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Saturday,  
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### Daylily and Iris Sale

Saturday  
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 9:00am  
 Tulsa Garden Center Auditorium

### Oklahoma Urban and Sustainable Garden Association Sale

Saturday,  
 September 15th  
 9:00am  
 Tulsa Garden Center Southroom



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TULSA GARDEN CENTER PRESENTS  
 An Evening of **WINE & ROSES**

Memorable wines, romantic moonlight, and the heady fragrance of roses all combine to create a magical experience at Tulsa Garden Center's *An Evening of Wine & Roses*. This year's event will be held on September 28, 2012, from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Tulsa Municipal Rose Garden.



*An Evening of Wine & Roses* is one of the region's largest wine tasting events. Guests will enjoy over 150 different wines from around the world complemented by elegant hors d'oeuvres and desserts from more than 35 of Tulsa's top restaurants and caterers. The combination of delectable food and exquisite wine enjoyed under the stars, while strolling through a garden full of gorgeous fragrant roses, makes this an enchanting autumn evening. Tickets for *An Evening of Wine & Roses* are \$65 for Tulsa Garden Center members and \$80 for non-members.

Prior to the main event a private Sponsor Tasting will be held in the Tulsa Garden Center Mansion from 6:00 – 7:30p.m. Sponsors will



savor exceptional wines from premium vintners and delicious fare from Tulsa's top chefs. Individual sponsor level tickets are

\$130 or 10 tickets for \$1,100. A private table for 10 guests can be reserved for \$1,600. The main event begins at 7:00 pm in the beautiful Municipal Rose Garden, which is included in the cost of the sponsor tickets. Please call the Tulsa Garden Center for additional information on sponsor opportunities and benefits.

**Reservations are required for this popular event and space is limited. Reservation deadline is September 21st, so call soon!**



Attendees must be 21 years or older. Proof of age is required.

Proceeds from *An Evening of Wine & Roses* benefit Tulsa Garden Center. For reservations, call Tulsa Garden Center at 918-746-5125. For more information, visit our website at [www.tulsagardencenters.com](http://www.tulsagardencenters.com).

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS ?

You are an important part of our organization, and we want to keep in touch with you. If you are moving, please keep us informed by calling us at 918-746-5125 with your new information. Thank you.

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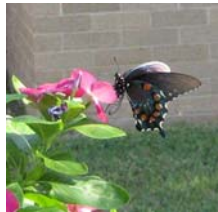
# Note from the Director



## Tulsa Garden Center and Social Media

The Tulsa Garden Center is actively involved with several online social media platforms...Facebook, Twitter, and, just recently, Pinterest.

Interestingly enough, our statistics show that we are reaching thousands of people each week. We hope you're part of that audience! If not, well... please jump on board. You'll have the opportunity to keep up to date on what's going on at the Tulsa Garden Center, get timely gardening tips, and experience through pictures the seasonal beauty of The Tulsa Garden Center, the Linnaeus Teaching Garden and Woodward Park.



Here are a few comments that people have left and a couple of our most popular pictures:



"What a great gift to the city of Tulsa this venue is!"

"I love going there! One of my most favorite free places to go in Tulsa."

"This is a treasure. We go here to look at native trees and others that do well here to decide what we might like to plant in our yard or neighborhood. This is a beautiful resource."

Your "Likes", "Shares" and "Retweets" of our posts allow your own Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest friends a chance to see what's going on at the Garden Center. Click that button and help us reach the gardening community!

## Grandparents Day

### The Linnaeus Teaching Garden

(located in beautiful Woodward Park)

**Saturday, September 8th**

**9 am - 12 noon**



Guided tours of the Garden.

Complimentary souvenir photographs taken 9 am—12 noon.

First 50 grandmothers receive a free nosegay.

Light refreshments.



Scouts will be available to act as surrogate grandchildren for unaccompanied grandparents.



For additional information please call 918-746-5125 or visit our website at [www.tulsagardencenters.com](http://www.tulsagardencenters.com)  
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# Gardening by the Book

## CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

The wonderful variety of size, shape, color and flower of these plants means everyone will find some that are fascinating and rewarding. With over 10,000 species worldwide, the beauty and versatility of these plants are no longer reserved for desert climates. Recent summer weather causes these to become a stronger consideration for local gardeners. It is possible to create a beautiful low-maintenance garden that requires minimal water.

For a comprehensive step-by-step guide to identification, care and cultivation, try *The Complete Guide to Growing Cacti & Succulents* (Lorenz Books, 2006). With over 400 varieties featured, botanical information on growth, spread, size and flowering is given. The section on care and cultivation provides step by step guidance on all aspects of buying, planting and maintaining the plants. With over 1000 full color photographs, the book also contains an extensive plant directory.

Another in the All Region Guide Series, *Crazy about Cacti and Succulents* (Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2006) features chapters by noted horticulturists and master gardeners. Medicinal plants and succulent bonsai are included plus advice on how experts groom their plants for competition. Environmental information is given for cacti and succulents that are threatened with extinction.

Both beginners and experienced designers will find garden possibilities in *Designing with Succulents* (Timber Press, 2007). With over 300 color photographs, it gives design and cultivation basics for paths, borders, and containers. Hundreds of succulent plant

recommendations are offered with 90 easy-care, drought-tolerant companion plants.

*Hardy Succulents* (Storey Publishing, 2008) covers all aspects of their cultivation from groundcovers to shrubs. Practical tips on siting, plants, soil requirements, and care are included. The photographs of colorful flowering succulents use them as focal points in the garden. The book's step by step growing instructions, practical care tips and creative ideas for use will be informational for the reader.

*Succulent Container Gardens* (Timber Press, 2010) is a follow-up to *Designing with Succulents*. Author Debra Baldwin offers ideas for gardens from elegant to traditional and miniature to bonsai. Over 350 of the best succulents are described along with their companion plants. Easy to follow, expert tips explain overwintering, propagation and more. Usable suggestions for small space solutions, both indoors and out, are featured.

*The Timber Press Guide to Succulent Plants of the World* (Timber Press, 2011) begins with overview chapters on succulents in nature and in cultivation. Subsequent essay style chapters have full-color photos of the species specifying their geographical location and physical description. Reproductive characteristics, comparable species and pest susceptibilities contribute more in-depth information.

Mary Moore  
Tulsa City-County Library

## Contributions

### Tulsa Garden Center

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Donations received from June 8th, 2012 - August 7th, 2012



# Education



## Brown Bag Lecture

Bring your lunch and enjoy an exciting educational experience. This lecture is free to the public and will be held from 12pm to 1pm at Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S. Peoria Ave. For more information, call 918-746-5125 or visit [www.tulsagardencenter.com](http://www.tulsagardencenter.com).

### **African Violets** **Not Just For Your Grandmother Any More** **Thursday, September 20th**

Did you know that America's favorite houseplant, the African Violet, is native to eastern Africa where they normally grow near waterfalls in the rain forest.? So if you don't have an African Violet, think about bringing a little of the rain forest into your home.

Join members of the African Violet Society to learn how to care for and feed these beautiful plants. You will also hear information on how you can keep your African Violets blooming joyfully all year. The presentation will cover growing conditions and what fertilizers you should use. Samples of violet fertilizer will be given to attendees.



## COOL SEASON GRASSES

Barry Fugatt, Tulsa Garden Center Director of Horticulture and Jerry Pepin of Pickseed, USA, Tangent, Oregon will present the lecture, *Cool Seasons Grasses*.



The record-breaking heat and drought has taken a terrible toll on area lawns. Learn how to establish and maintain a beautiful weed-free lawn at a minimum of expense.

The first 50 to enroll will receive a five-pound bag of Five Star fescue seed, the newest and best adapted seed blend for the Tulsa Area.

**Class cost is \$8 for TGC Members and \$10 for non-members.**

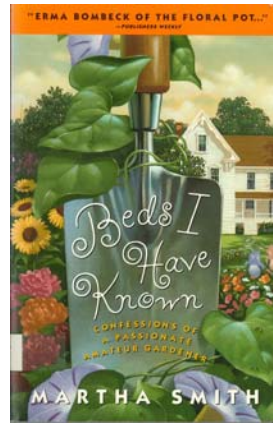
**Tuesday, September 18th, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm**

**To enroll:  
Please call 918-746-5125 or visit  
[www.tulsagardencenter.com](http://www.tulsagardencenter.com)**



## Book Discussion Club

Come join us during your lunch hour for this informative discussion. The Tulsa Garden Center's Library Book Discussion Club is **free** to the public and held in the Tulsa Garden Center's Library, 2435 S. Peoria Ave., from 12pm to 1pm. For additional information, call 918-746-5125 or visit [www.tulsagardencenter.com](http://www.tulsagardencenter.com)



### **Beds I Have Known** **Tuesday, September 18**

Join Sandy Cox as she reviews the book *Beds I Have Known* by Martha Smith.

Martha Smith has been called the "Erma Bombeck of the Floral Pot". This is a fun, light-hearted book about the confessions of a passionate amateur gardener. Come and be entertained.



## Tai Chi & Yoga Classes

Dody Nesbit's Tai Chi classes start on Monday, October 1, 2012, at 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center. If you are interested in considering this year-long class, it meets every Monday evening from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. No experience is needed.

In addition to the core Tai Chi, the following activities will be taught to develop proper balance and stealthiness: rope jumping, body tracing, career self evaluation, drumming, lifetime goals, health and wellness throughout life, and maintaining a positive and productive self concept.



On October 2nd, classes of Yoga will be taught by Ms. Nesbit also at the Tulsa Garden Center. This class will meet every Tuesday evening for six weeks at 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Pre-registration is required. For fees, registration or any questions please contact Dody Nesbit at 918-743-4241 for fees and to register. Dody does not have an answering machine, but will return the call of any phone numbers that appear on caller i.d.

Mats will be provided and please come comfortably dressed.

# Affiliate News



## African Violet Society

The African Violet will meet on September 17th at 7:00pm. The program will be presented by Elmer Godeny. Preparations for the upcoming October District African Violet Show & Sale will be discussed. Refreshments will be served and visitors are welcome.

## Oklahoma Native Plant Society

The Northeast Chapter of the Oklahoma Native Plant Society will meet on September 10th. Refreshments are served at 6:30pm followed by the business meeting and program.

The program "Floristic Inventories at Tulsa's Oxley Nature Center and Redbud Valley Preserve" will be presented by Amy Buthod, Botanical Specialist, Oklahoma Biological Survey, University of Oklahoma.

The annual meeting will be held September 14th-16th at the Selmon Living Laboratory in western Oklahoma. Field trips, the Society's annual member meeting, presentation of awards and election of new state officers will be on the agenda for the three-day event. Dr. Gloria Caddell of the Botany department at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond will be in charge of arrangements.

## Oklahoma Urban and Sustainable Garden Association

The Horticulture Study Group has changed its name to Oklahoma Urban and Sustainable Garden Association. It will hold its' annual Fall Sale on September 15th, 9:00am-3:00pm, in the South Room. There will be lots of perennials, edible plants, shade plants and of course herbs.

## The Hosta Connection

The Hosta Connection will hold its annual "Members Only" sale on September 25th. You may join The Hosta Connection on the night of the sale and still participate in the sale. Sale will begin promptly at 7:00pm

## Tulsa Council of Federated Garden Clubs

Meetings will re-commence on September 7th. No formal program is planned.

## Tulsa Area Daylily Society

Come and bring your friends, neighbors and family members to the Thursday, September 6th meeting. The Director of Phibrook Museum Gardens, Melinda McMillan will be presenting the program. Refreshment are served at 6:30pm, with the program and meeting to follow. There will be a drawing for door prizes.

## Tulsa Area Iris Society

The Society will celebrate its' 50th birthday at the Annual Meeting on September 13th. Members are asked to arrive at 5:30pm so that dinner can begin promptly at 6:00pm. Peggy Meekins will present a program on TAIS over the last 50 years and the annual budget for FY12/13 will be presented for approval.

Following the program, members will receive Iris Rhizomes in the order their names were drawn throughout the year. Members must be

present to receive these rhizomes or provide a signed proxy designating who may pick up their rhizome. Only active, current members of The Tulsa Area Iris Society may participate in the Rhizome drawing.

## Tulsa Orchid Society

The Tulsa Orchid Society's regular monthly meeting is September 9th at 1:30 pm at the Garden Center. The guest speaker is **Carson E. Whitlow**, owner of Cypripedium Haven. He will give a 45 minute presentation, "The World of Cypripediums"

This presentation covers most of the native species in North/Central America plus many of those from the rest of the world. These fascinating and often rare terrestrial orchids, also known as "Lady Slippers" are some of our most beautiful native wildflowers.

Mr. Carson Whitlow has been involved in growing and hybridizing orchids since the 1950's and has worked at some of the most prestigious orchid companies throughout his career. He became interested in native terrestrial orchids in the 1970's such as Calopogons and Cypripediums. His work with these genera of orchids resulted in the first registered artificial hybrids of Cypripedium in 1987 and Calopogon in 1991. He was also instrumental in the development of the internet site, "The Orchid Mall" a one stop place to browse for all things orchids from plants, potting supplies and Orchid shows and news.

Visitors and guests are always welcome, refreshments will be provided.

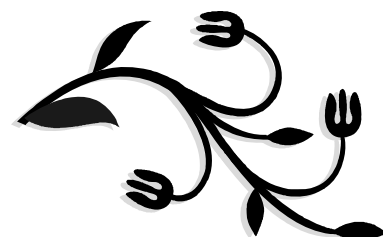
## Tulsa Perennial Club

The public is invited to attend the September 20th meeting of Tulsa Perennial Club at 7:00pm in TGC Auditorium. Susan Brammeier from Southwood Landscape and Nursery will be sharing her knowledge of garden accessories. Susan is a buyer with Southwood and has many creative ideas for accessorizing garden spaces. She'll also bring along interesting examples of how to make a garden even more enjoyable.

Following the program there will be general discussion of the Tulsa Perennial Club's Garden Tour scheduled for October. This is a special tour limited to Tulsa Perennial Club members of other member's gardens.

## Tulsa Rose Society

Brian Jervis of Tulsa County Extension Service will be the guest speaker on September 9th at 2:00pm. Brian will speak on building better soil and preparing your gardens for planting. He will also discuss soil testing and the part the Extension Service can play in your gardening endeavors. Guests are welcome and refreshments are served.



# CHLORAMINE

## HOW WILL IT AFFECT TULSA'S WATER SUPPLY?

Joan Arthur, Senior Project Engineer, City of Tulsa, will present an overview of how Tulsa's water supply will be affected by the addition of Chloramine as the secondary disinfectant. At the conclusion of the presentation, Ms. Arthur will be available to answer questions from the public.

Koi pond owners and individuals with health issues should attend this lecture to find out if they need to take any special precautions. Ms. Arthur's presentation will allow the public to make an informed evaluation of chloramine.



**Tuesday, September 4th**

**Two presentations of the same material will be given—10:30am and 6:00pm**

**Tulsa Garden Center**

**Auditorium**

**Admission is Free to the public**

### Combined Daylily & Iris Sale



**Saturday 9am to 3pm**

**September 15th**

Fall is the preferred time for planting and transplanting Daylilies and Iris. Prepare your garden for a spectacular color display next Spring.

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### Oklahoma Urban and Sustainable Garden Association

#### *Annual Fall Sale*



**Saturday**

**September 15th**

**9am to 3pm**

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# September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Labor Day Holiday TGC Mansion closed
2 Labor Day Holiday TGC Mansion closed	3 Labor Day Holiday TGC Mansion closed	4 9:00am Tulsa Herb Society Crafting  10:30am Public Lecture "Chloramine"  6:00pm Public Lecture "Chloramine"	5 9:00am Linnaeus Volunteer Training	6 6:30pm Tulsa Area Daylily Society Meeting	7 10:00am Tulsa Council of Federated Garden Clubs Meeting	8 9:00am Grandparent's Day in Linnaeus Garden
9 1:30pm Tulsa Orchid Society Meeting  2:00pm Tulsa Rose Society Meeting	10 10:30am TGC Executive Comm. Meeting  12:00pm TGC Board Meeting  6:00pm Native Plant Society Meeting  7:00pm Green Country Bonsai Society Meeting	11 9:00am Tulsa Herb Society Meeting  6:30pm Green Country Water Garden Soc. Meeting	12 9:00am Linnaeus Volunteer Training	13 5:30pm Tulsa Area Iris Society Annual Meeting	14	15 9:00am Okla. Urban and Sus- tainable Garden Assoc. Plant Sale  9:00am Tulsa Area Daylily Sale  9:00am Tulsa Area Iris Society Sale  9:00am Little Green Thumbs (Ballroom)
16	17 7:00pm African Violet Society Meeting	18 9:00am Tulsa Herb Society Crafting  11:00am Anne Hathaway Herb Society Meeting  12:00pm Book Discussion Club  6:30pm Cool Seasons Grass Seminar  6:30pm Audubon Soc. Meeting	19 9:00am Linnaeus Monthly Meeting  9:00am Linnaeus Volunteer Training	20 12:00pm Brown Bag Lecture "African Violets—Not Just For Your Grand- mother Anymore"  6:30pm Tulsa Perennial Club Meeting  7:00pm Sierra Club Meeting	21 2:00pm Nat'l Assoc. of Parliamentarians	22 9:00am Cacti & Succulent Society Sale
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## Pitch In: Become a Citizen Forester

**The Up With Trees Citizen Forester program is an exciting curriculum for Tulsans who are interested in learning or enhancing arboricultural knowledge and skills.** Citizen Foresters receive 16 hours of training with Tulsa's top arborists, learning how to identify tree species, plant and maintain trees and promote urban forestry awareness and education.

Program graduates will become part of a volunteer corps that will plant, maintain, prune and inventory trees in parks and other locations as well as reach out to the community at fairs and other outreach opportunities. Join us as we beautify our community and contribute to public health. **Our next available Citizen Forester session will be hosted on four Saturday mornings beginning October 6th, 2012, at our facility located at 11th & Boston.**

*[Sign Up Now](#)*

**Up With Trees, Attn: Education Committee  
1102 S. Boston Ave.**

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**For further information, please contact us at [education@upwithtrees.org](mailto:education@upwithtrees.org) or call 918-610-TREE (8733).**