

The Blooming Bell



BCMGA President Wayne Schirner speaks at the Willow tree dedication at McLane Children's Medical Center on September 14 in memory of Christien Mikhail Quiles. Photo by Sylvia Maedgen



Several Master Gardeners took a field trip to Wildseed Farms in Fredericksburg, TX on September 7th to learn about planting wildflowers. Pictured above are: Sandra Remson, Jan George, Sylvia Maedgen, Debbi Harris, Rachel Glass, Vivian Rush, Lupe Gonzalez (Sylvia's sister) and Pat Allen. Photo by Sylvia Maedgen

October 2018



Photo by Daisy Klassy

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Work Day 8 am* Burger Wed. 10:30 am Herb Study-Cottage Garden Ornamentals 9:30 am	4 Bamberger Ranch Tour 7 am	5	6
7	8	9	10 Work Day 8 am* Social 9:30 am General Meeting 10 am Plant Swap, 9 am	11	12	13 Wildseed Farms-Monarch Release & Tagging
14	15 Meridith Dunbar, Making Nature Masks, 9:45 am	16 Meridith Dunbar, Making Nature Masks, 9:45 am	17 Work Day 8 am* New Class Committee meeting 10 am Meridith Dunbar, Making Nature Masks, 9:45 am Montessori, Building a Worm & Compost Bin, 8:30 am	18 Gardening in Bell County – Texas Native Gardening in the Winter 6:30 pm Meridith Dunbar, Making Nature Masks, 9:45 am	19 Meridith Dunbar, Making Nature Masks, 9:45 am	20 Rain Barrel Workshop 9 am
21	22	23	24 Work Day 8 am* BOD Meeting 9 am	25 Blooming Bell deadline Meridith Dunbar, Fall Festival, 4:30 pm	26	27
28	29 Montessori, Tree Planting, 8:30 am	30	31 Work Day 8 am* Whistle Stop Playground Clean-up 7:30 am			

Upcoming events:

- ♦ Herb Study, Instant Gratification: Salad Herbs, Belton, Nov. 7
- ♦ Gardening in Bell County, Raised Bed Gardening, Nov. 15

* In the event of rain, there will be No Workday.

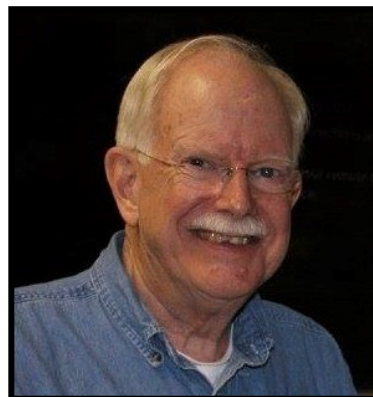
Remember to record volunteer service hours and education hours separately each month. You may include your travel time to meetings and work projects as service hours.

The President's Corner

- Wayne Schirner

The deadline for this article is before the Fall Plant Sale, so I can't comment on it other than to say the teamwork demonstrated in preparing for this sale makes me proud to be your president. As busy as September has been, October and November will be equally busy. If you haven't done so yet, I encourage you to review the revised By-Laws. They were sent out by email and are also available on the BCMGA web site. Please review these before the October general membership meeting. They will be presented to the membership during that meeting and members will have the opportunity to ask questions or seek clarification. The members will then vote on approving or rejecting the revisions at the November general membership meeting. In addition, the slate of officers that will take office on 1 January will also be presented at the October meeting and voted on at the November meeting. The BCMGA is only as strong as its membership, so be involved.

I received a question about reporting hours and when one person has a question, I suspect there may be others with the same question. I hope my answer won't confuse too many of you. In order to remain an active certified Master Gardener, each member must complete 6 hours of education and 12 hours of volunteer service every year. That reporting period runs from 1 January to 31 December of every year. The BCMGA also presents awards for volunteer service hours at the annual Christmas Party. In order to have certificates prepared for presentation, the reporting period for those hours runs from 1 November of a year to 31 October of the next year. All of the hours that you report count, so don't get confused. Let me give an example. If between 1 November 2017 and 31 October 2018, you had 100 hours of volunteer service, all done in 2018. You didn't get around to reporting those hours until 10 November 2018. You have met the service hours requirement for remaining certified, but you wouldn't receive the certificate recognizing those 100 hours of service at the 2018 Christmas Party. However, those hours reported on 10 November would count towards the awards certificate you would be presented at the 2019 Christmas Party. Clear? Bottom line, I really encourage you to report your hours during the month that you earn them. Don't "save them up" and report them at the end of the year. Lyle sends a monthly report on our activities to the A&M AgriLife Extension Service, and we would like for that report to accurately reflect what we have done during that month. We currently have 152 active members, and as of 21 September, there are 30 members who have not yet reported either 6 hours of education or 12 hours of volunteer service.



Hopefully with the plant sale most of these members should be able to get the required volunteer service hours. In October and November, members can get at least 5 hours of education by coming to the general membership meeting (1 hour each) and the "Gardening in Central Texas" classes (1.5 hours each.). We really do want everyone to remain an active member of the BCMGA. If we aren't meeting your needs, let us know so we can address your concerns. Speaking of members, please congratulate Josh Chupik who is the newest member from the class of 2018. We will present Josh with his certified MG badge at the October meeting.

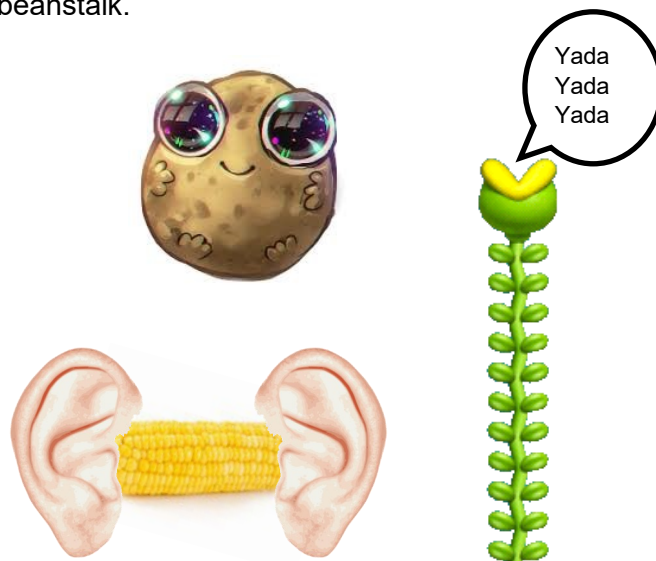
That's it for this month.

1 More Thing...

Just a little humor for this month:

Don't tell secrets in the garden.

The potatoes have eyes, the corn has ears, and the beanstalk.



Wizzie's Wonderful World of Insects

Backyard Bug Habitats

- Wizzie Brown, Travis County AgriLife Extension Entomologist

Creating a living space for insects in your yard can help increase animal diversity, help plant get pollinated, and draw in beneficial insects that can help manage pests. Fortunately, insects and their relatives have similar requirements as other animals, so you may need to make a few slight adjustments to things you may already have to make it more bug-friendly.

Plants a.k.a. food

- Provide pollen, nectar, and host plants (including trees & grasses) throughout spring through fall & plan for a succession of bloom times using native plants
- Plant "clumps" of same plants for maximum attraction
- Include a variety of colors & flower shapes
- Avoid modern hybrid plants (these may not have pollen, nectar, or fragrance for pollinators)
- Include larval host plants in the landscape (be aware that insects will eat them!)
- Ensure plants are insecticide free



Water

- Create a damp salt lick for bees & butterflies. Use a drip hose or irrigation line, or place a bird bath/dish on the ground. Add soil, a bit of sea salt or wood ashes, and enough water to make the area damp.
- Add a nectar source with a hummingbird feeder (four parts water to one part sugar). Clean feeder regularly to avoid mold.
- Insects need resources other than nectar. Some like foodstuffs such as moist animal droppings, urine, and rotting fruits. Add overripe bananas, citrus or other fruits to a suet feeder and hang in a tree.
- Place a sponge in a dish of lightly salted (sea salt) water to discover which insects come to investigate.



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Shelter

- Design the landscape so plants are layered when mature – canopy (trees), lower canopy, shrubs, grasses, herbaceous plants (herbs, vegetables, flowers)
- Leave a little “mess” – logs, snags, twig bundles, and leaves can create nesting areas for native bees
- Rocks and bare (unmulched) soil
- Add handmade or “artificial” habitats (NOTE: these should be sheltered and east to southeast facing)

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com.

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What's Been Happening...

September General Meeting

- Sylvia Maedgen

Photos by Sylvia Maedgen

The September general meeting included the educational presentation by Physician Assistant, Meredith Amenell on "Skin Cancer: You Can Prevent It".



Jane Van Praag gave a talk on the time that she lived in Mexico.



Wayne Schirner presented a Master Gardener name badge to Pat Allen for 5 years of service.



Refreshment hosts included Stacye Parry, Kathy Love, Jane Van Praag and Pam Dragoo with various foods from Mexico.



What's Been Happening...

Meridith Dunbar Early Childhood Academy

- Marjorie Gillmeister

Photos by Marjorie Gillmeister

On September 18th, Janice Smith taught a wonderful lesson on "Tops and Bottoms of Plants" to 80 four year old children. The lesson also included a fun interactive game of edible plant pictures where the children had to identify which plant grew above ground (top) or below ground (bottom). Janice along with Marjorie Gillmeister and Kelby Kosel guided the children to direct sow seeds such as carrots, beets, lettuce, and spinach into their garden beds for the fall season. We ended each lesson with a magical story and lots of smiles.



Belton Education Station Center

- Marjorie Gillmeister

Photos by Marjorie Gillmeister

I gave an Eggshell Gardening lesson to 59 children ages 3-4. The children learned about the "lifecycle of a chicken" and then the "lifecycle of an eggshell plant". Eggshell pod plants were passed around for children to smell, feel the texture of the plant, and learn how to handle the plant with care. Each child planted seeds in an eggshell pod, will tend to their plant with care, and in about 6 weeks later they will transplant into their school garden beds to grow their own food. Special thank you to Suzanne Boyer and Kelby Kosel for working with our youth on this day.



What's Been Happening...

Fall Gardening at Montessori

- Marjorie Gillmeister Photos by Marjorie Gillmeister

I gave a lesson on the "Lifecycle of a Seed" and along with Janice Smith guided 50 children ages 2 to 9 to direct sow cool season crop seeds into their garden beds such as lettuce, spinach, broccoli rapini, shell peas, and herbs. The children harvested and ate carrots they planted earlier in the year from their garden. Carrots were shared to feed the school's pet lion rabbit named Moxie. The Butterfly Garden is still thriving and the children will save seeds from the heart bed for a lesson on "seed saving" once the blooms have dried out. Each child will save flower seeds in a paper bag satchel, store away, and plant the seeds in Spring 2019 as the Butterfly Habitat will have a lifecycle of its own. Special thank you to Janice Smith for joining us on a wonderful journey.



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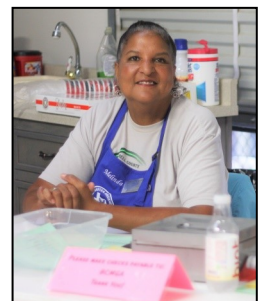
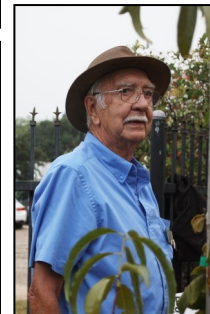
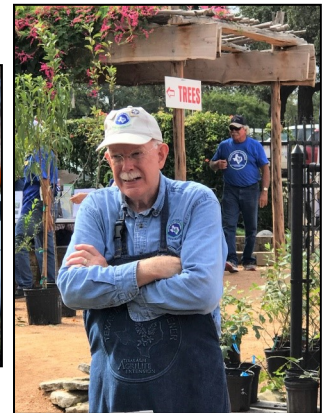
Fall Plant Sale

Photos by Daisy Klassy and Betty Burkett

- Sylvia Maedgen

The Fall Plant Sale was a success due to all the time and hard work that all the members contributed prior to the sale and the day of the plant sale. We had 304 customers at our sale. This sale we purchased plants and trees from 5 different vendors to give us a larger variety of available plants. I have really enjoyed coordinating the last 2 plants sales this year. Christy Reese will be taking over the Plant Sale Coordinator duties, but I am going to help her transition into this position by offering my services in whatever capacity is needed. I really appreciate all the members that helped with working at Wright's Nursery this year: Laura Ladd, Gail Garner, Barbara Salys, Kathy Harte, Brenda Britton, Linda Farmer, Glenn Melton, Jerry Lewis, Kathy Love, Dorothy Thomas, Nancy Novakoski, Pat Parker, Kerin Grimes, Elaine McSpedon, Peg Fleet, Melinda Arriola, Christy Reese, Joan Bumgarner, Betty McMillioan, Rose Harris, Larry Causey, and Claudette Hawkins. And a BIG THANK YOU! to the liaisons that helped with ordering the plants, Wayne Schirner, Jan George, Carla Harmon and Kathy Love. I really appreciate all the help that Kathy Love and Carla Harmon provided to me for both plant sales. Their experience and knowledge is invaluable. Thank You!

Mark your calendar as the Spring Plant Sale will be on March 30, 2019 and is only 173 days away.



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Fall Plant Sale

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Raffle Prize Winners

1. Vicki (Nestor) Centeno
2. Dawn Ripstra, Belton
3. Twila Coley, Temple
4. Susan Fogleman, Temple
5. Mary Pearl, Killeen
6. Wesley, (not yet delivered)



What's Been Happening...

2018 Conservation Expo

- Gail Koontz

Photo by Gail Koontz

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, along with many area partners, hosted this year's Conservation Expo on Thursday, September 20, at the Bell County Expo Center. Program topics were geared toward answering questions and discussing concerns of many new land owners and small acreage land owners in Central Texas.

Partners in hosting the event included Lampasas River Watershed Partnership facilitated by AgriLife Research in Temple, Texas Water Resource Institute, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas A&M Forest Service, Central Texas SWCD, Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District, Central Texas Master Naturalists, and Bell County Master Gardeners.

Gary Slanga and I staffed a Master Gardener booth, and Gary was one of the presenters, speaking on *Grapes, Fruit and Nut Trees*. Some 65 individuals came by and visited with us, asked questions, and took the handouts we had to offer. One reason we

were so popular this year is we were the only partners giving out bags for people to put their goodies in. And after lunch, our jar of chocolates was a draw.



The Gardens at Magnolia Market Silos

- Sylvia Maedgen

Photos by Sylvia Maedgen

I visited the gardens at Magnolia Market Silos in Waco in September with my niece Felicia and her future mother-in-law Debbie. We enjoyed seeing the garden area that was blooming and really packed with various flowers and vegetables. The sunflowers were tall and large and the pumpkin vines and leaves were huge.



What's Been Happening...

Wildseed Farm - Planting Wildflowers

- Jan George

Photos by Sylvia Maedgen

Wildseed Farm wildflower planting seminar was more than we could have asked for. Great information about preparing and planting wildflowers was given out. Old myths were dispelled and actual and scientific information was imparted. There were 9 of us that went. Sylvia Maedgen took a car with her sister, Lupe Gonzalez, Debbie Harris, and Pat Allen. They stopped at a unique little community, Hye, for a relaxing lunch before heading to the Wildseed Farm for shopping and the seminar. Hye has a distillery and winery which is unique in that Texas doesn't have very many distilleries. Sandi Remson took a car with her mother-in-law, Dottie, Vivian Rush, Rachel Glass, and I. We stopped at LBJ Ranch for an impromptu self guided tour and then on to downtown Fredericksburg for lunch at the Brewing Co. We had great food! Sandi, Vivian & Rachel had German food and said it was good. We came away from the seminar with an array of seed packets and anxious for planting time. It was truly a fun day!



What's Been Happening...

Herb Study Group

- Crystal Fisher

Photos by Crystal Fisher and Sylvia Maedgen

The BCMG Herb Group meets the first Wednesday of every morning. The October meeting covered 4 herbs - Comfrey, Foxglove, and Lemongrass, with Bay Laurel being the star for this month. Being able to share our own experiences in growing these herbs was enlightening for all of us.

If you missed joining this session of studying herbs this year, you might want to get in early next year. Frequently someone does some baking which features one of the herbs. That makes it an extra bonus as we learn new recipes incorporating these garden treasures.

Many from this group make the trek to Round Top when they have their yearly Herb Festival. That one is a Must See event if you've never gone before.



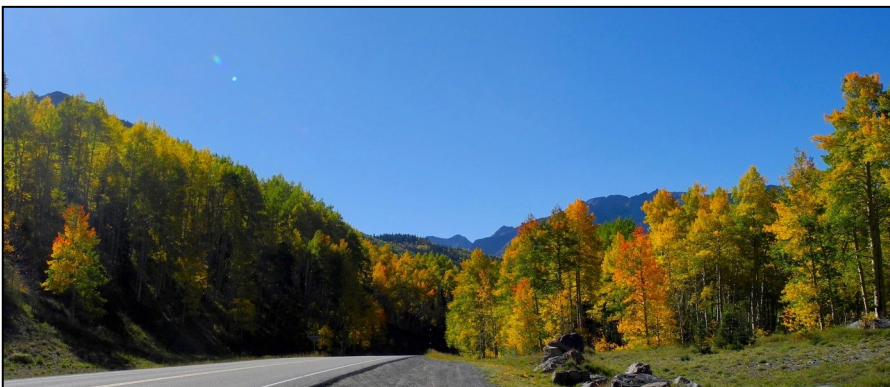
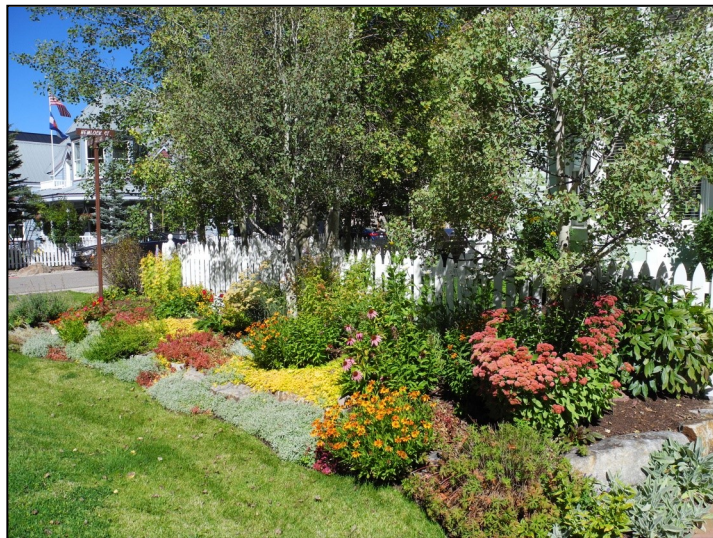
On the Road Again...

Telluride, CO

- Susan Terry

Photos by Susan Terry

Home gardens and amazing fall foliage in Colorado.



What's Happening in Your Yard

Heat Loving Plants that Thrive in Central Texas

- Mary Lew Quesinberry

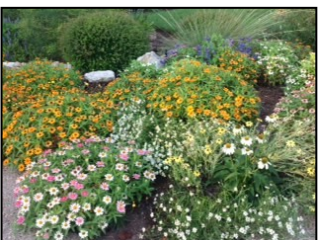
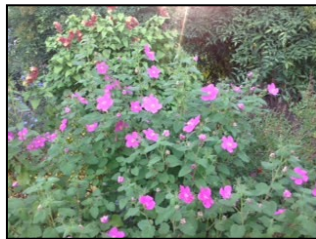
Photos by Mary Lew Quesinberry

You can have a colorful garden even through the worst of summer. Record breaking temperatures and drought dominated growing conditions for Central Texas this summer season. Now is the time to take inventory in our gardens and replace the plants that withered in the heat with plants that flourish in hot dry conditions. There are many perennial plants that will provide color and thrive in hot, dry weather.

Showy yellow plants such as Zexmenia (*Wedelia texana*), Damianita (*Chrysactina mexicana*), 4 Nerve Daisy (*Hymenoxys*), Velvet-leaf Senna (*Senna lindheimeriana*), and Skeleton-leaf Goldeneye (*Viguiera stenoloba*), Chocolate Daisy (*Berlandierya lyrata*) are dependable bloomers. The tubular, orange flowers of Flame Acanthus (*Anisacanthus quadrifidus wrightii*), Shrimp Plant (*Justicia brandegeana*), Mexican Honeysuckle (*Justicia spicigera*) will attract Hummingbirds as they thrive in the heat.

Society Garlic (*Tulbaghia violacea*), Mealy Blue Sage (*Salvia farinacea*), Russian Sage (*Perovskia atricapi-
folia*), Katie Ruellia (*Ruellia brittoniana*), Blue Plumbago (*Plumbago auriculata*), Gregg's Blue Mist (*Conoclinium greggii*) African Blue Basil (*Ocimum kilimandscharicum*) will provide cool, blue color to our summer garden.

Evergreens Skullcap (*Scutellarioideae*) and *Salvia greggii* come in many colors, love the heat and *Salvia greggii* attracts Hummingbirds. Also consider sun loving annuals like Zennia (*Helianthea*), Western bitterweed (*Hymenoxys odorata*), Dahlberg Daisy (*Thymophylla tenuiloba*), and Fleabane (*Erigeron*) that never get tired of performing. Here are a few of the plants from my garden.

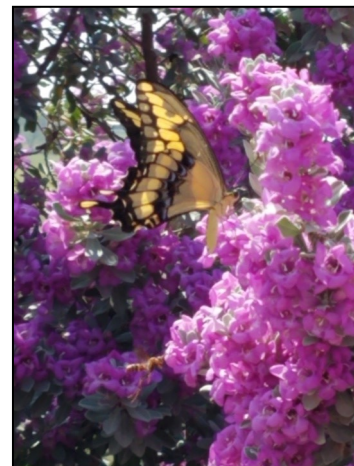


Trees are Alive!

- Shellie Downing

Photo by Shellie Downing

I had hundreds of butterflies on my Texas sage. It looked like my tree was alive.



Announcements



BCMGA Herb Study 2018-2019

- Kim Pringle

Please join us for our Herb Study on October 3, 2018 from 9:30 to 11:00 am in the meeting room at the Extension Office. Social time from 9:15 to 9:30 am so study can begin promptly at 9:30. This is a participatory study, not a lecture, open to all members of the BCMGA. The study should be manageable around Landscape and Burger Wednesday activities.

The purpose is to educate volunteers about herbs, service the two herb demonstration beds at Extension Office and coordinate public program requests through Speakers Bureau.

Let's be creative and have lots of fun. Recommended books for growing herbs in central Texas: Southern Herb Growing by Madelyn Hill and Gwen Barclay, and Herbs for Texas by Howard Garrett. Attendees participate in study by doing one of the following, or something similar, for each herb listed:

- (1) research the herb and report one finding about growing conditions or uses, etc.;
- (2) if you grow the herb, describe your experience;
- (3) use the herbs in a project, bring a recipe using the herb or a sample to taste or
- (4) bring a photo of herb used in the landscape.

Please see schedule below. The Herb study has been added to VMS for education and service hours. Questions can be directed to Kim Pringle - kimberpringle@earthlink.net, Vivian Rush - vivjimrush@gmail.com and Connie Rivera - cjrivera20@icloud.com. We look forward to seeing you there and be prepared!

Month/Year	Program	Herbs
November 7, 2018	Instant gratification: Salad herbs	Arugula, Basil, Cilantro, Dill
December 5, 2018	Tea Time. In addition to study, lets talk about your favorite herb books	Lemon balm, Lemon verbena, Scented geraniums, Chamomile and Stevia
January 2, 2019	Cooking with herbs	Marjoram, Oregano, Rosemary, Sage, Thyme, Winter Savory; Caution: Salvia divinorum
February 6, 2019	Love potions, Aromatherapy, and Essential oils; we will make something	Lavender, lemon verbena, patchouli
March 6, 2019	More salad herbs	Dandelion, Salad burnet
March 15 - 16, 2019	Herbal Forum at Round Top	
April 3, 2019	Pretty edible flowers	Borage, Calendula, Dianthus, Nasturtium, Roses, Violets
May 1, 2019	Tropical herbs	Ginger, Rungia Kossel (mushroom plant)
June 5, 2019	Silver Herb Gardens and Belladonna	Artemisia, Germander, Lamb's ear, Santolina
July 3, 2019	Let's choose the last topic	



Announcements

Classroom Monitors Needed for Class of 2019

- Elaine McSpedon & Kathy Lovelace

Hello from Kathy Lovelace and Elaine McSpedon! We will be replacing Peg Fleet as the newly re-named Classroom Monitor Coordinators for the new class starting January 9, 2019 ("Classroom Mentors" have been renamed "Classroom Monitors" to avoid confusion with Personal Mentors).

We are in need of Classroom Monitors to help set up the classroom, check and record homework, set out refreshments, provide assistance as needed during the classes, and return the room to order when the class is completed. Classroom Monitors will be asked to arrive at 11:30am on class days and remain until the end of the class.

This role is a great way to get to know your fellow Master Gardeners while completing volunteer hours. If you're interested, sign-up sheets will be available at the October membership meeting. Master Gardeners who sign up will receive confirmation by email.

As in the past, we request that you select no more than two sign-up dates in order to give as many Master Gardeners as possible the opportunity to volunteer in the classroom. We will also have a Substitute Classroom Monitor sign-up sheet available.

Thank you for your willingness to help the classroom run smoothly. We look forward to working with you!



- Bernie Hurta

New Class Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 10 am in the Extension Office meeting room.

Announcements



Plant Swap - Wednesday, October 10, 2018

Bring plants at 8 am - Swaps begin at 9 am

Bring your extra plants and swap for some that you do not have, or some that you have always wanted, or you want to get rid of some out of your garden.



and Wine Tour - October 13, 2018

- Jan George

Unfortunately this tour did not make, but for those who would like to car pool, this learning experience will be on Oct. 13th. It starts at 9:30 am at the Wildseed Farm in Fredericksburg. You will learn why and how the Monarch butterflies are tagged. The first release is at 11:30 am and the second release will be at 2:00 pm. For those of you who paid for this tour, your money will be refunded at our monthly meeting.

SAVE THE DATE

**COMING
UP**

**2019 Texas Master Gardener
State Conference**

**April 25-27, 2019
Victoria, Texas**

**2019 International
Master Gardener Conference**

**June 17-21, 2019
Valley Forge, PA**

Announcements



2018 Bell County Master Gardener Christmas Party

Friday, November 30, 2018

Bell County Expo

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

More info to come very soon!

If you would like to submit a project for consideration for one of our Christmas donation projects, please submit that information to Ilene Miller at mmiller007@hot.rr.com.

Please provide a detailed description of that organization and how they provide assistance within the community and what type of donations that would benefit their cause.

Gardening in Bell County

- Carol Morisset and Christy Reese

We are proud to present the following educational opportunities for our neighbors and fellow gardeners:

- October 18 Texas Native Gardening in the Winter
- November 15 Raised Bed Gardening



Location: Bell County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office - Conference Room
1605 N. Main, Belton, TX

Time: 6:30-8:00 pm

Cost: Our seminars are free of charge but the BCMGA will accept donations of up to \$5.00 per class. Seminars are limited to 25 participants so register early.

For information, contact one of the following: Carol Morisset - carol.j.morisset@gmail.com [OR](#)

Christy Reese - hotmixworld@yahoo.com

Announcements

September General Meeting

- **Kathy Love**

The October general meeting will be held on the 10th. The education presentation will be on the proposed new bylaws by Louann Hight.

NOTE TIME CHANGE: We will meet in the learning center building with the Social time starting at **9:30 a.m.**, education program at **10 a.m.**, and the general membership meeting to follow. Refreshment hosts include: Marjorie Gillmeister, Debbie Harris, Pat Maskunas, Sophia Gomez and Stacye Parry serving German food. Marjorie will share memories from her family's travels to Lubeck, Germany. This is October so expect a feast.

If you have non-member friends whom you believe would be interested in this program, bring them along. Remember, our monthly education program is always open to the public.

Board of Director's Meeting

The October Board of Director's Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 24th at 9 a.m. in the class/meeting room of the AgriLife Building. Please submit your agenda items to Stacye Parry, Recording Secretary by Wednesday, October 17th.

Grounds Workdays

- **Johnny Jones and Tom Rennels**

Here is the workday schedule for October.

October 3, 2018 8:00 a.m. Workday
October 10, 2018 8:00 a.m. Workday
October 17, 2018 8:00 a.m. Workday
October 24, 2018 8:00 a.m. Workday
October 31, 2018 8:00 a.m. Workday

In the event of rain, there will be No Workday.

Advanced Learning

Upcoming Specialist Training

Oct. 15-16 Texas Fruit Conference
New Braunfels - Cost \$65/\$75/\$85
Deadline to register - Sept. 15/After
Sept. 15/On Oct. 15

Oct. 18-20 Greenhouse Management
Fort Worth - Cost \$225
Deadline to register - Oct. 8

Dec. 5-7 Composter Specialist Training
Rosenberg - Cost \$225
Deadline to register - Nov. 14

Ongoing Earth-Kind On-Line Master Gardener
Training modules
Go to - <https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/training/>



Whistle Stop Playground Clean-up

- **Kathy Patterson**

There will be a clean-up at the Whistle Stop Playground on October 31, 2018, which is the 5th Wednesday. Please plan to join in the clean-up at 7:15 am. If it is raining, this clean-up day will be cancelled.

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