

# Tarrant County Master Gardener Association

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## Mission Statement

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

## EXFOLIATING BARK ON CRAPE MYRTLES

The crape myrtle is among the longest blooming trees in existence with flowering periods lasting from 60-120 days. Crape myrtle is ideally suited for formal or informal design in the home landscape, street plantings and community plantings. It can be planted as a specimen or in groups, and looks attractive when underplanted with a ground cover. The dark green of the groundcover contrasts well with the handsome bark. The plant typically develops several main stems. These multi-trunk crape myrtles are more desirable than single stem plants in landscape plantings.

Crapes come in heights ranging from 12 to 25 ft. Leaves are alternate and smooth, but leaf size depends on variety. Depending on variety, crapes grow as large shrubs or as trees that may be either upright or spreading. Large varieties are very fast growing and can put on several feet in a single growing season. The crape myrtle is valued mainly for its long period of striking summer flowers. These showy flowers may be shades of white, pink, red or lavender. Bloom time varies, depending on cultivar. Large clusters appear on the tips of new branches beginning in early summer and continue into fall. After flowers fade and fall from the tree, fruit remains in the form of small brown capsules throughout the winter.

The plant will tolerate slightly alkaline to acidic (5.0 to 6.5 pH). Although it tolerates drought, it requires irrigation until it is well established (approximately two years). This is especially true when it is planted in confined areas.

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**Is peeling bark harmful?**  
**Find out in this issue.**

## FROM AROUND THE CORNER



### President's Notepad

Well, I don't know about you but I really enjoyed last month's meeting. It has been awhile since I have talked to so many project chairmen; even the Project Committee was there. It's great to see what our organization is doing and how well we are doing it. Thank you to all members that participated.

In addition to those projects, there are many committees that you can join. The committees are listed in the front of our TCMGA directory. Sometimes the committee is already full, but that's ok. Just ask the chairman to make sure whoever is responsible for the committee next year knows that you are interested in helping.

One committee that is never too full is the newsletter. That's right, this very newsletter that you are reading right now. You are always welcome to write articles about MG projects or articles on other researched-based information of interest to MGs. If you do decide to write an article, it would be a good idea to let Derald Freeman and Judy Butler know you are going to be submitting an article. The deadline is the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month; the newsletter is already setup by the 8<sup>th</sup> so don't wait until the last minute to send yours in. All articles should be sent to Judy Butler at [jubutl@aol.com](mailto:jubutl@aol.com).

We are truly blessed to have so many opportunities to help others and to be doing the things we love.

—Tammy Edwards



### August 7, 2008 Monthly Program

What a fun July meeting! Did you find any treasures to purchase at the garage sale? I had my own personal bidding war going on for a silent auction item – and I got outbid! Darn! Better luck next year I guess.

Big thanks to Dr. Browning for sharing with us a wealth of information on the Trinity River!

Do you like hummingbirds? Do you find them elusive? All secrets about hummingbirds will be revealed by this month's speaker, Mark Klym. Mark is an Information Specialist with Texas Parks and Wildlife. His presentation will include identifying the different species, habitat, developing a garden for hummers, migration and much more.

Our schedule will be:

- 9:30-10:00 Sign in and coffee
- 10:00-11:00 Mark Klym – Gardening for Hummingbirds
- 11:00-12:00 Business meeting and snack lunch
- 12:00-1:00 Mark Klym – Gardening for Hummingbirds (cont.)

Mr. Klym has also co-authored Hummingbirds of Texas". He has graciously agreed to a book signing and copies will be available during the break and after the afternoon session (cost is \$25 total).

- Susan Stanek, 1<sup>st</sup> VP - Programs

## Tarrant County Master Gardener Meeting Minutes July 3, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. on July 3rd, 2008 at the Resource Connection. 164 members and interns were in attendance.

The minutes of the June 2008 meeting were approved as published in the Sharecropper.

Treasurer Carl Trehus advised that a new bank account had been set up at Compass Bank. The old account will be closed. TCMGA has current assets of \$26,978.35.

Members were advised of the following:

- TCMGA logo shirts were available for purchase at the meeting

- Victory Boxes were also available.

The Demonstration Garden greenhouse is in need of many items. Please contact Nancy Curl or Pat Higgins to obtain a listing of the items.

Propagation classes will be held in the fall at the Greenhouse. If any TCMGA project is in need of plants, please advise Pat Lovejoy.

—Submitted by Judy Butler for Joyce Quam, Secretary

## LIST OF WILDSCAPE VOLUNTEER CLASSES FOR 2008

Month	Subject	Speaker
Aug 2	Vermi-Composting	John Darling
Sept 6	Attracting Butterflies	Josephine Keeney
Oct 4	Native Landscaping Maintenance	Lucy Harrell
Nov 8*	Water Conservation	Greg Schadt, Landscape Arch.
*Note- changed to second Saturday in Nov.		
Dec 6	Native Trees & their care	Heather Dowell, APRD Forester
Jan 10, 2009	Propagating Native Plants	Pat Lovejoy
*Note- changed to second Saturday due to new Year's weekend		
Feb 7, 2009	Good Critters in our soil	Ann Mayo , Biologist

**Winter hours are 9-12, class at 11**  
Steve said these are volunteer CEU classes

Submitted by Steve Chaney—Contact Molly Hollar - [molly@thewildscape.org](mailto:molly@thewildscape.org)

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Heavy nitrogen applications cause the plants to flower less and produce shoot and leaf growth that may be subject to winter injury. Light applications of a complete fertilizer in spring and summer are adequate.

The crape myrtle shown here with is the "Natchez". My experience with Natchez has proven this cultivar to be insect and disease free and above all trouble free. Lower branches need to be trimmed during the first three years to get the tree form.

Some people ask, "Is it normal for the crape myrtle to exfoliate?" The answer is "Yes". It is simply a characteristic of the tree and adds to the beauty through the winter months. Ours start exfoliating in May and June. The attractive, exfoliating bark peels away to expose a trunk, which ranges in color from many handsome shades of brown to gray. This bark is especially noticeable in the winter months when the tree is leafless.



NATCHEZ

### Preferred cultivars:

Natchez is recognized as the top performing crape myrtle in the southeastern United States. It was introduced by the U. S. National Arboretum in 1987. White flowers and exfoliating bark are characteristic of this cultivar, which reaches heights of 30 feet at maturity.

Tuscarora has mottled, light-brown bark that exfoliates increasingly as the tree ages.

Muskogee bark characteristics are desirable, but not as good as Natchez and Tuscarora.

Acoma and Tonto have satisfactory exfoliating bark but not exceptional.

You will find a limited choice of crape myrtles in your area nurseries and you may have to broaden your search to find the cultivars you want. Don't compromise. My choice is the Natchez and we love 'em.



TUSCARORA

—by Derald Freeman



## The Plumeria Secrets

### By Marilyn Sallee

At the July garage sale, someone had generously brought in a bunch of rooted Plumeria cuttings. The spring intern class also received many Plumeria cuttings during the plant propagation session. These beautiful flowering small trees are native to tropical America and thrive in Hawaii. They need some special care here in Texas to put out their best show. With a little extra care, you will soon be making your own flower leis from the aromatic white, yellow or pink flowers.

First, it is definitely a tropical; it will not survive anything near a freeze. Protect it so it does not get exposed to temperatures below 40° F. You can keep it in a pot you can bring indoors in the winter, and sink the pot into the ground during the summer. In the winter, once it has lost its leaves, it can even be removed from the pot and kept dormant as a “stick” for winter storage. It does not need to be fertilized or watered while winter dormant.

To get it to bloom it has two special requirements – at least 6-8 hours of direct sun, and a very high phosphorus soil content. It likes rich, well-drained, slightly acid soil. The high phosphorus fertilizer is very important to getting the Plumeria to bloom. Its native habitat has a high lava content and is very rich in minerals, so use something like a 10-50-10 fertilizer and feed it every couple weeks during the growing season. Any good fertilizer with a large middle number (the phosphorus) will work well, and adding lava sand to the soil mix supplies other nutrients also. Too much nitrogen will cause excessive leaf and stem growth, which makes for a lanky plant with few blooms.

While the Plumeria can take some drying, watch for leave droop. That may mean you are keeping it too dry or too wet. It does best in moist, well-drained, rich soil. In the heat of the summer, it may need to be thoroughly watered twice a week. Burying the pot, or keeping the base in shade and mulched helps avoid the extremes of dryness and heat.



Pink Plumeria in bloom  
This is the cultivar propagated

In October, stop feeding and reduce watering to allow it to enter dormancy. If the temperature is predicted to go below 40° F, be prepared to protect it or move it indoors. For winter storage, remove all leaves – cut them off if they do not fall on their own – and stop watering entirely. Store in a cool, dry, dark area, such as garage or shed but do not allow it to freeze. In the spring, when temperatures go into the 50s, bring it out of storage and start watering it again. This would be the best time to re-pot and side dress for the coming new growth. Soon it will be flowering for you again.

Propagation: Plumeria are very easy to propagate. In the spring, before it leafs out, take a stem cutting 12-18 inches long. Allow the cut to heal over for several weeks or so. Then put it tip side up, root side down, in a mix of 1/3rd peat and 2/3rd perlite. Keep moist but well drained until it leafs out. It should develop roots in 90 days or so. It may take a new cutting 2-3 years to bloom, and it can reach a mature height of 20 feet in five years.

Plumeria is  
named after  
Charles Plumier.

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Other names:  
frangipani, melia,  
or temple tree.

## The Bob Jones Nature Center

The Bob Jones Nature Center (BJNC) is 70+ acres of untouched Cross Timbers land in far north Southlake, Texas. BJNC and the City of Southlake renovated the 40- year old house on the property to remove asbestos and to make it public and handicap friendly and to be a green building, with a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification, containing five indoor classrooms, outdoor patios and a pavilion for more classroom space. It is the culmination of eight years of planning and hard work by local nature enthusiasts and solid support from the city of Southlake.

Master Gardeners Sharon Duquemin and Nancy Searl joined the BJNC effort in January 2008 when they offered to develop the landscape design for the area around the building. Given that it is a nature center with no irrigation system, the design was limited to using only Texas native plants that are heat and drought tolerant. They also included heirloom bulbs such as spider lilies, oxblood lilies, iris and daffodils since the BJNC property was an old homestead site and the original pioneers might have brought these bulbs with them. Two other key requirements were that the plantings attract the local wildlife including butterflies and hummingbirds, and that everything be planted organically.

With the design finished in early March, install day was scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup>. The City of Southlake purchased most of the trees, shrubs and perennials. With a stroke of luck and excellent timing, a long-time resident reported that an old Southlake homestead with hun-

dreds of bulbs had been sold to a developer and that the bulbs could be removed. A team of Tarrant County Master Gardeners, interns and local Master Naturalists prepared the beds with lots of compost and expanded shale, installed the plants with liquid seaweed and relocated the bulbs to their new home at the BJNC.

At this time, all the plants are doing well and getting established with a weekly watering, and the hummingbirds and butterflies are happy with the many blooms in their new environment! The design and implementation of the landscaping was set up as a short-term project and the City of Southlake will be doing most of the routine maintenance. However, a specially scheduled work day for Master Gardeners may be needed for spring maintenance next year.

Directions to BJNC: From Hwy 114, take the White Chapel exit and go north. Continue past all of the baseball and soccer fields and turn right onto East Bob Jones Park Rd. Go a mile or so and the BJNC is on the right. For current classes, camps, and activities at the BJNC, see the website at <http://www.bjnc.org>.



Bob Jones Nature Center

## 2008 MASTER GARDENER AWARDS

At the TCMGA December Luncheon, the 2008 Master Gardener Awards will be given out. Please plan to fill the following form out at either the September meeting or email to Nancy Dozier before the September meeting. When your filled out form is received (either at the September meeting or e-mailed) you will be entered in a drawing for a special door prize. All categories on the form do not have to be filled in to have a chance at the special door prize.

The people you nominate for awards should be members in good standing (as defined in your TCMGA 2008 Directory). In the past several years, nominees should have had a diverse participation in Master Gardener activities, have supported and been active in Master Gardener projects, and have demonstrated leadership within the organization.

NANCY DOZIER –AWARDS CHAIRMAN 2008

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### BALLOT FOR 2008 MASTER GARDENER AWARDS

#### Certified Master Gardeners only:

ABOVE AND BEYOND AWARD (HAVE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND IN THEIR JOB REQUIREMENTS):

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EXTRA MILE AWARD (WHATEVER YOU NEEDED DONE, YOU COULD CALL ON THEM):

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EDUCATION SUPERSTAR:

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EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR:

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SPECIAL MERIT AWARD (UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF TIME GIVEN TO TCMGA):

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PROJECT SUPERSTAR:

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PROJECT PERSON OF THE YEAR:

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MASTER GARDENER OF THE YEAR:

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#### Interns only:

INTERN –EXTRA MILE AWARD:

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INTERN OF THE YEAR:

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## REMEMBER READING ABOUT THE NEW PROJECT IN JUNE?

There is a new project at Thistle Hill called “**Dumpster Diving.**”

Last month we asked if you could guess who the Master Gardener was we were talking about. Well here's the story.

Some master gardeners were working at **Thistle Hill** In May. Among them was Durwood Barnes who volunteered to take trash and brush to the dumpster at the back of the property. While in the process to tossing the debris he saw a garden trowel in the dumpster.



The logical thing to do was climb into the dumpster to retrieve the tool. That's easy enough to do since there are footholds on the sides of the container. Having retrieved the tool Durwood found that getting out was a completely different situation. If you can imagine facing a 6 foot tall sheet metal wall without footholds there is no way to climb out. **So, what do you do?**

Durwood started calling for help. The Master Gardeners could not hear him because a brick wall separated him from the MGs. Cooks Children's Hospital employees were working nearby and came to investigate. Wouldn't you know, there was a language barrier? Of course, they did not understand about his problem. Finally one of these good Samaritans helped him out. Durwood rejoined the group with a laugh and a story to tell.

The photos provide all the needed instructions on how to 'Dumpster Dive', but I am sure Durwood can answer any questions on how it is done.

—Emily and Eleanor





## EVENTS IN AUGUST

### August 1, 2007 - Air Force Day - Monday

Air Force Day was established on August 1, 1947, by President Truman, "in recognition of the personnel of the victorious Army Air Forces and all those who have developed and maintained our nation's air strength". August 1 was chosen to mark the 40th anniversary of the establishment, in 1907, of the Aeronautical Division in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer of the Army.



Air Force Day came into being immediately after the signing of the National Security Act of 1947, although the status of the air element of the military was uncertain. Thus, although it was called Air Force Day, its first celebration was staged by the Army Air Forces and not by the U.S. Air Force.

Underlying the Air Force Day celebration was a need to increase "both official and public awareness of the priority of importance of air forces in any system of national security," according to Mr. Truman. In his message to the

nation on the first Air Force Day, Mr. Truman said, "I remind all of our citizens that the air power of the nation is essential to the preservation of our liberty, and that the continued development of the science of air transportation is vital to the trade and commerce of a peaceful world".

### August 3 - Friendship Day – 1st Sunday in August

So important is friendship that in 1935 the United States Congress proclaimed the first Sunday in August as

National Friendship Day. On Friendship Day do something special with your friend.

You might do something fun, or do something together for your community. Doing things to help create a more peaceful, just and sustainable world with friends is doubly rewarding. You'll be helping to create a better world, and strengthening the bonds of your friendship at the same time.



—the Editor

### CROSSTIMBERS MASTER NATURALIST

They are now taking applications for the Fall 2008 class..

Information and an application is available at [www.ctmn.org](http://www.ctmn.org) or contact Ginger Bason at

[gbason@hotmail.com](mailto:gbason@hotmail.com) or 817-838-7321.

### Dallas Arboretum MG Field Day

September 6, 2008 is MG Field Day and an invitation has been extended to Texas Master Gardeners to enjoy the Dallas Arboretum.

Complimentary admission is being provided for the Master garden and one guest. You will need to show your badge to receive complimentary admission.

The agreement with the city requires a \$5 charge to park your car.

—submitted by Steve Chaney

## Perennial Garden Project - Fort Worth Botanic Garden

Early on Wednesday mornings you'll find Master Gardeners in the Perennial Garden in the Fort Worth Botanic Garden.

As you drive through the old garden gate off of North University Drive, you enter a shady, leafy oasis. The Perennial Garden is on the left near the circle at the end of the road. It is in this wonderful display of adapted plants that, over the years, Master Gardeners have helped plan, plant and maintain the perennial garden. It is a delightful demonstration garden for Tarrant County. The plot has sun baked ridges, deep shade beds, some areas blessed with dappled sunlight and a grassy woodlands walkway. As you meander through this display, you should be able to find an area that reminds you of your own garden. Some of the beds have formal layouts. Others have plants falling over each other in the tradition of casual perennial borders.



The cool of the morning is the best time to enjoy a stroll. By noon the garden is full of photographers and visitors.

One of our gardeners, Camille Thomason, has developed a helpful brochure for visitors. We are working with the Botanic Garden staff to

have a mailbox installed to distribute it. The main plantings of this garden are in place, but new plants and bulbs are added every year. We spend our time replacing plants as needed, mulching, and doing general maintenance. Bring your tools and a bottle of water and join us any Wednesday morning in this lovely garden. We begin about 8:30.

Cindy Woelke  
Project leader  
(817) 421-4201

### Please note the following updates in your membership directory

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## LITTLE HANDS ON THE FARM

Little Hands On The Farm (LHOF) is a free, interactive experience for young children and their parents at the Texas State Fair in October. At the LHOF site on the Fair Grounds, we Master Gardeners help parents teach their children where they get their food and clothing. From feeding chickens, milking cows, planting and harvesting to tractor riding (pedaling) and selling their harvest, the children experience farming while learning and having fun. Each barn has educational signage that helps the parents to teach the children. As volunteers, we encourage full participation of the children and parents alike.

Major sponsors in the community furnish such things as the tractors, and the items for children to purchase with the dollars they have earned "farming". Esther Proctor, one of our own Master Gardeners, along with Seville Farms, has provided many of the plant items ever since we began working this project in 2002.

The idea of LHOF originated in Indiana, and Sondra Wallace single-handedly convinced the State Fair to purchase the franchise. When she presented them with the idea of running the LHOF with volunteers, they thought she was crazy. But she knew that with the help of Master Gardener Associations, Future Farmers Associations and 4-H members, she could present a safe and quality experience—completely free—for the children. The Tarrant County Master Gardener Association has been one of the stalwart associations in supporting this project, and we want you to join us again this year as we help to open : THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS.

Sign up soon---Look for the Sign-Up table at the August meeting---stay tuned!!

Questions: call Eleanor Tuck or Susan Stanek

## TCMGA EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The TCMGA Scholarship Committee has finalized the application and contract for awarding a \$500 per semester scholarship for the 2008-2009 academic year.

The requirements for this scholarship include:

- Be a Texas resident .
- Be a college sophomore level (24 credit hours) or above with at least a 2.8 GPA.
- Be studying on a full-time basis during the 2008-2009 academic year at a Texas institution. ("Full-time" enrollment is defined as a minimum of 12 hours for an undergraduate, 9 hours for a graduate student).
- Major in Horticultural Sciences or Landscape Design.

If you know of someone interested in applying for this scholarship, please have them contact either Eleanor Tuck or Judy Butler.

—by Judy Butler

## School Supplies for Victory Gardening Totes

There will be an abundance of cheap school supplies in stores for the next few months. Think about sending your own Victory Box or donating any school supplies for us to use in the Victory Gardening Totes! You may bring school supplies to the next meeting for inclusion with the Gardening Totes. Many thanks!

—by Mary Margaret Halleck

## GARAGE SALE

**Thank You for a Successful Garage Sale and Silent Auction.** Thanks to all involved we had a successful garage sale and silent auction, which brought in around \$2400. These are the early numbers (unverified) but it looks like \$1700 was for project silent auction items. A couple of projects with vacation lodging were big money makers. Carl Trehus will report the final numbers at the August business meeting. It took a lot of people a lot of time and effort to put the garage sale/silent auction together.

There was the **Raffle Committee**. They worked with Susan Stanek to determine the best layout for the project displays and garage sale so that we could fit everything in and still move around easily. They came early to make sure someone was there to take in all of the goodies and price them. (There were a bunch of selections at excellent prices.)

There was the **Project Committee** and the **Projects**. The Project Committee made sure all project managers knew about the requirements to participate and confirmed that ALL projects were eligible to participate. The projects put up beautiful displays and shared information about their work. They also had great silent auction items.

There were the **Bringers** and the **Buyers**. Man, Master Gardeners have cool stuff and they share. You've probably heard the saying it takes a village to raise a child, it appears it takes a whole organization to make the garage sale a success. **Thank you** all for working, sharing, bringing, buying, and supporting.

If anyone was left out of this list it was not intentional. It was probably because you did your job so well no one had to worry about it getting done. If you let me know I'll be sure to find more jobs for you; I mean I'll be sure to say Thank You!

—Tammy Edwards



## Birthdays for this month

- 8-1 Toni Moorehead and Joanne McClendon
- 8-4 Leeann Wilhelmi
- 8-5 Pat Durda
- 8-7 Lisa Bratton
- 8-9 Ron Kerwin, Janice Richardson,  
Gary Hames
- 8-10 Sue Short
- 8-12 Debbie Patriquin
- 8-15 Sandy Williams and Cindy Woelke
- 8-16 Johnna Reed and Connie Anderson
- 8-18 Julie Florence
- 8-19 Margaret Hare and Francine Babril
- 8-21 Nancy Curl
- 8-31 Vicki Laughlin

The Sunshine Committee reports birthdays for the current month in The Sharecropper. We would like to share news of your birthday to other members. As of this date we do NOT have a list of birthdays for the most recent interns. When you, as new interns and/or current members, read this column and are willing to email your birthdate (month and day only), it will be included in the upcoming months. My email address is lavonnen@sbcglobal.net. If you prefer to telephone, call 817 581-1850 and I promise your name will be added.

Because the membership in our association is so large, we ask anyone who knows of illness, deaths, or needs a card of encouragement to let me know about any Master Gardener and/or immediate family member. We are eager to send a card as soon as word is received. Again, either email this information or telephone would be great. Our aim is to let you all know that "we care". Thanks for caring and sharing.

—by LaVonne Nowlin, Sunshine Committee



## Volunteer Opportunities for TCMGA

<b>Project Code &amp; Name</b>	<b>Work Days/Times</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>	<b>Phone</b>
301 BRIT Activities	Call chairman	Kay Yount	817-292-7690
311 BG Perennial Garden	8:30 a.m., Weds.	Cindy Woelke	817-421-4201
312 BG Trial Garden	Tues. 8:30-11:30 a.m.	Susan Miller	817-261-1420
313 BG Cottage Garden	Tuesday's 8-11 a.m.	Janet Riley	817-732-7837
321 Thistle Hill	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> Weds. 9:30 a.m.	Emily Ward	817-281-5925
322 Union Gospel Mission	First Mon.-Warm Place 8 a.m., 2nd-4th Mon. - Reg. Schedule	Gay Larson	817-441-6560
323 Grapevine Botanic Garden	Call coordinator	Shari Stanfield	817-685-9990
326 Teen Challenge	Every Wed. 9 a.m.	Debbie Bollinger	817-498-1508
328 Community Garden	(Contact project leaders below)		
Barn beds:	Charlotte Berck, wrberck@peoplepc.com		817-426-6417
Compost:	Charles Shiner, mcshiner@sbcglobal.net		817-488-6123
Enabling beds:	Tom Scott, trutexen@aol.com		940-433-2601
Greenhouse:	Nancy Curl, nl_curl@yahoo.com		817-319-1795
Herb Garden:	Rita Hottel, aescom@charter.net		817-295-2883
Mowing/Edging:	Jerry Sorenson, jerryasorenson@charter.net		817-427-9009
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TCU students:	Pat Higgins, Ragdollpatb@sbcglobal.net		817-294-2414
401 Composting Demo	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat.	Don Graves	817-465-1667
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat.	Charlie Shiner	817-448-6123
403 FW Library at Hulen St.	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs, 8:30 a.m.	Evaline Woodrey	817-295-4683
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat, 8:30 a.m.		
404 SW Sub-Courthouse	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat, last Wed.	Gailon Hardin	817-475-0923
405 Liberty Garden	Call chairman	Wendi Carlucci	817-488-5640
	2nd Tues, 8-11 a.m.		
<b><u>School Gardens</u></b>			
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 Upcoming Events**

Aug 23	Yardsmart Seminar @FWBG
Sept 9	MG Intern Orientation Day @ our office
Sept 17-19	MG Greenhouse Specialist Training @ College Station
Sept 26-28	Ft. Worth H&G Show
Oct 7, 9, 14, 16	Landscape School 7-9 @ our office
Oct 8	MG Intern Interviews
Oct 9	Water Garden Society of FW - Talk on Plant material
Oct 10	JMG Advisory Board Meeting
Oct 11	Fit Future Kids Fest @ Will Rogers
Oct 11	Plant Sale @ FWBG
Oct 25-26	Japanese Garden Festival @ FWBG



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