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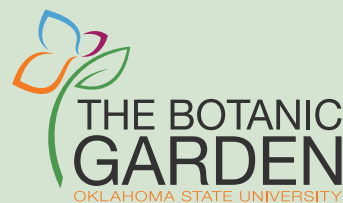
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Our 2020 student employees were indispensable this year since we could not use volunteer labor. We thank the following wonderful students for their hard work and wonderful spirit: Jessi Garrett, Brooke Kephart, Peyton Osborne, Loren Park, Nick Sahs, Trevor Shaw, and graduate Tyler Troppman

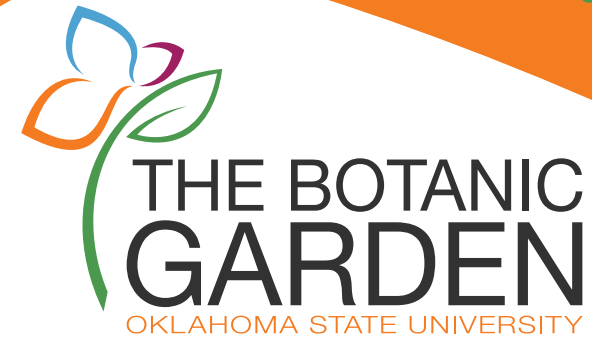


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# Annual Report 2020

## Changing of the Guard!

### Jane Carter Retires

After nearly ten years as garden manager Jane Carter retired in the summer of 2020. She was the force behind our beautifully designed and maintained gardens, and we are going to miss her. TBG Ambassadors purchased a plaque in her honor, and it is placed in the herb garden on a stone bench. All the best to you Jane! Enjoy your retirement!

### Lynda Carrier to Carry On

We recently hired Lynda Carrier as the new garden manager, and we are excited to have her on board. Lynda has worked for the Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture for almost 20 years, most recently as a vegetable extension and research technician. Her beautiful gardens at home have been featured on *Oklahoma Gardening (OKG)* and we look forward to working with her at TBG.

### Laura Payne's Responsibilities Shift

After many years of working for The Botanic Garden and *OKG* Laura Payne will focus on her responsibilities as Field Producer for *OKG*. Laura has worn many hats at TBG including volunteer coordinator, event coordinator, education coordinator, and general counselor for us all. We will miss her guidance, but she will remain at her same perch in the office. We are happy she will be close by and will still be our partner.

### Kevin Gragg Moves On

Kevin was behind the camera and in the editing room as the producer of *OKG* for the past 20 years! He has decided to move on and we wish him great joy in his new endeavor. Kevin has been a constant for *OKG* as hosts have changed but he was never stagnant. He kept *OKG* fresh and new by always embracing new technology including the world wide web and making *OKG* accessible to millions.

Although 2020 was a challenging year for all, we appreciate all the financial support the garden received and all the visitors. The garden really was a refuge during these odd times and it was wonderful to see families, seniors, students, and the community finding solace in our beautiful gardens.

Sincerely,  
Lou Anella, Director

## TBG STAFF

Lou Anella  
Director

Lynda Carrier  
Garden Manager

Laura Payne  
Volunteer & Education  
Coordinator



# HIGHLIGHTS 2020



## New Paved Road and Parking!

Thanks to funding from generous donors and the University, we now have a new paved road and parking lot! The paved road and parking will usher in a new era for the garden making it more accessible to all. We would like to thank the Barbara Pass Endowment, Dr. Ray Campbell, Debbie Skinner, Leslie Imboden and Susie Taylor, Lynn Hughes, and Marsha and Bob Adams for the donations that allowed us to complete the project!

## New SolaWrap Geenhouse

Thanks to funding from the Barbara Pass Endowment we were able to install a new greenhouse for overwintering tropical plants and for extra production space. The greenhouse was installed by Phocus Farms from Edmond, Oklahoma and we chose SolaWrap as the covering. SolaWrap is a bubblewrap-like material that is stronger than traditional greenhouse plastic, has excellent light transparency and diffusion, and should last longer. We are excited to help the garden grow by having this extra greenhouse space.



## Bobby and Claranne Hayes Botanic Garden Experience Fund

When Bobby Hayes was at OSU he did an internship that he remembers fondly 60 years later. He and his wife have donated funds to pay student interns at TBG and this year they took it one step further and endowed the Bobby and Claranne Hayes Botanic Garden Experience Fund. We thank them for their generosity and we hope our current interns have as memorable an experience. Pictured are student interns Brooke Kephart, Loren Park, and Peyton Osborne.



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