

Tuesday Thoughts for February 2, 2021

My Dear Garden Club Friends!

Lets have some fun for Valentine's Day!

Send me one (1) picture of a design:

Title: Valentine's Day

Design Type: Crescent shape

Deadline: February 5th

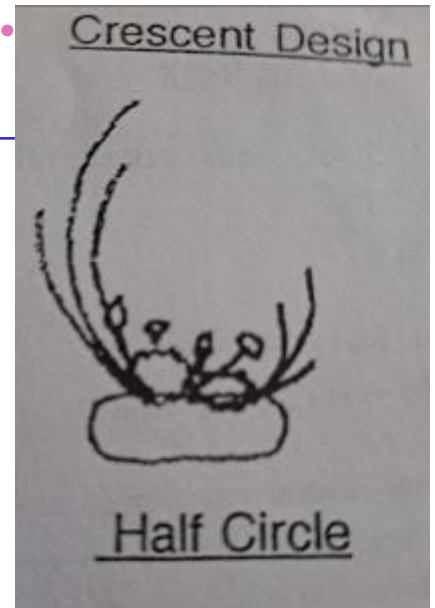
Picture has to have your name, Club, District.

Material used and any other comment. (like how many years you have been designing and if you are a judge etc.)

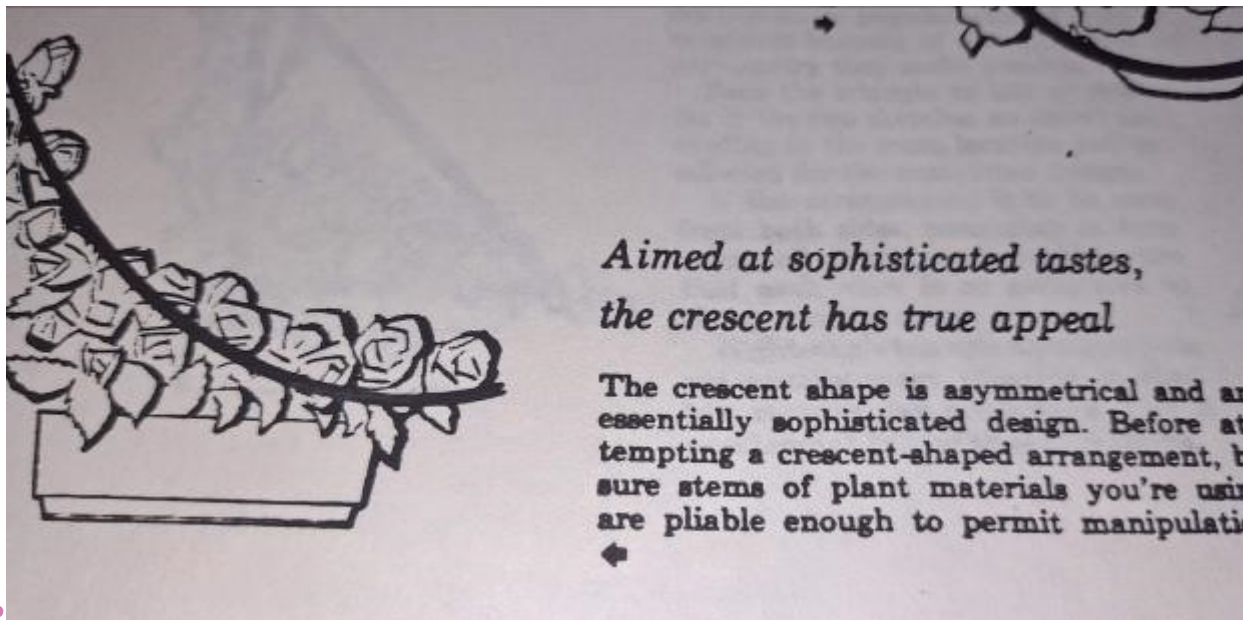
Email to tanjandy@gmail.com

I will forward the pictures to Linda Shamp, president of the Portland Judges Council without names and she and her council will judge the designs and think of a new title and appoint another Judges Council to judge the next design. I will publish the winner in the February 9th "Tuesday Thoughts".

Anyone can enter!



I got some questions about the contest and Beverly Seibel was so nice to send some more information that might help you out



I also got some other suggestions for books and movies to read and watch !

TV - record Jeopardy and old movies. Interesting how some movies don't age.....for instance, "The Magnificent Seven" - 1960 - starred Yul Brynner, Eli Wallach, Steve McQueen and Charles Bronson! We loved it, so the next night we watched "The Return of the Magnificent Seven"... Consider mysteries by Neal Sanders. He and his wife, Betty (who is currently on the NGC Board and past state president of MA), live in Massachusetts. He's written several books that always include garden clubs!

Gay Austin National Garden Club President

And here is a little blurb I found on line about Neil Sanders. Sounds like fun!

Before trying his hand at writing, Neal Sanders spent 35 years as a senior executive in high technology. The author of twelve mysteries, he makes his home near Boston. 'Fatal Equity' is his third book featuring the Garden Club Gang. [Google Books](#)

In Our Oregon Garden Club we have a husband who writes mysteries also! Gena Goddard is a longtime member of the Ashland Garden Club. Her husband Ken Goddard set up the first full service crime lab for national and international wildlife law enforcement in Ashland, Ore. He writes thriller novels with wildlife crime as subject. He has an interesting website: <https://www.kengoddardbooks.com/default.htm>

Another good book to consider is 'Animal, vegetable, miracle' by Kingsolver. I read that in a book club and it was interesting. *Brenda Moore* 2nd Vice-President National Garden Club

Everyone has their own favorites! Thanks for sharing!

[Some other exciting news:](#)

Penny Pines Challenge

“What a great job the clubs are doing!” Says Margaret Taylor, our OSFGC Treasurer

116 plantations or \$7,888

We have exceeded our goal, but let's keep going on Penny Pines.

We set a May 31 deadline for the end of the challenge.

Several MILLION acres have burned in Oregon in the last few years.

So far we have helped a lot, however there is much more to do.

Lynn Chiotti

Georgia Zahar, Eugene GC. Willamette District sent me these beautiful winter pictures!
There are always treasures to find in your own garden whether it is a hidden flower, or moss

on a statue, turkey tail mushrooms (In Dutch you call them little elf seats-elfenbankje)



Isn't he cute!

It felt good to walk around the garden & discover the moss on my concrete bear. Mushrooms on a piece of wood from a cherry tree & a camellia bloom.
Georgia Zahar



Gaye Stewart, our former State President has made flower arrangements for her church for a very long time. She has done it for so long that they even bought her a cooler to keep her arrangements and flowers fresh! Aren't the parishioners lucky to have such amazing bouquets each Sunday!?



Here's one of my bouquets;
doesn't it just brighten the day? I
love flowers!



Gaye





An Underwater Design

More fun from our amazing designers!
Doesn't that make you feel like you would like to try your hand at designing?
Looking forward to see your Valentine's Day designs!

Stay Happy, Healthy and Hopeful!
Love from Tanja!



A Fruit/flower Design by Margaret Taylor