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If you are interested in joining Jester Uncorked, or have questions about the group, please contact Karen Kershaw at kershawk@me.com.

# Nature Watch by Jim and Lynne Weber

# Vines of Passion

A widespread favorite of flower and butterfly gardeners, passion vines (Passiflora sp.) are gaining momentum for use in our suburban landscapes. There are several native species that not only serve as larval food plants for several species of butterflies, but also brighten our gardens with beautifully complex blooms through much of the growing season. Well over 500 species of passiflora grow worldwide, with only 9 species native to the US, 6 of those growing in Texas, and 5 of those native or naturalized in Central Texas.

The Bracted Passionflower (Passiflora affinis) is a 3 to 6 foot vine with three-lobed leaves that grows in riparian to dry limestone areas of the Edwards Plateau. Its greenish-yellow blooms are about an inch across, and appear from June through August. Yellow Passionvine (Passiflora lutea) is a longer but quite similar looking delicate vine, with much more shallowly lobed leaves, and almost identical flowers May through September, that give way to purple or black berries in the fall. The hardest-to-find small passiflora vine is the Bird-wing or Slender-lobe Passionflower (Passiflora tenuiloba). Growing on open limestone areas with dry, caliche soils, often over boulders or tree stumps, this vine has very elongated and somewhat variegated leaves that look like a bird spreading its wings. Its small blooms are green and appear from April to October.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



## Parade and Activities Thursday, July 4th - 9:30 am

Paint your wagons, decorate your bikes, your pets, and yourself, and join in this festive parade! Gather at Jester Club at 9:30 am (you don't need to be a member of the club to participate). Parade route will be up Jester, around Basil, and back. Games and activities to follow!



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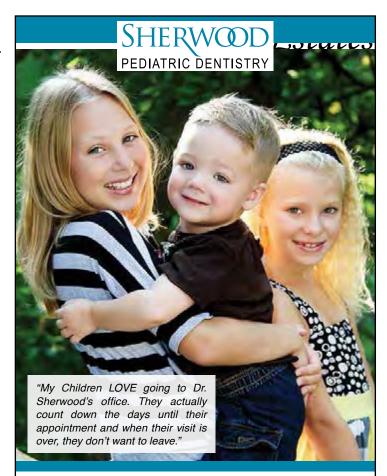
The most robust passifloras in our area are the Corona de Christo or Fetid Passionflower (Passiflora foetida) and the Purple Passionflower or Maypop (Passiflora incarnata). The first is a fairly aggressive climbing vine with large, three-lobed leaves longer than they are wide, and velvety to the touch. The flowers, which are white to pale lavender and 1-2 inches wide,



open in early morning and close within a few hours. They are surrounded by thread-like bracts that persist after the flower fades, and surround the bright red fruits like a 'crown of thorns'. Maypop, which is often found in local nurseries, has naturalized in our area from south and east Texas, and is a fast-growing vine up to 25 feet long with showy, 3-inch wide deep lavender flowers from April through September. This vine does well in full sun or part shade, with plenty of room to climb on an arbor or along a fence or handrail. The common name 'Maypop' comes from the hollow yellow fruits that pop loudly when crushed.



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The naming of the passiflora genus of plants comes from the description of their intricate flower parts in the early 17th century by Spanish priests. Known by the Spanish as 'La Flor de las Cincos Llagas' or 'The Flower with Five Wounds', the passion flower refers to Christ's suffering and its parts represent various elements of the crucifixion. The five petals and five sepals are the ten disciples less Judas and Peter, the corona filaments are the crown of thorns, the five stamen with anthers are the five sacred wounds, and the three stigma are the nails by which Christ was bound to the cross. While this symbolism is not universal, it is still an important reminder today in Christian societies throughout the world.

While many different hybrids and cultivars are sold in local nurseries, these are mainly of subtropical origin. The extra effort it takes to find the native species will reward you with several spectacular butterflies visiting your yard to lay their eggs on these vines. Among those include the Gulf and Variegated Fritillaries, Zebra Longwing, and Julia Heliconian. What a wonderful reason to plant these vines of passion!

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## Welcome Committee News

The Welcome Committee was happy to deliver 2 bags to new residents last month. They were to

- 1) Lauren and John with Belle, their dog, on the 8100 block of Jester Blvd. Both are originally from Austin, but moved from Dallas recently.
- 2) Michael and Brenda with their son Jake, on the 8000 block of High Hollow. They've lived in Austin a year, but moved here from Singapore.

We've been unable to deliver to 4 other houses that closed in the past few months. Several were vacant with new residents doing renovations. One family was on vacation and we missed them. After a move, we think a vacation is well deserved!

If you have a new resident in your block, please introduce yourself and see if there are any questions you can answer. We love hearing that new residents have been welcomed before we are able to deliver Welcome bags.

Please contact JoAnn Welles at (512) 346-0349 or joann-welles@ sbcglobal.net if you've moved to Jester lately and we haven't welcomed you officially. We may have tried to deliver a bag to you but not found you home.



Lauren and John on Jester



Michael and Brenda on High Hollow

## **Solar Testimonial**

by Dale Bulla

As a green neighborhood, Jester now has over 30 homes with solar panels. Occasionally we will let the homeowners give their views with this experience. Carol Philipson lives at 7502 Clematis Cove and has sent the following testimonial.

I was one of the first Jester residents to get solar and I love it. The last three months have been credits of \$18-\$32. I believe it is the best way to help conserve energy, as it is silent, doesn't obstruct views and doesn't affect wildlife like wind power. Solar will only get better as electric costs continue to rise. It will also make my home more attractive to potential buyers should I ever decide to sell.

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# Where are the Monarch Butterflies?

by Dale Bulla

You may have been reading that the Monarch Butterfly migration has been a concern in recent years because of a decline in milkweed, which is the only plant that the Monarch caterpillar feeds on. We have at least two milkweed plants that are native to the hill county as well as a milkweed vine. There is also a milkweed from Mexico, Ascleptias Curassavica, which is adaptable here but can freeze during a hard winter. The Texas milkweed or Antelope Horn, Ascleptias viridiflora, can be seen blooming along the Capitol of Texas Highway or 360 during the months of March, April, May or later depending on the weather.

One thing you should be aware of. Many suppliers of milkweeds apply a systemic insecticide, and this in turn kills the Monarch larvae that eat the leaves as well as the adult butterfly. The only way you can safely know if milkweeds are 'safe' to buy is if they have aphids on them.

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# Travel the World without Leaving Your Hometown by Hosting a Foreign Exchange Student

By Heather Wells

Who hasn't dreamed about walking among the Egyptian pyramids, or soaking in the sun on a beach in Spain, or wandering along the Great Wall of China? Every parent wants to give their children a taste of the world, but the economic reality of international air travel for a family, not to mention hotels, passports and food, makes it tough for most of us to consider except in our daydreams.

There is a way to give your children the world – without leaving your living room. How? Host a foreign exchange student from a country you've always admired! Fascinated by France? Curious about China? Intrigued by India? By welcoming an international student from one of these countries into your home, you instantly open a portal to a far off land.

"My husband and I have been hosting for the past three years and have enjoyed every minute of it!" said Vicki Odom, an Ayusa host mom from Pearland, Texas. "The various students we've had in our home have taught us a great deal about their home countries. The students also love learning about life in Texas and participate in a good deal on community service. Their latest service projects was volunteering to be Super Scoopers at the San Antonio Battle of Flowers Parade."

Foreign exchange students come from all over the world. Ayusa matches host families with students from more than 60 different countries including Argentina, China, Ecuador, Egypt, France, Germany, Japan, Lebanon, Norway, Pakistan, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia and Turkey. All high school foreign exchange students are fully insured, bring their own spending money, and are proficient in English – and all high school exchange programs are regulated by the U.S. Department of State.

"We welcome host families of all shapes and sizes – families with young children, families with no children, empty nesters whose children have left home, single parents and non-traditional families," says Connie Coutu, Regional Manager of Ayusa, a non-profit that promoting global learning and leadership through foreign exchange and study abroad opportunities for high school

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students. "The key requirements for a host family are to provide a safe and nurturing home environment, genuinely love children, and have a desire to learn more about a different culture."

Volunteer host families provide foreign exchange students a nurturing environment, three meals a day and a bedroom (either private or shared with a host sibling of the same gender). Each host family and student is supported by a professionally trained community representative who works with the family and student for the entire program. All interested host families must pass a criminal background check and a home visit by an exchange organization.

Interested host families are required to fill out an application, pass a background check and interview with a local exchange program representative in their homes. Once accepted to a program, host families can view profiles of students to find the right match for their family.

"Hosting an exchange student is a life-changing experience – for the student, the host family, and the host community," says Coutu. "There is no better way to teach your children about the world around them than through welcoming an international high school student into your home."

# Jester Estates Stork Report

Congratulations! Let us help celebrate... email info on the arrival of your little one to diana0777@att.net.







# **Attention Parents**

## Of Incoming Hill Kindergarten Students!

Are you a Jester/Lakewood resident with a child who will be entering Kindergarten at Hill in the Fall? If so, we thought it would be fun to set up a series of neighborhood play dates between May and August to give the kids some time to play and get to know each other. Hopefully, knowing other kids in their class will make their transition into Hill easier. Play dates are scheduled twice per month, alternating between week days and weekends. If you are interested in getting e-mail notices for these play dates, please send your email address to Jester resident, Kevin Fricke at Kevin@lonestarmedia.com or call 512-626-0528. http://www.facebook.com/HillKindergartenClub





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# Runner's Knee Pain Usually Linked To Foot, Hip Problem

If running is turning into a pain in the knees, it might actually be the hips that need your attention.

When runners have knee pain, it is usually related to foot or hip problems, according to Dr. Joseph Chorley, associate professor of pediatrics adolescent and sports medicine at BCM and Texas Children Hospital. If a runner is not in control at the foot, ankle or hip, the knee is what gets twisted, has to overwork and develops irritation.

Chorley makes the following suggestions:

- -Stretch properly before running
- -Don¹t increase mileage by more than 10 to 15 percent per week
- -Walk when knee pain begins
- -Replace shoes every six to nine months or every 500 miles
- -Know what your foot type is and be sure you have proper cushioning
- -Consider cross-training and strengthening exercises to help strengthen the core, glutes or hamstrings
- -Multi-vitamins are helpful for all runners and fish oil is good for long distance runners

However, there are some symptoms that may indicate a more severe problem that should be seen by a sports medicine physician:

- -Fluid accumulating in the knee
- -Painful popping or a mechanical sensation
- -Someone who had a previous structural injury such as torn ACL or PCL that¹s now experiencing pain



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