

*The Killeen Municipal Court Community Garden Project  
Located behind the Killeen Civic and Conference Center*

Located on a lot behind the Killeen Civic and Conference Center, the Municipal Court Garden project, organized in October 2008, provides an opportunity for the Municipal Court Judge, the Teen Court, and the Bell County Master Gardener Association to offer positive life-changing community service and educational opportunities for the young people of Killeen. The produce from the garden benefits the Killeen Food Care Center and additional Food Centers and Kitchens in the area. The "Garden" consists of several major areas: 1. The "farm" area where vegetables are grown and harvested for distribution to designated kitchens in the Killeen/Harker Heights area. 2. The raised, trellised, and square-foot beds demonstrating various gardening techniques and landscaping possibilities. 3. The seven formal raised beds are reserved for herbs and blooming plants demonstrating the wide variety of plants that are successfully grown in the Central Texas area. 4. The large succulent bed contains cacti and grasses that require very little maintenance and almost no watering beyond what nature provides. 5. Trees that thrive in our area and Earth/Kind roses are planted in various spots in the garden. 5. Several "raised beds" are being constructed on the west side of the farm area and will be planted in vining vegetable crops such as pumpkins, cantaloupes, watermelons, and decorative gourds. Composting bins have been built in order to recycle the garden material. And for purposes of instruction, a demonstration "Rainwater Collection System" is being set up on the Garden's storage building.

**Garden Tip: Fall Gardening**

**Directions** – From Temple/Belton take the W.S.Young exit in Killeen, go under the Freeway heading south. The Killeen Civic and Conference Center is on your right just past the rodeo grounds. Take any right turn into the Center grounds. Drive to the back of the Center for Garden parking.

The Bell County Master Gardener Association is a non-profit volunteer organization whose mission is to increase the availability of horticultural information to the community and to improve the quality of life through horticultural projects.



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## FALL GARDEN TOUR AND GARDEN TIPS



*Saturday, September 18, 2010*

*9 AM to 4 PM*

*\$5.00 Admission*

*(Children 12 and Under Free)*



*Diane Calderwood's Garden*  
*2908 Sleepy Hollow Lane, Temple*

You may have visited this garden when it was featured on a previous Spring garden tour, but this is the first time the garden has been on a Fall tour. You will see a totally different garden in the Fall season with many of our heat loving Texas perennials in full bloom. This acre property was transformed from a standard landscape into a certified Texas Wildscape beginning in the Fall of 2005. It features all Texas native and well-adapted plants and is maintained using organic gardening practices. A rose garden extends along one side of the front yard and the back yard features a color-theme garden around the garden shed as well as a vegetable garden designed using the square foot gardening method. As you wander this garden, expect to see some plants you may not have seen before that do well in our central Texas area.

**Garden Tip: Square Foot Gardening**

**Directions** – From Temple: Go south on 31st street. Turn right on Sleepy Hollow Lane (just before Timber Ridge housing addition). Go to the end of the cul-de-sac to find 2908 Sleepy Hollow.

From Belton: Take 6th Ave./Hwy 93 east. Turn left (north) at the light for 31st street (by Taylor's Valley Baptist Church). Go one mile. Turn Left on Sleepy Hollow (just after Timber Ridge housing addition.) Go to the end of the cul-de-sac to find 2908 Sleepy Hollow.

*Mary Ann Everett's Garden*  
*4514 Walnut, Temple*

This cottage garden greets guests with an arbor over the front walk leading to a big variety of plants and yard art. Native plants and grasses abound. Non native plants that have adapted and a hybridized lilac are on view. Earthkind and antique roses, salvias, and a pond with water feature can also be enjoyed.

**Garden Tip: EarthKind Roses**

**Directions** – From I-35 heading north, take the Midway Dr. exit, turn right onto Midway. Proceed to the first stop light, which is Hickory. Turn right. Go to first stop sign. Go one block further, take a left onto White Oak. Go two streets to Walnut, turn right. We are 4th house on right.

From the Loop, take 57th St exit. Turn left onto 57th. Go to Thornton Lane, turn right at stop light. Proceed to stop light, which is Hickory, turn left. Go to first stop sign. Go one block further, take a left onto White Oak. Go two streets to Walnut, turn right. We are 4th house on right.

*Lou Hight's Garden*  
*4909 South Pea Ridge Road, Temple*

Country Gardening - Come enjoy the experience of gardening in the country. This garden consists of a open area that was reclaimed from a large coastal field. It surrounds a long standing vegetable garden. The garden contains many perennials, roses, fruit trees and other large trees and serves as a home to a variety of butterflies, birds, insects, spiders, toads, lizards, and even some small garden snakes. Iris plants will be for sale and door prizes will be given out every hour.

**Garden Tip: Garden Pests and Dry Stacking Stones**

**Directions** – From IH-35, exit Midway Drive (#297). Go west for one block. Turn left at the stop sign onto FM 817. Go 1.2 miles and turn right at South Pea Ridge Road. Go one block and turn right into the driveway at 4909 South Pea Ridge. Follow the road to the garden.

*The Bell County Master Gardener's Demonstration Gardens*  
*1605 North Main, Belton*

The demonstration landscape incorporates the seven principles of EARTH KIND gardening. The planning and design was developed by Ursula Nanna and a committee of Master Gardeners. The soil analysis was done by Dirk Aaron, our county agent and Gary Slanga by collecting samples from numerous sites. We amended the soil by adding compost and crushed shale. Zoysia grasses, developed for Texas heat and drought conditions, comprise the three practical turf areas separating the plantings of native and adaptive perennials. Drip irrigation was installed under the two layers of mulch. Newspaper then Texas hardwood mulch was the initial mulch. This year we added cedar fine cut to increase the depth. The entire area is maintained by the Bell County Master Gardeners on a monthly schedule.

**Garden Tip: EarthKind Gardening and Gardening With Herbs**

**Directions** – The Demonstration Gardens are located in front of and behind the Bell County Extension Office. Going South on IH35 take exit 294B toward 6th Avenue. Turn right on TX Hwy 93/Main Street. Continue to 1605 N. Main, next to S&W Clinic.

*Gy & Violet Okeson's Garden*  
*13701 Dandelion Trail, Belton*

Large beds containing a variety of shrubs and flowers highlight the front yard; all framed by stately Live Oak, Red Bud, White Bud and Chinese Pistache trees. In the back yard, an arbor beckons you onto a river of grass that gently weaves its way next to beds of shrubs, native trees, hanging baskets, birdbaths and wind sculptures. New trees include a Chinkapin Oak and Maple tree. Near the back porch a water fountain runs next to a Japanese Weeping Maple. Artificial rocks are used to disguise an underground well and septic system. There are glacial stones from Minnesota spotted throughout the beds. Multiple demonstrations are present, including home rainwater harvesting, composting, raised bed and earth box herb bed. The yard is beginning its seventh year and is still in the development stage; four new trees and a variety of plants and shrubbery have been added during the past two years. The majority of plants are labeled for easy identification.

**Garden Tip: Composting**

**Directions** – Take FM 2305 (West Adams Avenue) toward Temple Lake Park. Turn left on Arrowhead Point, right on Begonia, and left on Dandelion Trail. The house is the second on the left.

*Ursula Nanna's Garden*  
*802 E. Woodlawn Drive, Harker Heights*

Ursula's gardens are homegrown and designed from the soil up...everything from the compost, the soil, to the plants are grown on this property. There are large native plant areas and xeriscape beds each designed to attract many species of wildlife or perform a specific function. 5 rainwater tanks and many smaller collection tanks display a variety of rainwater catchments and designs for all budgets. Ursula welcomes plant questions and will be happy to discuss rainwater harvesting.

**Garden Tip: Rainwater Harvesting**

**Directions** – From Belton: 35S to 190W exit Knight's Way – 2410W go right on to 2410 to Evergreen go right to E. Woodlawn go right 802 E Woodlawn Dr. Harker Heights. From Cove: 190E exit Knight's Way – 2410 Go left onto 2410 over overpass to Evergreen go right to E. Woodlawn ,go right 802 Woodlawn Dr. Harker Height2908 Sleepy Hollow Lane, Temple, TX