

June 2024 Reports from Rebecca Phillips

Fort Street Pollinator Habitat

Following guidelines from the county Soil and Water Conservation District, I applied herbicide to bermuda grass and other aggressive plants in the future memorial garden area on June 4, readying the space for mulching and additional planting. Jennifer Tinkler of Marietta Main Street and I have requested mulch from the city but do not have a delivery date yet. Dimex Manufacturing is donating landscape edging and pins to be installed in hopes of slowing the return of the bermuda grass.

A group of seven volunteers from Rea & Associates spent three hours clearing vegetation at the habitat on June 14, rescuing some of the smaller plants from Andrew's original design from their more aggressive neighbors. Plants will need to be added in some spots to replace desired species that have died.

Jason Halbleib of Washington State College will be bringing a group of Upward Bound volunteers to the site on July 2.

I submitted a request for a table at Harmar Days on Saturday, July 27.

Event Calendars for Solar Bench

Ginnie McNeil and I have discussed the August calendar and will be submitting it in the near future. We are also willing to do the September calendar.