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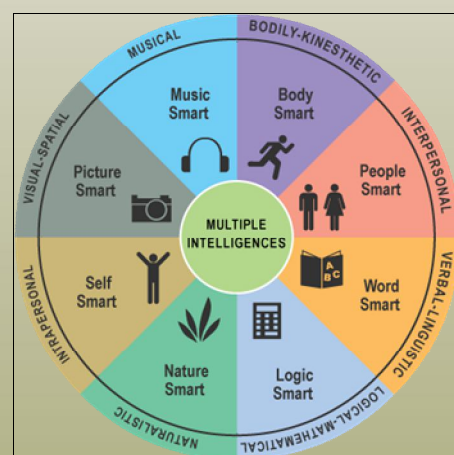
AGENT'S CORNER

Green Thumb is Official

By Steve Chaney, Texas AgriLife Extension, Tarrant County

At last, the “green thumb” has been officially declared a type of intelligence! As a Horticulturist, I was taught that the so-called “green thumb” we’ve always heard about is merely an indication of certain positive human qualities such as the ability to be observant, pay attention to detail, plan ahead, follow through on projects, and be flexible while working with the vagaries of nature.

But, while studying educational psychology in college, I learned of Harvard professor Howard Gardner’s “Theory of Multiple Intelligences” in which he noted and found regions of the brain which “light up” when certain abilities are activated. In addition to the most widely accepted pattern - smart “logical-mathematical” and language-oriented linguistics aptitudes, he also found evidence of body-kinesthetic (athleticism and control in handling objects, such as surgeons possess), spatial (accurate mental visualizations), musical, interpersonal (awareness of other’s feelings and motivations), and intrapersonal (awareness of one’s own feelings and goals).



These seven kinds of intelligence sound complicated. But I always felt that gardeners should be in there somewhere. Look around, and you’ll see people who have an obvious nurturing tendency, and some folks with no formal training in horticulture seem to be gifted with the ability to quickly recognize subtle distinctions in the natural world, and easily relate everyday things to their environment.

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

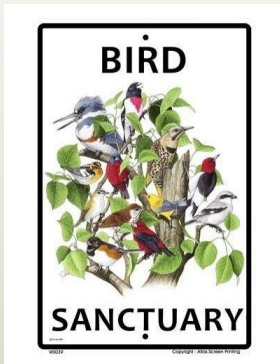
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And sure enough, now Gardner has found physical evidence of an eighth intelligence, called “Naturalist” intelligence, with its own special brain region that supports it. Simply put, people with naturalist intelligence have the ability to identify and classify patterns in nature, and make predictions based on seemingly random events.

My great-grandmother Pearl, whose garden sported huge collections of daffodils and wild-



flowers, had a “Bird Sanctuary” sign in her side yard, which embarrassed us as kids because we thought people would think our family weird. But it was she who showed me the difference between black-eyed Susan and purple coneflower, and how caterpillars eat flowers but

turn into butterflies without really harming the flowers in the long run. She explained how a bird’s wing works, and showed me how to tell if pecans were moldy before bending down to pick them up by stepping on them to see if they were firm or soft.

Naturalists like Pearl are very comfortable outdoors; when on vacation, they watch people, or go to a botanical garden rather than a ball game or opera. They are constantly aware of their surroundings, looking around as they drive, watching weeds and hawks, and braking for the butterflies. They observe, touch, and compare even “yucky” things, and often collect stuff – shells, rocks, and flowers (often in mixed cottage gardens, or extensive collections of roses or daylilies or African violets).

They also manipulate things to see what happens; ever-curious plant hybridizers fall into the category of naturalist, as do “giant tomato” or “perfect lawn” gardeners. So do wildflower enthusiasts, bonsai artists, bird watchers, and gar-

den teachers, whose naturalist leanings are coupled with strong interpersonal and linguistic abilities.

Any of this apply to you? Mix in doses of other intelligences, and no wonder gardeners have such different approaches, and levels of success and satisfaction. We may not all be smart – but we sure are intelligent!

Now you have special bragging rights for being intelligent, next time you’re at a family reunion you can tell everyone you may not be smart, but you’re sure “Intelligent”.

This article was an excerpt from a wonderful book written by a colleague and a friend of mine, Felder Rushing. The book is titled ‘Tough Plants for Southern Gardens’ and should be a mainstay of your personal library.





Dear Gardener Friends,

Mother Nature made her presence known this spring. She blessed us with a bumper crop of bluebonnets and other wonderful wildflowers; while roses and spring blooming perennials want to outdo each other with their show-stopping blooms as well. However, with the beauty she also demonstrated the power of wind and rain with storms and tornados in neighborhoods throughout the metro-plex. We are thankful for the rain and even more thankful no one was seriously injured in the storms.

Spring rains mean gardeners are busy planting and weeding. Our members are working not only in their own lovely gardens but also helping at projects around Tarrant County. The Interns have wrapped up their classroom training and are continuing their MG education learning how to answer phones in the office and working at the various TCMGA projects.

While you make them feel welcome and productive at your favorite project, make time to sign-up for phone duty to show them the ropes there too. Sometimes it is not convenient to make the trip downtown for phone duty, but every time you go is an opportunity to get to know more MGs, learn while researching and of course help the new Interns and the public who call or email with questions helping to fulfill our mission of education.



*Picture provided by
Marilyn Sallee*

The TMGA State Conference will be opening soon (May 3 – 5.) Have you have made plans to make the trip to San Antonio to see the sights, attend some educational sessions and join other TCMGA members at the awards banquet? It may be a tight squeeze to make our monthly May meeting, Thursday, May 3 and the State Conference, May 3 – 5, but with careful planning, you can do it!

The **Annual Garage Sale** will be here before you know it at the **June** meeting. Start cleaning gardening stuff out of those garages and sheds; then you will have room for the great stuff you bring home!

That the TCMGA continues to experience requests from schools and other organizations for speakers lets us know the public wants and needs information Master Gardeners have to share. Be an active member by signing up to help at an event or teach a class. Thank you to **Marilyn Cox, Camille Thomason and Bernadette Story** for scheduling Master Gardeners at these events.

Thank you to **Linda Hawkins** and her guidance of the Way & Means this year. Also a huge thank you to **Jeanie Browning, Carol Vance and Marilyn Cox** for their leadership with the caladium and rose sales.

Another successful Annual Plant Sale this year! Thank you to **Carol Lally** and **Linda Winn** for their leadership. Thank you to all of the MGs who donated plants and volunteered their time to complete all the small tasks necessary for a successful sale. You and your time are appreciated!

As we continue with our busy schedules working at projects, continuing our education through classes, and teaching others about gardening don't forget to take time to stop and smell the roses in your own backyard!

See you in the garden!

**Nancy Curl, President
Tarrant County Master Gardeners**

The morning meeting was Landscaping with Grasses, presented by John Snowden of Bluestem Nursery. In the afternoon, Mr. Snowden presented a hands on class on propagation of grasses.

President Nancy Curl called the meeting to order at 11:00am. She welcomed those in attendance which included 211 Master Gardeners, Interns and guests.

Executive Board

The March minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

Claire Alford, Programs, Claire could not be present so members are asked to read the newsletter for information on the May program

Pam Braak, Treasurer submitted the treasurer's report for the month ended March 31, 2012

Cash, Beginning 3/1/2012	34,292.80
Deposits during month	10,293.54
Checks during month	(10,187.66)
Cash, Ending 3/31/2012	34,398.68

There were no questions and the treasurers report was filed. Pam reported that the new microscope had been purchased for the office. Also \$420 was made on the barbeque and will be available to the projects in 2013.

Linda Hawkins, Ways and Means reported that we made \$170 on fertilizer sales. She asked that caladiums and roses be picked up as soon as possible. Also clothing orders need to be picked up.

Nancy thanked Shirley Mills and her hospitality committee for their good work. Due to an increase in the number attending meetings, members are asked to please bring their own cup for beverages that will still be available.

Committee Reports

Raffle –Donna Fry announced that the drawing for the Calloway's gift certificate and new lawnmower will be done after lunch. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. She also reminded us that the garage sale will be in June. Please bring things of a garden nature to donate.

Projects-Judy Ratzlaff announced that Mary Reagor produced a CD, "Good Bugs, Bad Bugs and Weeds". It is available for sale at \$10, with all proceeds going to projects.

Field Trips-Patsy Miller announced that we can now sign up for the Cedar Hill field trip to be on June 1. Cost is \$12. You may also sign up at the May meeting. We are asked to carpool. Groups will leave from the Botanic Garden at 8:30am. She also needs people with large SUV's to volunteer to transport people around the park. The field trip to the Gaylord has been confirmed. It will be August 15 and will be mostly indoors. Topics to be covered are maintenance of the landscaping and growing the herbs and vegetables they use. We will go to the Dallas Arboretum on September 20.

Speakers Bureau Camille Thomason introduced Bernadette Story. Bernadette has agreed to take over coordinating tables at local functions such as farmers markets, libraries and certain garden shows. You will not need to speak, just talk to people and hand out information. Please see Bernadette to volunteer for this.

Plant Sale Carol Lally and Linda Winn reported that all was ready for the sale on April 14. Please sign up to volunteer if you haven't already. If you are donating plants, please make sure they are labeled before being left at the hoop house at the community garden. Please spread the word to all your family and friends.

Nancy Curl- Nancy congratulated Alice Carlson on receiving a \$5000 grant from Rainbird. Bill Vandever is the new chair for the Community Garden. We will have a work day this Tuesday, April 10, to get the garden ready for the plant sale. Sue Ellen Schlitzer still needs people willing to work on the nominating committee. Please email her if you are interested. Ginger Bason needs gardens for the Garden Conservancy Tour, 2013. Jackie Peel lost her dad. Debbie Key is recovering from surgery. Kim Freeman is recovering from a major car accident. Addresses to send cards will follow in an email.

Steve Chaney He is in desperate need of people to man the phones. This is a very busy time of the year. Please sign up. We also need someone to try to take over work done by Ed Vaughn. We have all new computers and a new microscope.

The meeting was adjourned at 1130am.

Respectfully Submitted by
Donna Morris
Secretary

TCMGA May Monthly Meeting

Scheduled for 10am May 3rd!

TCMGA Memorials

TCMGA recently lost three very special gardeners, John Tinsley, Anita Schlacter (2011 Intern) and Kitt Sukup.

In memory of these gardeners TCMGA has donated the following books to the Master Gardener Library:

John Tinsley -- "English Cottage Gardening for American Gardeners"

Amrita Shlachter (2011 intern) -- "Easy Container Gardens"

Kitt Sukup -- "Creating With Concrete"

They will be in our thoughts and prayers as we garden each day.

They will be missed.

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May TCMGA Meeting Guest Speaker

Dr. Matt Turner, author of “Remarkable Plants of Texas; Uncommon Accounts of Our Common Natives”.

Matt started this book about 7 years ago. He was familiar with the more common plants of Texas but wanted to know something more about them. Such as how the plant got its name, or as complex and mysterious as how archaic man used the seeds for thousands of years. He wanted to fill the void between Field guides and the fascinating facts about our natives.

The result is a work of non-fiction that is engaging and very readable. There are 65 “accounts” or units, covering over 80 plant species native to Texas (but most grow extensively beyond our borders, too). The plants selected represent the “major players.” That is, they represent the intersection between being common or well-known in Texas, and having the richest stories to tell. Trees, shrubs, wildflowers, grasses, cacti, vines, and aquatics are included.

“Remarkable Plants of Texas” is a one-volume, easy reference for Texas’ most common and ethno botanically interesting plants, and it is written with a broad audience in mind. Anyone interested in the native plants of Texas will find something of value here, from novices to experts, from casual observers to plant aficionados, from gardeners and naturalists, to landscape architects and botanists, from city-dwellers and suburbanites, to ranchers and park rangers.

A big thanks to Gailon Hardon for acquiring Matt as speaker.

Books will be available.

Claire Alford
1st VPresident



HAPPY BIRTHDAY GARDENERS!

May Birthdays

2 Jackie Peel, Blas Villarreal
5 Amanda Kowalski
8 Joe Sanders
9 Joan Schmidt, Lynn Hayes, Marjorie Day
12 Judy Ratzlaff, Pam Braak
13 Pat Higgins
18 Mike Goode (I)
21 Maggie Camperlengo, Robert Craig
25 Imeldo Castro, Susan Cullen
26 Gay Larson, Caryn Hutchinson
27 Judith Kelly
31 Joyce Colgrove, Chris Senerote (I)

If your birthday is this month and you don't see it, please contact

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artanddorishill@verizon.net.

Directory Changes

Please note the following TCMGA Directory Changes:

Jody Morris

Phone Number Change: 817-988-5566

If you have changes in your contact information, please contact Steve Purdy at spurdy06@sbcglobal.net

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 BG Perennial 8:30a Common NRH 9a Teen Challenge 9a CG Herb Work 9:30a Thistle Hill 1p Veterans Pk 3:00p Fitzgerald	3 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a BG Trial TCMGA Meeting TMG	4 TMG Conf.	 5 8:30a Common NRH 8a– Veterans Park– Wildscape 9am Compost Demo— Veterans Park TMG Conference
6 	7 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a Heritage 9a Union Gospel 9a Fitzgerald BG-CVG Drip Irrigation class Pizza Ranch	8 8a Samaritan House 8:30a CG Veggie 9a CG Propagation Work Day 9a CG Rose Garden Work Day BG-CVG Drip Irrigation class Pizza Ranch	9 8a BG Perennial 8:30a Common NRH 9a Teen Challenge 9a CG Herb Work 1p Veterans Pk 3:00p Fitzgerald Pizza Ranch	10 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a BG Trial	11 8:30a JPS Meditation Garden	12 8:30a Common NRH 9am Composting Demo—River Legacy 9am SW Crthse Grapevine Garden Club Plant Sale 8a—1p Home Horticulture Seminar—” Lawns and How to Irrigate Responsibility” 1p—
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27	28 8:30a Alice Carlson 8:30a Heritage 9a Union Gospel 9a Fitzgerald 	29	30			

April 28th & 29th, 2012

Heart O' Texas Orchid Society's 41st Annual Show & Sale, "Orchid Heaven"

Zilker Botanical Gardens Center
2220 Barton Springs Road,
Austin, TX 78746
(512) 477-8672

**Show & Plant Sale : 10:00am - 5:00pm Saturday
& 10:00am - 4:00pm Sunday.**

For a complete schedule of events, or for more information, please contact: Geoffrey Frost, 1011 Strickland Drive. Austin, TX 78748-4847 (Telephone (512) 413-3199; e-mail geoffreyfrost@yahoo.com), or visit our web-site: <http://www.hotos.org/>



Annual TCMGA Garage Sale

The Annual Garage Sale will be held during our June meeting

This is one of our most fun meetings. Members bring gardening and garden-related items which are priced and sold at bargain basement rates. All proceeds from the Garage Sale go to TCMGA projects.

The meeting program will be Projects of the TCMGA. Projects will have displays and representatives to promote and highlight their individual project and goals.

There will be a general garage sale area, a silent auction section and MG projects will have a silent auction item to benefit their project.

So clean out your basement, barn, garden shed, garage and back yard and bring your items to be sold.

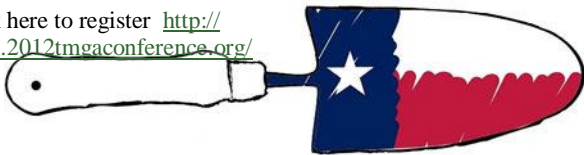
In addition to learning about projects and shopping for bargains, there will be several break-out demo sessions to attend. Plus, Dave Wilson's BBQ will be available for \$5 during lunch (all profit going to the projects!)

Shop for bargains and join the fun!!!!



TCMGA May Monthly Meeting Scheduled for 10am May 3rd!

Click here to register <http://www.2012tmgconference.org/>



TEXAS MASTER GARDENER CONFERENCE
2012 BEXAR COUNTY
MAY 3-5, 2012

Grapevine Garden Club Annual Plant Sale

In Conjunction with National Public Gardens Day

SATURDAY, May 12 2012

8:00AM TO 1:00PM

Heritage Park, 411 Ball Street

NEW this year in the Botanical Gardens!

- HEIRLOOM PLANTS..Tried and true performers from member gardens
- SUN AND SHADE-LOVING PLANTS
- SHORT SEMINARS..Offered on shade plants, summer perennials, butterfly & vegetable gardens
- GARDEN RELATED GIFTS...And Much More!!

Proceeds Benefit the Club's Scholarship Program and Grapevine Community Beautification Projects.

Parking available in the far south garden parking lot.

<http://www.grapevinegardenclub.org>

May 12th 2012

Grapevine Garden Club Plant Sale Seminars
Grapevine Botanical Gardens
Pewitt Educational Pavilion

Time	Topic	Speaker
9:00 A – 9:30 AM Ferns for the DFW area - perennial ferns vs. tropical ferns, varieties, care and selection	Ferns	Susan Stanek (Tarrant County Master Gardener)
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM Come learn the basics about irises – how they grow and how to plant them for best results.	Iris 101	Sylvan Sigler
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM A brief discussion about basic container growing requirements - Tips on containers, soil, lighting, and plants complete with demonstration!	Making Container Gardens	Doris Hill (Tarrant County Master Gardener)
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM The demonstration will show how to plan and plant a salsa garden in an area 3 feet by 3 feet using tomato, jalapeno peppers, garlic, onion and cilantro.	Salsa Gardening	Harold Annis (Tarrant County Master Gardener)
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM Do you find yourself gardening in more and more shade as your landscape matures? We'll discuss how to identify how much shade you have and ways to bring color and texture to your garden using annuals, house plants, bulbs, perennials and shrubs.	Shade Gardening	Pam Braak (Tarrant County Master Gardener)
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM Estimating for your gardening needs. When learning math concepts, students often say, "When will we ever need to use THIS?!" Gardening is a wonderful reason to refresh those mathematics skills you learned in school! Join us and get down and dirty with math in the garden!	Dirty Math	Dinah Chancellor
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	-----	-----
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM Perennials for sun that can beat the heat of a Texas summer.	Sun Perennials	Toni Moorehead (Tarrant County Master Gardener)
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM A quick tutorial on chicken basics; topics include chicken habits, feed, housing, fencing and sanitation. Chickens are fun pets and create fertilizer. And what other pet makes you breakfast?	Keeping Backyard Chickens	Patty Hofer
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM Butterfly gardening in general terms, backyard habitat construction, plants for butterfly gardens	Butterfly Gardening	Barb Atkins
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM Learn about native trees, how to protect your trees during construction activity, and the recommended way to plant a tree.	Planting native trees	Barb Atkins
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM A "How To" on using worms to produce great organic fertilizer.	Worm Composting	Donna Fry (Tarrant County Master Gardener)

Join Master Gardeners on June 1 at two country settings not far from the city.



Sign up at the May meeting.

First Stop: 9:30 a.m. -- Cedar Hill State Park -- We'll visit one of the few American tallgrass prairies left in DFW -- on the shores of Joe Pool Lake.

Second Stop -- Less than a mile down the road is the new **Dogwood Canyon Audubon Center**. We'll learn about the birds, flowers and trees there which are usually found in East Texas.

* Cost is \$12 to cover both entrance fees. (If you have a Texas Parklands Passport/Senior card, the fee is reduced.) *Carpooling is encouraged.* Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens or arrange to carpool with friends from your area.

* Pick up travel directions and instructions at sign-in. Cedar Hill State Park is four miles southeast of Grand Prairie.

Lunch Plans -- There are many restaurants in Cedar Hill, a short drive down the road on FM1382 (Beltline) and picnic spots at Cedar Hill State Park and Dogwood Canyon. Bring a picnic lunch or get some "to go" and enjoy the outdoors.

Upcoming Field Trips:

August 15 -- Gaylord Hotel, Grapevine. Tour the *inside* gardens and specialty herb and vegetable gardens for Gaylord restaurants.

September 20 -- Behind the scenes at the Dallas Arboretum plus special showing of Chihuly glass throughout the garden.



Saturday, April 28, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Hypertufa Pots Make & Take
 Class Fee: \$15 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 10am – 12 noon
Herb Gardening
 Class Fee: \$5 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, May 26, 2012 9 am – 11 am
Cement Mushrooms
 Class Fee: \$20 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, June 9, 2012 9 am – 11 am
Cement Leaves Make & Take
 Class Fee: \$20 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, June 16, 2012 10 am - 12 noon
Canning & Making Jelly Demo
 Class Fee: \$5 TX AgriLife Ext -Lonestar Rm
 Class limit: 30

Thursday, June 28, 2012 10 am - 12 noon
Cactus Gardens
 Class Fee: \$5 RC, Bldg 2300, room 2351
 Class limit: 30

Saturday, June 30, 2012 9 am – 11 am
Butterfly Puddler Make & Take
 Class Fee: \$20 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

To register for a class contact Mary Lynn Haines [merry-
marylynn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marylynn@sbcglobal.net)
 To schedule a class contact Nancy
 Curl nl_curl@yahoo.com

**2 hours CEU credit for
Master Gardeners**

Tuesday, July 10, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
**Container Gardens,
Chair Garden & Fairy Garden** Demo only
 Class Fee: \$5 RC, Bldg 2300, room 2351
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, July 14, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Glass Totems Make & Take
 Class Fee: \$20 RC, Bldg 2300, room 2351
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, July 21, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Fall Vegetable Gardening
 Class Fee: \$5 RC, Bldg 2300, Gym
 Class limit: 60

Tuesday, July 24, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Native & Adapted Ornamental Grasses
 Class Fee: \$5 RC, Bldg 2300, room 2351
 Class limit: 30

Wednesday, August 15, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Living Wreath w/ Clay Pots & Succulents
 Class Fee: \$45 RC, Bldg 2300, Gym
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, September 15, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Perennials
 Class Fee: \$5 RC, Bldg. 2300, gym & garden
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, September 22, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Water Features in the Garden
 Class Fee: \$15 TCMGA Garden
 Class limit: 20

Saturday, October 13, 2012 9 am – 3 pm
TCMGA Regional Conference**
 Class Fee: Undetermined
 Class limit: Undetermined

Saturday, November 10, 2012 10 am – 12 noon
Bugs – The Good, the Bad, & the Ugly
 Class Fee: \$ 5 RC, Bldg 2300, Classroom
 Class limit: 40

2012 Home Horticulture Seminars Texas AgriLife Extension Service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ROOM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
May 12, 2012	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Bluebonnet D&E	"Lawns & How to Irrigate Responsibly"
June 2, 2012	10:00 am-12 Noon	Lonestar A&B	"Growing Herbs for Medicinal & Cooking"
July 7, 2012	10:00 am-12 Noon	Lonestar A&B	"Sustainability Organic vs. Inorganic?"
August 4, 2012	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Lonestar A&B	"Fall Vegetable Garden", The Best Season in Texas
September 1, 2012	10:00 am-12 Noon	Lonestar A&B	"Native & Adapted Plants"
November 3, 2012	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Lonestar A&B	"Landscape Design"
December 1, 2012	10:00 am-12 Noon	Lonestar A&B	"Individual Consultations"

Texas AgriLife Extension Service
200 Taylor Street, Suite 500
Fort Worth, TX 76196-0123
Phone: 817-884-1945

Classes will be held in the Conference Rooms of the Tarrant County Plaza Building and are open to the public.

Cost of each class is \$15.

Educational programs of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all public without regard to race, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Please contact Billie Hammack at blhammack@ag.tamu.edu to register!

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 assistance.

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 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	Ron & Sue Ellen Schlitzer, s.schlitzer@sbcglobal.net		817-294-1329
Community Vegetable Beds	Pat Higgins, ragdollpatb@sbcglobal.net		817-946-6278
Demonstration and Enabling Beds	Frank Durda, fdurda@hotmail.com		817-292-2270
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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
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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 Common Ground NRH Community Garden	Wed. & Sat 8:30a-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. 8am-11a	John Pinkerton	682-433-2529
304 JPS Meditation Garden	2nd & 4th Fri. 8:30am	Bernice Ransbottom	817-485-6631
203 Grapevine Botanic Garden Docents	Call Chairman	Rachel Clark, Co-Chair Paula Wilbanks, Co-Chair	817-488-003 817-481-4398
Environmental Projects:			
305 Composting Demo	1st Sat., Veterans Pk, Arlington 2 nd Sat., River Legacy, Arlington	LaVonne Nowlin Charlie Shiner	817-581-1850 817-488-6123
305 FW Library at Hulen St.	3rd Wed. 9 am	Evaline Woodrey	817-295-5182
305 SW Sub-Courthouse	2 nd Sat., last Wed. 9 am	Gailon Hardin	817-475-0923
305 Southlake Liberty Garden	Call Chairman 3rd Wed., 8-11 am	Wendi Carlucci	817-488-5640
305 Veterans Park-Wildscape	Wed. 8am-11am 1st Sat., 8am-11am	Molly Hollar	817-319-6924
305 Bob Jones Nature Center	3rd, Wednesday, 9 am	Nancy Searl	817-542-3190
School Gardens:			
306 Alice Carlson OLE	Mon. & Thurs. 8:30 am	Sharon Chastain	817-926-2575
306 Fitzgerald OLE	Mon 9:00 am, & Wed. 3:00 pm	Leeann Rosenthal	817-237-7180
306 Heritage School OLE	Mon. 8-10am	Jackie Peel	817-581-0977



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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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