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Tarrant County Master Gardener Association



Mission Statement

To provide horticultural and environmental research based information and techniques. To volunteer in area horticulture projects.



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All articles, activities and announcements of interest to Master Gardeners are welcome and encouraged.

Send submissions to the editor at
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FEATURED PLANT: Fragrant Honeysuckle



Fragrant Honeysuckle *Lonicera fragrantissima* Also called Winter Honeysuckle or Bush Honeysuckle

If you have room for this large shrub, which can reach eight feet high and eight feet wide, it will reward you with a cloud of fragrant white flowers on long arching branches while winter is still in the air. An essential for over-wintering butterflies, this deciduous shrub blooms through January to March in our area with a delightful lemony scent. While it is native to China, it thrives here in full sun or part shade, is very drought tolerant and very low maintenance. Keep it within bounds by pruning it back severely every year. It can even be cut down to the ground and will send up new shoots. The birds enjoy it's red fruit in the early spring. Once common in Texas homesteads, it can sometimes be found near the dooryards of abandon ranch houses. It is often sold as a packaged shrub during the winter.

President's Message

THE START OF ANOTHER GREAT YEAR



As you read this, many committees have kicked off their activities for the coming year, including Activities, Audit and State Awards.

Committees with ongoing monthly events are in high swing also such as Hospitality, Membership, Newsletter, Raffle and Website. Did you know we have someone who writes Acknowledgements and someone who contacts ill members and shares TCMGA 'Sunshine'?

Take a look at the bulletin board as you enter the monthly meetings and see how it has blossomed! Our Garden Resource table is always my first stop each month! Other special committees are Scholarships and Nominating. And look for happenings from our Photography/Publicity chair.

Can I brag – the Advisory Board and Executive Board are among the most dedicated folks in our Association.

Yes – it's going to be another great year!

— Susan Stanek, President

February 2009 Monthly Program



LOW-MAINTENANCE LANDSCAPING & TEXAS WATER MANAGEMENT

9:30 AM Coffee and visit
10:00 AM Low Maintenance Landscaping
11:00 AM Eat, Meet & Greet
12:00 noon Texas Water Management

Our speaker, Bonnie Reese, owner of Beautiful Landscapes, is an award winning North Texas landscape designer, consultant, author and public speaker specializing in low maintenance, low water use, nature friendly landscaping. Ms. Reese has copies of a book she has written, "Common Sense Landscaping", which can be purchased for \$25.00 and I'm sure she'll be happy to autograph it.

The afternoon presentation will be "Texas Water Management", a PowerPoint which many of our Master Gardeners have worked on together --originating with Charlie Shiner. The Awards Committee has nominated it for the State MG Association media award. This part of the program will give the Awards Committee an opportunity to explain a little of how all those plaques on the walls in the office come to be.

— Eleanor Tuck, 1st VP - Programs



2009 Texas Master Gardener State Conference April 23-24 & 25, 2009 Marshall, Texas.

Make plans to join us for the 2009 Texas Master Gardener State Conference, that will be held in beautiful East Texas. For more information:

Harrison County Master Gardener Association
c/o Extension Office
102 West Houston
Marshall, TX. 75670
(903) 935-8413

See this link for more information:

<http://tcaaa.tamu.edu/09statemeeting.htm>

TCMGA Meeting Minutes January 8, 2009

President Susan Stanek called the meeting to order at 10:50 with 161 certified members and interns in attendance. It was determined that there was a quorum of voting members in attendance.

December 2008 Meeting Minutes: Corrections to the December 2008 minutes are as follows: Eight members with over 500 hours were recognized, i.e., Bill Vandever, Gailon Hardin, Nancy Curl, Sharon Chastain, Judy Ratzlaff, Ginger Bason, Jim Nelson and Pat Higgins. Also, Joe Sanders presented Intern Awards as follows: Intern of the Year – Sally Henderson, Extra Mile Award- Lance Jepson. The December minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer Carl Trehus presented the following financial information:

As of 1 January 2008:

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| Checking | \$10,385.72 |
| Savings | \$2,577.09 |
| 3 CDs: | \$5,446.53 |
| | \$5,367.36 |
| | \$5,424.30 |
| Total of | \$29,201.00. |

There was a budget deficit of \$7,000 for the year. This deficit represented a spenddown of previously accumulated surplus funds used for Speakers Bureau equipment and Community Garden funding. He also reported that all monies have been consolidated into one bank.

As of the end of December 2008:

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| Checking | \$1,380.58, |
| Money Market | \$20,615.06 |
| For an asset total of | \$21,995.64. |

New Business:

Judy Sargent was accepting volunteers for the following Home and Garden Shows: The Ft. Worth Home and Garden Show January 16, 17

and 18th and the Neil Sperry Garden Show on February 27th through March 1st.

Sue Ellen Schlitzer, Membership Chair, asked that all Certified Specialists please contact her. She needs the information for the TCMGA directory and the Speakers Bureau.

The Audit Committee will meet in January and report to the membership at the February meeting. Committee members are: John Tinsley, Jack Gerloff, Joanne McClendon with Treasurer Carl Trehus.

A request was made that blank time sheets be available at the check-in desk prior to each meeting.

2009 Budget: Treasurer Carl Trehus gave a presentation on the proposed 2009 TCMGA budget. The 2009 proposed Budget Total is \$18,970.64. A lengthy discussion on the item of insurance ensued. A motion was made by Eleanor Tuck to not vote on the budget until the Advisory Board can meet and explore the issues. It was seconded by Warren Tingley. The motion passed 45 to 40.

There being no additional new business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy Butler
Acting Secretary

Note the New Newsletter Design

There have been lots of changes in this issue. How do you like it? Send comments and suggestions to the editor at tmgmarilyn@gmail.com

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Project Profile: Veteran's Park Wildscape By Molly Hollar

LOCATION: Veteran's Park, 3600 W. Arkansas Lane, Arlington.
In Arlington, east of I-820 and half-way between I-20 and I-30,
Arkansas Lane between Woodside Dr and Bowen Road



Mission Statement: To educate the Community to use native plants, conserve resources, attract wildlife and connect with nature.

The Wildscape expanded from a half acre in 1995 to it's current size of over 4 acres. With the consistent help of our dedicated volunteers from TCMGA, CTMN, ACC and other individuals we are able to maintain this piece of wilderness habitat in an urban setting. TCMGA especially has been a major contributor of volunteers, not only for expanding and maintaining this oasis in our city, but also to help educate others, in particular school children. Often many of these school children never get to experience any form of native area. These giving volunteers help open the eyes of so many children to the wonders of nature. TCMGA is a major partner that helps us carry out our mission statement. We could not accomplish near as much without their help.

This native plants garden includes dry xeric areas and water plants, butterfly, hummingbird and songbird areas, a shaded covered pavilion and several display kiosks, and several walking paths.

Workdays: Tuesdays 9am—12 noon

First Saturday— 9am—12 noon

Saturdays also includes special presentations topics for CEUs

Contact: Nancy Swan fwtexgal@charter.net 817-535-9991

SuperStar MG Profile

Pat Higgins

TCMGA MG of the Year 2008

Most Hours in 2008

Pat Higgins was chosen as the Master Gardener of the Year for 2008. She is also on the plaque for MGs contributing 500+ hours in the year, and has the most hours in 2008.

She is Co-Chair for the Community Demonstration Garden at the Resource Center Project, and coordinator for the TCU student program, and involved in many other projects.



Pat Higgins

In Her Own Words:

I can tell you a little bit about my gardening career. I became a MG in 2005 after retiring from Bass Enterprises Production Co. in 2004. What I have enjoyed most in this organization is not gardening even though it is a close second; it is the people in the organization and the friends I have made. From the beginning everyone in my MG class has the same goal and I love working with all of them.

I have given my time to the Union Gospel Mission where I enjoy the leadership of Gay Larson and her horticulture classes. Nancy Curl

and I share in the responsibility of planning gardening and gardening related classes for the men, women, and children residents at the Mission.

The Community/Demonstration garden at the Resource Connection is a favorite project where I donate most of my time. I am a greenhouse management specialist and have spent many hours helping to build the greenhouse at the garden.

I have taken two specialist training classes this year and I have been working on the hours to be a certified propagation specialist and vegetable gardener specialist.

I also love working with the TCU nursing and nutrition students at the garden teaching them vegetable and flower gardening, making plans for a Children's Garden, and brochures for the garden

I love spending time with my family. I have a daughter, two sons and four grandsons. My daughter, youngest son and daughter-in-law share my passion for gardening. I guess my favorite quote is by my youngest grandson. Brandon is nine years old and we have shared a lot of outdoor time together. He spent Thanksgiving night with me and I took him to the Community garden the next morning to share it with him. We had been discussing the beautiful color of the trees this fall and when we reached the garden he said, "Grandma, you sure do love Nature don't you." I guess that about says it for all Master Gardeners.

In addition to MG, I am also a Citizen Forester and I love my art classes and working in my garden at my home. I also like to travel through the United States and abroad.

— Pat Higgins

It is the dedicated Master Gardeners, such as Pat, who inspire us all and make this organization the outstanding chapter it is. Watch for future profiles of our SuperStar Master Gardeners in coming months.

February 2009

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 | 2 8:30a Alice Carlson 10a Union Gospel | 3 8:30a-BG Trial 9a BG Cottage 9a Veterans Park Intern Class | 4 9a Teen Challenge 9a BG Perennial 9a BG Children's 9:30a Thistle Hill 3:15p Fitzgerald | 5 8:30a Alice Carlson 10a TCMGA MEETING NCNPSOT | 6 | 7 9a Veterans Park Composting Demo Landscape School |
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| 15 | 16 8:30a Alice Carlson 10a Union Gospel | 17 8:30a BG Trial 9a BG Cottage 9a Veterans Park Intern Class | 18 9a Teen Challenge 9a BG Perennial 9a BG Children's 9:30a Thistle Hill 3:15p Fitzgerald EarthKind Roses | 19 8:30a Alice Carlson TCMGA Board Intern Class | 20 | 21 10a Hulan* Garden Pros Pruning |
| 22 | 23 8:30a Alice Carlson 10a Union Gospel | 24 8:30a BG Trial 9a BG Cottage 9a Veterans Park Intern Class | 25 9a Teen Challenge 9a BG Perennial 9a BG Children's 9a SW Cr Hse 3:15p Fitzgerald JMG Specialists | 26 8:30a Alice Carlson 10a Hulan* Intern Class JMG Specialists | 27 NS H&G Show JMG Specialists | 28 NS H&G Show |

* note: The Hulan Library Project is changing coordinators and the workdays may be changing also. Call for info.

UP-COMING EVENTS

NOTE: for this month's events, see back cover

- March—TBA—Open house at Resource Gardens
 Mar. 3 Intern Class—Digital Photography
 Mar. 5 **TCMGA MEETING**
 Mar. 5 NCNPSOT meeting 7pm FWBG
 Mar. 5 Intern Class Field Trip Weston Gardens
 Mar. 7 Gardening with the Pros: Vegetable Garden
 Mar 10 Intern Class—Rainwater Harvesting
 Mar. 12 Intern Class—Native Plants & Grasses
 Mar 13-15 **Will Rogers H&G Show-** Amon Carter
 Mar. 17 Intern Class make-up session
 Mar. 20-21 TX Rainwater Catchment Association Conf
 Kerrville, TX
 Mar. 21 YardSmart Seminar 9-1—FWBG
 Mar. 22-26 International MG Conf. Las Vegas, NV
 Apr. 2 **TCMGA MEETING**
 Apr. 2 NCNPSOT 7pm FWBG
 April 4 Gardening with the Pros: Turf
 Apr. 16—EarthKind Lawn Care—Brazos Co. MG
 Apr. 23-25 **State MG Conf** Marshall, TX
 Apr. 25 4th Annual Prairie Fest—Tandy Hills Park
 Apr 30-May 3 Mayfest—Along Trinity
 May 5 Tarrant Co Appreciation Day 9-12 —County
 Admin. Bldg
 May 5 Herb Sale 9-12 Tarrant Co. Admin Bldg.
 May 7 **TCMGA MEETING**
 May 7 NCNPSOT 7pm FWBG
 May 8 Resource Connect Fun Kids Day (see pg 8)
 May 16 Gardening with the Pros: Rainwater Harvest-
 ing 9-12 Agri-Life Office
 June 4 **TCMGA MEETING**
 June 17-19 MG Specialist Training—Rainwater Har-
 vesting Menard
 June 18-21—Regional MG Conf. Oklahoma City, OK
 July 16-18 MG Specialist Training—Rainwater Har-
 vesting Kaufman
 Aug 14-16 TNLA Landscapers Show—Dallas
 Sept 11-12 MG Specialist Training—Rainwater Har-
 vesting Conroe
 Sept 15-19 MG Specialist Training Entomology Austin
 Sept. 17-19 MG Specialist Greenhouse Management—
 Tarrant Co. Fort Worth

Announcements/Going On

Home & Garden Shows—NEED YOU!!

Spring means **volunteer opportunities**.

We always have a booth at H&G shows. If you would like to work the booth, contact Judy Sargent, 817-589-0221, srgntjud@msn.com

Project Workdays.—contact the Project Chair - see page 7 for details

Intern Class—Training for new MGs—current MGs are welcome to attend to brush up on the topic. Please sign in at the desk.

FWBG events— See calendar at the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens for more information.

State, Regional & International MG Conferences, MG Specialist Training—See State MG website for more information: <http://www.texasmastergardeners.com/>

Gardening with the Pros—Homeowner Education classes offered by Agri-Life Extension on the second Saturday of each month. Cost \$10 each. For more info or sign up with Clair-essa Reyes, Extension Secretary.

NCNPSOT—native plant meeting at Ft W Botanic Garden 7 pm. See topic at their website

Note: This is a list of items of interest to MGs. Items on this list outside the MG program may not be automatically approved for hours. Please confirm approval with Steve Chaney on these events.

WE NEED YOU

If you know of an event or activity appropriate to Master Gardeners, please let us know. Especially needed are plant sales, CEU opportunities, and project events not on the calendar. This events list is only as good as YOU make it. Please send any notices to: Marilyn Sallee tmgmarilyn@gmail.com or call 817-441-7388. We depend on you.

MGs in ACTION

Photos courtesy of Nancy Curl



Nancy Curl with a bit of fun
The Greenhouse at the
Demonstration Gardens
now has a heater!



Demonstration Gardens

Tom Scott and Pat Lovejoy warming up by new heater



Pat Higgins warms her hands

NOTE to print version recipients — these photos are IN COLOR in the electronic version online.



Little Hands on the Farm Texas State Fair



Photos by Susan Stanek and Nancy Curl





Nancy Bannow and Nancy Curl get into the holiday spirit

Wrapping Christmas Gifts for needy children at the **Union Gospel Mission**



Kim Freeman and Amy Sims play reindeer games

Photos by Nancy Curl and Gay Larson



Project Chair, Gay Larson

NEW Intern Class

Photos by Steve Purdy



Photos courtesy of Mary Margaret Halleck

MGs, headed by Mary Margaret Halleck, guided students of Sam Houston HS in Arlington to pack **Victory Boxes**.. Students helped to pack the boxes and had the opportunity to visit with two of the military personnel who receive and distribute the items once back in Iraq.

CALADIUM BULB SALE

At the February 5th Master Gardener meeting we will be taking orders for Caladium Bulbs to be delivered at the April MG meeting. The same four varieties that were offered last year will be available for order. These varieties are: Candidum Classic White, White Queen, Sunrise and Carolyn Whorton. Photographs of each variety will be available for your review at the February meeting.

The bulbs will be #1 variety and will be purchased from the same source that we used in 2008. The performance last year of all varieties was excellent.

The price per bulb will be 60 cents this year. No limit on quantity per order.

The total quantity of bulbs available to us is somewhat limited this year, so make sure you place your order at the February meeting. Orders can not be accepted after that meeting.

Your complete order must be paid for by cash or check at the time of ordering.

If you have any questions, call Bill R. Hall at 817-737-9890.

Bill R. Hall, 2nd Vice President



Candidum Classic White



White Queen



Sunrise



Carolyn Whorton.

Christmas Luncheon Photos Available

Prints of the photographs from the Christmas luncheon—the ones viewed in Derald Freeman's slideshow that ran at the January meeting — are available. Look for them at the back table at the February meeting. First come, first served until all are gone.

Thank you to Derald for printing them out for the members.

Mystery Plant - Report

Judging by the 30 correct answers to January's Mystery Plant drawing — sometimes we just have a really easy one. No one got it wrong.

Yes, it was the obvious,
Nandina Domestica 'compacta'

Luckily, we had three of them to pass out to the lucky winners this month.

Community Demonstration Gardens Change of Chairs & News

We now have 3 co-chairs: Pat Higgins, Nancy Curl and Jerry Sorenson are co -chairs of the entire garden then we have leads for the several areas in the garden:

Rita Hottel, herb garden - workday Wednesday
Karen Kologe, rose garden - workday Friday
Ginger Bason & Jo Ann Hahn, perennial garden. Call Ginger or Jo Ann to help.
Renee Beckum, orchard. Call Renee
Tom Scott, green house - workday Tuesday.
Charlotte Berck, barn beds. Call Charlotte
Jeanette Berggren, Enabling Garden - workday Tuesday - call to confirm
Composting, we are looking for someone.
Pat Lovejoy, propagation - workday Tuesday
Jerry Sorenson, mowing and edging. We need someone to replace Jerry.
Nancy Curl, educational classes at the garden.
Pat Higgins, TCU project. Call Pat

The TCU students will be back at the garden in February. These students were the junior students in the fall of 2007 and have already had the class training so they will focus on building the new children's garden and completing the two brochures of the garden the junior students started this fall.

In March we will be having open house for the garden. We plan to have the greenhouse completed by that time. The entire membership will be invited to attend and hope to have a great turnout.

We will also be having plant sales at the garden starting sometime after the first of the year.

On May 8th the Resource Connection will be hosting a day of fun for the 4th graders from Oakhurst Elementary school and their pen pals which are Tarrant County employees. We will be involved in this at the garden by having some activities for them-helping them to plant a plug so they will have something to take home, we will have the enviroscape there to teach them about the environment. We will need a lot of MG to help us with this and will have more details later.

— Pat Higgins



2-1 Charlie Shiner, Kay Gunn, Elesha Denison (I)
2-4 M.J. Martinez, Phyllis White
2-5 Sher Dunaway
2-11 Leonora Alvarez del Castillo (I), Sherry Flowers (I)
2-12 Greta Beckler, Louise Kelly-Bellew
2-14 Ileana Craft, Sue Ellen Schlitzer
2-15 Beatrice Stevenson
2-17 Ed Vaughan
2-18 Ildeliza Galaviz
2-19 Barbara Munn
2-20 Terri Mann
2-24 Marion Badey
2-25 Evaline Woodrey
2-26 C.J. Bolton, Molly Hollar (I)
2-27 Edith Pewitt, Margaret Collins, Judi Martin
2-29 Toni Hernandez

This is a monthly feature. If your birthday is in this month and you don't see your name and date of birth, it's because we don't have it. Please contact Joy Lease, (817) 795-5133 or email jlease@prodigy.net for changes. In addition, if you know of serious illnesses or deaths of Master Gardeners or members of their immediate families, please notify Joy so that appropriate acknowledgements may be made on behalf of the organization.

— Joy Lease

Please Note

We would like to expand this space to report happenings throughout our gardening community. Project leaders, you might send yearly plans and/or updates of the good and not-so-good happenings in your areas. Any news worth sharing from our committees or individual members? We'd like this to become an "out and about" feature to share "newsy" tidbits of information with our members, so let us know!

Xeriscape: Landscape Water Conservation by Derald Freeman

Native and adapted plants, well mulched, create a practical Xeriscape, which reduces water consumption considerably, while still allowing for an attractive landscape.

START WITH A PLAN

An efficient landscape plan begins with sketching your yard, showing locations of existing structures, plants, trees, beds, and water features. Second, consider the budget and maintenance. Remember, you do not have to buy everything at once. Your plan should allow you to add plants over the years. Consider the time you will spend maintaining the landscape. Shrubs that grow to 20 feet where you want 10 foot high plants will require constant trimming. Water features are a monthly maintenance expense and require labor.

SOIL PREPARATION

Areas where you will plant perennials and shrubs may require soil amendments being tilled in 4-6 inches deep. We didn't do that and every time we plant something there is that hard clay. We have to compost around the roots of new plantings every time now. It is too late to till after you start planting. The best answer to soil condition is to have your soil tested before hand. Either use the Extension Service soil test service or purchase your own kit that checks N, P, K, and pH. Test various areas of your yard.

GRASS AND PLANTS

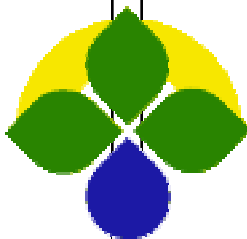
Keep in mind that turf grasses require much more watering than landscape plants. The more you reduce the turf, the more you save on utilities. Now don't go plant a rock garden just because I said that. There are many other options.

Originally our landscape was all sod. Now the front yard is 51% grass and the back yard is 26% grass. Micro-irrigation supplements for the sprinkler system, as we need it and takes less water.

If you have an area in the shade where grass will not grow then consider creating a path with paving stones and gravel. Just don't put down a ton of stone over the roots of a ten-year-old oak tree. The tree will pay you back in tears.

There is not space here to list all the choices of plants for Xeriscape and those labeled Native and Adapted for Texas. You can visit the following web site for a complete listing.

<http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/extension/xeriscape/xeriscape.html>. You can also get the booklets at the extension office, publication #B-1584. The revision is different.



WATER AND MULCH

Clay soil plays tricks on you. During the hot summer months the surface evaporates moisture under the hot sun. Sometimes people water just because the top of the ground looks dry.

Run a trowel down into the ground to see how dry the soil is. Better yet, use a moisture meter. These meters can be purchased at most garden supply and in the garden department of most Big Box stores for a few dollars.

The best friend you have for your plants is mulch. There are many choices. We have run an article in the Sharecropper before on mulch about advantages of certain types. A layer of two to four inches of mulch keeps the moisture from evaporating, protects the roots from sun scorch, and keeps weeds under control. I say this with tongue in cheek, because I have found that Bermudagrass will grow where weeds will not.

This only touches the surface on the subject, but hopefully it will help attain a more enjoyable landscape.

Volunteer Opportunities for TCMGA

| <u>Project Code & Name</u> | <u>Work Days/Times</u> | <u>Project Manager</u> | <u>Phone</u> |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|--------------|
| 301 BRIT Activities | Call chairman | Kay Yount | 817-292-7690 |
| 311 BG Perennial Garden | Wed. 9:00 a.m. | Cindy Woelke | 817-366-4436 |
| 312 BG Trial Garden | Tues. 8:30-11:30 a.m. | Susan Miller | 817-261-1420 |
| 313 BG Cottage Garden | Tues. 9-11:30 a.m. | Janet Riley | 817-732-7837 |
| 321 Thistle Hill | 1 st , 3 rd Weds. 9:30 a.m. | Emily Ward | 817-281-5925 |
| 322 Union Gospel Mission | Mon. 10 a.m. | Gay Larson | 817-441-6560 |
| 323 Grapevine Botanic Garden | Call coordinator | Shari Stanfield | 817-685-9990 |
| 326 Teen Challenge | Wed. 9 a.m. | Debbie Bollinger | 817-498-1508 |
| 328 Community Garden | (Contact area coordinators below) | | |
| Project Co-chairs: | Pat Higgins, Nancy Curl and Jerry Sorenson | | |
| | 817-294-2414 | 817-319-1795 | 817-427-9009 |
| Barn beds: | Charlotte Berck, wrberck@peoplepc.com | | 817-426-6417 |
| Compost: | position open | | |
| Education: | Nancy Curl, nl_curl@yahoo.com | | 817-319-1795 |
| Enabling beds: | Jeanette Berggren, jberggren@sbcglobal.net | | 817-249-6815 |
| Greenhouse: | Tom Scott, trutexen@aol.com | | 940-433-2601 |
| Herb Garden: | Rita Hottel, aescom@charter.net | | 817-295-2883 |
| Mowing/Edging: | Jerry Sorenson, jerryasorenson@charter.net | | 817-427-9009 |
| Orchard and Berry | Renee Beckum jrbeckum@sbcglobal.net | | 214-914-6597 |
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| | Ginger Bason, gbason@hotmail.com | | 817-838-7321 |
| Propagation | Pat Lovejoy palovejoy@att.net | | 817-447-7924 |
| Roses: | Karen Kologe, kpk@charter.net | | 817-924-6449 |
| TCU students: | Pat Higgins, Ragdollpatb@sbcglobal.net | | 817-294-2414 |
| 401 Composting Demo | 1 st Sat. | Don Graves | 817-465-1667 |
| | 2 nd Sat. | Charlie Shiner | 817-448-6123 |
| 403 *FW Library at Hulen St.* | 4 th Thurs, 10:00 a.m. | Evaline Woodrey | 817-295-4683 |
| | 3 rd Sat, 10:00 a.m. | ewoodrey@sbcglobal.net | |
| 404 SW Sub-Courthouse | 2 nd Sat, last Wed. | Gailon Hardin | 817-475-0923 |
| 405 Liberty Garden | Call chairman | Wendi Carlucci | 817-488-5640 |
| | 2nd Tues, 8-11 a.m. | | |
| 406 Veterans Park-Wildscape | Tues 9-12 p.m. | Nancy Swan | 817-535-9991 |
| | 1st Sat, 9-12 p.m. | | |
| <u>School Gardens</u> | | | |
| 601 Alice Carlson | Mon/& Thurs 8:30 a.m. | Sharon Chastain | 817-926-2575 |
| 604 Fitzgerald | Wed. 3:15 p.m. | Leeann Rosenthal | 817-237-7180 |
| 611 BG-Children's Garden | Wed. 9-11:30 a.m. | Mary McCoy | 817-561-0598 |

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Calendar of This Month's Events

- Feb. 3 Intem Class Orientation
- Feb. 5 TCMGA MEETING**
- Feb. 5 NCNPSOT meeting 7 pm FWBC
- Feb. 7 Neil Sperry Landscape School
- Feb. 10 Intem Class—Entomology
- Feb. 12 Intem Class—Plant Pathology
- Feb. 17 Intem Class—Fruits & Nuts
- Feb. 18 Earth-Kind Rose Symposium-FWBG
- Feb. 19 Intem Class—Propagation
- Feb. 19 TCMGA Board Meeting
- Feb. 21 Gardening with the Pros: Pruning
- Feb. 24 Intem Class—Roses & Perennials
- Feb. 25-27 MG JMG Specialist Training San Antonio**
- Feb. 26 Intem Class—Trees & Shrubs
- Feb. 27, 28, Mar. 1 Neil Sperry H&G Show-Arlington— volunteers needed see page 6



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