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# Urban Dirt

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Master Gardener Spring Event

## A Celebration of Butterflies & Other Garden Friends

Saturday April 21, 2001  
8:00am to 2:00pm

**Featuring Annuals & Perennials to attract Butterflies & other garden friends to your garden.**

**Presentations  
Demonstrations  
Activities for the Kiddos.**

See enclosed brochure for more info and sign up form.

## Bill Notes

*By Bill Adams*



Many thanks to all of the Master Gardeners that volunteered to help at the Fruit tree sale and Team Tomato!! These events were both successful efforts this year! It takes a lot of work to set up tents, haul plants and then put everything back and clean up. The plant sale with demonstrations seems to be a very popular format and it cuts down on the need

for the extensive pre-publicity that is needed to pre-register folks for a symposium.

The Millennium Garden gets more interesting every day. Lots of flowers are beginning to show and new buds are breaking out everywhere. Joe Thompson is working on a bridge to span the east end and Diane Ballentine is still planting daylilies. We have lots of compost to move yet. Dave Mason would be glad to have another strong back or two, three or four.

Clyde Cannon continues to develop the nursery area and he has found a new site for a rose bed just north of the vegetable garden. Grady and



Virginia Joiner are closing in on the final stages of the new bog garden.

The orchard is showing some potential this year. At least everything is blooming up a storm. Now we have to thin the fruit, spray for insects and diseases, then hope the weather doesn't short-circuit our efforts. No wonder farming doesn't appeal to most people these days.

The April Flowers symposium isn't far off—April 21, in fact. It should be a very interesting program with emphasis on butterflies and hummingbirds. I'm sure Frances will have lots more to say about this event in her column. Of course, we will feature plants in the plant sale that attract wildlife to the garden.

So far this has been a great spring season. Maybe we will enjoy more flowers and harvest more vegetables than usual this year! ✂



## President's Thoughts

By Kenneth Dorman, MG President

*"Plants, just like people, have their own individual needs. If you impose your own desires on them, it will violate their true natures and they will suffer and die. Accept and nourish their individuality, and your support will nurture them."* - 12 Lessons on Life I Learned From My Garden by Vivian Elisabeth Glyck.

They may not actually die, but they will certainly complain and not perform, as we would hope. We all know instances where we have decided that we can grow a plant where we want it instead of where it should be and have seen it either wither and die or languish and refuse to bloom or produce the crop it should. How often the same occurs in our relationships with our

fellow humans. We judge how we would have others be and then wonder what happened. We forget that what we give is what we get. A smile, given with love, produces a smile, just as a flower planted in the proper spot in the garden and nourished with the proper care and love produces the most beautiful bloom.

The Harris County Master Garden Association is a volunteer organization. This is a commonly known fact. We do what we do within the organization because we want to. We work in the greenhouse, the herb garden, the millennium garden, cook hamburgers, prepare for and clean up after all the hamburgers, dessert meetings and dinner meetings, dig in the ground or just come and enjoy the companionship of wonderful people. We do it because we want to! I think there is another reason a lot of people participate in this venture. We are looking for the satisfaction that comes from utilizing our free time helping others. There are so many, many opportunities available to us to assist in gardening programs throughout the county. In the past we have mostly looked at improving the grounds and gardens at Bear Creek, and we have done this wonderfully, but now we have the chance to move the organization into more participation in other areas of the county.

George Williams heads a committee composed of Mary Lynn Randall, Theron McLaren, Glen Graves and myself that makes suggestions on how to help outside groups that want to build gardens. So far they have been mostly for vegetable gardens, but requests for other types have been received and dealt with. Jan Gisler recently helped a local HISD school with a planting scheme that changed a common Houston planting plan into an imaginative, native plant format. Bill Adams and I met last week with a drug/alcohol rehab center to design a vegetable garden in the Fifth Ward. Yesterday I had a call from a woman associated with a religious group that has about a city block of vacant land also in the Fifth Ward. They may be looking for help utilizing this land to benefit the residents of the area. Our own Joyce Flott is beginning to

## Upcoming Events

**April 17, 2001**  
**Extension Office**  
**Master Gardener Monthly Meeting**

6:30 p.m. - Desserts  
 7:00 p.m. - "The Art of Growing Orchids" by Evelyn Robinson, Master Gardener

**April 21, 2001**  
**Extension Office**  
**April Flowers Spring Symposium**

Annual spring plant sale and demonstrations. This year's focus is plants to attract hummingbird and butterflies. There will be lots of plants, demonstrations and even activities for kids. Volunteer help always needed. (Call Stephanie to sign up: 281- 855-5600.)

**May 15, 2001**  
**Extension Office**  
**Master Gardener Monthly Meeting**

6:30 p.m. - Desserts  
 7:00 p.m. - "Beekeeping" by Melody Mixon

**Tuesdays Mornings**  
**8:00, Extension Office**  
**Tuesdays Workdays**

Get your volunteer hours in, make friends and enjoy the garden.

**First Tuesday of the Month**  
**Lunch, Extension Office**  
**Hamburger Tuesday**

After a rewarding morning of activity in the garden, enjoy a home-cooked burger and an informative presentation.

Apr. – *Michael Bettler*  
 Herbs

May. – *Greg Harmison of Mercer Arboretum*  
 Carnivorous Plants.



# From the Editor's

## Desk...aka Carol's Commentary

### Urban Dirt Goes Monthly!

All articles **now** need to be submitted to me by the **15<sup>th</sup> of the month**. Anyone can submit an article or idea for a column. If you would like to make a submission to the Urban Dirt, please email it as **text or attachment** to [c-cammack@tamu.edu](mailto:c-cammack@tamu.edu). Non - electronic submissions should be typed on white paper using large fonts, with no extraneous markings. Mail, fax or drop these items in the Editor's Box at the Extension Office 2 Abercrombie Dr. Houston, TX 77077. Fax: 281-855-5638.

**The next issue will be May 2001. The submission cutoff date is Apr 15, 2001.**

plan a garden for another church group. These are in addition to the gardens in progress at present.

Quite frankly, folks, we could use some help with these projects. The one Bill and I went to last week, the Bonita Street House Of Hope, is building a garden using a design by Glen Graves, supervised by me, with funds provided by one of their benefactors, Ralph Marek, of Marek Brothers Company. The labor is going to be provided by "volunteers" that I suspect are persons assigned by the State to do community service, and when possible by the residents of the rehab center. No one here has very much experience in any type of gardening, BUT I will tell you that the director of Bonita Street House Of Hope, Tyrone Evans, is a man that will prevail. Even on short acquaintance he exhibits a presence that is a pleasure to be around. The work here will only be to supervise the vegetable gardens on a once a week basis. The hope is that working in the garden will provide some measure of inner peace for the people at Bonita Street as well as furnishing them with fresh produce. Surely we have someone that would benefit from supervising this garden. I am already benefiting from working in the Christian Community Service Center garden. Please call George Williams or myself.

The Spring Symposium is coming up shortly. We have a new chairperson this year, Deba Cox, and she will need the usual help, sales people, cash takers, ticket writers, casual laborers like me, persons of

skill like Joe Thompson and so on. The main theme this year is butterflies, as has already been expressed, with an impressive program put together by Frances Robeson. Thank goodness for Frances. I have no imagination for programs of this type and she has saved me three times so far in my administration. Thank goodness also for Deba Cox. She has the courage to take on a difficult project that has always been handled by one of the "old timers" and with not a lot of help from me since I have never been associated with the Spring Sale. This is one of our largest fundraisers and certainly one of the most important.

We need some way to adequately acknowledge the folks that do the grunt labor at Bear Creek. Of course, the first would be Bill Adams. He really works! But, I think he actually is enjoying his work more than he ever did before. Bill, are you sure you want to leave all this free enterprise? Then, there is, well, I just don't have the room to name them all right now, but we are going to do that very thing. Write down the names of the people you think work the hardest and need some recognition and turn them in to me. We can also use some suggestions on how to acknowledge these folks.

It rained one and one quarter inches at my house while I was writing this. The weather went from dark and dreary to bright and sunny. Actually, it took a little longer than the rain to finish, but I hope both operations came out sunny. Rest in your garden in peace and joy. ☺

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# The Flower Garden

by Jennifer  
Lowenthal

Springtime is one of the best times of the year for all gardeners. But for the flower gardeners, we savor the springtime. Imagine the sun touching your face as you step outside for your morning stroll through the garden. The dew is clinging to the leaves and petals of your precious blooming plants. Soon there will be loads of color popping up all over the place. Looking down you see your first bumble bee of the year, finally you think. Then you feel a cool breeze that brushes your hair and face. You take a deep breath and wish you could stay home and work in the garden all morning. Just thinking about it makes me want to get away from my computer, go outside and get my hands dirty. Springtime always gives me a new rush of energy to get busy with all of the projects that I dreamed up over the winter months.



The gardens are looking really great. We are delighted to walk through the garden viewing many plants that bring us nothing but bloom after bloom. I have to admit we did have one show-stopper: Ranunculus. This is a must have for all spring color flower beds. We planted some gold and deep rose colored ranunculus that looked absolutely fabulous. We are going to plant twice as many next year. If you are inclined to try this one, plant them in November and they will be a wonderful conversation plant in time for March. We did learn to let the plants have enough room to spread out or they will not grow and flower.

And again I have to mention the Dianthus 'Melody Pink' is still blooming and holding up well to all the weird weather that we have been having lately. This is an All American Plant and it shows. It has not stopped blooming in 8 months straight.

This is the best plant that we have in the garden. A new plant that I mentioned in the January issue of the Urban Dirt is the Verbena 'Peaches and Cream'. We now have it in the ground which means by the time you receive this newsletter it should be blooming. I can't wait to see this one. We also have the newly planted Tritoma, otherwise known as Red Hot Pokers. I expect this plant to be a great addition to the garden. We will see how it can handle our Red Hot Summers.

We are still waiting for the Lisianthus to get bigger and bloom. I know it will be beautiful when they do decide to grace us with flowers. Just be a little more patient is what I have to keep telling myself. Until then, I'll work on one of the many gardening projects I have been dreaming about. ☘

## Hamburger Tuesday Update



By Mary Ann Wagner

The first Tuesday of March found Carol Cammack showing us how to make beautiful arrangements with flowers she had purchased at Sam's Club. She spent the morning trimming shrubs in the Extension gardens to use as contrast in her bouquets. With all these materials, she put together three arrangements that inspired all of us. Now when we splurge on flowers for our homes, we will be able to do more than drop them in a container. Carol showed us the secrets of the pros. It was a fun and informative program.

In April, Michael Bettler will discuss growing herbs in Houston. Michael grows and sells herbs at Lucia's Garden. He has also designed and planted herb gardens for various Houston restaurants.

On May 1, Greg Harmison of Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Garden will discuss carnivorous plants. This should be a very interesting program. These are not plants you will find in your average garden. After

## Upcoming Community Events

April 21, 2001

Herman Park

**John P. McGovern Lake Ribbon  
Cutting**

Come celebrate the opening of the new and improved John P. McGovern Lake. The Lake has almost doubled in size, and now includes three islands. Two islands are designed as migratory bird sanctuaries, and the third will become a route by which the famous Hermann Park miniature train will travel. Other key improvements include an underwater concrete safety apron with beautiful landscaping, an aeration system that will maintain a healthy environment for fish and wildlife, a fishing pier, a boathouse, and a boating alcove for paddleboat docking and launching. Texas Parks and Wildlife will stock the Lake in phases with fat head minnows, blue gill, fingerling largemouth bass and channel catfish. Children and senior citizens will be able to fish starting late spring of 2002. For more information, contact 713-524-5876.

April 27 & 28, 2001

9am – 4pm

Kingwood Area

**GardenScape Garden Tour**

A spring garden tour of 6 private yards in the Kingwood Area. Tickets are available at Chantilly's, Kroger (N. Park) and both Kingwood Randalls locations. Pre-tour price is \$6 or \$8 if tickets are purchased on the tour. There will also be a raffle, plant sale, vignettes and Master Gardener Information Tables. For more information call 281-360-5785

Greg's program, maybe some of us will want to try them.

It is time to think of some new programs. If you have a special interest and would like to share your knowledge, please let me know. If you have a subject that interests you, tell me. Please share your thoughts!

Remember the first Tuesday of the month. Join us for some gardening, a great hamburger, good companionship, and some new ideas. ☞



## Web Surfin'

by Tom H. Robb, Jr.

I've just finished sending out email about the Master Gardener monthly meeting for March. As of now we have about 600 names on the Master Gardener email list - but all of these Master Gardeners didn't receive this notice. As of now, 20 of these messages have been returned for one reason or another.

The most common reason is that the person's address is code "550" or UNKNOWN. This can happen when the member switches to another Internet Provider and doesn't pass this information on to me. This can also happen if I make a typographical error in preparing the master distribution list. And it can also happen if the member has provided the wrong address in the first place - such as "@aol.net" or "@swbell.com". Of the 20 returned messages, 11 fell under this category. And looking back to email over the past two or three weeks, most of these same names failed the test then also.

The next most common reason is code "553" or MAILBOX FULL. For some

# Regional Master Gardener Conference

The Northwest Louisiana Master Gardeners are planning a regional conference in October of this year. It will be held in Shreveport, LA at the Hollywood Hotel and Casino and the Barnwell Center. Speakers have been scheduled and registration forms, brochures will be available by mid April. For more information see the Northwest Louisiana web page at:

[www.nwlamastergardeners.org](http://www.nwlamastergardeners.org) or email [patsyslee@alo.com](mailto:patsyslee@alo.com).

time I attributed this to someone not reading their email for a long period of time - and this can still be the reason for such a return. There is also another and a more likely reason. When email is setup for a person there are a number of variations that can be employed. As I mentioned in an earlier column, I use the Mailing Program "Pegasus" but regardless of the program, much the same type of rules can be found. In "Pegasus" under Network Configuration for receiving email there are several boxes that can be checked or not checked depending upon the way the mail is to be used.

One such box controls the statement "Delete mail from host once successfully retrieved." This means that when you download your email from the server, the messages are stored in your computer and are deleted from the server. If this box is not checked, then messages keep piling up on the server and when your quota (which practically all servers assign) is reached - the BOX IS FULL and can receive no more. Now this is handy for temporary use. Say you are going out of town or maybe even to someone else's computer and you want to see if you have mail but you also want the ability to download it at your own computer at some future (near future, we hope) date. You'll remember that this feature is in place, because every time you download messages,

everything out on the server will be loaded again into your computer so you will be reminded to go out and change this mode when you don't require this feature.

However, in "Pegasus" and probably all other programs another statement that can be checked or unchecked, is "Download only unread mail". What if this box is checked and the box for the condition above is not checked? Not only will messages keep coming to your mailbox on the server but you may forget they are out there because once you have read a message by downloading it into your computer, the server won't send it to you again. And your mailbox on the server fills up until your quota is reached and you will wonder why no one is sending you any email. If you haven't gotten mail for a while, check your email settings.

Another problem is "Name Server Timeout". This problem could be caused by the server being down for some reason. Most of the time, the message will be repeated to the server for up to five days before it gives up on it. For some reason, however, some of the names listed below seem to encounter this problem each time a message is sent and usually after the five days they still haven't been delivered, so I have included their names.

I'm starting an "Email Orphan List" in which I list the names of those whose email has been returned

for one reason or another. If you spot your name on the list, please send me email at trobb@hal-pc.org and give me the correct address - by emailing me the correct address should also be in the header of the message. But be sure to email me - don't leave me a handwritten note - I may not have been able to read your address correctly the first time leading to the error.

This is the first group of "Email Orphans":

- Geralyn Cornelius
- Cathleen Davis
- Gary Edmonson
- Frances Edwards
- Jetti Fahle
- Nicole A. Fuentes
- Shirley Haller
- Barbara Johnson
- Barbara Matuzek
- Brenda Mc Williams
- Sheila and Van O'Dell - please call me by telephone
- Lori Ottman
- Carolyn Pate
- Lee Ann Romero
- Sharon Romine
- Clarence Sapp
- Terry K. Satterwhite
- Bonnie Stewart
- Dominick Trupia

In the past, after email was returned two or three times, I removed the name from the email list, so if your name is not included above and you have not been receiving mail from me at least twice a month, email me above and let me know your correct address and I will add it to the list. And by all means, if you have questions don't hesitate to call me at 713-465-5987. ✂



## Notes from the Millennium Display Garden

If you haven't visited the Millennium Display Garden, now is the time to take a stroll from one end of the garden to the other. Spring has come to the gardens, and nowhere is it more evident than in the Color Border along the south side of the garden path. Mary Lynn Randall has planted a profusion of bulbs and cool season annuals now at their peak bloom. Many of the perennials, shrubs, roses, vines and grasses planted last fall and in late winter are beginning to take shape and fill in the open spaces.

The roses in the **Heirloom Display Garden** are beautiful, and located in just the right place to stop for a sniff.

The **Part Shade Garden** has had several early season iris, bletilla and even lantana blooming for the last two weeks. The clematis are surging upward on their tetuers with promise of great things to come.

The fish in the Water Lily Pond are more active and will follow you as you stroll past, begging for a handout. The plants in the natural filtration area have filled out and are interesting to those of us who usually do more dry land gardening. The Bog Garden expansion is almost complete. Existing bog plants will be divided, and new additions to the Bog Garden will be in place for warm weather growth and bloom. Some of the iris are already in bloom, even though they are dug in temporarily. Look for the Louisiana Iris planted beside the Water Lily Pond to bloom in early to mid-April.

The Daylily Display Garden is almost ready for the mid-April through June bloom season,

and some early bloom scapes have been spotted. Watch for them to open in the next two weeks.

### DAYLILY DISPLAY GARDEN

*Diane Ballentine, Linda Mikeska, Ida Mae Morton, Coordinators*



The Daylily Display Garden has received some wonderful contemporary cultivars from several prominent contemporary daylily hybridizers. Coordinator Linda

Mikeska received a contribution from Ottis Houston and Eddy Scott of Countryside Daylilies. We have planted BELIEVE IN TOMORROW (Houston, 98), FINE INDEED (Houston, 98), GOLDEN BAUBLES (Houston, 98), OTTIS' MAGIC (Houston, 97), SUWANNEE SILK (Houston, 97), and TWO THOUSAND (Houston, 99). Eddy Scott sent his gorgeous BLUE BEGINNING (Scott, E 99), CATERED AFFAIR (Scott, E 00), KATE AKINS (Scott, E 97), and SANTA FE SPARK (Scott, E 97). You can preview these beautiful additions to the Daylily Display Garden at <http://www.countrysidedaylilies.com>

Pat and Grace Stamile of Floyd Cove Nursery generously contributed OCTOPUS HUGS (Stamile, 01), WINGS ON HIGH (Stamile, 01) and PARADISE CITY (Stamile, 01). The first two are unusual forms, and will be something to talk about when they bloom. These and other wonderful introductions from Pat and Grace Stamile can be viewed at <http://www.floydcove.com>

Jean Barnhart of Barnee Daylilies in Nacogdoches is sending us existing cultivars and some pre-registered varieties that will not be in commercial production for several years. Jean is also a show judge, a garden judge and a wonderful mentor. We welcome her exciting new cultivars to the Daylily Display Garden: JACKIE HAYES (Barnhart, 92); MAW MAW LUCILLE (Barnhart, 92); PAW DAW'S (Barnhart, 92); MAKING EYES (Barnhart, 95); DAWNA's DAWN (Barnhart, 00); HIDDEN ELEGANCE (Barnhart, 95); BEAUTY BEYOND (Barnhart, 01); ENCHANTED ECTASY (Barnhart, 02); IMPRESSIVE IMPACT (Barnhart, 02); LINGERING LULLABY (Barnhart, 01); LOVE's EXCELLING WAY (Barnhart, 02); AWESOME AWARENESS

(Barnhart, 03); TOUCH OF TRANQUILITY (Barnhart, 03); and VISUAL ENVY (Barnhart, 02).

Thanks to the generosity of these and other contributors to the Daylily Display Garden, we are quickly developing an outstanding collection of both established and contemporary daylily cultivars.

**MEDITATION GARDEN**



*Steve Woods & Bob Kish, Coordinators. Assisted by MG Intern Patty Adamik*

From MDG Intern Patty Adamik, who considers herself a dabbler in Feng

Shui, and is a specialist in Chinese martial arts and herbal medicine: The Meditation Garden is incorporating some of the principles of Feng Shui into its design. Feng Shui is an ancient method of design practices for landscape and architecture intended to facilitate the smooth flow of harmonious chi (or universal energy) throughout a space.

To some it sounds silly or bizarre and somewhat superstitious but it has been practiced for thousands of years by most eastern cultures. The underlying philosophy of Feng Shui is the same as in acupuncture and Chinese martial arts. Incorporation of the elements earth, wood, fire, water and metal are essential to balance. The meditation area is anchored in the back by a huge wonderful stand of Weaver's bamboo. The granite bench in front is an excellent vantage point to sit back, relax and view the entire garden. It is balanced by two smaller plantings of clumping golden bamboo. In Feng Shui, bamboo brings supreme good luck and health. On an environmental note - bamboo puts out more oxygen into the air than almost any other plant. (Something to remember when we get ozone alerts this summer). Plants in general provide the element of wood and of course, we are outside, so we have earth.

The massive wind chimes provide an element of metal as well as calling in beneficial chi from the surrounding areas. We have a lovely lantern to guard and protect the area from negative influences. On the south side, three 'Heavenly Bamboo' (*Nandina domestica*) soften the area visually and prevent the good chi built up in the garden from leaking out.

We are still working on incorporating a water feature as an essential element for prosperity. The vibrant reds, yellows and oranges that will be on display when the adjacent daylily garden is in bloom will add the symbolic fire element. There are some excellent books out on the subject of Feng Shui. It is a fun way to see your garden and home in a new light.

**Note on the Bamboo Plantings:**

The original bamboo in southeast corner came via Linda Gay from a root cutting of Mercer Arboretum's specimen about 10 years ago. It is called Weaver's Bamboo *Bambusa textilis* It is clump-forming and grows about to 40 ft tall. It will tolerate low temperatures to about 13 degrees.

In February we planted a Black Bamboo *Phyllostachys negra*. It will grow to heights from 30 to 40 ft and will tolerate low temperatures to about 0 degrees. (This was sold to Steve Woods as a clumper. This is an aggressive runner forming bamboo. Consideration is now being given to replacing this plant with a clump-forming specimen that grows no higher than 8 to 10 ft. (Unfortunately there is no black clumping bamboo.)



In March we planted a Golden Goddess Bamboo *Bambusa multiplex* "Golden Goddess" It is a clump-forming bamboo that will grow from 6 to 10 ft. tall. It will withstand minimum temperatures from 10 to 20 degrees.

**BOG & WATER GARDEN**



*Virginia and Grady Joiner, Coordinators*


The heavy construction of boundaries for the bog garden is finished. Now we can get to the fun things.

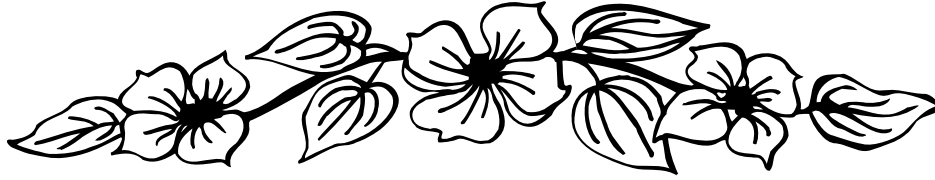
I will thin the original bog area and begin planting the new section. As I am thinning the original bog garden I will pot up some of those plants for the sale. There will be *Thalia*, variegated and solid green *Sweetflag*, etc.

We will also offer cannas from the bog garden for sale in April. We have Pretoria, originating from South Africa, and by far the best variegated *Canna*. Strong growing and tall, with orange flowers, the acid-yellow striped foliage is not for the timid.

*Tropicana* is considered the best red-leaved variegated *Canna* with crayon-box-orange flowers. Great for firey garden effects. *Minerva* creates a softer visual effect, with yellow and white variegation on a green background, with red flower buds and butter-yellow flowers.

Nelsons Water Garden and Nursery repotted and fertilized our original *Waterlily* stock. As a result of the repotting we have water lilies for sale at the Spring Symposium. *Arce en Ciel* (hardy pink with beautiful multi-colored foliage), *Colorata* (tropical rich violet blue) and *Dauben* (tropical pale lavender), *Lemon Mist* (hardy pale yellow) and *Woods White Knight* (tropical night bloomer, outstanding bloomer and they stays open until about 10 AM.). There is a beautiful red lily (hardy) from my pond that will be for sale but I have lost the name of it.

I want to take time to thank all the people that came by and offered their help. I especially want to thank my husband Grady. When he came on board the possibilities were limitless. 



## *Volunteer Opportunities*

- **Audio Visual Equipment Operators.** We are looking for a few people to learn how to operate our public address system, video camera and slide projectors. Currently, Charlie Reass shoulders the overwhelming responsibility of making sure these contraptions are functioning at every event. It would be wonderful if we could relieve Charlie of some of these duties occasionally ... and you might be just the person to help. Give Charlie a call if you would be interested in helping him out.
- Tuesday is the designated **work day** in the Extension Office Gardens and Orchards. We have lots of fun working in the Children's Garden, Millennium Garden, Greenhouse, Vegetable Garden, Herb Garden, Orchard, Flower Garden and anywhere else we can find to plant something. Come by, enjoy the fellowship, gardening and even an occasional burger.
- **Office Work...** If Tuesday doesn't work for you, or you prefer indoor volunteer activities, we have lots of other opportunities for you. Current needs include:
  - A coordinator for volunteer opportunities (ie write this article, match up volunteers with opportunities etc)
  - The class coordination group is looking to add a couple of people to the committee. The group is in charge of coordinating the training class, including everything from speaker to donut selections.

Please contact Carol at 281-855-5600 if you are interested in these or any other 'indoor' volunteer opportunities.

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