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Tarrant County Master Gardener Association

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Think Globally, Buy Locally

By Laura M. Miller,
CEA Commercial Horticulture, Texas AgriLife Extension

1,500 miles. That's how far the average agricultural product travels before it reaches its final destination. While we all benefit from the wide variety of products our world wide agricultural distribution system provides, we also pay the price in the form of transportation costs and environmental impacts. Buying locally is an environmentally friendly alternative that also provides support to our local economy.



As you sit in traffic on I-35 and look around, you might think that Tarrant County has become so urban that the production of agricultural products just isn't feasible here. And while it is true that local demand far exceeds supply, your neighborhood farmers grow everything from fruits and vegetables for your table to shrubs, trees and bedding plants for your landscape and even hay for your horses.

Because of the high cost of land and other inputs in urban areas, urban agriculture must produce high value crops. Crops that are both high in value and highly perishable make sense in areas where land values are inflated and resources such as water and labor are limited. This favors horticultural crops of all kinds as well as those value-added agricultural products such as free range poultry, local honey, and handmade cheese.



If you have an idea or would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact Jackie Heidinger

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How can you connect with those local producers and enjoy products that are “thousands of miles fresher?” There are a number of ways!

Buy Direct from the Farm

Some Tarrant County farmers will sell their products directly to the public by operating on farm stands or by opening up their fields for consumer harvesting. Harvesting your own produce not only gives you access to the freshest products, it offers a chance to learn more about the crop and get a little exercise as a bonus.

In Keller on Keller Hicks Road, Homestead Farms sells goat dairy products, grass fed beef and seasonal vegetables. Around the corner and down Pearson Lane, Pipes Plant Farm’s retail store, the Flower Ranch, will provide you with flats of locally grown bedding plants. In Roanoke on Old Denton



Road, you can pick your own apples (and in years when we don’t have a late freeze, peaches) at Henrietta Creek Orchard. Travel down to Dalworthington Gardens and on



Bowen Road just 7 miles southwest of the Rangers-Cowboys sports complex, you can pick strawberries, blackberries, and vegetables at Gnismers Farms.

Visit a Community Farmers’ Market

At community Farmers’ Markets, you can purchase food from farmers. Other business-

es that are sometimes called farmers markets simply sell produce purchased from a variety of sources. The North Central Texas Farmers Market Association market in Fort Worth, the Cowtown Farmers Market in the Camp Bowie Traffic Circle, offers products grown within a 150 miles of the market location along with a fun shopping adventure. At this market, you’ll find seasonal vegetables and fruits as well as handmade soaps, coffee, and ready-to-eat foods—including tamales. For a listing of Texas certified farmers’ markets including operating hours and contact information, visit <http://gotexan.org>.

Ask for Locally Grown Products

Local, regional and national grocery, discount, and home supply stores can and do sell locally grown produce, plants and other products. Seek them out when you shop. Meet the managers of the stores that you patronize and ask for more local options. Write letters encouraging company buyers to purchase locally grown products. Retailers like to please their customers, so take the time to let them know what you would like to see on their shelves. The way you spend your money affects what is available.

We are blessed to live in a time when we have access to a wide range of high quality agricultural products. We are also fortunate to live in an area where entrepreneurs still get up each day and produce something of value that they can share with all of us. From ageratum to zucchini, we can grow it here. Enjoy the benefits of buying locally and you’ll be contributing to our local economy, conserving energy and ultimately investing in the future of our piece of the planet.



Dear Gardener Friends,

We tend to think of the winter months as down time when we can rest on the laurels of gardens past, but Tarrant County Master Gardeners don't ever seem to rest!

While we most certainly are focused on 2013, we can't forget what a year 2012 was. As Steve Chaney noted at the December luncheon, TCMGA again led the way with some 63,000 hours of volunteer service—and still counting. There were many new opportunities through the Children's Speakers Bureau, reinvigorated Speaker's Bureau, informative and fun classes and regional conference that introduced the public to TCMGA and its Community Garden.

There is a great amount of knowledge and skills in our organization and we will continue to share that in 2013 with the residents of Tarrant County – and beyond. The new pavilion currently under construction will provide additional educational opportunities and highlight what a special resource is our TGMGA Community Garden. In 2013 members will be required to work four hours in the Community Garden for accreditation. Visit with garden manager Bill Vandever and his leads (see list in newsletter). There are many ways to help that satisfy your interests and physical condition.

Another way we serve the community is our participation in the Fort Worth Home and Garden Shows. We are currently working on a “makeover” of our booth to offer short, dynamic and topical presentations and displays that will position TCMGA as the go-to source for horticulture information.

2013 is also the year for The Garden Conservancy Open Day garden tours. Ginger Bason heads Fort Worth's participation in this national project. Again, Master Gardeners are relied upon as the information source.

Ginger has taken on another project as president of the Texas Master Gardener Association and TCMGA can take pride in the honor she brings to our organization.

And it seems that our 22 projects never rest. They don't shut down for the winter, but always ready to take on a new challenge. It wasn't until I became a blue badge that I began to understand all the ways to serve. I had visited most of the projects, but then there were the advisory committees – plant sale, planning field trips, signing up members for classes, working on an idea for a class, laying out a brochure, writing a news article, digitizing records or multimedia production. Whatever your interest – or if you want to learn something new – there will be a project that fits you. Hopefully, I have whetted your appetite. Names of committee chairmen are in the newsletter – or see me.

**.Patsy Miller, President
Tarrant County Master Gardeners**

Minutes of the December 6, 2012 TCMGA General Meeting

President Nancy Curl called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. She welcomed our honored guests: Billie Hammack, Laura Miller, County Commissioner Andy Nguyen, Dixie Norwood, and Bobby Spence. We had 118 present for our annual holiday party.

Executive Board Reports

The minutes of the November meeting were approved as published in the December newsletter.

Pam Braak, Treasurer reported that we received the \$12,000 anonymous donation for the pavilion at the community garden. We paid \$15,190 towards its completion. We also purchased two laptops and two projectors for the Speakers Bureau.

Treasurer's Report

Cash, Beginning 11/1/2012	\$48,630.13
Deposits during month	\$16,917.08
Checks during month	-- (\$24,291.19)
Cash, Ending 11/30/2012	<u>\$41,256.02</u>

There were no questions and the treasurer's report was filed.

Taddie Hamilton, Programs reported that the speaker for January 3 meeting will be Keith Johansen of Metro Maples. In the morning he will talk about maples for every yard and in the afternoon he will talk about grafting maples. Taddie also announced that all programs for next year will be in our directory.

Steve Chaney thanked us all for a wonderful job done this year. We have reported over 63,000 hours worked. This number increases every year and he is very proud of us and enjoys our partnership.

Nancy congratulated Ginger Bason on her election to president of State Texas Master Gardeners Association.

Awards Presentation

Awards were presented in several categories. See separate story in newsletter.

Installation of Officers by 2013 Parliamentarian Hester Schwarzer

Officer Handoff 2012

Nancy Curl-President
Claire Alford-1st Vice Pres.
Linda Hawkins-2nd Vice Pres.
Pam Braak-Treasurer
Donna Morris-Secretary

Incoming Officers 2013

Patsy Miller-President
Taddie Hamilton-1st Vice Pres.
Linda Hawkins-2nd Vice Pres.
Pam Braak-Treasurer
Donna Morris-Secretary

Gavel was passed from Nancy to Patsy.

Patsy had special thanks to:

- Claire Alford for coordinating the Holiday Lunch, Eleanor Tuck for her help with registration, Carolyn Critz for donation of door prize and Sue Kelly for gift baskets for door prizes, Sally Harris and Lena Goff for taking photos
- Trip Smith, horticulturist, Fort Worth Botanic Gardens, for the donation of poinsettias plants which were used as door prizes
- Awards Committee: Claire Alford, Pam Braak, Donna Morris, and Linda Hawkins
- Diane Carlyle. Marilyn Saltee and Eleanor Tuck for assistance with awards.

Thank you to Camille Thomason for her time as Speaker's Bureau Chair.

There was no old business and no new business.

Meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by
Donna Morris, Secretary**

The Great Durham Middle School Experience!

By Marilyn Cox

It all started in the summer of 2012 when Bea Wilson, a Tarrant County Master Gardener Intern drove by Durham Intermediate School in Southlake, Texas. She observed an overgrown neglected school garden with good bone structure. Not so long ago, this garden was well maintained, beautiful, and the pride of the school.

Bea set her mind to resurrecting the garden and restoring its usefulness to the school kids and their parents. She found a compassionate fifth grade science teacher, Denise Smith, who shared her dream. Ms. Smith took an immediate interest in the project and inquired about garden curriculums. Bea coordinated with Master Gardener Marilyn Cox of the Children's Speaker's Bureau. Marilyn shared the Junior Master Gardener (JMG) program and recommended the "Health and Nutrition from the Garden" curriculum designed for fifth grade students.

Bea was determined to make Durham Intermediate School Garden a Master Gardener Project so the children would have a place to plant their vegetables. An established project would attract other Master Gardeners to regularly work in the gardens and assist with the JMG lessons in the classroom. After completing all the paperwork and coordinating, a project was born.

Working in the garden and teaching in the classroom began in September. Bea recruited a couple of willing volunteers

who shared the teaching assignments – Master Gardener Intern Henry Cole and Master Gardener Patty Brown.

In addition, Bea coordinated the garden workday notices. Master Gardeners started showing up each Wednesday at 801 Shady Lane, Southlake, Texas, to restore the garden so the children could plant their fall vegetables.

In the meantime, Bea realized that the garden had no funding. So, she made a budget request presentation to the PTO for supplies and tools. One parent spoke up and said that if the PTO was going to fund this project, she wanted her daughter, who was in another fifth grade science class, to have benefit of the program also. The principal, Debra Hart-Moore, agreed. So the scope went from two of Ms. Smith's classes to three classes for a total of 74 children. Mr. Stephen Hoag's fifth grade science class joined the program. The budget was approved and the program was off and running.

One week, the children harvested rosemary



from the garden. They took their harvest home along with a rosemary butter recipe. The students took photographs and reported



Project Feature—cont'd

back how they used the rosemary butter at home.



Another week, two raised beds were prepared and square foot gardening structures were installed such that each student had one square foot to plant.

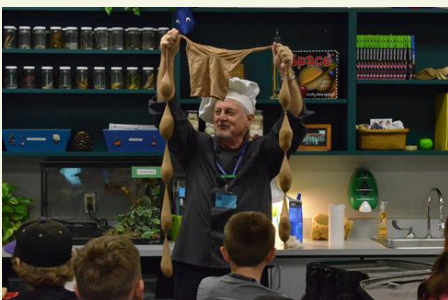
The following week, seedlings were procured and distributed to the children. Additional Master Gardeners were available to answer questions and help guide the planting process.

Often the teachers let the class out to talk with the Master Gardeners, look over their vegetables, and even pull some weeds.

And each Friday for eight weeks, some of these Master Gardeners walked down the immediate school halls and talked to these fifth

graders about gardening, nutrition, and kitchen procedures.

They even had Chef Henry show up one day to



talk about the dangers of cross contamination on cutting boards and the proper storage of potatoes in some pantyhose.

On November 16, 74 fifth graders received their Junior Master Gardener certificates in “Health and Nutrition from the Garden”. The JMG educational curriculums and gardening activities will continue at Durham Intermediate School.

Mr. Hoag's Class Graduation



Ms. Smith's First Class Graduation



Ms. Smith's Second Class Graduation



2012 TCMGA Awards

Speakers Bureau Awards

Our *Speakers Bureau* has instituted an award based on points earned during the year. The points come from doing presentations, taking classes and working on computer programs. You earn a dangle for your badge by accruing 100 points. The awards were presented to:

Patricia Baughman	Jackie Peel
Taddie Hamilton	Linda Hawkins
Ginger Bason	Marilyn Sallee
Jamie Hart	Warren Tingley
LaVonne Nowlin	Theresa Thomas
Sher Dunaway	Lance Jepson

Special Recognition Awards

Special Recognition was given to:

Camille Thomason	Gay Larson
Marilyn Cox	Sharon Chastain
Dave Wilson	Amy Walker

Foodie Award

The *Foodie Award* was given to:

Jerry Tuttle
Otto Witt

500+ Hours Recognition

The following people volunteered 500+ hours:

Ron Schlitzer	Dolores Geisel
Eleanor Tuck	Judy Ratzlaff
Annette Lee	Gay Larson
Linda Hawkins	Sher Dunaway
Theresa Thomas	Bill Hall
Lance Jepson	Patsy Miller
Shirley Mills	Dick Pafford
John Pinkerton	Bill Vandever
Pam Braak	Marilyn Sallee
Nancy Curl	Ginger Bason

Lean on Me Award

The *Lean on Me Award* went to:

Billie Hammack	Jamie Hart
Sue Kelley	Eleanor Tuck

Project Awards

Each project leader was asked to name one person who made outstanding contributions to their project. The winners of the *Project Awards* are:

Alice Carlson OLE	Jim Nelson
Bob Jones Nature Center	Susan Stanek
BRIT	John Stanley
Fitzgerald Elementary	Doug Montgomery
FT. Worth Botanic Gardens:	

Trial Garden	Carole O'Connell
Children's Garden	Otto Witt
Perennial Garden	Paula Billman

Grapevine Botanical Garden	Patty Brown
Heritage Elementary	Dick Pafford
Hulen Library	Char McMorrow
NRH Common Ground	Sandra Totty
Samaritan House	Hugh Lefler
Southwest Sub	
Courthouse	Julie Tabor
Teen Challenge	Mike Warren
TCMGA Garden:	

Barn Beds	JoAnn Hahn
Propagation	Claudia Teague
Greenhouse	Betty Floyd
Star Award	Marjorie Day
Orchard	Char McMorrow
Perennial Garden	Jamie Hart

Thistle Hill	June Gernhauser
Union Gospel Mission	Sharon Nice
Wildscape	Hester Schwarzer

**TCMGA Master Gardener
of the Year**

Nancy Curl

**TCMGA Educator
of the Year**

Lance Jepson

**TCMGA Intern
of the Year**

Gus Guthrie

TCMGA Extra Mile Award

Linda Hawkins

**TCMGA Intern
Extra Mile Award**

**Henry Cole
Otto Witt**

2012 TCMGA Christmas Brunch



We hope you each had a wonderful time!

Donna Fry served as master of ceremony and gave us tips to watch out for when entertaining.

Our new officers installation was led by Hester Schwarzer who gave each new 2013 officer a garden tool associating it with their position. She reminded them to dig deep to achieve their goal.

In attendance as our guest were: Steve Chaney, Laura Miller, Billie Hammack, Bobby Spence, Dixie Norwood, and Andy Nguyen Precinct 2 County Commissioner.

Our thanks go to Marshall Grain for the donation of two poinsettias, Tripp Smith at the Ft. Worth Botanic Garden for donating 16 poinsettias, Carolyn Critz's friend for the donation of a hand stitched lap quilt, wall hanging, two garden bags, and Sue Kelly for her time putting together the salsa gift boxes.

With a special thanks to each of you for making 2012 such a great year!



Pictures by Lena Goff and Sally Harris

January Guest Speaker “A Maple for Every Spot!”

If you have never met Keith Johansson the owner, grafter, salesman, yard man, hose dragger, web updater, bookkeeper and everything else that needs to be done at his beautiful nursery, Metro Maples. Keith is devoted to maples of every sort so you will want to talk to him at the January 3, 2013 meeting. He is a fascinating, humble man who is the leading authority on shantung maples and heat stroke in trees. Yes, trees in Texas can have heat stroke! He holds a patent for Fire Dragon Shantung and has two new shantung patents in process. His program will concentrate on “A Maple for Every Spot.”

Keith is not only an expert on maples; he has also been President of the Ozark Chapter of The American Rhododendron Society, a member of the Azalea Society, and a Life Member and current President of The Maple Society, North American Branch.

In the afternoon, Keith will demonstrate how he grafts maples. This will truly be a program you will not want to miss. Please bring something to add to our luncheon and stay for the afternoon session. Then you'll want to make an appointment to see his forest of maples and take one home to your landscape “spot!”

Taddie Hamilton
1st VPresident

2013 Executive Committee

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Home &

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Cindy Wakely wakeleyd@charter.net

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Peggy Harwood peggyjwh@gmail.com

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Speakers Bureau: Starr Krottinger starr99@flash.net

Speakers Bureau,

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Head Timekeeper: Carol Lally lallyca@sbcglobal.net

Website: Jackie Heidinger webmaster@tarrantmg.org

Directory/Membership Changes

Please note the following TCMGA Directory Changes:

- Russ Bailey's Phone Number and email address are: 817-448-8132 and Russ851@gmail.com
- Joan Schmidt's email address is jhschmidt7121@gmail.com
- Betty Cupps' new email address is: bettycupps@yahoo.com

New Members:

- Chan, Tammy - 2009
201 NW 2nd St., Suite 150,
Grand Prairie, TX 75050-5681
c-214-212-7958 ♦ tchan@gptx.org
- Clark, Billy - 2009
1902 Huntington Dr.,
Grand Prairie, TX 75051-3731
972-641-1106/c-972-989-6311
♦ billybacservices@hotmail.com

New TCMGA Directories will be available in February. If you have changes in your contact information, please contact Steve Purdy at spurdy06@sbcglobal.net



HAPPY BIRTHDAY GARDENERS!

January Birthdays

- 1 Concha Jones
- 2 Nancy Bannow, Linda Winn
- 4 Joy Lease
- 7 Barbara Weidler, Kathy Glen, Joe McCreary
- 9 Jerry Tuttle
- 10 Barbara Durnan
- 11 Nancy Hudson (I)
- 12 Sandy Flory, Stacey Terry (I)
- 13 Paula Wilbanks
- 15 Sally Harris
- 18 Dave Wilson
- 19 Maurine Lewis
- 20 Demetra Larrimore, Marilyn Cox, Starr Krottinger
- 21 Nancy Dozier, Marsha Thompson (I)
- 22 Eleanor Tuck, Betty Floyd
- 23 Sharon Schide
- 24 Linda Kittson
- 26 Janine Mann
- 27 Glenda Page, Mark Bergen (I)
- 29 Liz Moyer
- 31 Dolores Geisel

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

Brown Recluse Spider Needed!

Eleanor Tuck needs at least one Brown Recluse to replace the current badly damaged spider in the insect collection. This collection travels to Home & Garden shows and to Insect presentations.

She would be happy to help you catch one! Please contact her at 817-244-1771 or email her at etuck@sbcglobal.net.



January 2013 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8a Samaritan House 8:30a CG Veggie 9a CG Propagation Work Day 9a CG Rose Garden Work Day 	2 8a Thistle Hill 8a BG Perennial 8:30a Common NRH 9a Veterans Pk 9a Teen Challenge 9a CG Herb Work 3:15pFitzgerald	3 8a Liberty Garden 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a BG Trial TCMGA Meeting	4	5 8:30a Common NRH 9am Composting Demo—Veterans Park 9am Veterans Park— Wildscape
6	7 8:00a Heritage 8:30a Alice Carlson 9a Union Gospel 9a Fitzgerald	8 8a Samaritan House 8:30a CG Veggie 9a CG Propagation Work Day 9a CG Rose Garden Work Day	9 8a BG Perennial 8:30a Common NRH 9a Veterans Pk 9a Teen Challenge 9a CG Herb Work 3:15pFitzgerald	10 8a Liberty Garden 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a BG Trial 9a FW Hulen Lbry	11 9a JPS Meditation Garden	12 8:30a Common NRH 9am SW Crthse
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27	28 8:00a Heritage 8:30a Alice Carlson 9a Union Gospel 9a Fitzgerald	29	30 8a BG Perennial 8:30a Common NRH 9a Veterans Pk 9a Teen Challenge 9am SW Crthse 9a CG Herb Work 3:15pFitzgerald	31 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a BG Trial		

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 am	Cindy Woelke	817-366-4436
302 BG Children's Garden		Dolores Geisel	817-446-4536
302 BG Trial Garden	Thurs. 8:30-11:30am	Susan Miller semiller@sbcglobal.net	817-261-1420
303 Community and Demo Garden Chair	Bill Vandever, bvandever@sbcglobal.net		817-244-1580
Project Leads			
Community Garden, Tuesdays			
Barn Beds	Charlotte Berck, caberck@dot11net.		817-426-6417
Compost & Rainwater Harvesting			
Community Vegetable Beds	Pat Higgins, ragdollpatb@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	Claire Alford, caagardner@aol.com		817-481-8861
Herb Garden, Tuesdays	Rita Hottel, rnhottel@att.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	817-838-7321	817-923-9250
Plant Sales	Carol Lally & Linda Winn lallyca@sbcglobal.net, mwinnclan@aol.com	817-656-2736	817-581-4486
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 8:30am-12n	Diane Spradling Sandra Totty Annette Lee	817-431-4666 817-281-7877 214-803-2219
304 Six Stones/City of Bedford Community Garden-			
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	817-488-003 817-481-4398
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<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 Southlake Liberty Garden	Call Chairman	Wendi Carlucci	817-488-5640
305 Veterans Park-Wildscape	2nd Thurs., 8-11 am Wed. 9 am-12 noon	Molly Hollar	817-319-6924
305 Bob Jones Nature Center	1st Sat., 9 am-12 noon 3rd, Wednesday, 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 & Wed 3:15pm	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 to Know!



Our local TCMGA website:	http://www.tarrantmg.org/
State MG Website and TMG news:	http://www.texasmastergardeners.com
State Newsletter:	http://www.tmganewsletter.org
Our RC Demo Garden Website:	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
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

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