

## President's Message:

Spring, and multiple events time has come to an end. Thanks to all the Master Gardeners who volunteered to make the education of Bexar County residents a success. The dog days of summer are upon Bexar County Master Gardeners.

Volunteer activities / opportunities are still available at the San Antonio Botanical Garden for the Culinary Docent Program; however, we need more volunteers for the Summer Nights starting Thursdays as well as other events. If you are interested in becoming a Docent, there is a class listing in VMS for Wednesday, July 10, from 9:30 am to 12:30 am, at the volunteer office at the San Antonio Botanical Garden. I am happy to do an additional training for anyone who cannot make that one.

Other events include the Watermelon and Tomato trials for the research project (the announcements are sent by Denise Perez) and also the Backyard Basics Expo on August 1.

The International Master Gardeners Association met in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, on June 20, and member Ruth Rhea and her husband were in attendance.

BCMG received an award for 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the Innovative Projects category, for their Children's Vegetable Garden Blog. This tree cutting plaque was presented to the Bexar County Master Gardeners. We're all proud of Ruby Zavala and those volunteers who are committed to educating the children and parents of Bexar County.



New opportunities will be coming soon, so please stay tuned.

Thanks for your support and remember to please put your hours in VMS.

Grace Emery

President

Bexar County Master Gardeners