

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Welcome to the Lakewood Forest Garden Club. We are excited to have you as a member of our wonderful club. To help familiarize you with our meetings, directory, website, and other information about the club we have put together this brief list. If you have any questions, please ask a club member.

Our Club (pgs. 2-5): Here you will find the Club's history (pg. 4) and a list of other organizations we are associated with from the National Garden Club, Inc. (NGC) down to our local District IV. Plus, the names of all Past Presidents (pg. 5) who helped make this club so special.

Meetings (pgs. 2, 13): Our meetings are held on the first Friday of the month from September to May. Doors open at 9:30am for check-in and socializing. A group of volunteer Hostesses share their favorite snacks at each meeting while the Hospitality Committee sets up the room and the coffee.

Website (pg. 2): Our website (<http://lakewoodforestgarden.club>) is a wealth of information about gardening. Many tabs can be accessed by the Public while the "Members Only" tab is password protected ([gardeners74](#)). The home page has lots of gardening information and links to other garden related websites, planting with natives, conserving resources, and gardening tips, as well as recipes from our members. We list our calendar of events with the programs that will be presented at our meetings. You will find even more information on the Members Only page with links to What's New: recent website additions from the last month, a printable membership directory, and photos of all members. The Welcome New Members page includes photos and a short bio of new members, the historians journal records all club activities, the Photo gallery records meetings, and events. The webpage also lists Executive officers' names and photos, a list of committees with their job descriptions, Meeting Minutes, and finally the By-Laws.

Calendar (pgs. 10-13): A detailed month-by-month calendar of our Programs & Speakers for the year, board meetings, and any events taking place with our Affiliates (i.e., Houston Federation of Garden Clubs, District IV, and Texas Garden Club, Inc.) will help you plan your schedule.

Library (pg. 9): LFGC has an extensive library of garden related material in the home of Harolene Hatley (pg. 16). We have over 70 books and videos on gardening, as well as photo albums of all our annual Spring Fling trips. Items may be borrowed for one month. The list of material can be found on our website: <https://lakewoodforestgarden.club/>

Projects (pgs. 8-9): LFGC is a very active club from volunteering at Brookwood & REACH, to bringing needed items for the many local food pantries (i.e., C.A.M. & CY-HOPE), to supporting Mercer Arboretum, Lakewood's Civic Association, and Scholarship programs to name a few. We also plan and attend trips to view gardens, explore historical sites, and other areas of interest.

Members (pgs. 6-7, 14-18): Pictures of all our members can be found here with home & email addresses, year they joined, and if they are a Past President (PP), Master Gardener (MG), Master Naturalist (MN), or Master Judge (MJ), or Life Member (*). Our Executive Committee and all other committees are listed on pages 6 and 7, respectively.

Budget & By-Laws (pgs. 19-25): Finally, we have the proposed budget for the year showing how and where club monies are spent, and the By-Laws that govern how we operate the club, which committees we are required to have, and a description of these jobs.