

Wise Water Words

Hello, Fellow Master Gardeners.

I hope you are all well and enjoying this beautiful planting weather we are having.

Last month I updated you on our successful CULTIVATE! event and I would like to let you know just how successful it was. We made over **\$7,000** in profit from our **1 day** event. This is very exciting for just the 4th time we hosted this educational seminar. Again, thank you very much to all of you who contributed to this success!

Our next CULTIVATE! is set for Saturday, September 7, 2019, and it will again be at the University of the Incarnate Word. Whether you want to attend the classes, volunteer, or just let your friends and neighbors know, with everyone's support we can make the September CULTIVATE! even more successful.

I'm often asked what Water Conservation volunteer opportunities are available for Master Gardeners. In addition to our signature event CULTIVATE!, we have Rain Water Harvesting and Drip Irrigation workshops that we give at the BCMG classroom, local nurseries and other various locations throughout the city.

We also give an Introduction to Landscape Care class to future recipients of Habitat for Humanity homes at their construction site. It's a 30-minute class that provides specific education to these future homeowners.

Cultivating Communities is a 3-phase program we offer to HOAs in Bexar County that begins with an educational fair with multiple tables, workshops, and then finishes with home landscape reviews. It is a set program and homeowners must complete the first two stages to have a landscape review. Please help us get the word out to your HOAs and refer them to me for more information.

There are also numerous educational booths, too many to list here, at local events where we answer gardening and water conservation questions. They are scheduled throughout the year and require 2-4 Master Gardeners, sometimes for more than just a few hours.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact me at anna.vogler@bexarmg.org.

Our BCMG Speakers Bureau is more than just Water Conservation and is the heart of the fulfillment of our educational mission. We are always in need of additional presenters. If you have a particular area of focus or if you want to learn more about a specific topic to present, please contact Lynn Cox (lynn.cox@bexarmg.org).

Conservationally yours,

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