



Sharecropper



Tarrant County Master Gardener Association

August 2014

**August
2014**

Inside this issue:

Feature Article	1
President's Message	3
TCMGA Meeting Minutes	4
Gardening Tips & Tidbits	6
Project Features	7
Announcements	9
2014 Meeting Program	11
Upcoming Events	12
Volunteer Opportunities	14
TCMGA Leadership & Resources	15

**TEXAS A&M
AGRILIFE
EXTENSION**

If you have an idea or would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact Jackie Heidinger jackieheidinger@verizon.net

"Papercrete: From Trash to Treasure"

By Nancy Curl, TCMGA Education Chair

Papercrete is new to us, but is not a new idea. It was used by hippies, among others, as an alternative building material to bolster an alternative lifestyle. Papercrete has actually been around even longer, a similar recipe was used in Babylonian times.

Papercrete can be molded into any shape, is weather resistant, strong yet light-weight. You may be thinking it sounds a lot like Hypertufa. It is similar to Hypertufa with a slight difference in the recipe. Hypertufa is made with Portland Cement, Perlite and Peat; Papercrete is made with Portland Cement, Perlite and paper. Any paper can be used in the recipe, but the best paper to use is newspaper.

We first learned about Papercrete from a picture on Pinterest; the viewing habit that eats up a lot of time, but yields wonderful ideas! From one picture, a quick research found a class on the topic, which led to an MG's road trip to Mena, Arkansas. The Polk County Master Gardeners (PCMGA) in Mena, Arkansas were hosting a class taught by Lee Coats, the Papercrete Potter and they were excited to have out-of-townners join them!



Our MG's road trip to Mena, Arkansas, which is nestled in the Ouachita National Forest, included a trip up the mountain, a visit to Polk County Extension and PCMGA office, Mena's Main Street shops, galleries and restaurants, and a

stay at a historic B & B, restored and run by Texans!



We decided to take full advantage of this learning opportunity and decided to take both classes, beginner and advanced, offered by the PCMGA's. The beginning class taught us the basics of Papercrete as we learned how to make a simple container. The advanced class taught us how to make a larger slightly more involved shell-shaped container.

(Continued on page 2)

“Papercrete: From Trash to Treasure”—continued



Papercrete containers only take a few days to cure and can be planted with any plant you select. The containers can be painted or colored with cement dye as the ingredients are being mixed.

You can learn how to make a Papercrete container too!

Lee Coats, the Papercrete Potter is coming to Fort Worth.

Lee will be a guest instructor at Steve & Steve's

TCMGA Hortipalooza on Saturday, October 25.

Learn how to create a new, interesting container....and one less trip to the paper re-cycling bin!

Sign-up up for the beginner class or advanced class or both!





Patsy Miller,
TCMGA President

President's Message

Hello Master Gardeners,

As I am writing this, we haven't yet hit our first 100 degree day, although predictions are that we will achieve that inevitable marker by the weekend.

Never mind, our work goes on – we just move up the meeting time at the projects. Speaking of projects, Rocky Deutscher is the new projects chairman and she and the project committee (Sue Kelley, Steve Purdy, Debbie Rasmussen, Debbie Rosenthal, Judy Matlock and Sally Harris) have been visiting the project locations and talking with project leads.

We have 24 projects and some are hidden treasures that don't get a lot of attention. Plans are in the coming months to feature in *The Sharecropper* volunteer opportunities at the different projects – there's more to do than pulling weeds! One of the attractions of Master Gardeners is the friendships that develop and project friendships are no different. We want to hear about the work that is done at the projects, but also how volunteers are sharing their talents, the strange-but-true and the funny (do you dress up for Halloween, fun presentations, etc.) I wrote an article in this *Sharecropper* on a construction project at Fitzgerald Outdoor Learning Environment and an unusual find in a vegetable bed.

Thanks to the "yes" vote from the membership, money was approved to provide all the projects with a new project sign. Additional signs have been ordered so a project can purchase additional signs (\$20) for other areas on the site or when a replacement is needed.



Members also approved the purchase of two MG logo tablecloths – one 6-foot and one 8-foot. The tablecloths are a poly-blend, washable. The background is royal blue with white lettering. (see photo). The tablecloths can be checked out from Billie and provide an easi-

er set up at a booth, community event, or other activity than the banner. Of course, the banners will still be available to hang on a wall.

It won't be long that we will be using those tablecloths and banners.

Add these dates to your calendar:

Fort Worth Home and Garden Show— Saturday and Sunday, August 16-17, Fort Worth Convention Center. We will need volunteers for our booth, Kids Zone (within the booth) and a special Kids Workshop on the life cycle of a butterfly. We will be sending an email asking for volunteers.

September 20, Saturday, Arlington EcoFest. Master Gardeners will be participating in a variety of ways.

September 25-27, Odessa – State MG Conference. Check with Claire Alford about carpooling. Conference information at www.txmg.org

October 25, Saturday, Hortipalooza, Fort Worth Resource Connection, yard art extravaganza, vendors, classes, family fun sponsored by AgriLife Extension Service and TCMGA.

December 4, Thursday, Master Gardener Holiday Luncheon

Don't forget to report your Speakers Bureau hours to Sue Newhouse and see Lance Jepson about the requirements to earn the Speakers Bureau "dangle."

Patsy Miller
TCMGA President



TCMGA General Meeting— July 2014

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Patsy Miller. There were 132 members present, making a quorum of 15% for the business meeting. There was one visitor present.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as published in the July newsletter.

Executive Board

Programs: Marianne Levine, 1st vice president, reported that the speaker for the August meeting is Dr. David Morgan. His presentation is on Viticulture (growing grapes).

Ways & Means: Marilyn Satterfield reported that there are jugs of fertilizer for \$5, two new items – garden gloves for \$5 and TCMGA signs for your yard for \$20. Will be taking orders in August and September for fertilizer.

Steve Chaney – Reminding everyone about the October Yard Art Event on October 25 at the Resource Connection. If anyone knows a vender that would like to be part of the day, let him know. There will be one break-out session during the day. The event is open to the public.

Treasurer: Starr Krottinger, Treasurer's Report

For Month Ending June 30, 2014

Beginning Balance on June 1, 2014	\$41,307.98
Checks, transfers and adjustments	\$2,246.39
Deposits	<u>\$2,941.94</u>
Ending Balance on June 30, 2014	\$42,003.53

The treasurer's report will be filed.

Garage Sale Report – Income - \$1060.95.

Silent Auction - \$1144.00

2013 the total income was \$1285.55.

Continued on next page

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee – Chairman Linda Hawkins asked if there were more nominations for committee members. There were none. The ballot was passed out to the members to vote for four. Results: Gus Guthrie, Linda Winn, Dorothy Hildebrand and Bill Vandever.

Activities – Visit the Activities table and check with Claire Alford to sign up to carpool to the state conference Sept. 25-27 in Odessa. Check out website txmg.org.

Speakers Bureau – Be sure and turn in your hours to Sue Newhouse. Also, check with Lance Jepson to see if you earned a badge dangle for speaking hours. Or the requirements for earning a dangle.

Education Committee has plans to offer classes after the monthly MG meeting to help members earn continuing education hours. Probably will start in August so look for eblast and story in the Sharecropper.

The Garden Conservancy Open Day Tour will be in October 2015, Ginger Bason is looking for potential gardens in our area. Garden Conservancy preserves exceptional gardens and landscapes, and the bi-annual garden tours held all over the country raise money to preserve once private gardens from being lost to development or commercial interests. Saved gardens include Alcatraz in California and Peckerwood Gardens in Hempstead, Texas. So if you have a suggestion of a private garden that has an interesting history, architectural or landscaping feature, let Ginger know. Master Gardeners act as hosts at the various gardens and we earn a portion of the profit.

Announcements

- Reminder that if you cannot do your phone duty, please call Billie or the office receptionist, to let them know you are not coming. There have been a number of instances when there has been no one at the Help Desk because both people did not show up and nobody was informed. This is a commitment we have made and we need to honor it.
- Home and Garden Show, August 16-17. Will be sending out requests for working our booth, including the Kids Zone and a special 1-hour children's workshop on the Life Cycle of a Butterfly each day. Interested in working on the H&G Committee to come up with ideas for Kids Zone and the workshop, contact Patsy Miller.

Unfinished Business – none

New Business - The executive board has approved the purchase of MG project signs for each of the projects. Extras can be purchased so if the project wants more than one sign or if replacements are needed in the future. There is a price break at 50 so the board voted to purchase 50 at a cost of \$807.50 which includes setup costs.

The Executive Board also approved the purchase of two logo tablecloths – a 6-foot and an 8-foot with the MG logos on them to be used for Home and Garden Show and other educational events we participate in. The cost of both of them with setup charges is \$410.

The total cost of the signs and tablecloths together is \$1,217.50. While we have the money to pay for them, they are not budgeted items. Per the bylaws, the Executive Board can not approve an unbudgeted expenditure above \$250. We have to come to the membership. So the Executive Board is asking for a motion to spend \$1,217.50 for the project signs and the two tablecloths. **Motion made and seconded to spend \$1,217.50 for project signs and tablecloths. Motion approved.**

No raffle

Door Prizes

Business Meeting adjourned 10:40 a.m.

Submitted by
Theresa Kay Thomas,
Secretary

Rose Rose-what?

Understanding the Devastating Rose Rosette Disease (RRD)

By Diane Geiser, TCMGA

Lorraine Castorina's heart sank after her landscaper inspected her wild roses and uttered the words she had been dreading: rose rosette disease (RRD). This spring she had noticed abnormal growth on not only her hybrid tea roses, but her landscape wild roses whose carefree pink blooms had cheerfully greeted visitors to her Keller home for almost ten years. "The best way to describe it would be mutant-like lateral growth of deep red shoots with misshapen buds and leaves. Excessive, sharp thorns covered tough, thick stems, which were almost like stalks," says Lorraine. RRD symptoms, including the telltale "witches'-broom" or abnormal tufted growth, can vary by rose type. Even the seemingly indestructible Knock Out rose isn't immune, but rather one of the hardest hit rose varieties, leaving homeowners and landscapers frustrated in the face of this fatal rose disease. First recognized in the 1940s in Canada, RRD was identified in Texas in the early 1990s and has become pervasive in Northeast Tarrant County in the last three to four years. "My landscaper said he wasn't surprised to find rose rosette here since he has seen it all over Westlake and North Keller recently," adds Lorraine.

Cause and Transmission

Last August, the Director of the Texas Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, Dr. Kevin Ong, and a team of horticulture specialists summarized research on what the science community knows about RRD. While we know RRD is a virus (Laney et al, 2011) and currently has no cure, scientists have not yet determined if the virus is localized and may be eliminated by simply pruning out the diseased tissue, or systemic, meaning it affects the whole plant. If the disease is systemic, even if you prune out the symptomatic tissue, the plant still carries the pathogen putting your other roses at risk of infection. Dr. Ong shares via email, "I have not seen conclusive comprehensive scientific studies that demonstrate that the virus is localized or systemic. Based on observations and indirect evidence from studies, it is believed that this virus is systemic. Please note that this is a generalization when talking about roses and (*who knows*) there may be rose varieties/cultivars that respond to the virus differently—we do not have this information yet."

While studies suggest that the microscopic eriophyid mite can transmit a disease-causing agent, there has not been a published study confirming that the mite carries the rose rosette virus. Eriophyid mites (a fraction of a millimeter in size) may travel by wind or attaching to other insects. If roses are planted extremely close in a bed, the mite could also simply walk from one rose plant to another transmitting the virus. If the virus is determined to be systemic and reaches the roots, there's a theory that the virus could be transmitted to adjacent roses through root grafting, writes Dr. Ong.

Recommendations

First and foremost, inspect your roses regularly looking for any unusual bright red lateral growth, excessive thorniness, distorted leaves or blooms, and witches'-brooms. Google "rose rosette symptoms," focusing on horticulture extension agency websites (addresses will usually end with .edu), and familiarize yourself with images of the diseased roses so you can recognize the difference between normal new reddish growth and rose rosette symptoms. If you detect RRD, you could prune out the diseased limb and see if the disease symptoms return, but this may not be the most prudent course of action. Dr. Ong and his colleagues recommend removal of any roses with confirmed RRD, or those exhibiting symptoms, as soon as possible since the plant could act as a reservoir for the virus to be passed along to other roses. Dr. Ong writes, "My opinions are based on the scientific knowledge we have regarding this disease and pathogen. Symptoms *could* reappear soon after pruning, but are more likely to be latent (latent = present but not showing symptoms) for long periods of time. Colleagues at the University of Tennessee have a study on the effectiveness of a pruning strategy, but due to the long latent period, the study is still ongoing and anticipated to be ongoing for a while." Roses in close proximity to a diseased rose could be treated with a miticide to possibly limit transmission. If you plan to replant with roses again, removal of the diseased plant's roots is also recommended as a precaution.

On a warm April afternoon, Lorraine's landscapers dug up her roses, taking care to bag the infected plants as trash, and planted loropetalum shrubs in their place. While scientists work diligently to solve the rose rosette puzzle, the handsome loropetalum shrubs will fill the gap in her garden, though in Lorraine's mind—nothing quite compares with roses.



Resources :

plantclinic.tamu.edu

www.agrilifebookstore.org/product-p/eplp-010.htm

www.ars.org

TCMGA Project Feature—

Fitzgerald Elementary

Page 7

Propagating in Grand Style by Patsy Miller

Fitzgerald Outdoor Learning Environment at Fitzgerald Elementary School in Arlington got a new addition, thanks to Richard Kurth and other regular Fitz volunteers: Barry Smith, Doug Montgomery, Sue Sappington, Caryn Hutchinson and Patsy Miller.

It was project leader Leeann Rosenthal's idea to trade in the rotting picnic table for a new potting table. Richard designed the two-level table (for Fitz students and Master Gardeners) complete with roof for shading our propagation efforts. We assisted Richard as the building progressed.

Richard has used his carpentry and woodworking talents in a variety of ways at Fitzgerald including wooden signs for the children's vegetable beds and identifying trees and flowers in the garden.



Guess this "Bird"

This unusual bird species was discovered in a vegetable bed at Fitzgerald.

Backyard Garden

Master Gardeners

Get Backyard Gardens Off to Good Start

By Patsy Miller

This spring Tarrant County Master Gardeners collaborated with the Tarrant County Food Policy Council's Working Group on Community Gardens & Urban Agriculture (CGUA), Northside Inter-Community Agency (NICA) on a pilot program to start a backyard gardening program for low-income Latino/Latina families on the North Side of Fort Worth.

A recent progress report recognizes MGs for its success. Ten women successfully completed a three-session gardening curriculum that was developed by MG Lance Jepson and Katey Rudd, both of CGUA, and taught in February and early March by Tarrant County Master Gardeners Caryn Hutchinson and Mike Warren.

The class was taught in English, but some of the women were Spanish speakers only. To address this issue, Caryn and Mike would write a list of key vocabulary on the board at the start of each lesson and provided a Spanish-English dictionary of garden terms for the students. Students who could understand English more easily helped the others.

Volunteers from NICA and TCU and members of Feed by Grace's Project GROWTH initiative built a raised-bed garden in each woman's backyard over two Saturdays. Linda Hawkins, Lance, and Mike supervised the building of the raised beds which were 4'x8' cinderblocks. Master Gardeners donated transplants and seeds. "The Tarrant County Master Gardeners Association was especially generous with its donations of starter plants," the report noted.

The women all planted their gardens and most of them have successfully raised a diverse array of healthy produce for their families, including jalapeños and other hot peppers, cucumber, squash, zucchini, cilantro, bell peppers and tomatoes. About half of the group had never gardened before. The women were excited and anxious to share pictures of how well their plants were doing.

Plans are to start a garden club with the 10 women as charter members. They will share their experiences at the English as a Second Language classes held at the agency.

With the success of the spring course, TCMGA is being asked to teach a fall course. Two Master Gardeners are needed to team-teach the Tarrant County Food Policy Council's Backyard Gardening Curriculum in three weekly sessions this fall to low-income women clients of the nonprofit Community Enrichment Center (The CEC, 6250 NE Loop 820, North Richland Hills, 76180). The sessions will take place at the CEC on the following days and times:

- Saturday, August 16, 2:30-4:30pm
- Saturday, August 23, 2:30-4:30pm
- Saturday, August 30, 2:30-4:30pm

The Backyard Gardening Curriculum was developed by Master Gardener Lance Jepson and TAFB Community Garden Coordinator Katey Rudd for the Community Gardens & Urban Agriculture (CGUA) Working Group of the Tarrant County Food Policy Council. The curriculum consists of three workshops with both lecture and hands-on components: 1) Composting & Soils, 2) Planning & Planting, 3) Tending & Harvesting.

Each workshop is expected to take 1.5 to 2 hours. Copies of the curriculum will be provided to the instructors along with tips for teaching. The curriculum is offered free of charge to anyone in Tarrant County, although the target audience is low-income residents who lack access to sufficient healthy produce for their families.

Please reply to both Lance Jepson and Dave Aftandilian (chair of the CGUA Working Group) if you would be interested in volunteering to teach the Backyard Gardening Curriculum this August: ljepson@aol.com and d.aftandilian@tcu.edu.

August 2014 Program

Our speaker for August will be David L. Morgan, Ph.D. He was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, and moved to Texas in 1950, when his father entered the cattle ranching business near Uvalde, some 85 miles west of San Antonio. He grew up on the Chaparrosa Ranch where he had free rein over the ranch's 73,000 acres, and spent his summers learning cowboy skills.

He majored in Agricultural Journalism at Texas A&M, served in the Navy as a journalist and worked as a newspaper reporter and as a public relations executive for 10 years before entering graduate school in Horticulture at A&M. He received his Ph.D. in 1976 and was an associate professor of Horticulture with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Tech University until 1992, when he accepted the position as editor of NM Pro Magazine with Branch-Smith Publications in Fort Worth. He has since worked as a writer and editor for American Nurseryman Magazine and other publications. He has taught courses in Horticulture at Tarrant County College for 11 years. His current interest is in growing grapes for winemaking and consumption. He manages a small vineyard on the TCC Northwest College campus. His topic will be "Viticulture" or the art and science of growing grapes.

Marianne Levine
Program Chair



- 1 Toni Moorehead
- 2 J. Renee Beckum
- 5 Kathryn Whitaker
- 6 Sue Fair
- 7 Jill Pitcher, Lauren LaBar
- 9 Janice Richardson
- 10 Sue Short, Patsy Miller
- 11 Bea Wilson, Russell Bailey
- 15 Sandy Williams, Cindy Woelke
- 18 Barry Smith
- 21 Nancy Curl
- 24 Kathy Staley
- 25 Mary Kay Hughes, Jane Bruckner
- 26 Beverly Beazley, Susan Harper
- 27 Debbie Key

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/Background Investigation Update

We will start collecting membership dues at the August monthly meeting. Dues are \$20. If you are over 80 years of age, the dues are \$10. You can pay in cash or by check made out to TCMGA. Dues must be paid by Oct 31, 2014.

Please note that some TCMGA members will owe an additional \$10 for an update to their Background Investigation. This update is required every three years. You will be notified by e-mail if you require a background update. If you have questions, please call Steve Purdy.

Steve Purdy Membership

Would you like to carpool to the State Conference
Texas Master Gardeners Association 2014
State Conference Odessa, TX
September 25 – 27, 2014
2014TMGAConference.org
Come by the Activities Table. We will be happy to
help you connect with those going.

Sign ups starting for:

Tarrant County Master Gardeners Tour of 5 Homes located in Northeast Tarrant County October 9th.

Ways and Means will be taking pre-paid orders for **Fall Fertilizer** at the August and September meetings.

The fertilizer will be ready for pickup before the October meeting.

Price per bag will be \$18.00. Order form is on TCMGA website at tarrantmg.org. Order form that can be mailed or brought to meeting.

If you have questions call Marilyn Satterfield, [817-914-6676](tel:817-914-6676) or fitchfield@yahoo.com.

Would you like a few more CEU's?

Join the Brown Bag-BYOL- CEU Group
 Following the Master Gardener Meeting
 September 4

We will offer three classes:

1. Compost Tea - led by Debra Keys
2. Intern Projects – reports on a few of the student led projects
3. Bulbs—led by Claire Alford

MEMORIAL BRICK

Order your Memorial Brick for the Community Demonstration Garden now!

Order form can be located at tarrantmg.org

Our thoughts and prayers go to:

Marilyn Satterfield on the death of her brother.

To the family of former Master Gardener Mary Torres Benevides



Tarrant County Master Gardener Association

2014 Monthly Meeting Program

August

7

Dr. David Morgan

"Viticulture"

September

4

David Leedy

"The Arum Plant Family"

October

2

John Snowden

"Native Ornamental Grasses
for Urban Landscaping"

November

6

Dr. David Hopman

"From Proven Winner to
Pleistocene Rewilding"

December

4

Holiday Luncheon

Upcoming Events

See TCMGA Volunteer Opportunities page for Project scheduling and contact information .

Notable August Events

- **August 7 —TCMGA Monthly Meeting**
- **August 13 —Guided Tour of FW Botanic Garden Perennial Garden**
- **August 14 —Guided Tour of FW Botanic Garden Trial Garden**
- **August 16/17—Ft. Worth Home and Garden Show**

Education Opportunities

Please come by the Education Table at our August and September Master Gardener meeting. We will be offering two one-hour CEU classes for the months of August, September and October.

They will start immediately following the Master Gardener Meeting. Brown Bag Lunch. Location will be either in the 2300 building or at the Resource Connection Master Gardener Community Garden.

Watch for an E blast announcing the August classes.

Claire Alford
Education Committee

GARDEN TOURS!

Come by the Activities table to sign up for the October 9th tour of 5 private gardens in North East Tarrant County.

Claire Alford
Activities Chair



The conference will be hosted by the
Permian Basin Master Gardeners
on September 25-27, 2014,
at the MCM Grandé Hotel and FUNdome,
Odessa.

Inviting all gardeners!!!

2014 Southern Region
Master Gardener Conference



October 21 - 24, 2014
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Baton Rouge, LA

Sponsored by:
East Baton Rouge Master Gardener Association
LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Master Gardener Program

For information and registration go to....

www.SouthernRegionMGConf2014.com

Early registration ends July 15



Upcoming Events

Page 13



- Join Us -

the first of every month at BRIT from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a morning full of lively, family-friendly, science-based programming!

- Featuring -

Farmers Market (through October), Saturday Science Programming, Plant ID, and Bella's Story Time.
Find out more at Brit.org/events/more-children-families.

July 5

Farmers Market, Plant ID, Bella's Story Time - *Where does the butterfly go when it rains?*, and Saturday Science: Dive in at BRIT! Explore how BRIT is conserving water and making an impact in our local community.

August 2

Farmers Market, Plant ID, Bella's Story Time - *Me Jane*, and Saturday Science: Science Fair. Join us for this very special First Saturday and connect with new and ongoing projects being conducted by BRIT's research staff.

September 6

Farmers Market, Plant ID, Bella's Story Time - *Apple Farmer Annie*, and Saturday Science: Vineyards and Orchards. September's sustainable wine and cider event will feature examples of how vineyards and farms around the world produce their products in a sustainable way, while highlighting the region and the participating organization.

October 4

Farmers Market (the last for the season!), Plant ID, Bella's Story Time - *Pumpkin, Pumpkin*, and Saturday Science: Fall Harvest. Come celebrate the arrival of fall with BRIT as we explore autumn's botanical bounty.

November 1

Artisan Gift Market, Plant ID, Bella's Story Time - *Winter Lullaby*, and Saturday Science: Festive by Nature. Join us as we delve into the science and history of some of the most iconic holiday botanicals.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Hortipalooza '14!

OCTOBER 25, 2014

**A FANTASTIC FESTIVAL OF FUN,
FRIENDS, & HORTICULTURAL
ENLIGHTENMENT!**

"Best garden festival since Woodstock!"

"It's gonna be craaaaaazy good!"

"Not for the faint of heart."

"Well, I never!"

Resource Connection

2300 Circle Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76119

(Across Campus Drive from TCC - South)

A Big Stoves Production

Master Gardener Specialist - Rainwater Harvesting Training

September 29—October 1 2014

This two day course is a combination of hands-on and classroom presentations that will teach you all of the basics of rainwater harvesting. With the knowledge you gain, you will be able to teach others about rainwater harvesting. With only 15 hours of RWH volunteering in one year, you become a Rainwater Harvesting Specialist at the annual Master Gardener conference.

<http://dallas.tamu.edu/courses/2014/september-29-october-1-2014-rainwater-harvesting-specialist-training/>

TCMGA Volunteer Opportunities

Page 14

Project Code & Name	Work Days/Times	Project Manager	Phone
301 BRIT Activities	Call Chairman	Kay Yount	817-292-7690
302 BG Perennial Garden	Wed. 8:30 am—11:30 am	Cindy Woelke	817-366-4436
302 BG Backyard Vegetable Garden	Fri. 8 am—11 am	Nancy Curl	817-319-1795
302 BG Trial Garden	Thurs. 7:30 am– 10:30 am	Susan Miller semiller@sbcglobal.net	817-261-1420
303 Community and Demo Garden Chair Project Leads	Bill Vandever, bvandever@charter.net		817-244-1580
Community Garden, Tuesdays			
Barn Beds	Charlotte Berck, caberck@dot11net.		817-426-6417
Compost & Rainwater Harvesting			
Community Vegetable Beds	Pat Higgins, ragdollpath@sbcglobal.net		817-946-6278
Demonstration and Enabling Beds	Frank Durda, fdurda@hotmail.com		817-292-2270
Education	Nancy Curl, nl_curl@yahoo.com		817-319-1795
Education – TCU	Lance Jepson ljepson@aol.com & Pat Higgins	817-557-6122	817-946-6278
Enabling Garden	Frank Durda, fdurda@hotmail.com		817-292-2270
Greenhouse/Propagation	Pat Lovejoy, palovejoy@att.net		817-447-7924
Herb Garden, Tuesdays	Rita Hottel, rnhottel@att.net		817-929-6847
Hospitality (Cook-outs)	Beverly Beazley, babeazley@tx.rr.com		817-483-7080
Orchard	Char McMorrow, charlenemcmorrow@sbcglobal.net		817-228-4548
Perennial Garden	Ginger Bason & Joann Hahn, gbasonbowden@gmail.com, joannhahn@att.net		817-307-8530/817-923-9250
Plant Sales	Sue Kelley and Peggy Harwood sandrkelley@sbcglobal.net, peggyjwh@gmail.com	817-233-7118	817-821-4988
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
304 Thistle Hill	1 st , 3 rd Weds. 8 am	Sue Fair	817-266-2514
304 Union Gospel Mission	Mon. 9 am	Gay Larson	817-441-6560
304 Teen Challenge	Wed. 9 am	Debbie Bollinger	817-498-1508
304 Common Ground NRH Community Garden	Wed. & Sat 8:30 am-12 n	Dianne Spradling Sandra Totty	817-431-4666 817-281-7877
304 Six Stones/City of Bedford Community Garden-		Annette Lee	214-803-2219
304 The Samaritan House	Tues. 8 am-11 am	John Pinkerton	682-433-2529
304 JPS Meditation Garden	2nd & 4th Fri. 9 am	Bernice Ramsbottom	817-485-6631
203 Grapevine Botanic Garden Docents	Call Chairman	Rachel Clark, Co-Chair Paula Wilbanks, Co-Chair	817-488-0035 817-481-4398
<u>Environmental Projects:</u>			
305 Composting Demo	1st Sat., Veterans Pk, Arlington	LaVonne Nowlin	817-581-1850
305 FW Library at Hulen St.	2nd Thurs 9 am	Bill Hall/ Theresa Thomas	817-737-9890 817-485-6789
305 SW Sub-Courthouse	2 nd Sat., last Wed. 9 am	Gailon Hardin	817-475-0923
305 Veterans Park-Wildscape	Wed. 9 am-12 noon	Molly Hollar	817-319-6924
	1st Sat., 9 am-12 noon		
305 Bob Jones Nature Center	3rd Wed. 9 am	Nancy Searl	817-542-3190
<u>School Gardens:</u>			
306 Alice Carlson OLE	Mon. & Thurs. 8:30 am	Sharon Chastain	817-926-2575
306 Fitzgerald OLE	Mon 9 am	Leeann Rosenthal	817-237-7180
306 Heritage School OLE	Mon. 8-10 am	Pam Braak & Harold Annis	817-488-5665 817-481-6242
306 Durham Intermediate School	Wed 9am	Bea Wilson	817-401-2179

Important Websites!

Our local TCMGA website:

<http://www.tarrantmg.org/>

State MG Website and TMG news:

<http://www.txmg.org>

Our RC Demo Garden Website:

[http://www.localharvest.org/
member/M27123](http://www.localharvest.org/member/M27123)

Native Plant Society of Texas

<http://npsot.org>

Aggie Horticulture:

<http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu>

Earthkind:

[http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/
earthkind](http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind)

Texas Superstars:

<http://texassuperstar.com>

Fort Worth Botanic Garden:

<http://fwbg.org>

Wildscape:

<http://thewildscape.org>

Botanical Research Institute of Texas: <http://www.brit.org>

Educational programs of Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in any of our meetings are encouraged to contact our office at 817.884.1945 for assis-



2014 Executive Committee

President: Patsy Miller pjmiller24@sbcglobal.net

1st Vice President (Programs): Marianne Levine
alevine47@charter.net

2nd Vice President (Ways & Means): Marilyn Satterfield
fitchfield@yahoo.com

Treasurer: Starr Krottinger starr99@flash.net

Secretary: Theresa Thomas kayleetl@sbcglobal.net

2014 Advisory Committees

Acknowledgements: Pat Lovejoy palovejoy@att.net

Activities: Claire Alford caagardner@aol.com

Audit: Lance Jepson ljepson@aol.com

Awards, State: Eleanor Tuck etuck@sbcglobal.net

Awards, TCMGA: Lena Goff lgoff15@aol.com

Bulb Sale: Jeanie Browning browning4043@sbcglobal.net

Bulletin Board: Linda Winn winnclan@aol.com
Gus Guthrie kayleetl@sbcglobal.net

eblast: Dorothy Launius the tcmgaeblast@gmail.com

Education: Nancy Curl nl_curl@yahoo.com

Garden Conservatory/Open Days: Ginger Bason
gbasonbowden@gmail.com

Garden Resource: Dave Wilson ldwilson98@yahoo.com

Grant Writer: Jennifer McSpadden jenndfw@hotmail.com

Gardens, Community: Diane Spradling dianne@spradling.org

Historian: Sue Sappington sappington@uta.edu

Home & Garden Shows: Billie Hammack blhammack@ag.tamu.edu

Hospitality: Lizann Cundall Zann59@verizon.net

Intern Coordinator: Judy Ratzlaff judy.ratzlaff@yahoo.com

Members at Large: Alan Winter alan5024@att.net

Membership: Steve Purdy spurdy06@sbcglobal.net

Newsletter: Jackie Heidinger jackieheidinger@verizon.net

Nominations: Linda Hawkins lindamhawkins@gmail.com

Parliamentarian: Hester Schwarzer wakeleyd@charter.net

Photography: Lena Goff lgoff15@aol.com

Plant Sale: Sue Kelley sandrkelley@sbcglobal.net
Peggy Harwood peggyjwh@gmail.com

Projects Coordinator: Rocky Deutscher Rdeutscher.1@charter.net

Raffle: Betty Story betystory@hotmail.com

Rose Sale: Theresa Vanderpool Tv.comml@gmail.com

Scholarship: Bill Hall 817-657-9890

Speakers Bureau: Theresa Thomas kayleetl@sbcglobal.net

State Directors: Patsy Miller pjmiller24@sbcglobal.net
Bill Vandever bvandever@sbcglobal.net

State Director Alternates: Eleanor Tuck etuck@sbcglobal.net
JoAnn Hahn joannhahn@att.net

Sunshine: Doris Hill artanddorishill@verizon.net

TCMGA Garden at RC Bill Vandever bvandever@charter.net

Head Timekeeper: Carol Lally lallyca@sbcglobal.net