



Bio for Donna Rouch

Donna was raised on a farm in eastern Nebraska where she learned about life and responsibility. Her family raised a large vegetable garden with a huge potato patch and orchard. As a small child, her first gardening chore was to pick potato bugs off potato leaves. The farm was self-sustaining and visiting the grocery store was only for items such as sugar, spices and coffee.

She attended a one-room country school from first to eighth grade with a total enrollment of ten students. From that small school, she attended Omaha South High School, the largest high school in Nebraska. Quite a culture shock for a country girl!

Donna graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1983 from University of Nebraska at Omaha and a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 1993 from Creighton University. She was employed as a Hospital Pharmacy Director, as a Pharmacy Manager with a home infusion company and as an adjunct professor in pharmacology at Nebraska Methodist College.

She met her husband in college and they have two sons and five grandchildren.

She has been active as a volunteer for her church and many other organizations but her involvement with garden clubs has given her the most pleasure. She has served as Club and State President, District Director and Regional Awards Chair. For NGC, she has chaired the Membership and Website Search Committees, on the Nominating, Communications-Non-Print Committees and currently serves on the Membership and Leadership Committee and Liaison to the State Presidents and Region Directors. Donna has completed Landscape Design, Gardening, Environmental and Flower Show Schools.

Donna is honored to serve as NGC's Third Vice-President. She believes change is inevitable. Charles Darwin stated, "It is not the strongest that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change." Let us work together to be responsive to changes that allows NGC to grow.