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GUADALUPE GARDENER

A monthly publication of the Guadalupe County Master Gardeners in cooperation with the Texas A&M AgriLifeExtension, Guadalupe County

Reminders for July

- Fourth of July Parade, come and represent GCMG!
- Half of the year is already gone!!! Are you where you want to be?
- Urgent need for a Christmas Tree Decorating Lead.
- Urgent need for a President Elect!!
- Urgent need for Technology Support Lead.
- Urgent need for a Fall Plant Sales Lead.
- Upcoming need for GC Master Gardener Booth support for the County Fair (2nd Weekend in Oct).

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Letter from the President

Hello my gardening friends!

Happy July! Summer and its heat have definitely come to play! It was so awesome to see so many of you at the Summer Social this last month! Congrats again to all that finished the class and/or received your Master Gardener certificate! I can't wait to get to know you better and work with you in the future! I urge you to continue your journey with us as a Master Gardener and help us share gardening with our communities.

I hope you are having an amazing summer and enjoying your time with family like I am. We went on a cruise with extended family, my youngest kid went to VBS, we're going searching for gold and metal detecting with my grandpa this week, and my oldest kids are going to Boy Scout Camp the first week of July.



I had a super proud momma gardener moment this past month. Shown in the picture beside me on the left is one of my sons, Alexander Puckett. My mom grabbed a quick photo of us after a workday on his project there. They have a beautiful Pride of Barbados plant already in the garden. He is almost done with his Eagle Scout project, a pollinator garden, at the Intermediate School Garden here in La Vernia.



Have a fantastic July and enjoy your time with your family and friends! I hope to see you at the July 4th parade too! Make sure to check out our calendars to see what other events we have going on this month. **If you need to reach me, the best way is by text. My number is 972-768-6558. You can also email me at sparrowpuckett@gmail.com.**

-Sarah Puckett, 2024 GCMG President

Membership Corner for June 2024

Total certified members: 138

There were no drawings since there was no meeting due to the Summer Social.

2024 VMS Member Reporting Summary

| Month | # Reporting Vol Hours | # Reporting 5+ Vol Hrs | Vol Hours | CE Hours | Contacts | Total Hours |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Jan | 50 | 32 | 930 | 91 | 0 | 1021 |
| Feb | 64 | 38 | 1011.7 | 93.5 | 136 | 1105.2 |
| Mar | 63 | 44 | 1216.05 | 178.4 | 299 | 1394.45 |
| Apr | 73 | 54 | 1301.2 | 88.35 | 298 | 1389.55 |
| May | 70 | 45 | 1008.9 | 153.9 | 119 | 1162.8 |
| 2024 Totals | | | 5467.85 | 605.15 | 852 | 6073 |
| 2023 Totals | | | 14756.5 | 1709.15 | 1422 | 16465.65 |
| 2022 Totals | | | 10730.85 | 1377.75 | 2731 | 12108.6 |

Members who Volunteered 25+ Hours Last Month:

| | | |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Dale Odvody | April Rippel | Mark "Bo" Bollinger |
| Janice Knobles | Paul Prince | Tim Steele |
| Bill Nodine | Melinda Lucas | Denise Leverich |
| Beth Henry | David Koepp | |

100 Hour Club for 2024:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Paul Carter | Beth Henry | Denise Leverich |
| Paul Prince | David Koepp | Melinda Lucas |
| Ernestine Sykes | Ann Odvody | Carol Suchan |
| Janice Knobles | Mark "Bo" Bollinger | Anne Ottenad |
| Claire Huebinger | Wendy Salazar | Rodney Burton |

200 Hour Club for 2024:

Tim Steele

Benna Hunter

300 Hour Club for 2024:

Dale Odvody

April Rippel

500 Hour Club for 2024:

Bill Nodine

VMS Tip: Don't forget to enter your hours in VMS at least every week, but no later than the end of the month! The county and state use this information! Need help? Email Denise at dleverich965@gmail.com.



Is there someone you'd like to recognize for making a difference? Give a starfish to another person at the next membership meeting!

VMS Tip: Effective January 2025, the Volunteer and CE hours required for recertification will increase to 20 Volunteer hours and 10 CE hours. Log your hours in VMS every week!!

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Membership Corner

Summer Social



A great assortment of delicious food, including some amazing sour dough breads from some very talented ladies.



Spring (or Summer) was in the air as everyone showed off their colorful outfits and waited for the evening fashion show.



Membership Corner

Summer Social



A big thanks to Ingrid who provided the pictures of the evening.

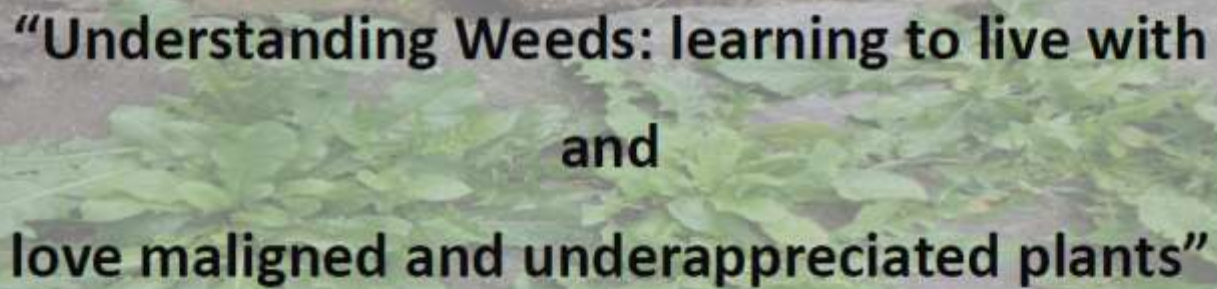
Membership Corner



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Guadalupe County Master Gardeners
July Membership Meeting July 18, 2024

Andy Blair Biologist



“Understanding Weeds: learning to live with
and
love maligned and underappreciated plants”

5:45 Social Time

6:15 Business Meeting

7:00 Speaker

Guests WELCOME!

210 Live Oak St, Seguin Texas



Ask the Master Gardeners.

Clara Mae Marcotte and Ernestine Sykes are the Ask A Master Gardener GCMGs with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. Questions will be answered by these Master Gardeners at 830-379-1972 or the website guadalupecountymastergardeners.org. Ernestine Sykes can also be reached at the Master Gardener research library, located at 210 East Live Oak Street in Seguin, that is open Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (or contact her by text at 210-544- 0756),

Q: Every time I walk along Nolte St. to the bookstore in Seguin, I see a lovely plant with large three lobed leaves and scarlet flowers. It seems to freeze in the winter but always comes back. Tell me about it.

A: You are looking at *Jatropha Integerrima*, also called Spicy *Jatropha*, Chaya, Firecracker *Jatropha*, or Peregrine (pictured at right). In our area it does freeze but comes back. Further south it grows to a shrub or small tree. The compact version reaches three to five feet. Texas A&M lists this plant as a Texas Superstar since it withstands heat, is able to withstand a wide range of soil pH in well-drained soil, and has few insects or diseases. In addition to all that, *Jatropha* is a really good looking plant. Its flowers attract hummingbirds and butterflies, including monarchs, swallowtails and zebra heliconia. However, as with many of our Texas plants, you should not eat any of its parts.



Q: I love the look of tropical plants, but I hate the fact that they can freeze. What are some of the plants that can be grown around here and how can I keep from losing them in the winter?

A: First of all, remember that we can treat the tropical plants as annuals the same way we grow Snapdragons in the fall and early spring, and we grow vinca and zinnias in the late spring and summer. Our local nurseries are already helping by putting Bougainvillea and Mandevilla in hanging baskets as well as Hibiscus in large pots. And then, of course, many of the tropical plants will come back after a freeze such as Lantana, Verbena, Esperanza, Thryallis, Oleander, Hamelia (aka Firebush), and Mexican Bird of Paradise. Personally, I find it a relief to have some plants freeze back otherwise I would constantly be trying to keep them off my roof. I cut back frozen Esperanza and Hamelia every spring.

You might try container gardening in the summer. One of my neighbors plants Hibiscus every spring in the planters alongside his mailbox. My son has a large blooming *Acanthus Mollis* in a pot on his patio. I have two Plumeria in pots that I have babied for years. You just need to remember to water, and to take them in before a freeze (or be prepared to treat them as annuals and replant each year).

The secret to getting the best results from container gardening is to use good potting soil (and, of course, to water). I change the soil in the large planters at the library when I plant the spring plants, and again when I plant the winter plants. And, I use the best potting soil that I can find at our local nursery. There is no sense putting work, time, and money into something and then using poor materials.

FYI: Remember that the magic word for July is “water” and not just for plants. Keep your small ponds and birdbaths filled for the birds, squirrels, and other wild animals around your house.

Check us out on
facebook

GCMG FACEBOOK COMMUNITY

Our community has been busy. We added 126 new members. Welcome all. They want to learn about herbs, vegetables, how to start kitchen gardens and what to do in the garden in the heat.

Our top posts were from Adileni Parker, Tee Young, Rosalinda Robinson, and Frank Rippel. Thank you all.

What To Plant In July

Pumpkin seeds, Southern Peas, Okra, and Sweet Corn

How To Make A Kitchen Garden

1. Start a kitchen garden in a sunny spot close to your home (kitchen).
2. Companion plants are important in a kitchen garden.
3. Make sure you have easy access to water for your plants in your kitchen garden.
4. Amend soil as needed.
5. Plant what you and your family enjoy.
6. Parsley, Marjoram, Thyme, Oregano, Basil, Chives, and Cilantro grow well in a kitchen garden.
7. When cooler, add Loose Leaf Lettuce, Spinach, Kale, and Swiss Chard.
8. When warm, add Tomato, Cucumber, and Beans.
9. Water as needed.
10. If needed, use slow release fertilizer or liquid fertilizer.

Enjoy Your Harvest

Monthly Funny

*Why didn't the gardener plant any herbs?
Because he couldn't find THYME.*

Thank you to all who contribute. Please continue to post photos of your gardens, garden hacks and questions.

We all learn from each other.

Enjoy Your Gardens.

Take Care,
Kathy Adams

The Wandering Gardeners

Boldt Castle

Alexandria Bay, NY

By: Melinda J Lucas

While on a boat tour through the Thousand Islands in St. Lawrence River in New York, we stopped at Boldt Castle, also known as Heart Island, for a tour. These Islands were coveted by the elite residents of upstate New York in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

The Boldt Castle was built by George C. Bolt, who was the proprietor of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York, in honor of his wife Louis and their children. Unfortunately, due to the death of his wife in 1904, after four years of construction, the island was abandoned for 73 years. In 1977 the island and the vandalized castle were acquired by the Thousand Islands Bridge Authorities who restored the Castle to its original splendor.

Though the Castle is breathtaking, and everything you would expect a castle to be, my heart and I eyes are always in the garden. This island does not disappoint. So many lush plants and well maintained gardens. I loved the layout and designs. There was a water garden as well as carefully trimmed topiaries and colorful vegetation. It's not difficult at all to comprehend why people wanted to build their homes on these islands.



The Italian Gardens with their large statues are very elegant and beautiful and are perfect for weddings.

The Wandering Gardeners



It's your turn to be a wandering gardener!

Have you visited a garden that wowed you and you would like to share it with others? Please submit your short article of three or four short paragraphs, in Word format, and up to 8 of your favorite photos that you took during your visit, to Melinda Lucas at MelLucas78218@gmail.com. Please only submit photos that you personally took in order to avoid copyright issues.

The submissions will be put in order by how they are received, and you will be notified what month the article will be published. .

There are many wonderful places to visit and enjoy. Happy traveling.

Melinda J Lucas
Newsletter Publisher

NPSOT

There are no NPSOT
meetings for July or August.
Happy 4th of July. See you in
September!



Continuing Education

Education Director Report – Jun 10, 2024, whn

I will be just Cruising Around
Icon of the Seas: World's largest cruise ship



William H. Nodine
2024 GCMG, Education Director



✚ Education Hours Snapshot of Jun - 140 certified Members

12% have "0" hours – 17 Members ↓ 25
15.5% have "1+" hours – 22 Members ↓ 26
20% have "2.5+" hours – 29 Members ↓ 44
52.5% have "6+" hours- 72 Members ↑ 39

✚ 1st and 2nd Quarter Educational Program Effectiveness Analysis Report

This 1st and 2nd Quarter Horticulture Education Programs was targeted towards approximately 552 homeowners and gardeners. The following results were determined by participant surveys.

Learning Results:

- 92% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/ knowledge of (Prepare a Garden for Spring)
- 90% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/knowledge of (Composting)
- 96% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/knowledge of (Texas Superstars)
- 90% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/knowledge of (Vegetable Pests in the Garden)
- 98% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/knowledge of (Container Gardening)
- 95% of all respondents who increased their level of understanding/knowledge of (Growing Herbs in Texas))

Continuing Education Lunch and Learn



Hosted by **Guadalupe County Master Gardeners**
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - Serving Texas' Needs

Presents: **Aquatic Entomology**

Bring your favorite lunch and learn from one of our favorite AgriLife Extension Office Entomologist at this free seminar and open to the Public.

*Learn about **Aquatic Entomology**, the study of insects that live some portion of their life cycle in the water. These insects feed in the same ways as other insects, but some diving insects, such as predatory diving beetles, can hunt for food underwater where land-living insects cannot compete. Aquatic insects have key morphological adaptations to assist them in this habitat*

July 10, 2024, from 12:00 – 1:00 pm

AgriLife Building, 210 E. Live
Oak, Seguin, Tx 78155



**PRAIRIE VIEW
A&M UNIVERSITY**



Guest Speaker Nathan Hermond

Nathan Hermond is an entomologist with a bachelor's degree from New Mexico State University. His primary focus is spreading awareness of Integrated Pest Management benefits, the importance of Pollinators and creating a positive view of insects.

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Continuing Education

Library Lunch and Learns

There are no July lunch and learns scheduled at the Seguin Library or the Schertz Library for the month of July.

GCMG Class 40 Registration

The application for Class 40 Master Gardener Training Class is available at the following link:
[Info and Application Click Here](#)

Continuing Education



Speaker Bureau Shadow Program

The shadow program is a form of on-the-job training where an intern learns by closely observing a more experienced Speaker Bureau member. This program will allow an intern to follow and observe a speaker as they go about the presentation tasks, this includes the Administrator duties and the setup of the registration booth. Participants gain practical, firsthand experience with the routines, tasks, and collaboration of these positions. Observers can acquire new skills and knowledge during shadowing. They can see how tasks are

performed efficiently and gain practical experience problem solving techniques, and best practices. **Shadowing Builds Confidence** in the observer, as they witness successful execution of educational programs, and then become more comfortable with their own abilities.

If interested in the Shadow Program, please contact William Nodine: william.nodine@att.net Cell 210-607-0045

Earth-Kind On-Line Master Gardener Training:

If you need hours, or want to learn more about growing plants, please check out the Earth-Kind® On-Line Master Gardener Training, by clicking <https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/training/> and then choosing the topics that you are interested in.

This program is designed to provide information on a variety of environmentally friendly (Earth-Kind®) practices for use in the home landscape and garden. As your interest and knowledge in this area grows you will have an increased awareness of the many programs, practices and activities that are Earth-Kind®.

Texas Master Gardeners can select from any of these on-line modules to obtain up to 3 hours of recertification education credits in a calendar year. Each module is worth 1 hour of credit. Master Gardeners are not encouraged to seek re-certification credit for training modules they have completed in previous years.

Progress through the training program is tracked “on-line” and the results for each completed module are automatically forwarded to your county Master Gardener Coordinator.

Participation in the Earth-Kind® On-Line Master Gardener Training will assist Texas AgriLife Extension Service to promote principles and practices that help conserve and protect our state’s valuable natural resources. Working together we can create a healthy and sustainable environment.

Continuing Education

Please check out the following websites for Continuing Education opportunities:

- Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, Austin TX <https://www.wildflower.org/events/2024-07/>
- Plant Party 9: Planting a Seed worth 1.5 hrs https://youtu.be/DFi7_JZUzoY
- The Natural Gardener, 8646 Old Bee Caves Rd, Austin, TX <https://tngaustin.com/classes/202407>
- San Antonio Botanical Gardens, San Antonio, TX <https://www.sabot.org/calendar/>
- Rainbow Gardens, San Antonio, TX <https://www.rainbowgardens.biz/events/>
- Green Jays Garden Center, 100 Elm Grove Rd, Seguin, TX <https://www.greenjaygardens.com/basic-01> (please check website for classes and details).
- Bexar County Master Gardeners, San Antonio, TX has quite a few upcoming continuing education opportunities. Please check out the list below and sign up at: <https://bexarmg.org/events/2024-07/>

Extension programs educate Texans in the areas of agriculture, environmental stewardship, health and wellness, youth and adult life skills, human capital and leadership, and community economic development and offers the knowledge resources of the land-grant university system to educate Guadalupe County residents for self-improvement, individual action and community problem solving. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension is a statewide educational agency and a member of the Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), linked in a unique partnership with the nationwide Cooperative Extension System and Texas county governments. The following videos are for your viewing and completion of CE Hours.

Home Garden Series: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjqPKX68x1S5BK_6TGI_LYle3_XUiPjzz

Horticulture & Gardening Webinar Series with David Rodriguez:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjqPKX68x1S4J6Urb7-JiyXOCT7Mhtats>

Entomology Webinar Series with Molly Keck:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjqPKX68x1S50uWVbqYzV3k2nfmxA_9g

Continuing Education



It is too hot to breath outside, so now is a great time to sit in the a/c and catch up on your continuing education hours!!!!

There are many wonderful and informative YouTube videos by Wizzie Brown and others that are available. Each count as one hour of Continuing Education. Check out some of the following:

- “Entomophagy” by Wizzie Brown <https://youtu.be/Nd9lZnAYKdk>
- “Kissing Bugs” by Wizzie Brown https://youtu.be/u1vW_BgoxZY
- “Managing Mosquitos” by Wizzie Brown <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95H0aMKQTOU>
- “Controlling Drain Flies, house flies and Fungus Gnats” by Wizzie Brown https://youtu.be/6fKN9_JRXrQ
- “Trees and Tree Care” by Mary Beth Parsons <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2UJWi5Cr84>
- “Getting your Roses Ready for Spring” by Peggy Jones : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DdHVg-1848M>
- “Red Imported Fire Ant Management” by Wizzie Brown: https://youtu.be/aN_Rzm4m7KU
- “Fleas” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/Cpy6AGbC9sY>
- “Turf Entomology” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/qKTeoz7EnGw>
- “Bed Bugs” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/l8Apg7AllNk>
- “Spider ID” by Wizzie Brown: https://youtu.be/5_xmBOgoMF4
- “Arachnids other than Spiders” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/Via1jYHGCYI>
- “Insects to watch for” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/G31-9N9RoZw>
- “Insect Damage” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/9oeGiE6BpRM>
- “Pesticide Safety” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/fUY2zqpNNcl>
- “Stinging Arthropods of Summer” by Wizzie Brown: <https://youtu.be/a9lbZxP8Txs>
- “Summer Insects: Pests for Hot Dry Conditions” by Wizzie Brown: https://youtu.be/QCvBu_t_CEE
- “Rose Insects” by Wizzie Brown: https://youtu.be/xvrR4X_dRzM
- “Vermiculture” by Peter Joseph Hernandez: <https://youtu.be/azWVXveYt9k>
- “Herbology Witching Spells Part 1” From the Master Naturalists: <https://youtu.be/-ZpGxGhPclo>
- “Herbology Witching Spells, Part 2” From the Master Naturalists: https://youtu.be/YgYfqW_VP9w

Special Volunteer Opportunities

Winter Social and Christmas Tree Decorating Lead

**** We are still looking for a POC for the winter social & a Christmas Tree Decorating Lead. Please let Sarah Puckett know if you would be interested in learning more about either of these roles. These are great opportunities for those of you who have had a difficult time acquiring the necessary hours to recertify.

Team Leader in Charge of Recruiting

The GCMG Class Coordinator is looking for a volunteer to be the Team Leader in charge of recruiting. Responsibilities include passing out class flyers and applications to the public, posting flyers throughout Seguin, working with the Communications Director to get advertisements put in local papers, and helping the other Team Leaders recruit volunteers.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Paul Carter at 830-481-0817 or mepcarter11@gmail.com. If no answer, please leave a message and your call will be returned.

Filming Volunteer

Wanted: volunteers who are interested in recording Continuing Education presentations and membership meetings.

If you have photography or any camcorder experience, please contact Paul Prince at 559-259-4317 or email Phrogtoo@Yahoo.com.

Special Volunteer Opportunities



Seed Exchange Update<

We still have many heritage and ornamental plant seeds available. Please feel free to come and browse through our inventory and take some seeds home to germinate. We would love for you to share your seed success with us both now and in the future, but that is up to you!

Hours are: Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in the upstairs Master Gardener research library/office of the AgriLife building in Seguin. Text me if you have questions or want to volunteer to help!

Your seed exchange manager,
Ernestine Sykes
210-544-0756

Volunteer Opportunities

Please check with the listed point of contact before showing up. Times and days may change at any time due to a number of reasons.

Scheduled Workday on Mondays:

- Marion** - Marion Veterans Community Garden. Mondays 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Contact Carol Suchan at 210-870-4880, or email her at ladywithdonkey@yahoo.com or Anne Ottenad at 210-860-3636 or email her at Ron.anne.ottenad@gmail.com. This is an open park and always needs weeds pulled. Once you know what needs to be done, you would be able to work any time or day that is convenient for your schedule. The park is located at 100 W Huebinger St. in Marion.
- Seguin** — Park West Pollinator Garden, 600 Block of North Vaughn Ave. Maintenance of the pollinator garden and care of new plants. Bring gardening tools, water, hat, sunscreen, insect spray and wear appropriate gardening shoes. Hours are Mondays from 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Contact Liz Romero, fleurromero@gmail.com

Scheduled Workdays on Tuesdays & Fridays:

- Schertz** - Guadalupe County Demonstration Garden, 1101 Elbel Road, behind the County Annex Building. Time is 8:00 a.m.-11.00. Check with Ann Odvody at odvodyd@swbell.net or 210-994-9664. (Always in need of help.)

Scheduled Workdays on Wednesdays:

- Seguin** - MG Office/Library/Seed Exchange, 210 E Live Oak, is open from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are always needed. Contact Ernestine Sykes at ejackson.sykes@gmail.com or 210-544-0756. The office number is 830-379-1972.
- Seguin** - St Andrew's Community Garden, located at the corner of Nolte and Crocket Street. Every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. to weed, plant and edge. Please contact Ernestine Sykes at ejackson.sykes@gmail.com or 210-544-0756.

Volunteer Opportunities

Scheduled Workdays on Fridays:

- **Seguin** — Big Red Barn Gardens, 390 Cordova Road. Start time is 7:30 a.m. for the summer hours and 8:15 a.m. for the winter hours. Check with Janice Knobles at 210-275-4402 or email jmknobles@yahoo.com

Scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays and possibly other days

- **Schertz**—Gutierrez Park 1231 Borgfeld Rd, Schertz, TX. Times vary. Help needed with watering in the a.m. and p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information or details, contact Judy Stanley at jstanley20@satx.rr.com or call her at (830) 765-4613, or, Caroline Moody at 210-710-3829 or at carolinemoody58@gmail.com .

Monday thru Friday Opportunities

- **Floresville**—Creech Prairie Farm, 1467 County Road 401. Please email for an appointment: Robert Creech at Robert@Creechprairiesrestoration.org or Melinda Creech at Melinda@Creechprairiesrestoration.org



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Guadalupe County Master Gardeners <http://www.guadalupecountymastergardeners.org>, or <https://gcmgtx.org/> 830-379-1972 Ext 210

Guadalupe County Texas A&M Agrilife Extension <http://guadalupe.agrilife.org/> 830-379-1972

Texas Master Gardeners <http://txmg.org>

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REMINDER

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Christmas Tree Decorating - **Vacant**

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