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November Club Meeting

November 20, 2024
6:30 pm at the "J"
Speaker: Stephen Seewoester
Topic: Growing & Using Herbs



Refreshment Queen

President's Message



Hello Fellow Gardeners!
I would like to start off by welcoming new members, Robert and Debbie Flores to our club. We are always open to new faces, and remember, if you recruit new members, your yearly \$50 dues can be waived for the following year!

I hope by the time you read this, we will have had a good soaking rain. Or at least, maybe it will rain by Thanksgiving!

Speaking of Thanksgiving, in an earlier column, I mentioned a story I had read in a flyer sent by the Southwest Indian Foundation. It is such an interesting story, I think it bears repeating. about Squanto, who was a hunter and trapper in what is today New England in the early 17th century. He served as a guide and interpreter for the English settlers at Plymouth. These settlers would not have survived the brutal winter of 1621 had he not taught them methods of staying warm and assisted them in planting winter corn and squash, which along with fishing, provided their only food supply. After the fall harvest that year, the settlers honored Squanto with a feast which evolved into the first Thanksgiving. When Squanto died of a fever just a year later, he was greatly mourned by all of the Pilgrims.

I want to wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving as you gather with family and friends this year.

Meanwhile, I hope to see all of you at the next meeting, and please don't forget to patronize our advertisers.

— Alan

Visitors Welcome

CLUB MEETING LOCATION

At the Jewish Community Center, Big D room.
7900 Northaven Road, Dallas — Next to North Haven Gardens. Directions: From southbound U.S.75, Northaven Rd. is second street south of Forest Ln. turn west. From Hillcrest Rd. Northaven is fourth street

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American Horticultural Society: www.ahs.org —
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Pumpkin Bread

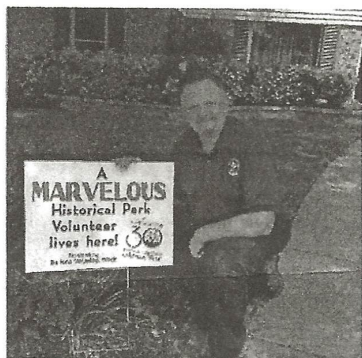


Pumpkin Bread

3 C. SUGAR 1 +. MACE 1 +. CINNAMON
3 C. FLOUR 1 #303 PUMPKIN
3 EGGS 1/2 +. SALT
1 C. VEG. OIL 1/2 +. BAKING POWD.
1 +. NUTMEG 1 +. SODA

BEAT SUGAR, OIL & EGGS TOGETHER - ADD PUMPKIN
& BEAT. GRADUALLY ADD DRY INGRED. WHICH HAVE
BEEN SIFTED TOGETHER. BEAT WELL. 2 REGULAR
LOAVES, 3 SMALL. OIL BOTTOM LINE & FLOUR
325° 1HR 15 MIN

— Connie Grossman



STEPHEN SEEWOESTER

Contact: Dallas County Master Gardeners Speakers Bureau

To book a speaker:

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Stephen's gardening roots run deep. His parents both had ties to gardening/agriculture outside St. Louis, Missouri. His mother's family owned a truck garden and supported themselves by selling fruits/vegetables in local St. Louis markets. Stephen's father worked as a teenager in a local nursery and assisted with the family garden as a young man. His parents grew flowers and vegetables and passed along their love of gardens to Stephen.

He has grown and experimented with many vegetables that he and his wife harvest, cook, dry, and can. Stephen continues to grow flowers, vegetables and herbs, and maintains a very large Celeste fig tree in his Dallas garden. He also has grown peaches, nectarines, cherries, strawberries, blackberries and even a fruit cocktail tree.

His special garden passion is herbs—more than 50 varieties—with basil being his favorite. The herbs are used in cooking and sharing with friends and relatives. His specialty is making different types of pesto.

He attends gardening, lawn and tree/shrub seminars and has volunteered as a consultant to the Vickery Meadows refugee garden in East Dallas, the Sandy Jacobs Fruit and Nut Grove at the Denton County Office in Carrollton and the Metrocrest Teaching Garden in Carrollton.

Stephen speaks on how to plan a garden, whether it is for herbs, flowers, or vegetables: growing and using salad greens; and how to build a compost bin and use compost in your yard and garden.

CERTIFICATIONS

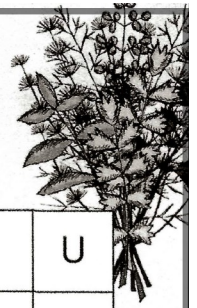
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Puzzle 21: In the Herb Garden

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Club Meetings 6:30 pm

November 20, 2024
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Stephen Seewoester

December 18, 2024
Club Christmas Party
Rockfish Restaurant
Corner Coit & Campbell
6:30 — 8:30 pm Kevin Burns
Another Christmas Story

Board Meetings 7:00 pm

November 14, 2024
Mike Rector
6214 Crested Butte Dr.
Dallas, TX



No December Board Meeting

November Birthdays

Mike Rector November 4th

Bob Grossman November 24th

October Plant Exchange



Dallas Garden Club

Halloween Board Meeting Alan and Patricia Gage's Home



This club welcomes beginner "wannabe" as well as experienced gardeners. We all can learn something about gardening at each meeting.

Visitors are welcome. Membership is open to men and women, teenagers and young adults. \$50 annual dues includes *The Green Thumb* and membership in the national organization: **Gardeners of America/Men's Garden Clubs of America.**

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in Witness Whereof,
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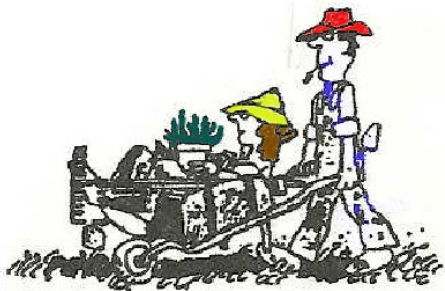
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