



Heart of Missouri Master Gardener Newsletter



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Special points of interest:

- Missouri Native Plant Society: mdc.mo.gov/conmag/2002/02/40.htm
- Prairies Forever: www.prairies.org/
- "Specialty Cut Flowers," by Allan Armitage & Rachel Theis; Ball Publishers.
- Small Farm Trade Show smallfarmtoday.com/tradeshow/

Colorful Cut Flowers

A slight break in the day's high temperatures led the way to a **lovely tour of Carlyne Anderson Attebery's flower farm, "A Heaven Scent."** Carlyne has established a successful cut flower farm and sells her beautiful flowers throughout the state, specializing in **peonies, tuberose and other fragrant in-season flowers.** Carlyne also sets up at the Columbia Farmers' Market where her colorful flowers are a hit.

As Carlyne led us through her flower farm, we saw newly established raised beds and a shade garden that will feature recently planted ground orchids. About 50% of the cut flowers Carlyne sells are those gathered from her meadows of wildflowers. She also grows herbs and

last year provided foliage and flowers for an "all herb wedding."

Carlyne grows **woody ornamentals** like forsythia, redbud, lilac, spirea and hydrangea. Carlyne especially favors Annabelle hydrangea for its unrivaled beauty both fresh and dried. She grows **Spring-time flowers** in abundance, and peony is a favorite, that, if picked when buds first form, will last beautifully as a cut flower. **Summer flowers** Carlyne grows include phlox, lupine, yarrow, gaillardia, and just about any flower that lasts well as cut flowers. Carlyne's fall flowers include asters, cleome, celosia, roses, snow-on-the-mountain, and a real favorite, tuberose. Foliage type "**fillers**," grown to round out arrangements,

are pepper grass, blue stem and Johnson grass, saladago, canary and fox tail, and of course, the ever popular baby's breath.

Carlyne works hard to keep up, but she believes there's a strong demand for cut flowers.



Tuberose, *Polianthes tuberosa*

Even if your plans don't include a venture such as Carlyne's, you can **successfully preserve your cut flowers** by using a recipe she shared: **1 quart water, 2 tsp. sugar, 1 drop bleach, 2 drops cider vinegar**

Thanks Carlyne for a lovely evening. And for the refreshing root beer floats!

Nadia on Natives

Join us August 21 for a special tour and program on **native plants at Bradford Farms.** **Dr. Nadia Navarette-Tindall** will be our host as we learn about the **ongoing research** she and others are conducting

on Missouri native plant species. Also planned is a "**wagon**" tour of the facility which will give us all front row seats and easy access to the **beautiful prairie gardens, shade gardens and three rain**

gardens. For more information and directions to Bradford Research and Extension Center, contact Nadia at: NavarreteN@missouri.edu or 573-289-2018 or for driving directions: <http://>

Volunteer Opportunities



From Lea Langdon:

The **Youth Gardening** group could use **more volunteers**. This summer we are meeting at **The Intersection** to garden **evenings, 5:30-7:00, one day a week**. We are also helping out at **New Haven Elementary** for **about an hour in the morning, 8 or 9 AM about one day a week, or every other week**. We have vegetable gardens, native gardens

and ornamentals, something for everyone. Share your love of gardening with our youth. If interested in helping with this worthwhile project, contact **Lea Langdon**: langtrea@yahoo.com or **573-447-1257**. Thank you.

The summer seems to fly by while we stay busy working on our various projects. This is a friendly reminder to **record your hours** so that we can get an accurate count of hours for our annual report. If you are in need of more volunteer hours, look on page three at the list of committees and projects, then contact the chair for more information. Thanks!

Meet Me at the Fair

Missouri State Fair

August 9-19, Sedalia:

www.mostatefair.com

From Mary Kroening:

We will once again host a **"Master Gardener"** day at the Missouri State Fair where Master Gardeners will be featured as part of the College of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources display. The date will be **Saturday, August 18**. We can also have a

two day event if there are Master Gardeners interested in Sunday, August 19. I cannot be present that date, so if any of you might be able to be in charge that day, please let me know.

I will cover admissions and parking for volunteers. I am seeking Master Gardener volunteers to

assist with our display, answer questions, and host an 'ask the expert' booth.

If you are interested, please contact Mary at:

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Missouri Cut Flowers: From Field to Market



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September 5, 2007, MSU-Mountain Grove, MO Campus. This all day event is presented by "Grow Native" & "State Fruit experiment Station."

Morning Session-Free and open to the public: 8:30am at the Pavilion. Visit native plant displays & vendors

and tour horticulture garden. Hayride to Native Cut Flower Experiment Site. Afternoon workshop on cut flower production and marketing. Admission Fee Required: Preregistration by August 29. Lectures will be held in Faurot Hall. Box lunch and handouts in-

cluded in admission fee. For more information, contact Marilyn Odneal: MarilynOdneal@missouristate.edu
417-547-7513

For more information, visit mtngrv.missouristate.edu/SpecialtyCrops/NativeCuts.htm

Upcoming Events

Show Me Yards Workshops: 3 week workshop, **Aug. 14, 21, 28;** 6:30-9 p.m.; **ARC;** Free. Info & Registration: 573-874-7616 or monamenezes@GoColumbiaMo.com

Columbia Balloon Invitational: Free; **August 24-26;** Help support local children's charities. **Corporate Lake, South Providence, Columbia;** 573/864-0645.

Tomato Festival: September 6, Bradford Farm, Free; Info: Tim Reinbott,

573-884-7945.

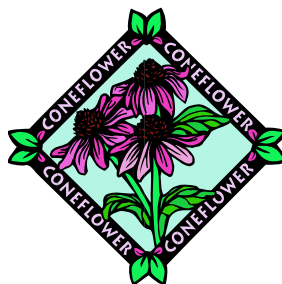
Ozark Renewable Energy & Sustainable Living Expo: Sept. 22-23; Les Bourgeois Winery, Rocheport. Info: www.OzarkRE.org

15th National Small Farm Trade Show & Conference: Nov. 1-3, **Boone Co. Fairgrounds.** Largest annual small farm show in U.S. Save on Early Bird Registration by August 15; 800-633-2535.

State MG Conference: Gems of the Prairie

The Northeast Missouri Master Gardeners are hosting the **13th Annual Missouri State Master Gardeners Conference.** The event takes place **September 7-9th at Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri.** Days Inn is the host motel and offers a reduced rate until August 24.

A wide range of tours and workshops are offered including an **Advanced Training session on "Diseases and Disorders of Horticulture Plants."** Save money with **early registration by August 24th:** <http://extension.missouri.edu/adair/MGConf/index.shtml> or call: 660-665-9866.



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We are required to join at least one committee. Descriptions of the committees are online at: oureach.missouri.edu/boone/Master%20Gardeners/MGcommittees2005.doc

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boone/mg.html](http://www.extension.missouri.edu/boone/mg.html)

Next Meeting: August 21st, 6:30 p.m.

Bradford Research & Extension Center

4968 Rangeline Rd. Columbia

Map: <http://aes.missouri.edu/bradford/bfdir.stm>

Join us for a special tour of Bradford Farm's Native Plant areas, conducted by Nadia Navarette-Tindall, Ph.D.

Refreshments Provided By: Karen Blackmore & Vita Collins, snacks; Barbara Willenburg, drinks

Remember to wear your Master Gardener nametag!



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