

South East District Director
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Sir Vice President,

I am feeling a touch of Fall in the air or am I? I think not, for as it is 90 degrees outside while I am writing this report! The district is getting ready to attend the 2026 SE Fall District Meeting hosted by the Mudlark Garden Club. Praying for cooler weather by meeting time.

ALL THUMBS GARDEN CLUB has been doing educational outreach in an elementary school and making floral arrangements with residents at Autumn Trace. They continue doing plantings at the SE Blue Star and Seymour Museum.

CULTIVATING GARDEN CLUB has been busy with club meetings at member's homes and tours of their gardens. They did a flower tour at Shoot The Moon Flower Farm and Stables in July. August was a presentation by Mark Fields, owner of Bonsai by Fields.

FAYETTE GARDEN CLUB had a meeting in July with speaker Dawn Slack discussing the many uses of herbs and how to use them. August was their annual Pitchin Picnic. In September they will be learning how to make Hypertufa pots.

FLOWER LANE GARDEN CLUB had a Pink Voodoo Lily presentation by El Burns, a neighbor of a club member. In August they visited the nursery of Stream Cliff Farms and had lunch. September will be attending the Fall Seminar and SE Fall Meeting,

GIVE-N-TAKE GARDEN CLUB had a brain storming party at a members home of how to establish the members garden. August was a Pitchin at the president's home. September is a presentation by Mark Nolan of the County Extension Office on 'Growing Roses is Easy'.

MUDLARKS GARDEN CLUB had a presentation by a member and her young daughter on Nurturing Butterflies and Creating Fairy Gardens. Future little Mudlarks were invited and made a fairy garden to take home. In August Master Gardener and artist Gail Plattner gave a talk on Native Shade Plants. In September they are hosting the SE District Meeting.

NIGHT BLOOMERS continue to have meetings planned by a different member each month. August was a rest month. September is a pitch-in and planning meeting for their plant bingo meeting in October which will be a membership building opportunity for their club.

TERRACE GARDEN CLUB had a talk on butterflies given by Cathy Weber in July. In August they had a plant sale among their members. September will be a Herb dinner with sharing of their recipes.

Respectfully submitted,

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