

Newsletter



Don't miss out on any upcoming 2025 events:



Garden Royale A BLACK TIE AFFAIR

March 29th, 2025
7:00pm-11:00pm

A formal black tie dinner featuring a live band, gambling, silent auction & fun.
Individual tickets \$75.00 each | Table of 8: \$575.00
(This is a 21+ event)

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GARDENFEST

A DAY FULL OF FLOWER SALES, SHOPPING, CRAFTS AND MORE.
KICK OFF SPRING IN THE GARDENS!

APRIL 26TH
9AM - 2PM

TICKETS: \$5.00 EACH
MEMBERS & KIDS 5
& UNDER FREE





2025 EVENT CALENDAR

Garden Royale - Saturday March 29th | 7-11pm

Break out your dancing shoes and bring your luck for our black tie affair. A dinner featuring a live band, gambling & fun. (21+ event) Give us a call to purchase your tickets (806)352-6513. Individual \$75.00 each | Table of 8: \$575.00

GardenFest - Saturday, April 26th | 9am-2pm

A day full of flower sales, shopping, crafts and more. Kick off spring with us here in the Gardens! Admission \$5.00 each | Members & children 5 & under are FREE.

Music in the Gardens - Thursday, June 5th - Thursday, August 28th | 7-9pm

The Music in the Gardens summer series is back! The concerts take place every Thursday night through June, July, & August. Admission \$10 | Members \$5 | Children 5 & under are FREE

July Jazz - Friday, July 18th | 7pm-9pm

A wonderful evening in the Gardens, full of jazz, food, and fun. Individual \$75.00 each | Table of 8: \$575.00

Day with the Butterflies - Saturday, September 13th | 9am-2pm

A one of a kind event featuring an individual butterfly release, educational activities, booths and more! Ticket prices to be announced.

Trail of 1000 Jack O'-Lanterns - October 22nd - 25th | Times TBD

See the Gardens in a whole new light, with an evening lit by 1000 a Jack o'-Lanterns. More details and ticket prices to be announced.

Poinsettia Luncheon - Tuesday, December 2nd | 11:30am-1:00pm

This event features a catered lunch and style show. Each attendee will receive a poinsettia to take home. Ticket prices to be announced.

Christmas in the Gardens - December 2025 | 6:00-8:30pm

Christmas in the Gardens is back for another magical season of lights. Join us in the month of December for the best light show in town. Dates to be announced.

The Grinch Brunch - Monday, December 22nd | 10:30am-12:30pm

A morning full of games, crafts, and Grinch filled fun for your family and friends! Ticket prices to be announced.



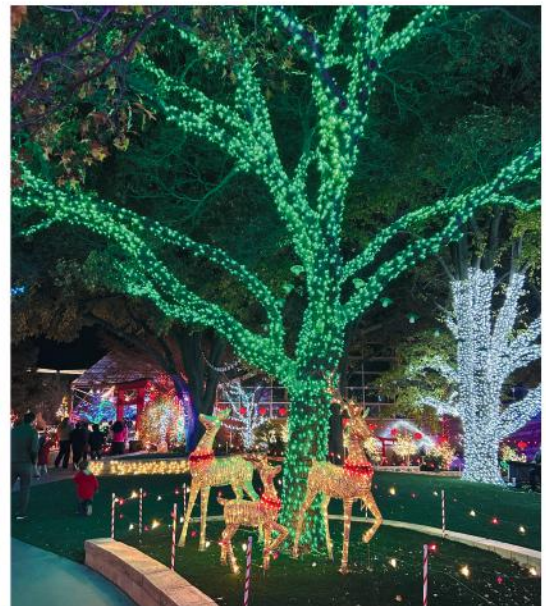
CHRISTMAS IN THE GARDENS 2024

Christmas in the Gardens was a huge success this year! We would like to thank everyone in the community that came out and enjoyed the lights. Christmas in the Gardens is one of the largest fundraisers of the year, and it would not be possible without the help of all our wonderful volunteers. Christmas is such a magical time and we cannot wait to spend it with you all again next year!

We would like to give a big thank you to Amarillo National Bank for being 2024's main event sponsor.

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On behalf of everyone at The Amarillo Botanical Gardens, we want to extend our heartfelt thank you to all that donated during The 2024 Panhandle Gives campaign. Thanks to your support, we are able to continue our work in serving the community by inspiring interaction with plants and the environment, creating adventure and conveying knowledge.

In the Garden

Although it is the middle of February, with variable weather, there are plenty of things you need to do in the garden. First, go out, wander around the garden and recall the things you enjoyed last year. Take note of the things you need to change or get rid of altogether. Often February is the month the garden begins to awaken. Wood violets start to bloom, pansies are in flower again, many of our perennials are showing their desire to grow and fescue lawns are showing a hint of fresh green.

It may be too cold, most days, to do some garden tasks, but there are a few timely actions to take this month that will help your plants to grow their best and keep your garden looking beautiful. This month is when you need to start your dormant sprays for disease control on fruit trees, roses and lilacs; spray with copper to control fungal and bacterial diseases, or with horticultural oil sprays to control mites and aphids. Stop spraying when flower buds begin to show color.

Prune; fruit trees, grapes, roses, as well as other ornamentals that bloom in the summer on new growth, such as butterfly bush, and rose of Sharon. Wait to prune early bloomers until after they bloom. You can prune out dead or diseased wood, and the dead tops of perennials at any time.

Seeds started indoors; sow cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, kale onions, leeks, peppers, tomatoes and eggplant. Don't get into a hurry on sowing many of your plants just yet, as they tend to get leggy, and root bound if started too soon.

Planting; in the vegetable garden, it is time to plant peas and it's a great time to plant dormant fruit trees. You may also plant other trees during the cool days of February which will give them a head start before hot weather sets in. Hold off on planting ornamentals for a while to ensure the weather is settled and you don't lose anything to a late freeze.

Soil preparation; you may begin applying compost and working the soil. Doing this early ensures this task is complete before garden chores stack up, allowing you to get plants into the soil when it is time rather than when you have a chance.

Fertilizing; fruit trees, shade trees, rhubarb, garlic, asparagus, and pansies.

Lawn care; apply fertilizer to fescue lawns to get a jump on an early green lawn. Water as needed rather than setting the timer and forgetting about it. Once a week during the early spring is very ample or better yet, check the soil to determine moisture levels before watering.

At ABG we are doing a deep cleanup, and pruning. Making necessary repairs to hardscapes outdoor lighting and sprinkler systems and of course weeding, always weeding. We are also making plans and ordering supplies for a bountiful, beautiful 2025 growing season.

Happy Gardening
Greg Lusk



Volunteer Spotlight - Armando Avila

Meet Mr. Armando Avila! He is one of our amazing volunteers at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens. If you have been to one of our events and heard the joyful music around the Gardens, it is thanks to Armando. Helping and assisting others is a trait of Armando's that can be seen not only in volunteering, but in his career as well. He served in the US Marines during Desert Storm and later went on to become a police officer for 20 years. Armando currently works at Pantex, but in his free time he can be seen helping around the Gardens. Whether it be helping set up for an event, washing windows, hanging lights, and so much more.



Armando and his family started attending events and volunteering at the Gardens in 2020 to have a peaceful atmosphere to escape Covid. Here we are four years later, and Armando is still one of our biggest supporters. Thank you for your service!

GARDEN WISH LIST:

- Golf cart for daily use of garden upkeep.
- Used refrigerator for catering kitchen



ABG Winter Hours

The Garden is currently observing our winter hours. As a reminder the Gardens will be closing at 5pm on weekdays and Saturday's.

Winter Hours:

Monday - Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday 1pm-5pm

Sunday Closed

*We will be changing to Spring hours mid March pending weather.

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