

John W Barton, Sr. — In Memoriam

When John W. Barton, Sr. passed away on March 3, 2012, Louisiana lost one of her favorite sons and Burden lost one of its most ardent, effective supporters. John Barton was throughout his life an important civic leader in the Baton Rouge community. One significant example of his many contributions to our community was remembered by the chair of The Baton Rouge Area Foundation, Matt McKay, when he credited him with gathering civic leaders and guiding them in the creation of The Baton Rouge Area Foundation 50 years ago. He gave the same wise and effective leadership to the Burden Foundation Board.

John Barton's wife, Scott, was one of the first non-family members of the Burden Foundation. John replaced her on the board in 1989. They were both committed to ensuring that the vision of the Burden Family was honored.

As a member of the Burden Foundation Board, Mr. Barton was what his fellow board member, Mrs. Frances Monroe, called "an active and contributing member who was often approached by others on the board for his sound advice and good judgment." She further says "he was considerate of all people that he met and his leadership skills knew no bounds. It was an honor to serve on the board with such an outstanding man and to learn from him."

Dr. Paul Murrill says of Mr. Barton, "He was the soul of integrity, he genuinely loved and cared for others, he was a good friend, he was a good businessman, he was generous, he was fun to be with. He had a great sense of values, and he was a very wise person. He always seemed to know the right thing to do and he also knew how to do it. I am very indebted to John for many reasons that played out over some 40 years. I am a better person for having shared a friendship with John Barton."

Mr. Bob Hawthorne, current chair of the Burden Foundation Board, cites an instance when, as a young lawyer, he was handling a real estate transaction for the first time as a leader of the group. At their next meeting, Mr. Barton brought him a book entitled "The Tenth Legion" which was written to inspire a young man just starting a career. Mr. Hawthorne says he will never forget John's thoughtfulness and interest in a young man whom he had just met.

Steele Burden, when he dedicated and landscaped the Barton Arboretum on a part of Burden property in memory of Scott after her death in 1991, expressed the respect and gratitude of the Burden family for the friendship and help that John Barton and his family gave them.

The Barton Family, including present Foundation member Annette Barton, shared a passion for preservation and were eager to share their love of nature with others. Burden is but one of the many civic endeavors in which John Barton was actively involved. The testimonials cited above show what kind of man he was. We who love Burden owe a great debt of gratitude to him and the Barton family. We are fortunate to have had them in our midst.



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Reflections from the Chair

By Judy Foil, Chairman



**“Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It’s not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it’s when you’ve had everything to do, and you’ve done it.”
—Margaret Thatcher**

Isn't that the essence of volunteerism? As volunteers, we live for those times when we feel "supremely satisfied." As Mrs. Thatcher says, "It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing." All of us who enjoy the camaraderie and feeling of accomplishment that come from working for BHS could be spending those hours doing many other things. But being able to use whatever our particular gifts are for the common good of preserving and enhancing Burden Center gives us immense satisfaction. For me, the most fun is problem solving. Sometimes, it's a small puzzle, such as tracking down the right person with the right authority to put our listing in the telephone book. Or it may be a giant puzzle, such as trying to find exactly the right volunteer to chair a program. It could be figuring out the logistics of serving twice the number of people at

our Wine and Roses dinner as we did the year before. But I like variety and a range of problems. All these puzzles and the people with whom I work keep me energized and enthusiastic about what we do.

Various facets of our work also keep other Board members involved. Kitty Hessburg contributes, "The very first thing I ever volunteered for at Burden was the first year of the corn maze/pumpkin patch. I had such fun with the whole event, the other volunteers, the staff, the atmosphere, but most of all I loved the little children coming up to us with their pumpkins that they had painted. Their smiles on their little faces were a joy to behold."

Cary Saurage adds, "There were two particular sources of satisfaction from serving as a docent with Trees and Trails. One was from trying to help Penny and Skippy, the leaders. Their devotion to Burden and the Project Learning Tree program is inspiring, and I wanted to do whatever I could to help them. Another thing I enjoyed was my interaction with some of the teachers who brought their classes and seeing their interaction with their students. I was impressed with their dedication to their profession and to their students."

Ginnie Bolin writes of her particular satisfaction with Brush with Burden, the BHS annual art show and competition. She notes, "I had enough volunteers contact me to help with Brush with Burden this year that I did not even need to send out a request. Someone actually fussed at me for not asking her to help again this year! What satisfaction there was in sharing in the excitement of artists who never entered a show, were selected by the juror, or sold their first painting."

Sherry Eubanks notes that, "Being a volunteer at Burden has given me the opportunity to be involved in an exciting emerging master plan for the 440 acres in the middle of Baton Rouge. Being on the Board of Directors has given me the chance to meet wonderful leaders in this community who also share the goal of Burden becoming a horticulture destination."

Barbara Laudun speaks for all of us at BHS when she writes, "I think one of the greatest rewards is the people you meet, the sharing and the laughter that occurs from those interactions."

We at BHS all enjoy many of those days Mrs. Thatcher refers to when, "We've had everything to do, and we've done it, but we are supremely happy in the end." Come join us.

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Rural Life Museum & Burden Center

Join us

for fun, family events in September and October



Lunches will be for sale. Bring the family and spend the day.



Rural Life Museum **HARVEST DAYS**

September 22-23 . 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

- Featuring traditional agricultural activities
- Hands-on activities for children
- Living history demonstrations of harvesting, hunting and home life activities by costumed artisans
- Gift shop with handcrafted objects by Louisiana artisans
- Traditional Louisiana music
- Wagon rides
- Extra activities
- Regular admission charged

**Battle of Baton Rouge Reenactment
Saturday - 2 p.m. & Sunday-1 p.m.**

Corn Maze at Burden Center



September 22-23 . 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Burden Horticulture Society and LSU AgCenter invite you to find your way out of the corn maze, paint a pumpkin, enjoy a hayride, climb the straw mountain and more. Admission - \$3 for Corn Maze.

Corn Maze Saturdays . 4-7 p.m.

Walk through the corn maze. Saturday, September 29, October 6, 13 and 20. Admission-\$5.

Halloween Bonfire and Corn Maze

Saturday, October 27, 4-9 p.m.

Includes corn maze, bonfire, hotdogs and music. Admission - \$10



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Burden Pavillion

By Gigi Gauthier

Imagine the joy of discovering a giant tree cookie nestled in the Burden Woods. How about finding one as wide as a child is tall - a very special one cut from the majestic Steele Burden Oak that once graced LSU's campus?

Nearly 1100 children representing 19 schools and grades 3-8 explored the natural wonder of Burden Center's Trees and Trails during the 2011-2012 school year. Rain or shine, BHS' dedicated docents helped school groups ranging in size from 17 to 122 unravel mysteries of the forest. Children learned how trees function, what habitats organisms need to survive and what happens when plants and animals invade others' habitats.

By Spring 2013, children, teachers and our community will enjoy yet another discovery - a new 1872 square foot open-air pavillion that will serve as an outdoor classroom and a new restroom facility for Trees and Trails. Just as Trees and Trails help children learn what trees need to grow so will the new pavillion and restrooms offer Burden Center capacity to grow educational programming aligned with its mission.

Originally envisioned as one structure in the Burden Center Master Plan, the pavillion's architectural drawings were revised to create a two-phase project. Funding has been secured to construct the pavillion and we are working towards securing the final funding for phase two. Thanks to generous support received this year from Charlie and Carole Lamar and the Charles Lamar Family Foundation, the LSU AgCenter and grants received last year from the Donna M. Saurage Fund in honor of Cary Saurage, Louisiana Recreational Trails Program, the Burden Foundation and private gifts, the project will jumpstart implementation of the Master Plan.



We deeply appreciate the Charles Lamar Family Foundation's support which, when combined with available funding, brings us closer to transforming the pavillion dream to reality. Charlie and Carole Lamar shared, "Steele Burden and his family made an extraordinary gift to all of us, assuring the preservation of a great expanse of woods and fields right

Jake Fontenot and friend, Jude, investigate a Trees and Trails learning station. Photo by: Andrea Laborde



here in Baton Rouge. We are happy to help add to that gift, with the construction of an open pavillion at the entrance to the Trees & Trails hiking paths."

Dividing the project into two phases allows construction of phase one to begin this fall followed by phase two, tentatively slated for completion by spring 2013. The pavillion (phase one) will be positioned to the left of the Steele Burden Memorial Orangerie. Designed to accommodate 120 people, it will be supported by brick columns and feature a standing seam metal roof, scissor trusses, ceiling fans, and an open-hearth brick fireplace for cooking demonstrations. A system to harvest rainwater from the roof and feed wetlands at the new trailhead will lend itself well to lessons on environmental stewardship.

Phase two will encompass men's and women's restroom facilities, water fountains and a storage area. A model for sustainable building practices, the structure will be located near the new trailhead. Green features will include solar-powered lighting, zero-flush urinals, low-water use toilets, and a rainwater collection system that will feed a cistern.

Because the pavillion and restroom facility will allow for year around programming, the number of people served annually will increase substantially. More children, youth and adults of all ages will be able to develop an appreciation of nature and learn about the importance of urban forests, environmental stewardship, conservation of natural resources, and active, healthy lifestyles.

Future programming will include the following: Project WILD, a widely-used conservation and environmental education program; Project WET, a program on water and wetlands education; curricula tailored to scouting organizations; children's summer day camp educational opportunities; and adult learning opportunities with photography, bird watching, ecology, wetland and forestry studies, and healthy lifestyle classes.

We are grateful for our generous supporters and invite you to participate in helping us build this worthwhile project. Please contact Gigi Gauthier (ggauthier@agcenter.lsu.edu; 763-3990, ext. 5) for additional information or if you would like to make a contribution to our future.

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon — THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

The Conference Center was filled with volunteers and the Burden Center's staff as they were honored at the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on August 14th. The annual luncheon recognizes all the volunteers that help make the numerous educational programs and delightful events possible at the Burden Botanical Garden, Burden Woods/Trees and Trails and Windrush Gardens! Some of these programs include; Arbor Day at Burden, Spring Sing in Windrush Gardens, Brush with Burden, Reflections in the Garden, Burden Corn Maze, Wine and Roses, Garden Fest at Burden, Trees and Trails/Project Learning Tree, All-America Selections Rose Garden and Display Garden and Ginger Garden. There are also many volunteers that provide support in behind the scenes that we couldn't do without. The Burden volunteers provided approximately 8,000 hours of time to their community through assisting the Burden Horticulture Society and Burden. We would like to also recognize the Burden staff whose support is invaluable to all we do.

John Welch of Suzanne Turner Associates gave a presentation from the Cultural Landscape Report produced by the firm in conjunction with the development of the Master Plan. The presentation of aerial photographs showed changes to the Burden property over time. The group particularly enjoyed the segments of the Burden family's home movies taken around 1925.

The complete 225 page Cultural Landscape Report is available on-line at <http://www.lsuagcenter.com/Burden> or in the Burden Horticulture Society's archives for those who may be interested in learning more of the history of the Burden property.

We greatly appreciate the committee planning this wonderful event which was chaired by Ginnie Bolin and included Pat Bergeron, Sherry Eubanks, Kitty Hessberg, Simone Kramer and Aline Creed. Also a huge thank you to the extra hands helping prepare the lunch and desserts: Arlene Kestner, Kitty Bull, Barbara Laudun, Connie Abboud, Judy Foil, Luke Laborde, Jeanne Clements and Diana Wells.

The next time you see a volunteer or Burden staff member please take a moment to thank them for their generous support. If you would like to become a volunteer at Burden, you can contact Simone Kramer at skramer@agcenter.lsu.edu or by phone at 225-578-3979 or Bob Souvestre at bsouvestre@agcenter.lsu.edu or by phone at 225-763-3990.



Top: Trees and Trails Volunteers, Brenda Baumgardener and Kitty Bull.
Middle: Board Members and Super Volunteers, Simone Kramer and Sherry Eubanks.
Bottom: The Cooks in the Kitchen at the Volunteer Luncheon, Ginnie Bolin, Pat Bergeron, Barbara Laudun, Arlene Kestner, Judy Foil, Simone Kramer and Kitty Hessberg.

Brush with Burden: BONUS WORKSHOP

This year's Brush with Burden event will include a **bonus workshop** with renowned artist, teacher, lecturer and writer, A. J. Schexnayder (<http://www.ajschexnayder.com/>), on March 1, 2013. Mr. Schexnayder's works have been exhibited in galleries around the United States and abroad and we are very fortunate to have him as the jurist for this year's Brush with Burden exhibition. The workshop will include a lecture, demonstration and interactive discussion with the participants. Admission of only \$20 will be charged to BHS members and \$25 for nonmembers. Don't forget to mark your calendars for this special opportunity from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Ione Burden Conference Center on March 1,

Sow Much Knowledge....So Little Thyme

By Donna Montgomery

The Master Gardener program, conducted throughout the United States and Canada, is a two-part educational effort in which avid gardeners receive many hours of intense home horticulture training and, in return, they "pay back" local university extension agents by volunteering.

The Louisiana Master Gardener program began in Baton Rouge in 1994 to extend the educational outreach of the LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service. A service and educational activity offered by the LSU AgCenter, the program is designed to recruit and train volunteers to help meet the educational needs of home gardeners while providing an enjoyable and worthwhile service experience for volunteers. It was adopted statewide in 1997 and now is offered in 23 parishes with volunteer participation in 46 parishes. Volunteers receive training and resources from LSU faculty and in return volunteer to educate the gardening public.

In 2011, EBR Master Gardeners' "payback" to the LSU AgCenter was 10,731 volunteer hours reaching 122,532 individuals for a total value of \$248,051.83. The Mother's Day Plant Sale is the one money-making activity of EBR Master Gardeners. Money derived from the sale supports projects at Burden Center and educational activities such as plant health clinics, the establishment of school gardens, educational classes at local libraries and children's programs, among others. Working with Burden in Windrush Garden, the All-America Display Garden, Rose Garden, Children's Garden, Trees and Trails, and special events draw many Master Gardeners.

The EBR Master Gardener Association has 230 members who serve many roles in helping agents deliver educational horticultural programs and information. Master Gardeners address the public's need to know about home horticulture! A 20+ member team makes up the Educational Presentation Committee (Ed Pres). Series of programs on basic gardening topics are held for the general public at Bluebonnet and Jones Creek regional libraries. The group has prepared more than 30 topics for public presentations. In January 2012, Ed Pres reached 212 people from eight parishes in its series at the Bluebonnet Library.

The 2012 fall series will begin on Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Jones Creek Regional Library. The topic will be "Container Gardening - Basics and Creative Displays." Fall series classes will continue October 4 and 11 at Jones Creek. The 2013 classes begin January 10 at Bluebonnet Regional Library. Master Gardeners have a plant health booth at the Red Stick Farmer's Market downtown on the first Saturday of each month, and plant health clinics are held seasonally at area nurseries. Master Gardeners are there to answer clients' gardening questions. The health clinic at the downtown market averages 65 each Saturday.

Specialty workshops are scheduled periodically. Workshops in 2012 included the "Tiny Magical World of Terrariums" and pruning workshop, "Don't Cut It to the Quick." Children are a special delight. That is why teaching Junior Master Gardeners classes, working with school children's gardens, AgMagic, and holding workshops for children are so rewarding. Teaching children about gardening makes them pay more attention to and have more respect for plants. Once they are hooked, they are eager to learn more.

The LSU AgCenter's Master Gardener program plays an important role in meeting the horticultural needs of Louisiana residents and provides research-based information for the fastest growing leisure-time activity in the nation – gardening. Anyone with a willingness to learn and a desire to help others can become a Master Gardener. Experienced and beginning gardeners seeking up-to-date horticultural information can advance their gardening expertise and enhance their community through the art and science of horticulture.



Call Bob Souvestre at 763-3990 for times and dates of the next class. EBR Master Gardeners now have a Facebook page. Become a friend at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/East-Baton-Rouge-Master-Gardeners/198846053485139>

Left: Plant Health Clinic at the Farmer's Market.
Top: Sarah Rayner demonstrating butterfly gardening at the Garden Fest.
Middle: Master Gardener Plant Sale.

Master Plan Update

By Jeff S. Kuehny

The Master Plan for Burden Center was approved by the Board of Supervisors during the July 27th meeting. The master plan provides Burden with a guide to: create a unified whole for the organization and visitor experience of the site, maintain and improve the site as an active research and extension station, recognize the significant cultural history of the site, establish a destination and core experience at the southern end of the site, create a powerful entry sequence and a legible circulation system of destinations, define a garden and collections approach that reflects the heritage of southern Louisiana, restructure the site's natural systems, and a sustainable business plan that addresses the need for earned income incorporating opportunities.

The next step to embrace the outcomes of the master plan and the first part of this process was to initiate a feasibility study. The feasibility study interview process took the campaign vision and plan to the public, to test the validity of the master plan projects around which the - campaign is centered and help determine whether the community understands the importance of the proposed projects. National Community Development Services was

hired to conduct the campaign and they conducted interviews for the feasibility study last spring.

Results from the Burden Center Master Plan feasibility study showed broad support for Burden Center's mission and great potential for implementing phases of the Master Plan to enhance the Burden family's gift to our community. Based upon the recommendations by NCRS and Portico Group (the firm who conducted the master planning process), the Burden Foundation, LSU Agricultural & Mechanical College and the LSU Agricultural Center are developing a comprehensive and coordinated operating plan for the LSU Rural Life Museum and the LSU AgCenter's Burden Center. Initiatives include unified telephone, calendar, and event management systems; coordinated efforts with advertising, public relations and development; and implementation of emerging information technology to enhance visitors' experience. As we begin to implement these enhancements we will keep you informed as we prepare to implement phase 1 of the Burden Center Master Plan.

The Southern Garden Symposium

Offering prestigious speakers amid gracious surroundings.

October 12 & 13, 2012
St. Francisville, Louisiana
www.SouthernGardenSymposium.org

With featured speakers like Dean Norton, Mount Vernon's Director of Horticulture; Heidi Sheesley, owner of Treesearch Farms in Houston, Texas; and floral design instructor Lynette McDougald of Mississippi State University, no other gardening program brings together top quality speakers and historic plantation settings as well as the Southern Garden Symposium in St. Francisville, Louisiana. Known as much for its engaging social events and historic venues as for its outstanding gardening lectures and workshops, the Southern Garden Symposium - now in its 24th year - has become an annual tradition for garden enthusiasts from across the south.

While the symposium's workshops and lectures provide ideas and inspiration for the gardener, the social activities surrounding the event are classic southern elegance at its best. From the home-baked breakfast breads served in the morning, to the sumptuous fare of the evening gala and the delightfully relaxed Saturday afternoon tea, not a single detail of southern hospitality is overlooked.

For complete program information and registration forms, visit
www.SouthernGardenSymposium.org; call 225-635-3738 or email luciecassity@bellsouth.net



Join us for an evening of Wine & Roses
Wednesday, October 24
Burden Center
4560 Essen Lane
Baton Rouge

Cocktails 6 p.m.

Dinner 7 p.m.

\$125 per person
Limited seating available
225-763-3990



Profile of Our Director of Development:

Maurine “Gigi” Gauthier

Many of the Burden Horticulture Society members have worked with Gigi Gauthier on fund raising activities but few may know about her extensive background and experiences before coming to the Burden Center.

A Baton Rouge native, Gigi received a Bachelor of Arts from Vanderbilt University in Communication Studies, Psychology and a Master of Business Administration from Samford University.

Fund raising is not new to Gigi, who while working in retail in Birmingham, found time to help several area non-profit organizations such as - Junior League of Birmingham, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, YWCA of Birmingham and Habitat for Humanity. As Gigi says, “the experiences of partnering with others with shared interests in making the community better, was rewarding.”

While in Birmingham, Gigi lived across the street from the Birmingham Botanical Gardens where she walked regularly and became involved in several fund raising activities which included, the Fiesta Plant Sale, Cocktails in the Gardens and Antiques in the Gardens.

Similar to the Burden mission of expanding its awareness around Baton Rouge area, Cocktails in the Gardens and Antiques in the Gardens were catalysts for raising community awareness of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens’.

She began development with the LSU AgCenter in December 2008 where she handled the 21st Century Fund annual appeal, researched potential funding sources, draft-

ed proposals for variety of LSU AgCenter needs, planned the Retirees Luncheon, and visited members of Louisiana’s food and beverage industries to promote Department of Food Science initiatives. At the October 2010 Wine and Roses, Chancellor Richardson announced Gigi was going to be the Director of Development for all AgCenter work at Burden and in January 2011 moved her office to the Burden Botanical Garden.

Returning to Baton Rouge after 22 years away Gigi says “it’s been wonderful to return home and have the privilege of working with passionate Burden Horticulture Society members, Burden Center supporters and staff who treasure this historic property, want to preserve the Burden family legacy and realize the property’s tremendous potential to become a world-class destination for Baton Rouge and Louisiana. “

We are very blessed to have a person of this caliber leading the way to garnering support for all of our Burden initiatives. Next time you are visiting one of the many Burden destinations or are participating in one of our many events please say “hello” to Gigi.



“Reflections in the Garden”

2012 Lunch Series

October 1 Adding Bling to your Garden with Bulbs
Al O’Brien

November 5 “Pass-along” the Plants Please: Heirloom Plants’
Neil Odenwald

December 3 Building a Garden Home for your Birds
Emily Winners

* 2nd Monday due to holiday

Noon to 1:00 PM in the Ione
Burden Conference Center

Special guest speakers! Bring
a brown bag lunch!

Drinks will be provided!

Harvest Days and Corn Maze at Burden

By Simone Kramer

Volunteers Needed

Water balloon launchers, hay mountain, pumpkin painting and of course the infamous Burden Corn Maze are all part of the family fun planned for Harvest Days and Corn Maze. The dates for Harvest Days/Corn Maze are September 22nd and 23rd and the Burden Corn Maze each Saturday through October 27th from 4:00 to 7:00pm. Join in the fun by volunteering to help make this the best Corn Maze ever. Barbara Quirk and Rachel Howell have provided numerous ways in which you can be part of this family celebration of fall. Besides being a fun event for the whole family, Harvest Days provide the opportunity to showcase the great treasures found at the Burden Center and Rural Life Museum in the middle of Baton Rouge.

Over 80 volunteers are needed to collect money and man stations for this two day event.

Here is where your help is needed:

- ❖ Admissions (inside the Rural Life Museum)
- ❖ Corn maze
- ❖ Pumpkin painters
- ❖ Water balloon launchers
- ❖ Pumpkin patch sales
- ❖ Load up helpers for hay rides
- ❖ Traffic and crossing
- ❖ Runners

SHIFT TIMES:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21: 10 am – 12 pm for Set up and Decorations
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 : 8 am – 11 am; 11 am – 2 pm; 2 pm – 5 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 8 am – 11 am; 11 am – 2 pm; 2 pm – 5 pm
5 pm – 6:30 pm for cleanup

Can't help on the Harvest Days weekend? Corn Maze Saturdays need at least 3 adults and 3 students to handle: admissions, drinks, haystack and water balloon filling each Saturday from September 29 through October 27 from 3:00 to 7:30pm.

Volunteers get a free pass for the corn maze all weekend OR any Saturday in October. To volunteer Email Simone Kramer at SKramer@agcenter.lsu.edu or call (225) 235-8896. Student service hours will be validated.

See ya'll in the maze!

Volunteers Wanted

Want to join a great group? Mail the below form to 4560 Essen Lane (70809) or use the entry form on the 'Join Us' page of BHS website (www.BurdenHorticultureSociety.com) or call or email our new volunteer coordinator, **Simone Kramer** (225-235-8896, SKramer@agcenter.lsu.edu). We'd love to hear from you.

Volunteers Opportunities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Speakers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clerical | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Coordination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reflections in the Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Database | <input type="checkbox"/> Trees and Trails, Maintenance and Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wine and Roses Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Trees and Trails, Docents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Your Name and phone number:

Burden Horticulture Society Mission:

In concert with the Burden Center Master Plan, the mission of BHS is to enhance and promote the Burden Center and its serene environment for the benefit of the public through educational programs, fundraising, and volunteerism.

Please check our website for up to date information on events and programs:

www.BurdenHorticultureSociety.com

Thank you for your generous support of Burden Center.

1. Identify the funding area to direct your contribution: _____
2. Identify your means of contributing:
____ Enclosed is my check made payable to **LSU Foundation**. Memo designated funding area.

____ Please charge my ____ Visa ____ Mastercard ____ AmEx ____ Discover

Card # _____ Exp Date _____

Signature _____

3. Name _____ Phone _____

4. Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Mail to: Burden Horticulture Society, 4560 Essen Lane, Baton Rouge, LA 70809
For additional information about these and other funding opportunities, contact: Gigi Gauthier, Burden Center
Director of Development, 225-763-3990, ext. 3 or ggauthier@agcenter.lsu.edu

Not getting e-mail announcements?

Go to the “Join Us” page of www.BurdenHorticultureSociety.com and enter your information or email Connie Abboud at abbcon@bellsouth.net

Burden Botanical Garden
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What's Happening with Our Friends:

Hilltop Arboretum: www.lsu.edu/hilltop

PLANTFEST! October 6-7
FALL GARDEN TOUR October 28, 1-5pm
FALL GARDEN TRIP:
 Discovering Pointe Coupee November 12
JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER
 Fall Thanksgiving Camp November 19-20

Master Gardeners

LIBRARY SERIES ON BASIC GARDENING AT JONES
CREEK BRANCH
 To register call 756-1150
 Container Gardening Basics/Creative Containers
 September 27, 6:30-8:30 pm
 Cool Weather-What to Plant? And Composting
 October 4, 6:30-8:30 pm
 Soil and Bed Preparation and Growing Roses
 October 11, 6:30-8:30 pm
PLANT HEALTH CLINIC AT REDSTICK FARMER'S
MARKET
 October 6, November 3, December 1
 8 am till noon

Rural Life: www.rurallife.lsu.edu

 HAINTS, HAUNTS AND HALLOWEEN October 28
 A RURAL LIFE CHRISTMAS December 2

BHS Annual Events 2012

September 22-23

**Corn Maze
Pumpkin Patch Fun Family Weekend
8:30am-5:00pm**

September 29, October 6, 13, & 20

Corn Maze Saturdays

October 24

**Wine and Roses Dinner
6:00pm**

October 27

**Halloween Bonfire and Corn Maze
4-9pm**

November 30

Brush with Burden entry deadline