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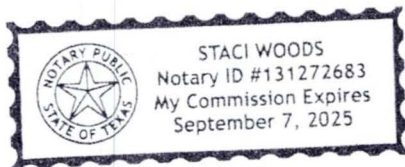
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LIFESTYLES



Spiderwort at creek *courtesy photo*

The Garden Revolution

By **Becky Emerson Carlberg**

Special to the Herald Democrat

My garden has been re-vamped untold times as it evolves into a potted plant extravaganza. So many containers of all sizes and most are on the concrete driveway and floor of the non-existing garage where two greenhouses now reside. The rest are on the tile annex to the west that ends at the small potting shed, summer home of the Star Jasmine. The entire area was wiped out in the May 19th 2013 tornado.

While working outside, a delivery person came carrying a box. I spoke about all the pots. He raised his eyebrows and asked how many pots and how many types did I grow? I had to tell him pot as clay or plastic and could tell he was a bit crest-fallen. He brightened up and retorted pot can now be grown in Oklahoma. I agreed, but it must be medical-grade and require a license. So much for talking about cherry tomatoes or Hibiscus.

The Kentucky Coffee tree remained outdoors through the winter as did the Arkansas Bluestems, the Yucca, the raspberry and a few others. The rest are more tropical and are currently acclimating to the Oklahoma spring. Joining them are Comfrey plant, Cross Vine and Yellow Crownbeard, courtesy of Master Gardener Linda Smith.

The Comfrey by my rain gauge did not survive. The replacement has a better chance in partial shade by the birdbath that is

regularly filled with water. The new Cross Vine (*Bignonia capreolata*), planted by the plant shed, gets its name from the cross-shaped pattern inside a cut stem. The plant looks like a Trumpet Vine (*Campsis radicans*), but the tube flowers have yellow throats unlike the trumpet blooms with solid red or orange. Nevertheless, they are related and in the same trumpet-vine plant family *Bignoniaceae*.

Putting in the Cross vine necessitated removing a lot of overpowering Japanese Honeysuckle and *Arundo Donax*, a very invasive tall reed originally from the Greater Middle East. For the time being, the Cross vine is in control.

Yellow Crownbeard (*Verbesina helianthoides*) also did not survive in the triangle by the road, but a new collection has been added next to the Jerusalem artichokes (*Helianthus tuberosus*). Within hose range. The idea is these plants in the sunflower family would bolster each other and give words of encouragement during the hot summer. Giant Hyssop (*Agastache* sp) was planted behind the sunflowers as added support.

The heirloom tomatoes, okra, and potatoes are up and away. Might need to move the potatoes into larger pots if they stay alive. Last year the vine borers attacked and that ended my potato venture. The Delicata squash has taken over a 25 gallon pot, but we're not out of the woods yet. Squash is notorious for attracting hungry insects. The *Plumeria*

and fig plants are hanging out in partial shade under the cottonwood tree, while pineapples perk up along the east side of the greenhouse.

Next morning I found a small patch of *Gaura parviflora* along one backroad. The very short *Gaura* with small flowers blooms in spring. Knowing this might not be the best time to transplant, I made sure there were several in the area before pulling one out. Next to the *Gauras* were a few thread-leaf *Coreopsis*, so two of those joined the *Gaura*.

As soon as I was home, the wildflowers were put into pots of good quality potting soil. They didn't care how good and drooped their heads to the ground. The Whirling Butterfly *Gaura* (*Oenothera lindheimeri*), growing in the driveway, had no future where they had planted themselves. They too were dug and potted. These should become much taller and bloom later in the season.

Unless the weather has other plans. The pea to grape-sized hail fell for several minutes at 10 pm and again at 2:10 am in two separate storms. Three inch to baseball-sized ice orbs hit to the west. Other than some small branches and leaves brought down, the rips and holes were minimal. So far so good.

The hose can just about reach everyone. The summer solstice is less than a month away. As spring swings into summer, the leaf cover will change and the plants will either flourish or need to be re-positioned elsewhere.

Plants in the front yard under the oaks presented a surprise. The Carolina roses (*Rosa Carolina*) have more blooms then they've had for years. Growing in two areas, the striking fragrant deep pink flowers sparkle in the landscape. Native to this area, the water requirements are low and they can tolerate partial shade. Attractive to hummingbirds and bees, the Polyphemus moth is a special visitor. The giant silk moth with a 6 inch wingspan has huge purple eyespots on the hindwings. She lays her eggs not only on deciduous trees and shrubs but also



Carolina Rose *courtesy photo*



Herbicide covered green milkweed *courtesy photo*

the Carolina rose. After the eggs hatch, the caterpillars dine on the plant. The very visible large larvae are bright green with red dots on the side.

The green milkweeds are so prominent with their flowers standing out among the grasses and along sides of roads. Where herbicide was sprayed 2 years ago, most native plants have never returned, but the milkweeds have tried. Not without modifications. The inner flowers are very tiny, but the reflexed floral petals below are extremely large and narrow. The leaves are smaller.

For the most part, invasives have moved in: Musk thistles, tall fescue, Bermuda grass and Johnson grass. I miss the Dewberries, fleabanes,

winecup mallows, sunflowers and other natives that beautified the roadsides and provided nourishment for the wildlife.

Maybe that's the way it is here. Few of my neighbors have gardens or flowers. They just mow the same area year after year. Those of us who realize our native plants

are doing what we can. Even tiny little postage stamp gardens or pots of flowers or veggies work! Leave bands or corridors un-mowed. Wildflowers used to blanket this area. You may be amazed after a year or two what nature can do without a power mower.



field of wildflowers *courtesy photo*

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

BM Dorchester LLC, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit 167047, Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit PSDTX1602, and Greenhouse Gas PSD Permit GHGPSDTX212, which would authorize construction of a Portland Cement at the following driving directions: from the intersection of Highway 289 and Highway 902 east of Dorchester head east on Highway 902 for approximately 0.80 miles - the site will be located directly north of Highway 902 after the intersection of Taylor Road, Dorchester, Grayson County, Texas 75459. This application was processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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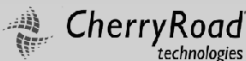
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