

**Proud members of: HFGC, District IV Coastal
Prairie Garden Club, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.
(TGC), and National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC)**

Looking Ahead

Oct 5, Nov 2 - Regular Garden Club Meetings
December 7 -TGC Christmas Celebration
October 12 - Field trip to Tanya's Junk and Plants Garden
October 19 — 70th Anniversary Seven-Tea Afternoon Tea
October 23 — Nancy's Fancys Pottery Event
November 1 – Award applications due
November 17 — Poinsettia Pickup
December 1 – Garden Angel Nominations due

Thank you for being part of the Tomball Garden Club family. As we celebrate 70 years of growing, giving, and gardening, we look forward to a wonderful year filled with learning, laughter, friendship, service, and beautiful gardens.

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