



WHAT:

TWO SEPARATE DEDICATIONS; #1-BLUE STAR AND #2-GOLD STAR

WHERE:

MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS 75455;

LOCATION 1- CHAMBER OFFICE; SOUTH ENTRANCE CIVIC CENTER GROUNDS

LOCATION 2 - TITUS COUNTY COUTHOUSE; WAR MEMORIAL PLAZA

WHEN:

LOCATION 1; FRIDAY, MAY 17TH; 10 AM; PRIOR TO ARMED FORCES DAY

LOCATION 2; FRIDAY, MAY 24TH; 10 AM; PRIOR TO MEMORIAL DAY

WHO:

MT. PLEASANT CHAPTER; TEXAS DIVISION; NATIONAL GARDEN CLUB; DOTTIE SIVESS

TITUS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION, CHAIR

AND

TITUS COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES OFFICER; STEVE AUSTIN

MT. PLEASANT & TITUS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; KATE STEDMAN

SPECIAL APPRECIATION TO:

TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT; JUDGE BRIAN LEE, PRESIDING

CITY OF MT. PLEASANT; MAYOR DR. PAUL MERIWETHER, MD

JOHN FITCH

PRIEFERT MFG. & PRIEFERT COMPLEX DESIGN

LOWE'S HOME IMPROVEMENT CENTER, MT. PLEASANT

MT. PLEASANT WILL BECOME ONLY THE <u>SECOND CITY IN TEXAS</u> TO HAVE <u>BOTH</u> A BLUE STAR AND A GOLD STAR MARKER.

ADDITIONALLY, MT. PLEASANT HAS A STONE NGC MARKER (DELLWOOD PARK) FROM 1950, HONORING BOTH WWI AND

WWII. MT. PLEASANT WILL BE THE <u>ONLY CITY IN TEXAS</u> TO HAVE <u>THREE</u> SUCH NATIONAL GARDEN CLUB MARKERS.

PLEASE RSVP; tfcvso67@yahoo.com

Freedom Isn't Free

by Kelly Strong

I watched the flag pass by one day It fluttered in the breeze A young Marine saluted it, and then And then he stood at ease

I looked at him in uniform So young, so tall, so proud With hair cut square and eyes alert He'd stand out in any crowd

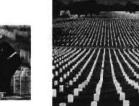


I thought how many men like him Had fallen through the years How many died on foreign soil? How many mothers' tears?

How many Pilots' planes

shot down?
How many died at sea?
How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?
No, Freedom isn't free





I heard the sound of taps one night, When everything was still I listened to the bugler play And felt a sudden chill

I wondered just how many times

That taps had meant "Amen"



When a flag had draped a coffin Of a brother or a friend

I thought of all the children, Of the mothers and the wives, Of fathers, sons and husbands With interrupted lives



I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea

Of unmarked graves in Arlington.

No, Freedom isn't free!









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Deen Day Sanders Honorary President

October 10, 2018

Steve Austin 100 West 1st Street Courthouse Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

Dear Garden Club Members:

On behalf of National Garden Clubs, Inc. and President, Nancy L. Hargroves enclosed are Certificates of Appreciation for the members of Mt. Pleasant Chapter National Garden Club, Titus County Historical Commission and Titus County Veteran Service Office on the occasion of the dedication of a Blue Star Memorial Marker.

The members of Mt. Pleasant Chapter National Garden Club, Titus County Historical Commission and Titus County Veteran Service Office are thanked and commended for honoring our country's men and women who bravely offer their lives for the preservation of our nation's freedoms.

Sincerely,

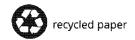
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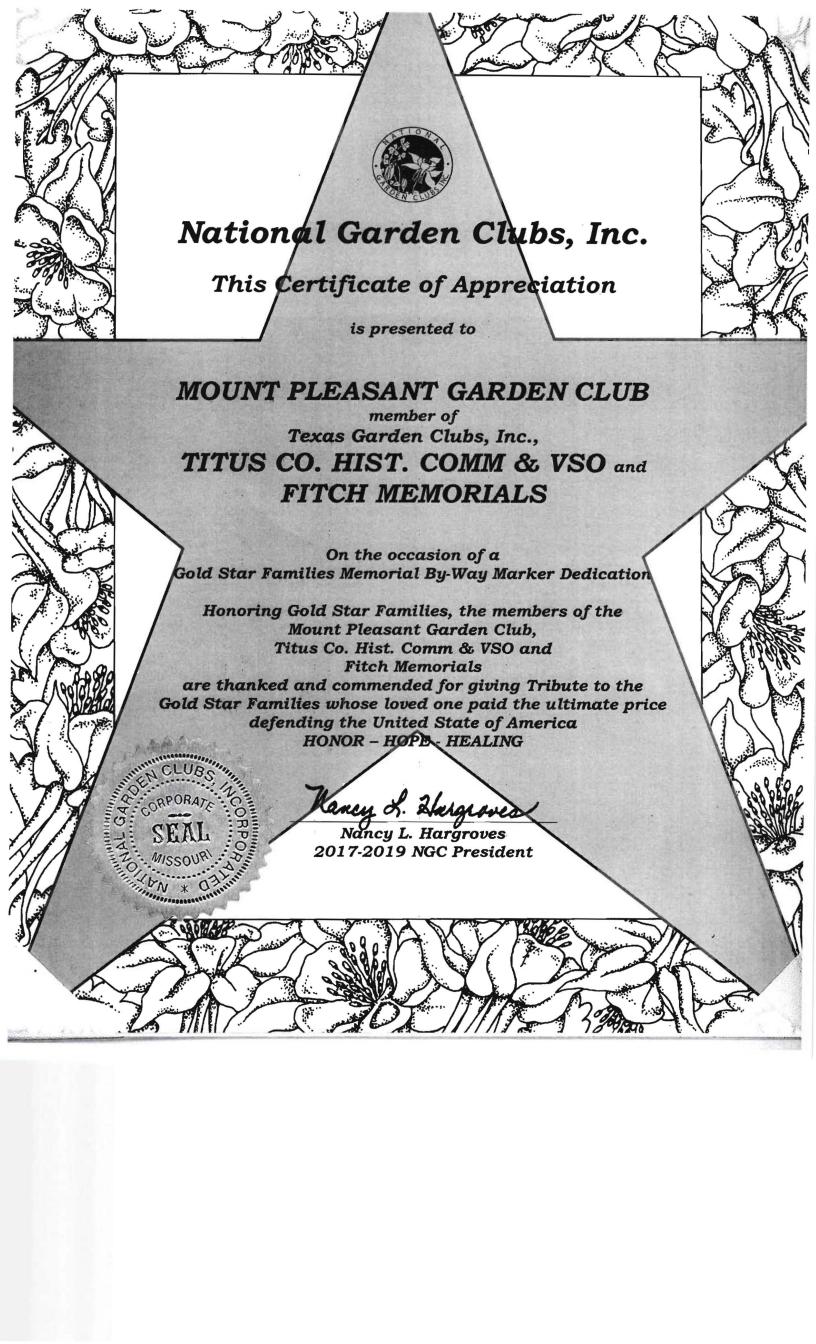
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Dear Garden Club Members:

On behalf of National Garden Clubs, Inc. and President, Nancy Hargroves enclosed are Certificates of Appreciation for Mount Pleasant Garden Club, Titus Co. Hist. Comm & VSO and Fitch Memorials in honor of the dedication of a Gold Star Memorial By-Way Marker.

The members of Mount Pleasant Garden Club, Titus Co. Hist. Comm & VSO and Fitch Memorials are thanked and commended for giving Tribute to the Gold Star Families whose loved one paid the ultimate price defending the United States of America.

Sincerely,

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