President’s Message

As I sit here thinking about what to write and realizing that my monthly message is on my wife’s laptop at home, this comes to mind…

We need to be timelier in our volunteer hour and CE reporting. The sooner we log in our hours, the less likely we are to be scrambling at the last minute to get our minimum hours in. I am here to help those that need it, but trying to get things to appear in the system at the last minute is quite difficult and really unnecessary. So, please report your hours as soon as you complete them.

At the February Board meeting, there are a few items that are going to be discussed that will try and help those that are having trouble getting their hours. I will let everyone know at the February meeting how it goes. It is my intent to be at the extension office from lunch until after meetings on board days and meeting days. I will have my laptop with me if needed.

Congratulations to all the winners at last month’s meeting. Those of you that have put in the hours to be included in the drawings, I applaud you. You are the reason we continue to thrive.

Those of you raising plants for the veggie plant sale, Thank You… and keep on growing. We are almost there. Those of you growing for Earth Day, try to give me a rough inventory of what you have (at the next monthly meeting).

Weather changes weekly and we need to be just as flexible. Bear with me as we try to move this organization forward. As always… Thank you for your time.

Marvin

February Meeting
Thursday
February 18th- 7 PM
Agrilife Building

Social & Refreshments 6:30 PM
Program at 7 PM
Edible Plants by Patty Leander

Followed by Business Meeting

Don’t forget your name tags and plants for plant exchange.

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January Meeting Program - Useful Wild Plants

Scooter Cheatham was the guest speaker for the GCMG January meeting. Scooter is a graduate from UT with degrees in Archeology Design, Anthropology and Community Design. He also has a background in botany. He is a co-author of, at this point, a 4 volume encyclopedia (he is up to the c's), called Useful Wild Plants. He was joined by his partner Lynn Marshall. This organization, a non-profit organization, works out of Austin.

Scooter explained his interest in wild plants began while he was in college on a week-long project roughing it along the Guadalupe River. He became interested in the wild plants and their uses which began a life-long passion for collecting wild plants, identifying them, and determining their origin and uses. He explained that, before supermarkets, many of the plants were used by our great grandparents for food, medicines and tools. He believes they have a future as renewable sources for food, medicines and industrial uses.

Many wild plants are also vital to our animal and insect population, as an example the Monarch butterfly and the milkweed plant. He focused on Texas wild plants because of the diversity in Texas growing zones.

Scooter reviewed many familiar and unfamiliar plants from the Mesquite, used for barbeque and making jams and jellies; broomweed, dried and dyed and sold in high-end stores; yaupon which has a higher level of caffeine than the coffee bean; the pawpaw plant which has a delicious fruit and the bark of the plant is used to make rope.

His organization is working on education from primary school through adults. He offers courses in Weed-feed, a six weeks course on useful plants, and a half day “intensive” class. If anyone is interested they can contact lynnmartial@usefulwildplants.org. They are looking for members to join their organization, the books are available on Amazon, and they are working on a web page.

Scooter shared his concern that many universities no longer offer classes in botany or horticulture. His bigger concern is the disappearance of these plants as urban sprawl continues across Texas.

He closed with a startling statistic. Each plant species has 15,000 unique compounds, and there are over 400,000 plant species, which totals to 6 billion compounds that could be identified and researched for value.

Article by Sandy Foss, Photo by Marvin “T” Taylor

For those members who were interested in volunteering time or becoming involved in research with Useful Wild Plants, Scooter Cheatham and Lynn Marshall can be reached at: Useful Wild Plants, Inc., 4700 Loyola Lane, Suite 104, Austin, TX 78723; Scooter Cheatham, President, scooter-cheatham@usefulwildplants.org, (512) 928-4441 (o), (512) 924-1334 ©; Lynn Marshall, Research Assistant, lynnmartial@usefulwildplants.org, (512) 928-4441 (o)

Submitted by Kay McElveen
TEXAS GARDENER FUNDRAISER
Our Treasury keeps 25% of your subscription when it is sent through GCMG

The pictured Class 27 graduates all received their graduation certificates from Class 27 Administrator Kay McElveen with new President Marvin Borth looking on. All certified as Master Gardeners except Mary Rockhill. Not present were Mike Woodlee, who also became a certified Master Gardener, and Erica and Sam Kraft, who completed the class but did not certify.
Another New Master Gardener

Additionally certifying from Class 25, Adriana Loya, presented by Marvin Borth, President

January Meeting Raffle and Door Prize

- $46 was collected in the Raffle with $23 going to Pam Turner.
- Dale Odvody won the door prize, a $10 gift card for Maldonado's.
- Speaker Door Prize, a pack of note cards featuring Mr. Cheatham’s hand drawn art work, went to Kathy Pape.

Future Programs

March 17th – Low Water Use Landscaping – Calvin Finch
April 21st – Preserving Your Harvest – Dr. Carla Bading
July 30 - Nolte Park booked for what will be our July 30th Social.

Earth Day in Seguin

Earth Day is April 30, 2016. Cynthia Lyssey will be 2016 Chair and Marvin Borth is co-chair. Their next meeting is February 28th at 9:00 a.m. Hours for Earth Day will be 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Trade Days will go until 4:00 p.m. Master Gardeners have been asked to stay until 4:00. We have requested the same area as last year. If we get it, we will be in spaces 25 through 28. We will also work toward the “Who Can Save the Earth” competition which was won last year by the Native Plant Society.

Stay tuned - and Volunteer

Patricia "Patt" Ann Linden, PhD.
June 20, 1938 - January 10, 2016

Our dear friend Patt Linden passed away last week. She was an active member through 2011, a graduate of Class #11. I recall that she was active with the Green Team when we helped maintain the downtown planters. I know that she was part of a group chaired by Gail Johnson that was developing education programs.

Submitted by Liz Romero,
Will Rogers Park Oklahoma City, OK

Located outside of downtown Oklahoma City, Ok is a small park with a wonderful garden area. This is the Will Rogers Park and Garden Center. It was established in the 1930’s with the help of active, concerned citizens, the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), Work Projects Administration (WPA) and many other local clubs. The end result is a well thought out park which offers much to the city and its visitors.

We visited the gardens in September and thought it would be a quick attraction to see, but the butterfly garden was a busy place for migrating butterflies of all types. We spent over an hour just watching them go from flower to flower to “eat”. The large iris and daylily areas were not in bloom but should be very showy when in season as there was a large planting of many labeled varieties.

There are water features, sculptures, a conservatory, a lake for the ducks and geese, open lawn areas for children to play and many places to sit and just relax. It is located in a very quiet area and one could easily decompress from the day’s events at this park. If you are ever in Oklahoma City try to visit this garden.
The Sixty Percent

At its January 12 meeting, the Guadalupe County chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas honored the sixty percent of its members who took part in nearly a dozen 2015 activities that include staffing an award-winning booth for Seguin’s Earth Day, cultivating a garden that supports native butterflies, clearing invasive plants from park grounds, helping local nurseries promote native plant education and sales, taking educational hikes, and managing the chapter. In all, they spent more than a thousand hours in learning about, promoting and celebrating Texas native plants, not to mention attending the chapter’s monthly meetings, where experts from all over Texas provide captivating information and discussion. Photo shows some of the members who were present to be honored.

San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo

Folks, it is San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo time again. Construction started Tuesday, January 19. For those who have never been to the SASS&R Master Gardener display area, HEB sponsors the area, and they have some 12’ X 16’ barns they put farm related displays in. The barns have 8’ X 8’ doors on either end. What you get during construction is free parking and a free lunch. Lunch is usually something that sticks to your ribs. Betty Hughes’ lunch will be on February 3rd. In the past it was spaghetti and meat sauce with garlic bread, salad, and deserts. The food is always great.

February 8 and 9, we need many people to unload plants and place them around inside and outside the tent not to mention camouflaging them to look like something other than plants in black plastic pots.

The SASS&R is 11 – 28 February, 2016. The following opportunities to volunteer during the Rodeo are:

**Greeters:** Everyday during Rodeo volunteers are stationed at the barn entrance to greet and welcome guests as well as tally the number of people coming in. Please email Suzan Bartholomew, sbart@sa.rr.com,

**Master Gardener Booth:** With the release of the 2016 Rodeo Tomato, the Master Gardener booth will be busy with plant sales and plant questions! Email Suzan Bartholomew, sbart@sa.rr.com

You will need a notarized release form to work the SASS&R. Kim Luensmann in Travis Franke’s office is a Notary Public and credit unions and banks usually have free notary services for members.

Information taken from various messages from Dale Odvody
County Fair Tomato Box Project Update

Happy winter everyone! Hope that all of you are enjoying some wonderful winter produce! Several of you have inquired as to how the Tomato Box Project tomato plants are doing. If you'll remember, at the Guadalupe County Fair in October the plants were about a foot tall and just starting to get some blooms. Cindy was kind in entrusting me to be caretaker of these plants and I was thrilled at the challenge! Well, I'm happy to report that the plants are doing excellent and I've been harvesting an average of 5 red ripe tomatoes a week — just enough for family salads and sandwiches! Soon after the fair ended there was a chill in the air so I moved the plants, then about 2 ft. tall, into my little greenhouse along with some cold sensitive herbs, some favorite outdoor plants, a few hanging baskets, an avocado tree, 3 very young citrus trees, four pepper plants, and four tomato plants of my own. Not knowing that I was going to get to care for the County Fair plants, I had built my own tomato box plus I had started two cherry tomato plants in pots. As you might be able to tell from the photos, the plants in the boxes are doing much better than the ones in the pots. And that’s despite the box plants going through a round of Great Horned Tomato Worms. Hmmm....maybe there’s something to this. All of the plants in the boxes are loaded with blooms and tomatoes, whereas I’ve only harvested a handful of cherry tomatoes all winter from the potted plants. All had the same potting soil, all got the same fertilizer, and all get sweet words of encouragement from me every day. So I’m convinced, tomato boxes are the way to go for me for late fall from now on. Warning, the boxes are heavy! If you need to move it around, you might want to consider some sort of wagon or wheeled stand to put the box on. That way you can easily move them to a warmer spot for cold nights and/or cooler winter days. Other than that, the tomato box makes it a convenient way to enjoy some wonderful fruit, perhaps all winter long! Next year I plan to try different veggies in the boxes, so I better get busy building them. If you’d like to make your own tomato box, you’re welcome to go to: http://www.renshirts.com/amg/BoxProject/HOW%20TO%20BUILD%20A%20TOMATO%20BOX.html and see how simple it is to make your own! Good luck and I hope to hear about how your tomato box plants do. May your produce be plentiful, your bad bugs few, and may all of you be blessed with tons of bees and ladybugs!

Submitted by April Rippel Class 27
NEW COMPOST BIN - A new 3-section compost bin was recently installed at the Big Red Barn garden. Built by Mike and Eileen Chandler and Bob Cox, the unit’s purpose is to provide compost for the garden as well as instruction for visiting tours. The bin was donated to the garden by Bob Cox as part of his Compost Specialist Certification. A PowerPoint Presentation of the project may be posted to the Guadalupe Count Master Gardener website. Photo and article provided by Bob Cox

Here’s a brief update from the Big Red Barn. We continue to prepare for Spring planting and school tours. The tours will start in March, we don’t have specific dates as yet, but will probably be soliciting help as tour guides.

We have planted a few seeds for vegetables that will germinate in cold weather, such as snow peas. We also still have a few cold hardy plants such as broccoli, kale, brussel sprouts and swiss chard. Those will probably be left as long as possible so we have bigger plants for the early school tours.

However, much of our effort is in laying out the beds and prepping the soil. Our latest efforts included spreading some of the wonderful mushroom compost from Kitchen Pride. After it cools off some we will work it into the beds. We have a plan for what will be planted where and the crew that regularly volunteers at the Big Red Barn is looking forward to getting the Spring garden planted

Article by Kay McElveen, Photos by Bob Cox
December, January and Annual Volunteer Recognition Program

December

There were 45 November volunteers vying for the December volunteer drawing (see page 9 of the January 2016 issue of The Guadalupe Gardener). Winner of a $20 gift certificate to Maldonados was Maria Montalvo. All 45 names were put in the drawing for the annual 2015 winner. That lucky volunteer winning a $150 gift certificate to Maldonados was Ryla Cottingham. Congratulations!

January

The following 21 members reported 5 or more hours in December 2015 and are therefore eligible for the January Volunteer Recognition drawing. Winner of the drawing and a $20 gift certificate to Maldonados was Patricia Watkins. Her name and the other 20 qualifying names will be placed in the 2016 annual drawing.

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To qualify for the Monthly Volunteer Recognition Program drawing, Certified Guadalupe County Master Gardeners must report a minimum of 5 volunteer hours earned during the month in VMS by the last calendar day of the month. Hours earned for attendance at the monthly GCMG Membership Meeting are not included in the minimum 5 hours, except those earned for meeting setup. Board members do not participate in the Volunteer Recognition Program.

Don’t forget to earn and report your hours by February 29, 2016 to be eligible for the March Membership Drawing.

It's always helpful to see what's new on the Aggie Horticulture Website

http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/
Guadalupe County Community Garden

We wrapped up 2015 with cold wet weather and an annual harvest of 3,889 pounds 8 ounces. This month we have been harvesting a variety of lettuces, beets, cabbage, Bok Choy, Swiss Chard, cauliflower, radishes, kohlrabi, spinach and collard greens. We have also begun thinning the onions we planted the end of November and are getting some very nice green onions for salads. This next week we will plant one more crop of beets. Carrots have nice tops but have a ways to go before being ready to harvest. Snow peas are up and should start climbing their trellis soon. The green house team are potting up several varieties of cabbage and broccoli to be set out as soon as they get a little bigger. The greenhouse allows us to try varieties we would not find at our local nurseries. We will get potatoes in the ground as soon as we have finished harvesting the cabbages that currently occupy the potato bed. The weather has been a little unusual and we have strawberries flowering and a few blooms on the peach trees. So far in January, we have harvested 116 pounds 6 ounces of produce.

Article and photos by Dale Odvody

In the 5 years produce has been harvested at the Community Garden, we have donated 9.7 tons of food to various local food banks. At the January meeting Ann and Dale Odvody were recognized for this accomplishment.

Marvin Borth and Cynthia Lyssy are checking into grants for use in improving/expanding the Community Garden with a larger greenhouse for production and teaching.

Information by John Lewicki, photo by Marvin “T” Taylor.
Guadalupe County Community Garden

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In just 5 years, 9.7 tons of fresh fruits & vegetables have been donated to local food banks (Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program - RACAP & Marion Immaculate Conception Church)

We’re located at 1101 Elbel Rd in Schertz right behind the Guadalupe County Office Building. Open Tuesday & Friday from 9am - noon

Volunteer with Guadalupe County Master Gardeners and make a difference in your community

Educational tours available upon request. Contact us at guadalupecountymastergardeners.org. Follow us on Facebook at Guadalupe County Community Garden
Preserving Your Garden Vegetables

On Saturday, January 16, Extension Agents Charla Bading and Connie Sheppard presented a food preservation workshop hosted by Guadalupe County Master Gardeners and the AgriLife Extension Service. This workshop taught the basics of canning, including how to use pressure canners and water bath canners to preserve pickles, jam, and vegetables. It was very well attended by our local master gardeners as well as some master gardeners from as far away as Austin. We learned to not use our grandmother’s recipes, but to get updated information from validated websites by googling National Center for Home Food Preservation.

Photo by Treva Hicks

Upcoming Plant Sales.

We will be having 2 plant sales this year. The March Plant Sale will focus on vegetables. The Earth Day in Seguin plant sale will focus on ornamentals. Work hard on nursing your little plants into really grand offerings for these two sales.

Membership Cards

Did you notice our beautifully designed Membership Cards. We have Cindy Waechter to thank for them. Let her know how great they are.

What’s happening this week throughout the state with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service?

http://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/

REMINDER

If anyone needs a card from the organization for an illness or loss of a family member, contact: Janice Jadwin, Secretary, 210-416-2477, or e-mail jmjadwin@yahoo.com

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GCMG Outreach

Virginia Biggs is GCMG’s Outreach Chairman. If anyone knows of a GCMG who needs a meal, please let her know 830-560-1976.
Volunteer Opportunities

Guadalupe County Master Gardeners
Volunteer Opportunities

Every Monday the MG office/library is open from 8:30am-noon except for holidays. Volunteers are always needed. Contact Betty Hughes. 830-401-4066 or e-mail ehughes5@satx.rr.com.

Every Tuesday and 2nd Saturday are work days at the Guadalupe County Community Garden. Check with Ann Odvody (odvodyd@swbell.net 830-914-3593) for start hour and access at other times.

Every Friday 9 am is a workday in the gardens at the Big Red Barn. Check with Janice Knobles, 830-379-6193 or e-mail jmknobles@yahoo.com for details.

KWED Master Gardener Lawn and Garden Show is always looking for volunteers. Contact Janet Grafe at 830-639-4199 or e-mail janetgrafe@hotmail.com.

For our meetings, we could use help with setting out chairs since we usually put out 80 chairs. That way we are not putting out chairs during the program. If a few people came 30 minutes early, that would help a lot. Treva Hicks.

Let’s RODEO San Antonio!

Another year has gone by and Rodeo 2016 will soon be upon us, beginning Thursday, Feb 11 and running through Sunday, Feb 28. Plan to be part of the excitement. Check your calendar, and think about how you want to participate. See page 6.

Leaders Needed - Contact Marvin Borth

We need someone to step up and serve as:
Volunteer Chair
Education Chair

GARDENING EVENTS

Future State Master Gardeners Conferences

2016 State Conference - Buds & Bark - Earth-Kind® in the Park. Learn from renowned garden experts at the May 17-19, 2016 event to be held at the beautiful Myers Park and Event Center in McKinney, Texas. For information on registration, dates, presenters, Collins County MGA speakers and workshops, local hotels, and more, email txm2016@ccmgatx.org or call 469-859-5934. Find up-to-date information on Facebook: Texas Master Gardener Annual Conference, or Instagram – txmstateconf2016.

2018 Master Gardener State Conference will be held in College Station.
Native Plant Society of Texas
Guadalupe County (Schertz-Seguin) Chapter
St John’s Lutheran Church, FM 465, Marion, TX

The Benefit and Pleasure of Native Grasses
David Will, a certified landscaper and founding member of the Lindheimer chapter of NPSOT, will describe the many rewards and advantages of using native grasses, and how to raise and maintain them. Mr. Will has a B.S. in Agriculture from Texas A&M and an M.A. in Agriculture from San Houston University. He is a member of the Texas Nursery and Landscape Association, and owns Landscape Details in New Braunfels.

Tuesday February 9, 2016, 7:00 PM
St John’s Lutheran Church, FM 465, Marion, TX

Meetings are open to the public. Visitors are welcome. There is a plant/seed exchange and greeting at 6:30 PM followed by the program at 7:00 PM. For more information, directions or membership applications see our website at: http://www.npsot.org/wp/guadalupe/

The purpose of the Native Plant Society of Texas is to promote research, conservation and use of native plants and habitats through education, outreach and example.
**February 3 - Wednesday.** San Antonio Garden Clubs will meet, at 10:00 a.m. at 3310 N. New Braunfels @ Funston. The program, "River Romance: Beauty and Restoration," will be presented by Lee Marlowe, Sustainable Landscape Ecologist for the San Antonio River Authority. Come hear some fascinating facts about installing, restoring, and managing the native trees and shrubs that line the Riverwalk and its extensions from the person who keeps the romance of the River alive and well for all to enjoy. Join us for coffee at 9:30; meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, go to [http://www.sanantoniogardencenter.org](http://www.sanantoniogardencenter.org) or call (210) 824-9981.

**February 4, Thursday.** Lunch and Learn with a Master Gardener. A Panel of Master Gardener Specialists and Agent Travis Franke will be on hand from 12-1pm for an informal Question and Answer Session. Bring your gardening questions and go home with the answers. Learn more about gardening in Guadalupe County. FREE: Attendees are welcome to bring a lunch. AgriLife Extension Office, 210 East Live Oak Street, Seguin. For more information call 830-303-3889.

**February 4, Thursday.** The 31st Annual Fort Bend Regional Vegetable Conference will be at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds, Bldg. B&C, 4310 Hwy. 36 S., Rosenberg, TX 77471. For details call (281) 342-3034.

**February 11, Monday.** Effects on Insect Ecology: How You Can Help. 10am - Noon. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-Travis County, 1600-B Smith Road, Austin, 2 CEUs/session. Monthly seminars, Feb through June, on Dealing With Drought in the Landscape will help you learn ways to help your landscape and garden perform while conserving, preserving, and protecting our water resources. $10/ seminar fee. For questions contact Sue Carrasco (512) 854-9610.

**February 18, Thursday.** Bulbs for San Antonio – Bexar Couty MG Educational Seminar & General Meeting, 3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208, San Antonio, 1-4pm. 2 CEUs; free. Sandy Justice will present a program on how to select the kinds of bulbs that will grow in San Antonio on how to plant and propagate them, and where to find them for starters. For more information call 210-699-0663.

**February 19, Friday.** Comal Master Gardener Association’s Fifth Spring Seminar is just a short time away. Plan to join us for very special speakers, a tasty lunch, informative handouts, and fun! We invite you to attend “Plants for all Seasons—The Marvelous Monocots, A to Z”. 8:50 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Check-in is 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. The seminar will include such topics as bulbs, ornamental grasses, daylilies, orchids, and more. To contact us, please email seminar@ComalMasterGardeners.org.

**February 22-23, Monday-Tuesday.** Landscape Design School, Course IV (register now for reduced fee)– George Bush Presidential Library and Museum, 1000 George Bush Dr W, College Station, TX 77845. 12 CEUs. Learn from professional landscape architects and horticulturists about how successful landscapes are designed. This is one of four different courses which can be taken in any sequence. Master Gardeners may receive a certificate and designation as a Landscape Design Steward upon completing all four, indicating knowledge in the area of landscape design. Registration fee: $145 by Feb 1 and $165 after. For questions contact Michele Wehrheim (313) 649-1067.
**February 27, Saturday.** Landscape Chores To Do Now. Milberger’s Landscape Nursery, 3920 N Loop 1604 E, San Antonio. 10:30am to Noon. 1.5 CEUs. Spring is just around the corner, so what needs to be pruned, fertilized, mulched, planted, etc. in your landscape, lawns and garden? Visit with David Rodriguez, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Horticulturist, who will show you the what & how!

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**March 14, Monday.** Lunch and Learn on Texas Superstar Plants. GVEC Community Room, 908 Curtis St., Schertz. Noon to 1PM. Learn about the Texas Superstar Program, a collaboration of AgriLife Extension, Texas A&M AgriLife Research and the state’s commercial nursery industry. Find out who determines the plants chosen and the criteria used in earning the superstar designation. Find out about the 18 annuals, 16 perennials, 7 annuals, 6 woody shrubs, 5 trees, and 12 specialty plants (including vegetables and fruits). Presented by Bob Cox and John Lewicki and the Guadalupe County Master Gardeners. Attendees are welcome to bring a lunch and free handouts will be available.

**March 17, Thursday.** What to Grow in the Shade. BCMG General Meeting & Program. 3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 208, San Antonio. 6-8:30pm. 1.5 CEUs. Free. BCMG meeting begins with a social time at 6pm followed by the special presentation at 6:30pm. Dotty Woodson will help us learn what we can grow in the shade. For more information, call 210-699-0663.

**March 19, Saturday.** Spring Vegetable Seminar. Fanick’s Garden Center Inc., 1025 Holmgreen Rd, San Antonio. 10:30am to Noon. David Rodriguez, Agri-life Extension Service, will show you how to properly plant, grow and harvest your vegetables. David has a ton of experience in gardening and would love to share his knowledge of and passion for vegetables with you. Seminar is free but any donations to the Children’s garden is welcome. 1.5 CEUs for MGs. For more information visit Fanick’s website: [http://www.fanicknursery.com/Upcoming%20Events.htm](http://www.fanicknursery.com/Upcoming%20Events.htm).

**April 16, Saturday.** Annual Grafting Seminar. Fanick’s Garden Center Inc., 1025 Holmgreen Rd, San Antonio. 9am to Noon. Dr. Larry Stein from the Agri-life Extension Service will show you how and why fruit, nut and citrus trees are grafted. Learn all the different grafting techniques like inlay, four flap, cleft, approach grafts and some of the budding techniques like chip budding and t-budding. You will also learn about the overall care of your fruit, nut and citrus trees before and after you graft them. This seminar is very popular so arrive early for best parking and seating. Seminar is free. .3 CEUs for MGs. For more information visit Fanick’s website: [http://www.fanicknursery.com/Upcoming%20Events.htm](http://www.fanicknursery.com/Upcoming%20Events.htm).
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February Meeting
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