

## Microgreens Are Great!

Joshua and Allison Guess shared all about microgreens, nutrients, how to grow, etc. at our May meeting! It was enlightening to learn all about the process of preparing greens for restaurants....what an interesting program!



At the June meeting....

*By Linda Wren*

Our guest speaker for our June meeting will be Judith Hogan with the Oklahoma Water Pond Society. She will be talking to us about water ponds and water plants. The meeting begins at 10 am, but come at 9:30 for conversation and snacks.

Mark your calendars for the Cleveland County Fair September 6-8. They have asked Master Gardeners to help with the show exhibits. We'll have more information at the upcoming meeting.

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## President's Posting

*By Judy Kautz*

Hello Gardeners,

We finally have some warmer weather with sunshine rather than so much rain! Our demonstration garden is looking beautiful, in spite of the weather, and we are delighted to see our students working on their garden hours by helping us out in the garden!

Thank you to the gardeners who planned to open their homes for the Spring Home Garden Tours. It was such a shame that the tours were rained out, but these gardeners will have first choice to show off their landscapes during the Fall Tours. Many thanks to Terry Hull for organizing this event.

I hope you are all planning to attend the June 27-28 State Master Gardener Conference in Durant. CCMGA usually shows up in force at this event, wearing our t-shirts! There is a group planning to caravan on Friday if you want to join up with them...contact Kathi Farley for information.

**Important note:** We didn't have enough participation to do an order for CCMGA t-shirts. We will see if there is enough interest to place an order in the fall.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the June meeting!

*Judy*



## Directory Updates

Please note the following updates for the CCMGA Directory:

Julie Johnson's new email address is [3oldcars570@gmail.com](mailto:3oldcars570@gmail.com).

Please add the following member's information:

Ellen McKenzie

PO Box 720843, Norman OK 73070

Class of 2013, Associate Member

email [emckenzie2@gmail.com](mailto:emckenzie2@gmail.com).



## Education Update

*By Kathi Farley*

**July 13, Saturday, 10 AM:** Class on Getting the Dirt for Soil, in Classroom C, by Cathy Bowden. Unfortunately, Courtney's summer gardening class series has been cancelled because not enough people signed up.

Do you know people who want to become Master Gardeners? The fall class sign-up is now open and there is plenty of room for participants. Spread the word to any of those who might like to take this class and join us!



The garden is looking good with all the rain we have had. But the weeds are growing well too.

If you are a person who took the Master Gardener class last year and are doing your hours this year, come on out to the garden with your mentor or just ask where the Big Oklahoma Proven garden is and I will have something for you to do to get your garden hours. Beginning in June and lasting through August, the garden workday hours will be 8 AM to 11 AM so we can get work in before it gets too hot.

See you in the garden!



Amazing results in our garden so far this year! Susan Aikman and Jeannie Kline show off a cabbage from the square foot garden. Blueberries came from Pat Welty's bed and the remainder came from Linda Fielder's beds. Harvest results—61 pounds in 3 weeks, all going to Food and Shelter!







President Judy Kautz called the meeting to order, requested that everyone silence their phones, and led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

She reminded members that the Meeting Minutes are contained in the monthly newsletter for review. A Correction to the President Comments in the April minutes: Judy presented a quilt made by Brenda Williams with CCMGA member's signatures to Theresa January because she is moving.

**Treasurer's Report:** (Nancy Logan) Balance as of March 2019--\$19,679.55. Income was \$7,347.225 and expenses totaled \$1,655.10 leaving a cash balance of \$25,371.70 with \$11,390.97 specifically budgeted and \$400 reserved for Greenhouse Repairs. Funds in Excess of Budget as of April 25, 2019 are \$13,580.74

**Greenhouse Report:** (Nancy Logan) Gross Plant Sales: \$8,111.00 less Sales Tax \$416.25 and expense \$1786.20 totals \$5908.20 less 10% (595.82) greenhouse maintenance equals \$5317.38. In addition, there was \$171 donations, \$171 raffle and \$10 hypertufa pots for a net profit of \$5,669.38. This is \$874 more than 2018.

**Program Committee Report:** (Linda Wren) The following programs are scheduled:

June—Judy Hogan—Water Ponds

July-Audubon Society

Aug-Lois Cox

Oct—Markham's/Bulb Layering

**Spring Party Wrap Up:** (Donna Carter/Vada Edwards) The weather was beautiful, and the event deemed a success. \$171 donations were for used tools, books, and the children's table.

**Education:** (Kathi Farley) The following classes are scheduled:

April-Oct Tours of the Demo Gardens,

May 18-Information Table at Moore Home Depot

May 11—Prairie Gardening (Judy Kautz and Marilyn Solomon)

May 22- Home Garden Tours

July 13— Soil – (Cathy Bowden)

August 10 - Hypertufa – (Brenda Williams & Linda Wren)

September – Taking Care of Your Greenhouse Plants- (Brittany Jordan)

Oct 5 – Seed Gathering Mary Engel with Elaine Bison as TA

**Special Projects:** (Julie Johnson/Phyllis Blackwell) Lawn Judging begins in May and goes through July. Only members may order CCMGA T-shirts for the conference. Julie's email is 3oldcars570@gmail.com and her telephone number is 405-821-1987. A minimum order of 12 shirts is required.

**Public Relations:** (Jim McDaniel) Jim sent an article to the newspaper about tours. He will work the tours every other Saturday, but a person is needed on May 18.

**Garden Committee:** (Rick Ault) Nancy Logan needs help from students and volunteers in the Oklahoma Native Beds. Courtney DeKalb named her quad bed Coral Cove.

**Membership:** (Rahmona Thompson) All trainees that responded to mentors have completed desk training. She is encouraging students to work in the demo beds by assigning them to certain beds. She needs to know who needs help.

**Tours:** (Susan Aikman) Planning a tour on May 16 to Oklahoma City Myriad Gardens, then to lunch, and then on to the Oklahoma City Flower Market. Josh will lead the tour and it costs \$3.00. We will ride the streetcar from the Devon Tower (lunch site) to the Flower Market and back at a cost of \$1 each way.

## May Meeting Minutes (continued)

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**Fundraising:** (Brenda Williams/Linda Wren) Wrap up: Gross sales on the raffle was \$356 and the net profit was \$171. Hypertufa pots are here for sale.

**Hospitality:** (Cindy Mullens/Patty Hayes) Thanked Laura Eckstein, Phyllis Blackwell, Donna Carter, Suzanne Perrine, Sandy Rinehart and Judy Kautz for the delicious snacks.

**Home Tours:** (Terry Hull) An email with details about the Home Tours was sent.

**Old Business:** Cathy Bowden thanked everyone that brought Styrofoam and spoke on the progress of the Styrofoam recycle program.

**New Business:** Serena announced planting at Kennedy Elementary school on May 15, 1:45-2:45.

**Courtney's Comments:** There was good feed back on the Advanced Master Gardener class that 15 people attended. There will be another class on August 27. She stated that our purpose is to educate, not advocate. There will be a Tomato Class on Jun 4 at 6:30 pm. Noble Library wants a Xeriscape garden in front and request advice. There is Zoo opportunity on May 15 concerning drought tolerant plants. Courtney will present a six-week Summer Garden Series on Tuesdays from 6-8 pm beginning June 11,

**President's Comments:** (Judy Kautz) Serena won a drawing for a Worm Hotel. The next meeting is June 14 with the Executive Board on the Tuesday before.

Dates to Remember:

May 14 – Learning Lab 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM, Canadian County Extension Office

Myriad Gardens and Oklahoma City Flower Market Tour – May 16

Home Tours – May 22, back up day May 29

State MG Conference – Jun 27-28, Durant, OK

Student Luncheon – Aug 2

Advance MG Class- Aug 27, 1:30-3:30 pm Classroom C

Harvest feast 2019 – Nov 7

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted, *Marilyn Solomon*



## Treasurer's Report

*By Nancy Logan*

Beginning balance as of April 25, 2019 is \$25,371.70. Income includes \$40 Gloves Sold; \$20 2019 Dues; \$3 Nametag Jar; \$10 Meeting Donations; \$171 Plant Party Donations; \$386 Plant Party Raffles and \$985.18 Plant Sales for Total Income of \$1,615.18. Expense includes \$ 566.20 DemoGarden; \$215 Plant Party Raffles; \$416.25 Plant Sale Sales Tax; \$21.70 Hospitality; \$91.66 Public Relations and \$1,000 Scholarship for Total Expense of \$2,310.81. Balance at May 25, 2019 is \$24,676.07, less budgeted expenses not yet reimbursed of \$9,080.16 and less reserve for greenhouse repairs of \$591, leaving funds in excess of budget at \$15,004.91.

Respectfully submitted, *Nancy Logan*



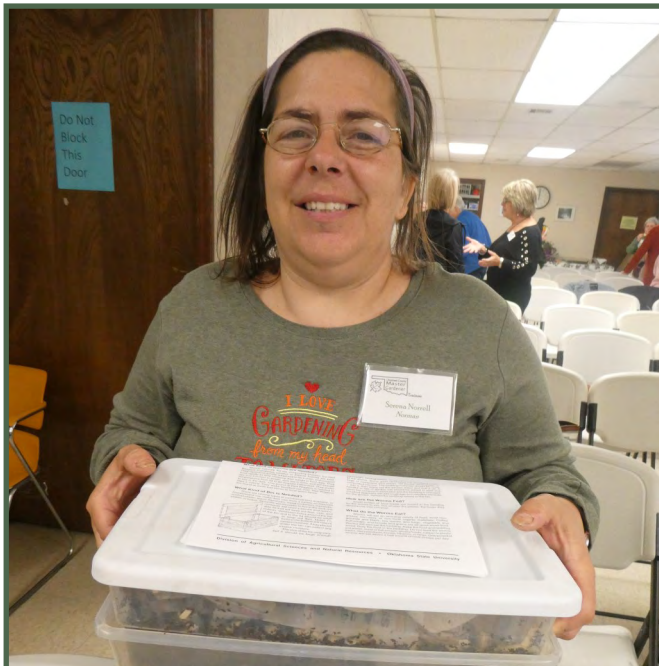
# Photo Booth



This picture was taken at the Epcot Annual Flower and Garden Festival at Disneyworld, in March 2019. Pictured are my husband Greg and me in front of one of the many topiaries. All the topiaries were Disney-themed, but I particularly loved this butterfly. **Patty Hayes**



Above, Vada Edwards submitted a photo of the perfect combo—roses and clematis! Below, Linda Wren shows off the hypertufa pot she made. Below left, Serena Norrell won the worm hotel!





# Photo Booth



Marilyn Solomon grows beautiful lilies! Here are photos from her home!







## Salted Pretzel Rolls

Master Cook

### Ingredients

½ cup Warm Water (110 F)  
1 1/8 t Active Yeast  
1 t Sugar  
¾ cup Milk  
1 t Salt  
4 ½ t Oil  
4 ¼ cup Flour  
2 t Salt  
1 t Baking Soda  
Coarse Salt

In a large bowl, dissolve yeast and sugar in water; let stand 5 to 10 minutes. Beat in milk, 1 t. salt and oil. Beat in 2 c. flour; let stand 10 minutes.

Add more flour to make a soft dough. Knead dough 8 to 10 minutes and place in greased bowl. Cover and let rise until doubled.

Punch dough down; divide into 12 pieces. Roll each piece into a long, very thin rope and loop into pretzel shape. Cover and let rise 10 minutes.

Preheat oven to 425 F. Bring large saucepan of water to a boil. Add 2 t. salt and baking soda. Drop pretzel into boiling water and as soon as they rise to the surface, remove. Place on thick towel to drain.

Transfer to greased baking sheet. Make angular incisions on surface of each pretzel; sprinkle generously with coarse salt. Bake until lightly browned (15 to 20 minutes). Cool on wire rack.

## Sausage Breakfast Casserole

Cindy Mullins

### Ingredients

6 Slices bread with crusts removed  
Butter  
2 lbs Sausage  
1 cup Cheddar cheese shredded 1 cup  
Velveeta cheese shredded  
1 tsp Dry mustard  
6 Eggs, beaten  
2-1/2 cups Half & Half  
Salt and pepper to taste  
1 cup Cornflakes crumbled and mixed  
with 1-1/2 Tbsp. melted butter

Butter one side of bread slices. Place butter side up in 13x9x2 pan. (Six slices fit perfectly in this size pan. If you want to use a larger pan, use 8 slices of bread and leave everything else the same.)

Cook sausage until browned, stirring to crumble. Drain well. Spoon over bread and sprinkle with cheeses.

Combine eggs, mustard, half & half, salt and pepper. Mix well and pour over cheese. Cover casserole and chill overnight. Remove from refrigerator 15 min. before baking. Top with cornflakes.

Bake uncovered 325 – 350 degrees for 1 hour. Let set 30 min. before serving.

Note: Cindy brought this casserole to our meeting last month and many asked for the recipe!

We will try to feature seasonal recipes and many of your own recipes in the Recipe Box through the year. Send us your recipes at [rdsefd@aol.com](mailto:rdsefd@aol.com).





## Upcoming Events

**June 7 – 16, 10 AM – 5 PM Daily: Children’s Garden Festival – Where the Wild Things Are, Myriad Gardens.** Journey into the wonderful land of imagination and mischief at the Myriad Garden’s annual Children’s Garden Festival. The Children’s Garden is transformed into a world of Wild Things as we celebrate the 50th year of one of America’s most beloved children’s books. Cost is \$8 per person, includes a free ride on Mo’s Carousel. Ages 2 and under are free. Gardens’ members are free and get to skip the line!

**June 14, 10 AM: CCMGA Meeting, Classroom**

**June 20, 6 – 8 PM: Growing Fruit in Oklahoma, Myriad Gardens, Garden Classroom.** Learn how to get started with home fruit growing, from choosing plants to site considerations and including details of soils, planting, subsequent care including pruning and dealing with pests and problems. Register by June 18 at Myriad Gardens website.

**June 22, 11 AM - Noon: Sustainable Solutions to Pests & Diseases in the Garden, Commonwealth Urban Farms, 3310 N. Olie, OKC.** A sustainable garden is a healthy garden! Healthy plants have natural defenses against pests & diseases. The instructor will discuss how gardeners can respond to specific issues with pests or diseases in a way that safeguards or even promotes the vitality of garden ecosystems — making them more self-supporting and sustainable over time. Careful observation combined with beneficial insects, barriers or repellents, biological pesticides, and soaps or oils, can allow us to enjoy a bountiful harvest and ever-increasing health and diversity in our gardens. Instructor: Kat Goodwin Gant is director of OKC Harvest program at OKC Beautiful, which supports school gardens around Oklahoma City. She has 19 years of experience in sustainable gardening and farming and enjoys teaching all ages to grow food in their own backyards. Cost is \$10.

**June 27 & 28: Oklahoma State Master Gardener Conference, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.**

**July 20, 9 – 11 AM: Floral Arranging Class – All About Red, White, and Blue, Will Rogers Gardens Exhibition Building.** Cost \$25. Register at [parks.okc.gov](http://parks.okc.gov).

**August 7, 9:30 AM – Noon, Oklahoma Gardeners’ Association August Meeting, Will Rogers Park Exhibition Center.** Open to the public. Speaker will be Steve Owens from Bustani Gardens.

**August 10, 8 AM – noon: Fall Gardening with Limited Space, Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Hall.** Join the Oklahoma Gardeners Association presentation on fall vegetable gardening. August is the time to start planting for your fall vegetable garden. Small spaces can produce an abundance of excellent produce for feeding a family. Learn best vegetables selections for Oklahoma and how to plant in limited space. Some old ideas will be revisited. FREE! Register at [parks.okc.gov](http://parks.okc.gov).

**August 17, 8 – 9:30 AM: Take the Heat Garden Tour, Will Rogers Gardens Exhibition Building.** On this tour go into the Gardens and see what plants are thriving in the heat of the summer. This is a great opportunity to get some of the names of plants to use in your own flower beds at home for next summer. Cost \$5. Register at [parks.okc.gov](http://parks.okc.gov).

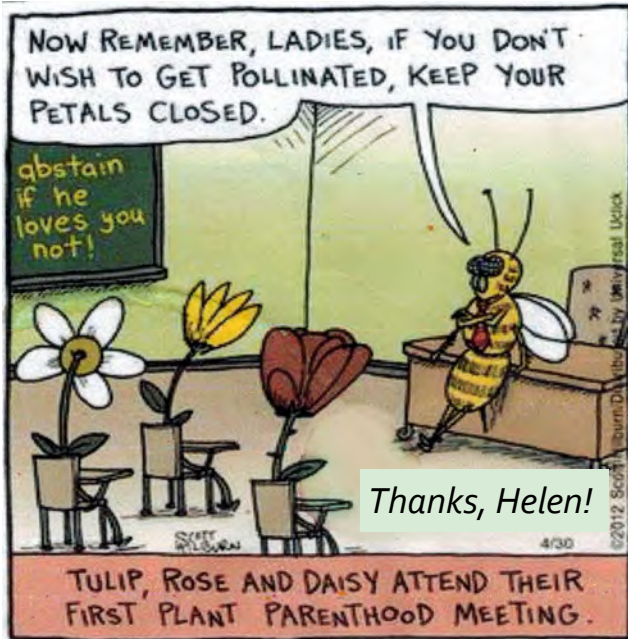
**August 24, 11 AM - noon: Pollinator Babies, Commonwealth Urban Farms, 3310 N. Olie, OKC.** Fewer than 10% of monarch eggs and larvae will survive to become adult butterflies, largely due to predation of the larvae. Raising them in an indoor habitat boosts survival to rates well over 90%. Last year alone, instructor Stephanie Jordan rescued and raised more than 100 monarchs as well as several other butterfly species she found in the gardens of the Commonwealth community. In this class, come learn where and how to look for eggs and larvae and how to support them as they go through their amazing transformation. Instructor: Steph Jordan, Beekeeper and Farm Manager of Organic Gardens.

## Extension Office News

July 4 – Independence Day – Extension Office closed

July 18 - Master Gardener Class Orientation

# Laugh for the Day!



Above, Linda, Patty, Cindy, and Brenda, and, of course, P. Allen Smith, on the May 16th trip to Moss Mountain Farm. Also They got to be in the audience as he filmed a YouTube. The video is posted on the CCMGA website under member activities. It is about 30 minutes long and is about planting herbs and flowers together in pots.

## MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

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