

To: Master Gardeners, Lions in District 12 I

There will be a ground breaking ceremony for the Sensory Garden for the Blind October 22 at 10AM.

The joint project of the Franklin Lions Clubs and Williamson County Master Gardeners Association working with the County Parks and Recreation Department will be located at the Grassland Park off Manley Lane and Hillsboro Road. The initial gardens will consist of quadrants for plantings dedicated to the senses of Hearing, Taste, Touch and Smell. The first phase will be within a circular walkway with arbors in each of of the areas.

The unique venue will be dedicated to those with visual impairment, wil and I also serve as a place for learning as the plantings signage will be written and also in Braille. The County Mayor, Rogers Anderson and State Senator Jack Johnson are expected to attend.

Funding for the project is through Lions fund raising projects ,charitable contributions from the public and the "Wild At Heart:" wild game breakfast and lunch sponsored by the Boy Scouts on November 7th. Part of the proceeds will go to the actual garden infrastructure including benches and signage.

The Franklin Evening Lions Club is selling engraved bricks to act as paving guides around the pathways. The initial 100 bricks will circle the fountain centerpiece. They can be corporately sponsored or individual for a family or as memorials. The Bricks are \$100 and will be a lasting memento of community support.

You are all invited to attend the ground breaking, hope to see you there.

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