

THE GARDEN PATCH



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Gardening through Children's Books

by Lori Gillespie Hansen

Though the leaves are faded or completely removed, our memories are bright with the 2006 year of flowers, fruits, and vegetables. Learning, teaching, working the soil, pulling the weeds, and answering questions - withdrawal - but wait, there is more. Rain, hail, snow - yes, a perfect time to continue the teaching spectrum. Why not read to our children, grandchildren and friends, or enjoy a moment by ourselves with the many children's books dedicated to the love of gardening?

Whether you have an acre in the country or a window box in the city there is a perfect book for someone you know to extend the joy of gardening until spring calls us back to the pastime we love. Christmas is around the corner, so here are a few suggestions.

1. *The Gardener* by Sarah Stewart (Caldecott Honor Book) A little girl, whose family is out of work, is sent to stay with her uncle who is a baker. "Three important things she writes to him because she is too shy to say it to his face: 1) I know a lot about gardening, nothing about baking. 2) I am anxious to learn to bake, but is there any place to plant seeds? 3)..."

2. *The Garden of Happiness* by Erika Tamar Place? New York City. Who? Marisol. What occurred? "She helps herself to a big flat seed. What's my plant? The flower was a glowing circle, brighter than a yellow taxi. A flower of sunshine. And the answer is..."

3. *Flower Garden* by Eve Bunting This book is perfect for our youngest gardeners. The process and joy of a flower box as a gift. "Put purple pansies at each end. Daisies, white as snow. Daffodils, geraniums and the tulips in a row."

4. *And the Good Brown Earth* by Kathy Henderson A



lovely book about going through the seasons in your garden. "And the good brown earth got on with doing what the good brown earth does best."

5. *An Empty Pot* by Demi A beautifully, illustrated book about honesty: a seed, a test and an empty pot - oh my!

6. *Planting a Rainbow* by Lois Ehlert This book has luscious colors, shapes, names and flowers galore - a delight to the senses.

7. *The Carrot Seed* by Ruth Krauss Boy plants seed. Adults don't believe. A simple, but poignant story about childhood faith. This book was printed in 1945 and is as applicable today as it was then.

8. *Patty's Pumpkin Patch* by Teri Sloat A to Z in the pumpkin patch from start to finish.

9. *City Green* by DiSalvo-Ryan An excellent story about community gardens. A little girl who takes an empty space and makes it come alive along with the neighborhood. "When Old Man Hammer sees his little garden bed, his sour grapes turn sweet. Marcy, child...He shakes his head. This lot was good for nothing. Now it's nothin' but good... he says."

10. *Growing Vegetable Soup* by Lois Ehlert. A perfect book for the cold months ahead. Plant, water, grow, pick, and best of all make yummy soup from our very own garden. (recipe included).

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

Maggie Chao did a great job at our last meeting on her work overseas in West Africa. It is very humbling to see how other people need to make a living. If they don't work, they don't eat. It was great to see all the hard work she did for other people, giving two years of her life in the Peace Corps.

Sorry for the trouble on the change to the Columbus Center. At the last minute the Salt Lake County building suddenly was not available to us, with only a week's notice. I think things went well because Ken and Kevin waited at the County building to let people know who didn't get the e-mail.

Dick Hadfield's wife, Barbara, had a "old bag lady" come in and hassle Dick for his birthday. It was funny. Barbara also brought a big cake with Dick's picture on it for everyone to enjoy. Thanks, Barbara! It just shows how we have all become gardeners working together but also friends throughout the years.

We had our last board meeting of the year and the new board attended to find out what their new jobs are and to have a mini meeting. I think they are going to do a great job. Please support the new board these next two years as much as you can. They have some great new talks already planned. I'm excited to sit back and watch how they work. (Golden said that was my new job description as past president.)

Well, we have had our thanksgiving holiday and Christmas is upon us, all hustle and bustle. Our Halloween party down in Arizona turned out real fun, even with all the green spinach. Ken was "E-coli," killing everyone through our haunted house, and the rest of us were dressed as farmers with green faces and black sunken eyes dying of e-coli. We had a great time but were glad our month was up.

Don't forget about our Holiday/Graduation party, Thursday December 14th. I hope to see you all there. It will be a fun get together for everyone. Don't forget your spouses or other partners are invited. I am looking forward to giving out the awards with Steve. I informed him he had to help the out-going president. The old and new boards will set up for the party. We are asking the new graduating class to help clean up but as has happened in the past, everyone seems to jump in and it gets taken care of quite quickly.

I just want to add that we have a list in September's newsletter of who donated to our Association this past year. I since noticed that we missed three people/businesses: Bio sod Farms, Millcreek Garden, and Okubo's Nursery. So please, when you are out shopping, we ask that you support our people who donated to us.

I hope all is well and you have a safe and Happy Holiday season, be safe and I hope to see you for the Holiday/Graduation party.

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I got a new granddaughter this past month and my Daughter-in-law got a new donated kidney. They are all doing great. But I have three friends dying of cancer, so my last quote from me is:

Life is short. Take it with a smile and enjoy what God has given to you, not what he has taken away.

MESSAGE FROM OUTGOING VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR



By Stephen LeCheminant

It's hard to believe that two years have gone by already. I want to give everyone a big thank you for all the help and support you have given me as the Volunteer Coordinator over the past two years. Thank you for all the work you have done in setting up and manning the booths at the fairs and garden shows. Thank you for your willingness to give all the talks that we were asked to give. In two years, I know of only one speaking engagement that I wasn't able to fill. That happened only a few weeks ago when someone asked for a talk on holiday decorating rather than gardening and they needed someone within a couple of days. Given enough time, I think we probably could have found someone in our organization to help them in that subject. Thanks again. You have made this job a lot easier and a lot less scarier than it could have been.

I hope you will give our new Volunteer Coordinator all the support you have given me. In case you don't know who that is, it's Barbara Larsen. Barbara is the lady who has done all the shirts and bags with the Salt Lake Master Gardner Association logos on them. She is really nice and not nearly as thick-skinned as I am, so treat her nice and help her when she asks for your help.

I have also asked Trudy Guest, our outgoing Vice President, to handle the fairs and garden shows so that one person doesn't have to do all the work. I hope you will support her also. Once again, a big THANK YOU to everyone.

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What's in the Mail? Seed Catalogs!

By Maggie Shao

No need to worry if you haven't received any seed catalogs in the mail yet. Many of the catalogs are available online, and now is the time to make some plans and choosing plants for your garden. Depending on what you are more comfortable with, either flipping through a catalog, or looking through websites for seeds, there are many to choose from. Since seeds are small and compact and easy to mail, many more choices are now available and affordable. This is also the time your local garden center will be putting out their seed displays. Plan and order early for best selection. Here is a sampling of some seed companies to consider and their contact information.

* Probably one of the oldest and well known is Burpee's seed catalog. The Burpee company was founded in Philadelphia in 1876 by an 18 year-old with a passion for plants and animals and a mother willing to lend him \$1000 dollars of "seed money" to get started in business. By 1915 Burpee was mailing a million catalogues a year to America's gardeners. Burpee online: <http://www.burpee.com/> or call toll free: 1-800-333-5808

* The Harris Seed Company began its catalog operation in 1879. It evolved from the efforts of Joseph Harris, an English immigrant who became extremely successful in the selection of superior strains of vegetables and grains. Harris Seed online: <http://gardeners.harriseseeds.com/> or call toll free: 1-800-514-4441

* The Cook's Garden was started in 1984, featuring seeds for gardeners who love to cook. Website: <http://www.cooksgarden.com/> or call toll free: 1-800-457-9703

* Organic Specialized Seeds: In 1989, Seeds of Change started with a simple mission: to help preserve biodiversity and promote sustainable, organic agriculture. They cultivate hundreds of open-pollinated, organically grown, heirloom and traditional vegetable, flower and herb seeds. All their seeds are guaranteed 100% organic. Website: <http://www.seedsofchange.com/> or call toll free: 1-888-762-7333

* A family-run seed company located in the Willamette Valley of Oregon, Victory Seed offers open-pollinated and heirloom vegetable seeds, herb and flower seeds. They prefer email orders. Website: <http://www.victoryseeds.com/> or call (503) 829-3126



* Seed Savers Exchange was founded in 1975 by Diane and Kent Whealy, after her terminally-ill grandfather gave them the seeds of two garden plants that his parents brought from Bavaria when they immigrated to St. Lucas, Iowa in the 1870s. Seed Savers Exchange is a nonprofit organization that saves and shares the heirloom seeds of our garden heritage, forming a living legacy that can be passed down through generations. <http://seedsavers.org/> or call (563) 382-5990

* High Country Gardens specializes in waterwise ("xeric") perennials and other plants that need very little or no extra water once established. This is the mail order division of Sante Fe Greenhouses in New Mexico. Order online at <http://www.highcountrygardens.com/> or call toll free: 1-800-925-9387

* Western Native Seed is based in Colorado and specializes in seeds of plants which are native to the Rocky Mountains, western Great Plains, and adjacent areas. Western Native Seed considers native plants to be those which existed in North America prior to European settlement and naturally occur in a given habitat. They have regional mixes of wildflower seeds or custom mix seeds for your needs. Website: <http://www.westernnativeseed.com/> or call (719) 942-3935

* Tomato Bob is a company in central Ohio that specializes in heirloom tomatoes and vegetable with over 600 different varieties of heirloom seeds, many varieties that were once offered in American seed catalogs in the early 1900's. <http://www.tomatobob.com/> or call (614) 256-6298

For more vegetable seed companies there is an excellent list with description of catalogs at <http://www.williamrubel.com/gardening/online-vegetable-seed-catalogs/>

Do We Have Your E-Mail Address Right?

If there is anybody who has not been receiving the weekly e-mail updates and would like to, please sent Amy Hargreaves-Judzis and Traci Dahle an e-mail so we will have your address with a note saying you want the updates sent to you. When we do send the list out, there are about ten or so that come back undelivered. We don't know if this is because of address changes or if we have typed them in wrong. So please just let us know. Thanks!

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Mantis Mortician

By Catherine New



It was the afternoon of November 16, and winter was definitely settling in. Cold weather had already eliminated tomatoes, annual morning glory, and transformed 'Autumn Joy' sedum into skeleton bouquets in their big terracotta pots. Some weeks earlier, I'd concluded there would be no more mantises to observe and Mantis Watch was now in winter's oothecae-spotting phase. Leaves had dropped from the honeysuckle and trumpet vines to expose their trunks against the white-painted west side of the tumbledown wooden garage. Sunshine bounced off the garage and joined the warmth retained in the old cement patio to make an almost-balmy afternoon as I toted groceries and such, going back and forth, garage to house.

With the last armload, I turned back to close the latch on the garage door and did a peripheral vision doubletake at a praying mantis right at eyelevel next to the twisted old trumpet vine trunk. It was a winged female. Her wings were slightly open, there was a tear in one wing, both antennae had bends/curves toward the ends---but here she was long after I'd assumed all mantises dead in the cold. I snapped photos with the tape measure showing three-and-three-quarters inch "brow" to abdomen tip.

As it turned out, she was at the end of her life. Over the next three days the temperature cooled, she rotated posture, became less and less reactive, eventually fastened head-down on the edge of a batten with her abdomen angled unnaturally to the right/south. On the fourth day I saw her sway in the breeze, dangling from the same place on the garage wall. Looking closer, I saw that only the "barbs" on her right rear "foot" were connected to the rough old wood. I could imagine that a strong gust would lift her up, up, and away. Or I could collect her for a Mantis Watch teaching specimen. So I did.

Gently, I unhooked her from the garage; she was very flexible, maybe floppy's a more accurate description. I took her inside and laid her out on the south window sill of the utility/sunroom. She looked uncharacteristically passive, inert, flat. I went and found three tiny green tiles, like from an old bathroom remodel, which often percolate up in the garden soil. I set one tile under her thorax and angled her legs into a pose reminiscent of life. Her head drooped, tucked under; so I stacked the other two little tiles to prop up her "chin;" and stepped back to contemplate the funereal scene. Was I being respectful of this life that would otherwise have landed in the leaf litter and decomposed to enrich the soil? On the other hand her remains might have been battered to smithereens by a playful cat. I pulled the sheer curtains back across the window and made a wish that she'll dry and preserve well enough, so that 2007 Mantis Watch participants can compare her winged adult form to spring's teeny tiny wingless mantises, marvel over the mantis growth rate, and appreciate and promote their garden presence.

CALENDULAS

by Val Chatwin

Calendula Officinalis. Calendulas are hardy annuals. As a matter of fact they are still blooming well in my garden.

I wanted to write about Calendulas because I love them so. When I first found out about them, saw them in a neighbor's garden and started growing them, they were spectacular to me. However now they are profuse and because they are always here, I take them for granted. They are both a weed I pull up without guilt and a "glad to see you this year! Want to grow there, huh? Well, okay."

I was out cleaning up and saw that they are blooming still, in November. There were a couple of plants that came up in August in the mulch under the lilac tree. I saw them in it and instead of weeding them out I thought, 'okay, if you really think you can make it there, try it'. That area doesn't get watered. And at the same time there was one at the bottom of an isolated, cement surrounded rose bush, which I do take water to. Well, now, November, the rose keeps blooming in oranges and the calendula is in yellow, and it is happy as can be. They look gorgeous together, and they match the pumpkins and gourds on my front porch.

Calendulas are listed as hardy annuals and sometimes called "pot marigold". They come in yellow, orange, pinkish [I saw seeds on the internet] and are daisy-looking. They are easy to grow and reseed themselves readily. Boy, do they ever. In my vegetable garden they grow everywhere and I weed them out to where I want them to be. I don't have them in the flowerbeds; I want too many other things there. They are edible; sometimes I put the flowers in salads. When I am taking someone on a tour here I will show them the edible flowers, but nasturtiums have a more interesting taste, and startle people, so we rarely eat the calendulas. The chickens don't eat them - one of the very few things they don't.

They do better if deadheaded regularly, and I am bad at deadheading anything. People need to tell me how they deadhead. It is a chore to me, especially things that have oodles of blooms. Mine have gotten so they have reseeded so many times that they are all alike now. I need some new seeds.

They are good in arrangements except their smell isn't that pleasant. Maybe that is why the chickens don't like them.

Plant their very interesting looking seeds, ¼ " deep, before last frost. They will grow readily and will tolerate poor soil, however if you apply a fertilizer once a month they will do better. They bloom very early, the plants are one of the first to come up and love to bloom fast and continue to bloom past frost. They do well if they are spaced about 15 inches apart and will fill the space, however some of mine are 1 in. apart and they fight for their space and just don't bloom as much. They are good looking, dependable and one of God's best creations. Well, okay, Dahlias are better.

I have had the vegetable garden walkways ready for leaves for a long time and with the fall being so mild, I have had trouble finding enough leaves to fill them. And now with the frost, rain, and cooler weather the leaves have finally come down. I have even had bags of leaves delivered to my driveway. With a few trips to pick up leaves on my way to work in Midvale, I am overrun with them now. My neighbor next door had a pile of leaves under and around three different trees so I went over when she wasn't home and cleaned them up. Another neighbor told her who had cleaned up her yard. They say a good deed never goes unpunished. She brought a Marie Callendar's pie over to thank me for the deed. I was walking on the tread mill at the time trying to loose weight.

My friends were back - the mice I have seen running around the yard all summer. One got into the house when we left the back door open for the dog to have its choice of either in or out. That came to a halt really quick. I saw them running through the corn patch and noticed that the 'Sun Sugar' tomatoes were being eaten. I set traps for them in the corn patch. I got one mouse and lost a trap. Two days later I found the trap on the lawn with a mouse in it I think the neighbor's cat left it there. I tried to dry some peppers on a line in the greenhouse, or should I say mouse house, and found I had closed in a whole family of mice. They ruined the peppers so I set traps for them. Ten of them were caught in the traps! I think they are all gone now; the peanut butter is still in the traps.

In the spring I used some grape cuttings I did not think would grow to hold up the covers I put over the planters to keep the frost from them. I left them in and



By Wm. Golden Reeves

they grew during the summer. I am trying to decide what to do with them. I think I will leave one of them in the planter and try to transplant the other one into the garden. I will let you know how that works out.

I have a lot of plants in gallon containers. I put them in the walkways of the garden and pack leaves around them. I have used this method for a number of years, and they seem to overwinter really well. There are a lot of daylilies, oak trees, sedges, and even some pinion trees there, so we will see how they've survived the winter when spring comes. They are shaded a lot during the day with the house so the ground stays frozen much of the time.

I have spent a lot of time helping the neighbors get ready for the winter: spraying weeds, cleaning up their gardens, raking leaves, planting garlic, and other odds and ends. I am coming to the end of the outside work with the cleaning of the rain gutters. That is the end. I leave the gutters until last, waiting for all the leaves to fall from the trees. So I think I am through outside for a while.

Some of the cuttings I have taken have rooted and are ready to pot up, so the inside gardening is just starting. My wife thinks I need to play in the dirt every day and, with having a propagation area in the basement, I can do just that. Planting tomatoes cannot be too far away or have I done that already? The Christmas cactus is in bloom. The seed catalogs are arriving. Life is GREAT!

THE COOKING CORNER

By Eva Daniels

My favorite cucumbers are the variety called 'Lemon' cucumber. I had two hills this year. They are so productive and never become bitter. A friend won many blue ribbons at the County Fair years ago with this recipe from The Farm Journal's Country Cookbook:



BEST EVER BREAD AND BUTTER PICKLES

4 quarts sliced cucumbers (40 to 50)
 1/2 cup salt
 Ice cubes
 2 quarts sliced onions
 1 quart vinegar
 4 cups sugar
 1 T. celery seeds
 2 T. mustard seeds
 1 T. ground ginger
 1 tsp. ground turmeric (opt.)
 1/2 tsp. white pepper (opt.)

- Gently stir salt into thinly sliced cucumbers. Cover with ice cubes. (The ice cubes help keep the thin cucumber slices from breaking.) Let stand 2 or 3 hours or until cucumbers are crisp and cold. Add more ice if it melts. Drain; add onions.
- Combine remaining ingredients; bring quickly to a boil and boil 10 minutes.
- Add cucumber and onion slices and bring to boiling point. Pack at once in hot jars. Adjust lids. Process in boiling water bath for 30 minutes.
- Remove jars from canner and complete seals unless closures are self-sealing type.

Makes 8 pints.

NOVEMBER ADVENTURES

By Val Chatwin

Both Christmas Cactuses are blooming like crazy. I brought one to our interesting November meeting. Maggie Shao has really had some brave, helpful, compassionate adventures. Her presentation was really well done and interesting. Wow! Sure made me thankful for being born here.

My 'saved from last year' Poinsettia has red brackets; it's going to bloom for Christmas! I only have one left. I used to have more but they are 'love to die' houseplants. I haven't done anything to this one. Years ago I put three in the dark in September, and they bloomed at Christmas, but it's fine with me if they bloom in March. It's especially nice if they bloom in February. I put hearts on them and include them with my Valentine decorations. The ones we have now last through February.

I was tilling 2 days ago! November? Had a neighbor bring over several bags of beautiful, yellow maple leaves and dump them out there on the garden as thanks for the produce give them. I have lots of my own leaves, and I was trying to get them tilled in a little so they don't blow away. Our mulching mower works well as a leaf picker-upper.

The chickens are out and taking care of the garden, but I need to tell you about the road. It did it again. We back on 10400 South and have a gate out there. When we first came here 23 years ago, it was a quiet country lane. If a car passed, we would wave because we probably knew them. Now it has a light at every corner and heavy traffic 24 hours a day. Whenever I have had an abundance of apricots I will put a sign out there, 'free apricots' and will not have any in the garbage cans. Same with apples, and once I sold eggs. My brother is in the furniture business and once he bought a truckload of sofas. We put a sign out there - 'sofas for sale' - and sold every one. You may remember that when the chickens got killed by the raccoon, and I could buy chicks cheaper in lots of 25 than individually, I ended up with 58 chicks. So I put a sign out on that street - 'chick for sale' and a guy came by who had lost all his chickens to the neighbor's dog and bought all I didn't want. Then, when seven of the Bantams turned out to be roosters, and one was an attack rooster and kept our young grandsons in the house on Christmas Day, I put a sign out there - 'free roosters' - and a guy came and took all three. He was holding 'attack rooster, who was a tiny black and white Seebright, and the thing pecked him, and he was thrilled to death, he wanted roosters to protect his 25 hens. So they didn't even become chicken soup. Actually I have gotten rid of extra roosters several times putting a sign out there.

We had a flood in my husband's computer room/ formerly our son's bedroom in the basement. Second one down there this year, and my opinion is that, one flood, you never have one again, you do something about it. Well, they were from different sources. The first was when an outside 'freeze proof' water pipe froze and when someone turned on the faucet it gushed into the room. That was a bad flood, on Christmas day. Attack rooster and the flood on one day,

grandma's is an interesting place to go. This flood, the west wall was wet under the sheetrock, and the south window well was bone dry. My husband thinks it came in when we had a very heavy north blowing rain. Anyway he went down and it was squish, squish. We got everything out and the water had not got beyond the room, fortunately. The old beat up dresser, large mirror and nightstand we put in the main room. We dried everything, threw away the pad, [have you ever tried to dry a pad? Days can go by and it is still squishy.] Got new pad, put the carpet back down and I didn't want the dresser back in there. I wanted a cute computer desk instead. So we went shopping and I found one that was white and like an armour. It came in a flat box, this is the new thing, assemble it yourself. Have you ever assembled a piece of furniture? Not a pleasant thing for some couples. You follow the directions exactly, and I mean exactly! Well, then the old beat up dresser was still in the main room, I called the DI and they wouldn't be picking up in our area till mid-November. We offered it to our kids but of course they have much better stuff. Our son has come and taken things to the DI in his truck before but we hated to do that. Finally I said, "let's put it out on the street, put a free sign and see what happens". My husband hates these kind of ideas and always has negative reactions to them.

Another week went by, and another week. Saturday came, I suggested it again and he agreed to haul it out there. He opened the gate and took the nightstand first, then the mirror, then the drawers. We also had an old grill that went out. I was in making a 'free' sign. As I walked out to put the sign on it, a car stopped, the driver stayed in the running car (it is a very busy street) and the man came over to look. Then he said, "We want it. We will be right back. We just live down the street." And they were back in 10 minutes, with a SUV. They even took the grill. Then, I walked back out front where my husband was mowing up Catalpa leaves and casually said, "Some people came by and got the stuff." It was really fun to watch his mouth drop open, and I want you to know that I restrained myself from crowing.

*God made rainy days
so gardeners could get
the housework done.*

--Anon.

FAIR REPORT

LAST CALL FOR FAIR RIBBONS

We have not yet published the rest of the results from the State Fair. If you won ribbons at either fair and have not yet reported in, please send your results to:
gardenpatch2@juno.com

WELCOME!

We now have have a program co-ordinator, Cheri Schultzke. She will be arranging speakers, etc. for our monthly General Meetings. We are looking forward to the coming year.

Our new Volunteer Co-ordinator is Barbara Larsen. She will be calling to arrange for staffing at gardening events throughout the year. Please give her your support and willingness to help.

Thanks to both of these Master Gardeners for taking on these responsibilities!

MASTER GARDENER LOGO SHIRTS AND BAGS FOR SALE

You can see the various styles of shirts and their prices on the web at www.utahmastergardeners.org/logoShirts2005.pdf

Also for sale are SLGMA logo canvas bags in four different colors for \$12.00. You can order from Barbara at
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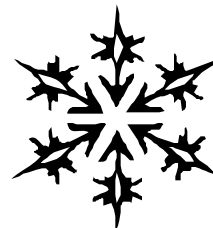
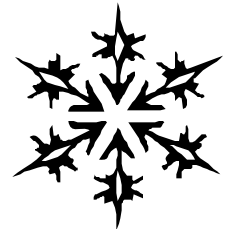


IT'S WINTER!

During these cold winter months, you may find yourself surfing the web. One of our Master Gardeners, Mary Nichols, found the following one that is done by a Master Gardener in Wisconsin: compostbasics.com. If you click on the composting information, you will find some good hints for composting.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE GARDENING WEB SITE? If so, let us know. We can NOT advertise, but if there is a site commercial or otherwise, that offers good information for free, we would like to see it.

Let us know at
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CHRISTMAS BOX HOUSE

We need someone to help on Tuesday nights. You will be teaching children about plants, vegetables, fruits, roots - things like that - with games for them to learn. There is also a little garden that they put in with the kids. Please contact Peggy Call or Virginia Sargeant (see above) if you can help. There is a background check that you will need to pass to do this.

Some projects go on year-round. You can still be earning Volunteer Hours at:

The Christmas Box House
Magna Elementary
The Garden Patch

Plus other volunteer opportunities that pop up throughout the winter.

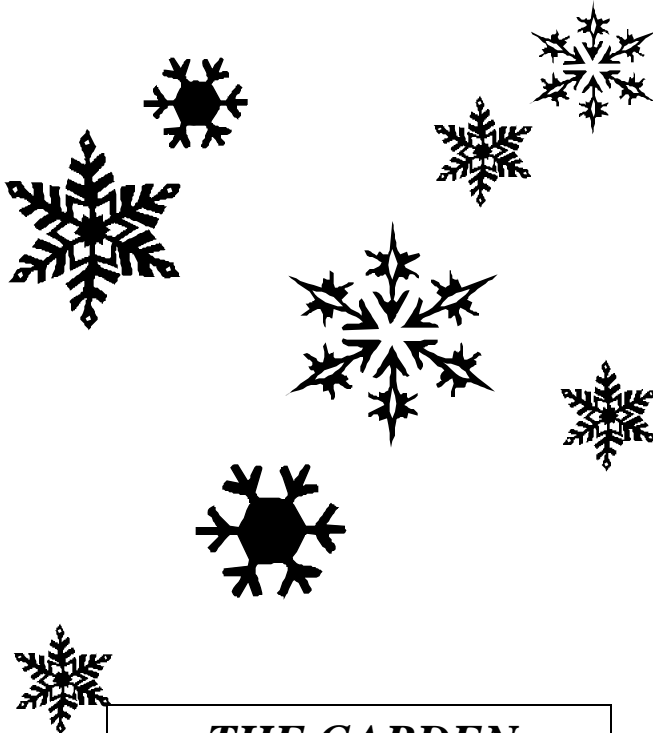
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DON'T MISS

Thursday, December 14

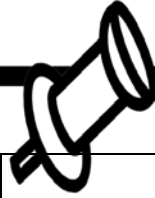
**Annual Graduation and Awards dinner
in the Barn at Wheeler Farm. Social
hour starts at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00
p.m.**

*Thursday, January 18, 2007 - Mandy
Self from Red Butte will talk on Water-
wise and Native Landscapes.
7:00 p.m.*



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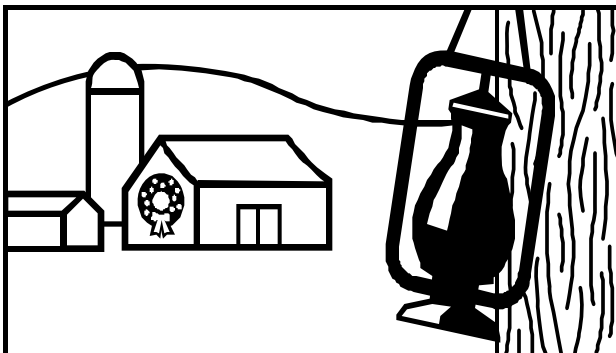
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*SLMGA Holiday Dinner,
Graduation, and Awards Night*

**In the Barn
at Wheeler Farm
6300 South 900 East**



Thursday, December 14
Socializing 6:00 p.m.
Dinner starts at 7:00 p.m. fol-
lowed by Awards

Bring a partner and your favorite dish
Suggested food assignments:

A-K Side Dish

L-P Salad

R-Z Appetizer if you will be there by
6 p.m. or Dessert

Meat and Drinks will be provided.

SALT LAKE MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION RENEWAL

Your SLMGA membership expires December 31, 2006. You can renew by filling out the form at the bottom of this page and submitting it with \$20.00 (check made out to SLMGA) to:
Teresa Rivera, Treasurer

You can mail it to Teresa or pay it at the table when you come to the Holiday/Graduation dinner. Please do not send the check to the Extension office or to anyone else.

If you have more than one Master Gardener at your address, you can share a membership for the same price. If you would like your non-Master Gardener partner to be on your membership, you can do that. It is still \$20 a year.

SLMGA Membership Renewal

Name and Year Graduated

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number

Would you like to be on our phone calling list to receive updates on volunteer opportunities, meeting reminders, etc. ?

Yes, please put me on the phone calling list.

No. I am already on the e-mail updates list.

Please add me to the e-mail updates list. My preferred e-mail address is

No on all above.