

# Sun City Garden and Native Areas Tour

## 2007 Annual Symposium of the Native Plant Society of Texas

### Friday, October 19, 2007 - 1-5 p.m.

*Enjoy this tour of gardens that feature water-saving, deer-resistant native plants. As you drive around, please note the care that homeowners put into their landscapes and the native areas set aside by our developer, Del Webb Corporation. Sun City Nature Club wishes to welcome our visitors from around the state who are here for the symposium.*

Map number	Neighborhood	Address or location	Tour notes	Name(s)
1	11A	100 Ranch House Cv.	Enormous collection of <b>deer resistant natives in a naturalistic setting.</b>	Joanne (owner Don Stacey)
2	11A	167 Great Frontier	Good example of less turf grass and more <b>native grasses mixed with a variety of native shrubs.</b> Lovely trellis covered with coral honeysuckle surrounds the patio in back.	Tom & Judy
3	11A	177 Great Frontier	<b>Native grasses interspersed with a fabulous rock and fossil collection.</b> Owner promises to display his locally found <b>Native American artifact collection</b> also. Nice variety of wildflowers, sedges, yucca and agave Potted natives and Russian sage is nice next to a small water feature. Note the Barbados Cherry and buffalo gourd.	Dan & Nancy
4	11A	<b>Native Plant Demonstration Garden</b>	<i>Park near intersection of (2nd) Great Frontier (near the bridge) and Sun City Blvd. Walk down the sidewalk (away from the bridge) to view the <b>Native Plant Demonstration Garden planted by the Sun City Nature Club.</b></i>	
5	11A	<b>Berry Creek Trail on Barn Dance Cove</b>	<i>Berry Creek Trail access - note large grassy field, previously Native American cornfield, now <b>earmarked for prairie restoration.</b></i>	
6	16	101 Orion Rd	Home is <b>surrounded by native areas</b> which have been nicely preserved - features <b>two lovely ponds with native water plants</b> , buffalo grass lawn and a sand dune, owner a retired biology professor who loves to talk about reptiles and amphibians.	Jim & Sarah
7		<b>Model Home Park - Intersection of Del Webb &amp; Sun City</b>	<i>Park in the Model Home parking lot and walk through the sales office to the back - features a lovely pond and a <b>wildflower garden planted by Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center</b> personnel, and stunning views to boot, best in Sun City. <u>(NOTE: Del Webb sales office informed us that this area may be under renovation by the time this tour occurs)</u></i>	
8	15A	115 Lubbock Dr.	Don't miss this one! <b>More than 75% native</b> - nice variety of wildflowers and shrubs including Carolina Buckthorn, lacey oaks, Mexican and Texas redbuds, Texas Barberry, and lots of interesting succulents. Recently <b>certified as a backyard wildlife habitat.</b>	Charlie & Mardy
9	15A	<b>Undeveloped Karst Land - Intersection Dawson &amp; Texas Dr</b>	<i>Intersection of Dawson &amp; Texas Drive - <b>undeveloped karst land, full of caves and native plants.</b> Left untouched by the developer.</i>	

10	13A	332 Rio Grande	<b>More than 75% native, possibly the largest variety in Sun City,</b> lovely beds designed by David Heberling of Prairiewood Landscaping. The twinleaf senna, oaks, sullcap groundcover, retama and grasses are there to enjoy. Don't miss the two gorgeous huisache trees on the right.	Betty & Ben
11	13A	110 Llano Court	Two incredibly well designed <b>ponds, front &amp; back, surrounded by natives.</b>	Noel & Karen
12	7	103 Red Oak Circle	This is a project in progress. The owners cleared all the beds and yard of numerous invasives and non-natives and landscaped the back and side beds themselves. Now <b>beautiful stone walkways and a lovely variety of native shrubs, trees and grasses</b> is being added to the front beds and rest of the yard by David Heberling of Prairiewood Landscaping.	Randy & Phil
13	6	234 Lone Star	<b>Lots of lovely native trees and grasses – indigo spire – coral berry.</b>	Lynn
14	5A	134 Enchanted	Marian is <b>our biggest Native Plant fan</b> - check out her 2 Eve's necklaces, a huge Mexican buckeye and a host of other wildflowers and shrubs.	Marian
15	5A	124 Bronco Drive	Corner house Bronco & Enchanted (across from 134 Enchanted) - look at these <b>lovely native plantings</b>	Joan
16	9	282 Trail of the Flowers	Linda was president of the Sun City Garden Club and it shows - well tended yard <b>featuring desert willow, mountain laurel, trumpet vine, cutleaf daisy, gaura and a whole bed full of kidneywood.</b>	Linda & Richard
17	9	108 & 110 Winecup	Two neighbors - <b>variety of natives</b> interspersed with non-natives and each has a <b>lovely water feature.</b>	Kay & Jerry Jerry & Shirley
18	12A	115 Sandpiper	<b>Prettiest lot in Sun City - lots of green space at edge of creek -</b> buffalo grass lawn, desert willow, retama, copper canyon daisy, Eve's necklace, agarita, lantana, volunteer Carolina buckthorns, turk's cap, rock rose, boneset, Texas pistache, and blue mistflower.	Lynn & Jim

**NOTE: For additional Native Areas, please refer to the 'Sun City Nature Trails & Walking Paths' pamphlet for trail details. Use the information below in conjunction with the Sun City street map to locate trail heads and additional access points.**

**Berry Creek Trail** — Easiest access is from the Legacy Hills Park off of Del Webb Blvd.

- Other end of the trail is accessible by parking on Great Frontier off Sun City Blvd. in Neighborhood 11A. (Note that Great Frontier has two entrances off Sun City Blvd. You want the Great Frontier intersection by the bridge near White Wing Golf Club.)
- Trail is also accessible from Barn Dance Cove in Neighborhood 11A.

**Blue Herron Trail** — Easiest access is from the Legacy Hills Park off of Del Webb Blvd.

- Trail is also accessible from Golden Rod Way in Neighborhood 9.

**Tranquility Trail** — Trail head is found on Lone Star Drive in Neighborhood 5A/6.

**Quarter Moon Trail** — Trail head is found at the intersection of Sun City Blvd. and Rio Grande Loop in Neighborhood 13.

**Legacy Hills Park** — A beautiful lake setting with access to Berry Creek and Blue Herron Trails. These trails follow the lake and creek - lots to enjoy in both directions or just relax on a bench and enjoy the lake. If you registered for it, the **evening party is here in the park pavilion.**