

MENTORING

After a New Member joins WGC, the Mentor will:

1. Call new member before the club meeting; Around & Abouts and workshops—checking to see if latter two are “sold out” before calling – for two months after the new member joins. (The number of calls will be adjusted based on the needs of the new member.) The mentor will seek out the new member at the general meeting and explain the sign up lists, the website, the plant raffle and club expectation to bring food to at least two meetings.
2. Check to see if the new member has a yearbook and then step them through it for dates of events and contacts. Request that the new member bring their Yearbook to each regular meeting. Give instructions on adding new member info to back of yearbook. The mentor will educate the new member initially with all of the above info and suggest they mark on their calendar on the dates of the items they are interested in.
3. Advise the new member of “New Member Reception” in the Fall and explain if they miss it, they will be invited to the one in the Spring.
4. Make sure they are receiving e-blasts and newsletter (some do not have email).
5. Ask what interests they have, or what areas they would like to work in and alert the appropriate committee chair. This information is requested on the new member application – we need to make sure this is completed. The applications will be given to Membership Data Manager by the Membership Chair, and the MDM will check and advise the mentors.

The following will be included at the New Member Receptions with a club member going over the information in a short presentation.

1. Ask each new member to rise and give a bit of information about themselves.
2. Introduce each of the board of directors and committee chair persons that are present at the reception.
3. Show the video created by The National Garden Club.
3. Explain how the club helps defray expenses of educational seminars/courses.
4. Explain District events like the Tropical Short Course and District/State meetings.
5. Questions and Answers.
6. Social time.