

AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM

(Submission Deadline – Monday, 5:00 PM before Regular Court Meetings)

Date: 06/02/2025

Meeting Date: June 23rd, 2025

Submitted By: Roberta Kozera

Department: Extension Office

Signature of Elected Official/Department Head:

Kristen Clark

Court Decision:
<small>This section to be completed by County Judge's Office</small>


Description:

Update on Ag & Natural Resource Extension Programs and Master Gardener Intern Class.

(May attach additional sheets if necessary)

Person to Present: Cassandra Mavis

(Presenter must be present for the item unless the item is on the Consent Agenda)

Supporting Documentation: (check one) ☒ PUBLIC ☐ CONFIDENTIAL

(PUBLIC documentation may be made available to the public prior to the Meeting)

Estimated Length of Presentation: 15 minutes

Session Requested: (check one)

☐ Action Item ☐ Consent ☐ Workshop ☐ Executive ☐ Other Announcement

Check All Departments That Have Been Notified:

☐ County Attorney ☐ IT ☐ Purchasing ☐ Auditor

☐ Personnel ☐ Public Works ☐ Facilities Management

Other Department/Official (list) _____

**Please List All External Persons Who Need a Copy of Signed Documents
In Your Submission Email**

Approved in CC on 9/11/2023

Agriculture & Natural Resources (ANR) Update Johnson County Extension Office

Educational Impact

144

Client Questions
Answered

25

Site Visits in
Johnson County

350

Contacts with
Clients

10

Educational
Programs

236

Program
Participants

Programs January 2025-June 2025

ANR Programs

- Last Chance CEU Program (**9 people**)
- Multi-County Small Grain Field Days (**89 people total**)
- Tri-County Master Gardener Intern Class (**10 classes, avg 35 people each class, 6 from Johnson County**)
- Weed, Brush & Bug Control Program with Bosque County (**20 people**)
- Private Pesticide Applicators License Training (**6 people**)
- Introduction to Beekeeping Program (**today, 20 sent an RSVP**)

Various Partnership Events:

- Open House Event with Ignition Land Services (**35 people**)
- Septic System Clinic with Joe Pool/Lake Arlington Watershed (**25 people**)
- Earth Day Presentation with Burleson Parks & Recreation (**54 people**)

Ag & Natural Resources Committee

Extension committees meet 2-3 times a year and provide guidance for agent programs and efforts. They play a vital role in helping agents address areas of need within the county.

Members

Dr. Clint Calvert
Derek Adkins
Dennis Lane
Dionicio Guterrez Jr.
Floyd Ormsby
Jay Davis
Justin Hale
Karen Singletary
Kailee Bedunah-Ott
Nathan Raines
Todd Bons



Focus Areas for Upcoming Year

Production Agriculture Education

New/Small Landowner Programs

Water Quality & Management

Horticulture Education

Johnson County Master Gardener Association

The Johnson County Master Gardener program was started in 2001 and plays an important role in assisting the efforts of the agent in the area of horticulture education. Some data from Johnson County Master Gardeners:

31

Certified Master Gardeners

6

Master Gardener Interns

1,479

Volunteer Hours in 2025

\$49,532

Economic Impact in 2025

Extension calculation of multiplying volunteer hours times rate of \$33.49/hr

\$14,432

Profit at Annual Plant Sale

\$11,000

in Scholarships Given in 2025

2025 Recipients:
Lilah Eakes,
Ava Bowman
Jordan Blakely
Rendyn Brooks
Lillian Rayburne



Master Gardener Projects

- **Junior Master Gardeners**
Teaching students at Alvarado Elementary about raised bed gardening.
- **Godley High School FFA**
Helping students grow produce in school greenhouse, students get to sell produce at Master Gardener plant sale.
- **Demonstration Gardens**
Guinn Gardens, Russell Farms Vineyard Trials
- **Cleburne ISD Ivy Regrowth Project**
Helping regrow ivy for the Cleburne High School football stadium
- **Speakers**
Volunteers speak at local gardening and community events
- **Written Articles**
Cleburne Times Review, Facebook articles
- **Gardening Advising Service**
Answering client questions related to gardening

Master Gardener Intern Class

Requirements to Join Master Gardeners

- 50 hours of training
- Pass a background check
- 50 hours of Volunteer work

Tri-County Intern Class

Conducted every other year
Johnson, Hood, and Somervell Counties
2025 Class: 30 interns

2025 Johnson County Master Gardener Interns

Jean Petr
Katie Boyanton
Lea Jackson
Lisa Lingenfelter
Rebecca Gaudry
Tanya Byrd



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