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Tarrant County Master Gardener Association



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Your input is always welcome!



Natives, Invasives, Cultivars and Weeds

By Laura Miller, Commercial Horticulture Extension Agent,
Texas AgriLife Extension, Tarrant County

“Isn’t that an invasive plant?” It’s a question that is asked fairly often by everyone from gardeners to property managers. It’s also a hot topic among environmentalists and horticulturists, who sometimes disagree. It was even the cause of a recent e-mail flurry in regard to the Texas AgriLife Extension EarthKind Plant Selector. The EarthKind Plant Selector can be found at <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/selector/>.



The EarthKind Plant Selector assigns a score, the Earth Kind Index, to each plant selection based upon its performance in four resource efficiency categories, heat tolerance, drought tolerance, pest tolerance, soil requirement, and fertility requirement. A high scoring plant would be able to handle lots of heat, get by with practically no water, be unlikely to be killed by pests, not be too picky about what kind of soil it would grow in, and not really require any fertilization. That sounds like a plant that would grow just about anywhere. Sometimes we call those plants weeds, but should they be labeled invasive?

A weed by definition is a plant growing in an inappropriate place. That plant can be native or non-native, attractive or ugly; if it is out of place, it’s a weed. Anyone can make a weed declaration. Weediness, like beauty, is in the eye of the beholder. A plant that gets a good score on the EarthKind Plant Selector could be a star in one landscape and a weed next door.

An invasive plant is one that displaces native vegetation in natural areas.

Invasive is not a label that should be tossed around as lightly. An invasive plant is one that displaces native vegetation in natural areas.

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President's Message

November Newsletter



It is hard to imagine that it is already November! As we begin to tidy up our own gardens for the cooler weather, the Tarrant County Master Gardener Association year is gearing up for another great year. We have elected our 2011 officers and they are outstanding! My sincere and heartfelt congratulations to each one.

As we get ready for a new year, we will be looking for several new committee chairs and lots of folks to serve on committees. It takes all of us to make our association 'go'. Would you like to be part of that? If you would like to serve, please contact Nancy Curl, President 2011 and let her know what you might be interested in. You can refer to your directory for a list of current committees.

We are a better association when we all participate. Our diversity makes us better and stronger. Every new face that joins in a committee or accepts a leadership role brings new ideas to the table and keeps us fresh and current. Nancy would love to hear from you! Nancy's email is nl_curl@yahoo.com.

Looking forward to seeing each of you at the Resource Connection on November 4th for our last regular meeting of the year.

**Susan Stanek,
President**

**CONGRATULATIONS
2011 OFFICERS!**

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TCMGA Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2010

The morning program was presented by Dale Clark, the butterfly wrangler at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Butterfly Exhibit. Josephine Keeney, a native plant enthusiast, spoke on “Butterfly Gardens & Attracting Butterflies to Your Landscape” for the afternoon program.

President Susan Stanek called the business meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with 189 members, interns and a number of guests in attendance.

The August minutes were approved as published.

The Treasury Report for the month of September, 2010, was presented by Pat Higgins, Treasurer:

August 31, 2010 Money Market Balance:	\$24,283.79
August 31, 2010 Checking Account	<u>4,758.97</u>
Total Accounts:	\$29,042.76
Deposits during September, 2010	6,433.33
Checks written during September, 2010	<u>-(4,174.01)</u>
Money Market Fund & Checking balance September 30, 2010	<u>\$ 31,302.08</u>

Committee Reports

Pam Braak, Activities, announced the field trip to Chandor Gardens on October 15th.

Sue Ellen Schlitzer, Membership, reported that 70% of the dues have been collected. Deadline for payment is October 31, 2010. A late fee of \$4.00 is charged for dues received after that date.

Susan Stanek presented the nominees for the 2011 Executive Board: Nancy Curl, President, Bill Vandever, 1st Vice President, John Stanley, 2nd Vice President, Pat Higgins, Treasurer and

Sue Ellen Schlitzer, Secretary. A vote was taken; all nominees were approved by the membership.

Steve Purdy, Bylaws Committee, informed the membership of the proposed changes to the bylaws. (A copy of the changes is filed with the approved minutes.) An e-blast will be sent to members. A paper copy will be available in the office.

There was no unfinished old business. There was no new business.

Announcements

Spring bulbs orders will be available for pick-up at the November 4th meeting.

The last day to order roses is Friday, October 22, 2010. Pick-up will be immediately after November 4th meeting at the Community Garden.

Reservations are being accepted for the Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, December 2, 2010. The event will be at the Diamond Oaks Country Club. Cost is \$20 per person. Members may bring a guest.

The 2011 Calendar of Union Gospel Mission Kids – Photography in the Garden, is available for pick up at the monthly meetings. Cost is \$10.

The November speaker will be Trip Smith, Fort Worth Botanic Garden Horticulturist.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Sue Ellen Schlitzer
Secretary

MGs In Action— Tierra Verde Field Trip

Photos by Pam Braak and Theresa Thomas

The field trip to Tierra Verde golf course was fun and very educational! There was such a great turnout two tours had to be scheduled!
Thanks Activity Committee!!!



Sharon Chastain & Joy Lease



Sandy Flory & Judy Childers



Charlotte Burke & Betty Floyd



Ron and Sue Ellen Schlitzer



Tierra Verde's Mark Claburn gave the tour



Lynn Hayes & Judy Sargent



Happy Hat Ladies!

MGs In Action (cont'd)

Photos by Pam Braak and Theresa Thomas



Mary McCoy, Patsy Miller, Laura Lowe, Geraldine Henderson



Head 'em up, move 'em out!



Bill Hall, Kim Freeman & Donna Fry practice their golf swing.



Incognito Ladies



Ladies Listening



Nancy Curl & Tammy from Tierra Verde



Susan Stanek & Cindy Woelke



Lynn Hayes, Mary Jane Goad & Sherry Flowers

TCMGA Announcements

TCMGA November 4th Meeting Guest Speaker



Trip Smith, horticulturist with the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens will be our featured speaker for the November meeting. The morning topic will be **“Photosynthesis, the Light Spectrum and Its**

Influence on Photosynthesis.” Trip will follow-up in the afternoon with a discussion of **“Practical Application in Plant Growth and Mineral Nutrition.”**

Trip graduated from Texas A&M University in 1971 with a B.S. in Horticulture. He went on to earn a M.S. in Agriculture in 1977.

He has 35 years of experience including commercial production, landscape design/installation and wholesale floral work. He has been with the Fort Worth Botanic Garden for 2 years and is responsible for the orchid collection, foliage collection and chrysanthemum and poinsettia production.

Trip’s hobbies include beekeeping, gardening, hunting and fishing.

Nancy Curl,
1st Vice President

Speakers Bureau Change

The new person to contact for booking speakers or to add your name to the list of available speakers is Camille Thomason. You may contact Camille at camille6@charter.net.

Membership Dues

Membership dues notices were mailed in August, with payment due on or before October 31, 2010. Payments received after that date must include a \$4.00 late fee. **Members who do not plan to recertify are asked to e-mail Susan Stanek, at slstanek@verizon.net, of their intent to drop their membership.**

Every effort will be made to get all members in good standing included in the 2011 directory provided their payment, \$4.00 late fee and any corrections to current published information is received no later than December 1, 2010. Thank you for your cooperation.

TCMGA HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

In a beautiful setting!

Thursday, December 2, 2010
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Where: Diamond Oaks Country Club
5821 Diamond Oaks Drive
Haltom City 817-834-6261

Cost: \$20 per person

Make your reservations at the
October 7 or November 4 meeting

Or mail your check to
Eleanor Tuck

8328 Patreota Drive
Benbrook, TX 76126

917-244-1772

Mail checks no later than November 22, 2010

Give Away Plants at TCMGA Meeting—Please Label!

Thanks to all who bring plants to give away at the TCMGA meetings! As a reminder, please take time to label, make a note, or somehow document the common name of these plants!

Master Gardener Information

Farewell to a Valued MG Laverne Henry!

Laverne Henry, class of 1989, is hanging up her shovel and rake. She has supported our TCMGA programs in many different ways and capacities over the 21 year period. She started with telephone duty having only pamphlets to mail and her own MG training to call upon. She was Treasurer in the early 90's and was the first to prepare and present a budget for members to vote on. She always joked that she wore her suit of armor when presenting a new budget!

There were no projects as such and members gained hours at the Botanic Garden in the seedling beds and trial gardens. They also gave the public information on "Don't Bag It" and proper fertilizing and watering programs at various locations. Laverne and two other neophytes served on the newsletter in 1997-1998 and were successful learning how to handle bulk mail if not the most accomplished computer users.

When the Association voted to set aside funds to award to selected horticulture students at A&M, TCJCNW and Tarleton, Laverne served on the first Scholarship Committee under Dr. Frank Buell. The Committee reviewed applicants' letters and awarded money to cover tuition costs. Laverne served as chairman from 1997 to 2007. She and committee members reviewed applications from A&M and NCCJCNW and awarded funds to seven students amounting to over \$12,000. One A&M graduate, John Filarowitz has started Five Star Landscape Service in Fort Worth.

For her last four or five years Laverne worked as timekeeper for 55-60 MGs. She has been an inspiration to all and especially to the college students receiving scholarships. We will miss her very much. Happy Gardening Laverne from all of us.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY GARDENERS!

November Birthdays

- 1 Marilyn Sallee, June Gernhauser
- 4 Tammye Kuntz
- 5 Sharon Clarke, Dorthea Theus,
Jackie Heidinger
- 6 Dick Oliver
- 7 Ben Oefinger, Jane Dunkelberg
- 9 Beverly Crawford
- 12 Amy Heglund (I)
- 15 Hester Schwarzer, Carol Ann Loney (I)
- 16 Carol Norfleet
- 18 Patti Maness (I)
- 19 Dianne Sterling (I)
- 20 Nancy Craig (I), Michael Loney (I)
- 21 Barbara Lind, Louis DeSantis
- 22 Lavonne Nowlin, Warren Tingley,
Pam Jewel
- 29 Jim Nelson, Ginger Eby, Linda Carver (I)

If your birthday is this month and you don't see it. Please contact **Doris Hill, (817) 337-8484** or email artanddorishill@verizon.net.

Membership & Directory Updates

Please note the following updates in your membership directory:

Davis, Janet – 682-351-6884

Report any changes or corrections to Sue Ellen Schlitzer at s.schlitzer@sbcglobal.net or 817-294-1329.

Natives, Invasives, Cultivars and Weeds (cont'd)

While anyone can call a weed a weed, before a plant should be deemed invasive there should be documentation in the form of scientific articles by recognized experts that the genus and species in question was introduced by man and has indeed spread beyond where it was planted to invade natural areas.

The presence of a non-native plant in a place man once tended, such as an old homestead, a cemetery, a roadside or agricultural land, shouldn't count when evaluating invasiveness.

Native plants can't be classified as invasive. They would grow here without any intervention by man. Although a native plant may be ugly, seed out like crazy and be a weed in a landscape, a member of the native plant family isn't an outsider and therefore can't be called an invasive.

The official invasive plant list for the State of Texas is kept by the Texas Department of Agriculture at http://info.sos.state.tx.us/fids/04_0019_0300-1.html. It is a short list, consisting of only 29 species of plants. The largest group of plants, a full 37% of the species on the list, is made up of aquatic plants.

Others were "once upon a time" desirable ornamentals that have gone bad. The Chinese Tallow Tree, *Triadica sebiferum* is one of these.

It was once prized for its fall color and small stature, but is now the enemy in a vegetation

management battle that stretches across the Coastal Plains.



While some people still love their Chinese Tallow Trees, most people would agree that it and the other species on this list are capable of creating a negative

ecological impact in natural areas and belong on the list due to the difficulty and costs associated with managing them. On the other hand, the regional appropriateness of the list could be questioned. Texas is a big state and while Brazilian Peppertree, *Schinus terebinthifolius*, is invasive in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, it probably would not make through the winter in the Metroplex.

The bigger controversy is attached to the bigger lists. There are numerous groups, often called Exotic Plant Pest Councils, who put together their own lists of invasive and potentially invasive plants. The Texas Invasive Plant and Pest Council maintains a list of 140 plant species that occur in or around Texas and that are suspected of causing problems by invading natural areas. Some of the plants on this list are landscape staples:



Chinese Pistache,
Pistacia chinensis,



Silvergrass,
Miscanthus sinensis,
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Natives, Invasives, Cultivars and Weeds (cont'd)



Russian Olive,
Eleagnus angustifolia, and



Heavenly Bamboo,
Nandina domestica.

This brings us to the biggest controversy in the invasive debate. What should we do about cultivars? ***A cultivar, or cultivated variety, is a plant that has been selected and named because of its useful and/or beautiful characteristics.*** The cultivar name follows



the genus and species name and is set apart with single quotation marks. An example would be *Ilex vomitoria* 'Pendula' also known as weeping yaupon holly, which was chosen, named and propagated for its growth habit.

One way to think about the differences that can exist between cultivars and the plain old species is to think about dogs. Though they are all the same genus and species, there's a big difference between a Chihuahua and a St. Bernard. It's possible to say that *Nandina domestica* is like a German Shepherd while *Nandina domestica* 'aka,' known by its trade name Blush, is more like a Pomeranian.

While standard *Nandina domestica* can be found growing wild in some wooded natural areas in Tarrant County, *Nandina domestica* cultivars



such as 'Firepower', 'Gulf Stream', 'Umpqua Chief' and many more were chosen for foliage color and dwarf habit. Most of them don't produce berries. One of the primary ways that nandina invades natural areas is by berries transported by birds so these cultivars are much less likely to be invasive.

Should cultivars be considered non-invasive when the species is "on the list?" That depends. These cultivar qualities should be present:

- Readily distinguishable from the species—so they won't be confused
- Doesn't readily revert to the species (think of tall ruellia in Dwarf Katie)
- Characteristics such as seedlessness that reduce dispersal (such as those nandinas mentioned above)
- Doesn't hybridize with native plant species (this is the key problem with lantanas)
- Characteristics that inhibit competitiveness (dwarf size, variegation, etc.)

Invasive plant issues won't go away when ignored. Like a little patch of kudzu, they'll just keep growing. Responsible gardeners and members of the Green Industry should support the development of credible information about invasiveness. When choosing landscape plant material for an area where the potential for invasion is high, such as a new development adjacent to a natural area, make careful choices. And finally, don't be afraid to share your enhanced understanding of the issues. The Labrador Retrievers of the plant world are counting on you.

Official Invasive Plant List for the State of Texas

Common Name	Botanical Name	
Alligatorweed	<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>	 Alligatorweed
Balloonvine	<i>Cardiospermum halicacabum</i>	 Balloonvine
Brazilian peppertree	<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	
Broomrape	<i>Orobanche ramosa</i>	 Broomrape
Camelthorn	<i>Alhagi camelorum</i>	Deeprooted Sedge
Chinese tallow tree	<i>Triadica sebiferum</i>	
Deeprooted sedge	<i>Cyperus entrerianus</i>	
Distaff thistle	<i>Carthamus lanatus</i>	Japanese dodder
Eurasian watermilfoil	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	
Giant duckweed	<i>Spirodela oligorrhiza</i>	
Giant reed	<i>Arundo donax</i>	Purple Loosestrife
Hedge bindweed	<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	
Hydrilla	<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	 Torpedograss
Itchgrass	<i>Rottboellia cochinchinensis</i>	
Japanese dodder	<i>Cuscuta japonica</i>	
Kudzu	<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	 Itchgrass
Lagarosiphon	<i>Lagarosiphon major</i>	
Paperbark	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>	 Torpedograss
Purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	
Rooted waterhyacinth	<i>Eichhornia azurea</i>	
Saltcedar	<i>Tamarix</i> spp.	Camelthorn
Salvinia	<i>Salvinia</i> spp.	
Serrated tussock	<i>Nassella trichotoma</i>	 Camelthorn
Torpedograss	<i>Panicum repens</i>	
Tropical soda apple	<i>Solanum viarum</i>	
Water spinach	<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i>	
Water trumpet	<i>Cryptocoryne beckettii</i>	
Waterhyacinth	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	
Waterlettuce	<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>	 Distaff Thistle
		 Kudzu
		 Broomrape

Cross Timbers and Prairies Invasive Plant Dirty Dozen

These plants have been identified as particularly worrisome in the Cross Timbers and Prairies ecoregion. Click on http://www.texasinvasives.org/i101/ecoalert_detail.php?ecoregion_id=5 to go to the Invasive Plant Database and learn more.



Japanese honeysuckle
Lonicera japonica



Glossy privet
Ligustrum lucidum



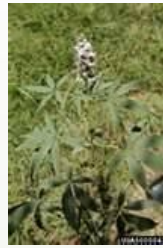
Chinese privet
Ligustrum sinense



Giant reed
Arundo donax



Chinese wisteria
Wisteria sinensis



Lilac chastetree
Vitex agnus-castus



Brazilian vervain
Verbena brasiliensis



Guineagrass
Urochloa maxima



Common periwinkle
Vinca minor



Chinaberry tree
Melia azedarach

Chinese tallow tree
Triadica sebifera



Johnson grass
Sorghum halepense

November 2010 Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 <i>8a Heritage Elem..</i> <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>9a Union Gospel</i>	2 <i>8a Randall Mill PK Greenhouse</i> <i>8:30a CG Veggie</i>	3 <i>9a Veterans Park</i> <i>8a BG Perennial</i> <i>9a Teen Challenge</i> <i>9:30a Thistle Hill</i> <i>1:30p Veterans Park</i> <i>3:15p Fitzgerald</i>	4 <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>8:30a BG Trial</i> 10A TCMGA MTG NPSOT Meeting	5	6 <i>9am Compost Demo—Veterans Park</i> <i>9a Wildscape Class: Benefits of Trees</i>
7  Daylight Savings Time	8 <i>8a Heritage Elem..</i> <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>9a Union Gospel</i>	9 <i>8a Randall Mill PK Greenhouse</i> <i>8:30a CG Veggie</i>	10 <i>9a Veterans Park</i> <i>8a BG Perennial</i> <i>9a Teen Challenge</i> <i>130p Veterans Park</i> <i>3:15p Fitzgerald</i>	11 <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>8:30a BG Trial</i>  <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 <i>8:30a JPS Meditation Garden</i>	13 <i>9am Compost Demo—River Legacy</i> <i>9am SW Crthse</i>
14	15 <i>8a Heritage Elem.</i> <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>9a Union Gospel</i>	16 <i>8a Randoll Greenhs</i> <i>8a Liberty Garden</i> <i>8:30a CG Veggie</i>	17 <i>9a Veterans Park</i> <i>8a BG Perennial</i> <i>9a Teen Challenge</i> <i>9a FW Hulen Library</i> <i>9a Bob Jones Nature</i> <i>9:30a Thistle Hill</i> <i>1:30p Veterans Park</i> <i>3:15p Fitzgerald</i>	18 <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>8:30a BG Trial</i>	19	20
21	22 <i>8a Heritage Elem.</i> <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>9a Union Gospel</i>	23 <i>8a Randoll Greenhs</i> <i>8:30a CG Veggie</i>	24 <i>9a Veterans Pk</i> <i>8a BG Perennial</i> <i>9a Teen Challenge</i> <i>9:30a Thistle Hill</i> <i>1:30p Veterans Park</i> <i>3:15p Fitzgerald</i>	25  Happy Thanksgiving!	26 <i>8:30a JPS Meditation Garden</i>	27
28	29 <i>8a Heritage Elem.</i> <i>8:30a Alice Carlson</i> <i>9a Union Gospel</i>	30 <i>8a Randoll Greenhs</i> <i>8:30a CG Veggie</i>				

2010 Up-Coming Events



Upcoming Events

October 17-23— Texas Native Plant Week

October 23-24—Fort Worth Botanic Garden
Fall Festival at the Japanese Garden

November

Nov. 6 – Benefits of Trees - Matt Churches, Forester from Arlington Parks and Recreation Dept. **at the Wildscape.**

December

Dec. 4 - Preserving the Post Oak Woodland - by Steve Chaney, AgriLife extension agent, **9am at the Wildscape.**

Upcoming Specialist Training

October 27-29—Master Gardener Specialist Training in Irrigation Efficiency **in Dallas**

Nov. 3-4 — Master Gardener Vegetable Specialist Training at **Weslaco, Hidalgo County**

Specialist Training Purpose: To provide advanced training whereby a corps of Master Gardeners can obtain a specialization which supports or expands specific county educational programs of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Click <http://txmg.org/for-members/specialist-training-2010/> for more information on Specialist Training.

**Somervell County
Master Gardeners
and
Lake Granbury
Master Gardeners**



are excited to be the co-hosts for the 2011 Texas Master Gardener Conference to be held April 27-29, 2011 at the Somervell County Expo Center in Glen Rose, Texas. For more information and registration go to the Texas Master Gardeners website texasmastergardeners.com



The West Virginia University Extension Service
and
West Virginia Master Gardener Association

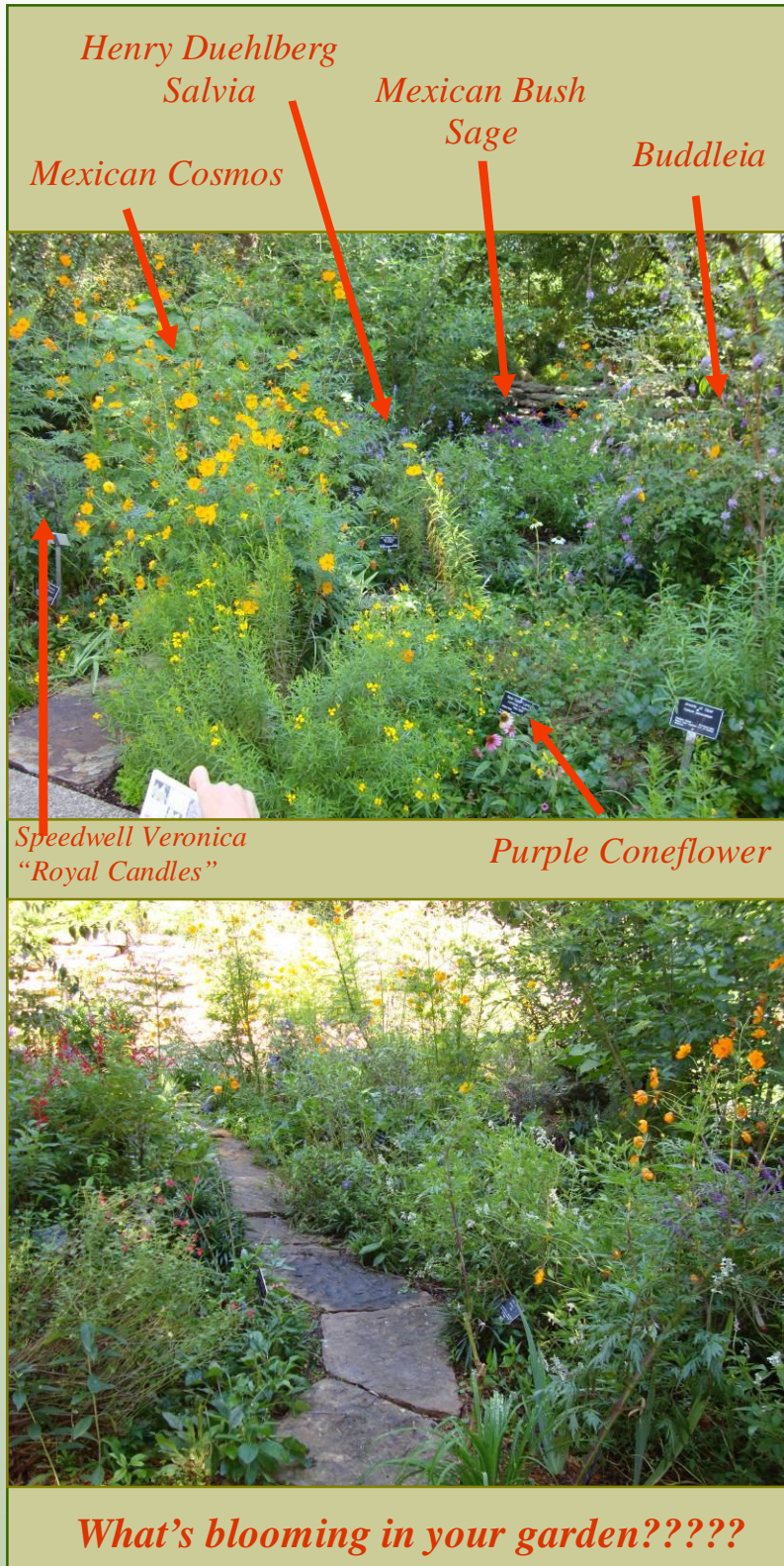
invite you to join them at the

**2011 International Master Gardener
Conference**

to be held October 11-14, 2011
in Charleston, West Virginia.

What's Blooming?

It's early fall and the Botanic Perennial Garden is amass with blooming perennials! Below are a few pictures displaying the fall bloomers:



Why Should I Volunteer?

*It's not for the money; it's not
for the fame,
It's not for any personal gain.*

*It's not for love of fellow man,
It's just to lend a helping hand.*

*It's just to give a tithe of self,
That's something you can't buy
with wealth.*

*It's not for medals worn with
pride,
It's for that feeling deep inside.*

*It's that reward deep down in
your heart,
It's feeling that you have been
a part of
Helping others, far and near*

*That makes you a
VOLUNTEER.*

- Unknown

Volunteer Opportunities for TCMGA

Project Code & Name	Work Days/Times	Project Manager	Phone
301 BRIT Activities	Call Chairman	Kay Yount	817-292-7690
302 BG Perennial Garden	Wed. 8:00 am	Cindy Woelke	817-366-4436
302 BG Trial Garden	Thurs. 8:30-11:30am	Susan Miller semiller@sbcglobal.net	817-261-1420
303 Community Garden			
Community and Demo Garden Chair	Steve Chaney, s-chaney@tamu.edu		817-884-1945
Project Leads			
Barn Beds	Charlotte Berck, caberck@dot11net.		817-426-6417
Compost & Rainwater Harvesting	Ron & Sue Ellen Schlitzer, s.schlitzer@sbcglobal.net		817-294-1329
Community Vegetable Beds	Bill Vandever, bvandever@sbcglobal.net		817-244-1580
Demonstration and Enabling Beds	Kim Freeman bamagirlntx@sbcglobal.net		817-292-3775
Education	Nancy Curl, nl_curl@yahoo.com		817-319-1795
Education – TCU	Pat Higgins, ragdollpath@sbcglobal.net		817-946-6278
Enabling Garden	TBA		
Greenhouse/Propagation	Claire Alford, caagardner@aol.com		817-481-8861
Herb Garden, Wednesdays	Rita Hottel, aescom@charter.net		817-295-2883
Hospitality (Cook-outs)	Beverly Beazley, babeazley@tx.rr.com		817-483-7080
Orchard	Renee Beckum, jrbeckum@sbcglobal.net		817-790-8575
Perennial Garden	Ginger Bason & Joann Hahn, gbason@hotmail.com, joannhahn@att.net	817-817-838-7321/817-923-9250	
Plant Sales	Taddie Hamilton, taddieh@sbcglobal.net		817-534-3440
Potting Shed	Pat Lovejoy, palovejoy@att.net		817-447-7924
Rain Barrel Construction	Claudia Teague, cteague@flash.net		817-444-2247
Rose Garden, Tuesdays	Nan Garvin, garbre@hotmail.com		817-477-2867
Topiary (children's garden)	Peg Surber, txsurber@aol.com		817-232-5035
Treasurer	Donna Morris, morrisd1@swbell.net		817-560-7767
304 Thistle Hill	1 st , 3 rd Weds. 9:30 am	Emily Ward	817-281-5925
304 Union Gospel Mission	Mon. 9 am	Gay Larson	817-441-6560
304 Teen Challenge	Wed. 9 am	Debbie Bollinger	817-498-1508
304 JPS Meditation Garden	2nd & 4th Fri. 8:30am	Kay Lewis	817-281-6600
304 Casa House	Call Chairman	Rocky Deutscher	817-991-7171
203 Grapevine Botanic Garden			
Docents	Call Chairman	Shari Stanfield	817-685-9990
<u>Environmental Projects:</u>			
305 Composting Demo	1st Sat., Veterans Pk, Arlington	LaVonne Nowlin	818-581-1850
	2 nd Sat., River Legacy, Arlington	Charlie Shiner	817-488-6123
305 FW Library at Hulen St.	3rd Wed. 9 am	Devanie Fergus	817-683-3332
		Evaline Woodrey	817-295-5281
305 SW Sub-Courthouse	2 nd Sat., last Wed. 9 am	Gailon Hardin	817-475-0923
305 Liberty Garden	Call Chairman	Wendi Carlucci	817-488-5640
	2nd Tues., 8-11 am		
305 Veterans Park-Wildscape	Tues. 9-12pm Randoll Mill Pk.	Greenhouse	
	Wed. 9-12pm, 1:30pm-4pm	Nancy Swan	817-535-9991
	1st Sat., 9-12 pm		
305 Bob Jones Nature Center	3rd, Wednesday, 9 am	Nancy Searl	817-542-3190
<u>School Gardens:</u>			
306 Alice Carlson	Mon. & Thurs. 8:30 am	Sharon Chastain	817-926-2575
306 Fitzgerald	Wed. 3:15 pm	Leeann Rosenthal	817-237-7180
306 Heritage School OLE	Mon. 8-10am	Jackie Peel	817-581-0977

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Important Websites to Know!



Our local TCMGA website:	<u>http://www.tarrantmg.org/</u>
State MG Website and TMG news:	<u>http://www.texasmastergardeners.com</u>
State Newsletter:	<u>http://www.tmganewsletter.org</u>
Our RC Demo Garden Website:	<u>http://www.localharvest.org/member/M27123</u>
Native Plant Society of Texas	<u>http://txnativeplants.org</u>
Aggie Horticulture:	<u>http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu</u>
Earthkind:	<u>http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind</u>
Texas Superstars:	<u>http://texassuperstar.com</u>
Fort Worth Botanic Garden:	<u>http://fwbg.com</u>
Wildscape:	<u>http://thewildscape.org</u>
Urban Solution Center:	<u>http://urbansolutioncenter.tamu.edu</u>
Botanical Research Institute of Texas:	<u>http://www.brit.org</u>