

# HEART OF MISSOURI MASTER GARDENER NEWSLETTER

July 2005



“ Helping Others Learn to Grow . ”

*"We learn from our gardens to deal with the most urgent question of the time: How much is enough?"*  
- Wendell Berry

## LAST MONTH'S PROGRAM

A special thank you to **Michael Snyder** for his wonderful talk and tour last month. His presentation focused on the past, present and future of Flat Branch Park and other urban green spaces. Michael is the senior parks planner for the Columbia Parks and Recreation Department. For a plant list of the park or for further information he can be reached at (573) 874-7204 and [mts@GoColumbiaMo.com](mailto:mts@GoColumbiaMo.com).

Starting this month, in order to keep members better informed and involved in chapter activities, the Meeting Minutes for the previous month's general meeting are included with the newsletter. Please take a few moments to read through them, noting any additions or corrections, and bring these to the next general meeting for discussion. The minutes will soon be available online on the Heart of Missouri chapter website.

## THANK YOU BARB!

A big thank you goes out to **Barb Devine** for all of her hard work on this newsletter over the last few years. Without her untiring devotion to this project we would not be as educated and up-to-date on the local and regional gardening scene.

Next time you see Barb please be sure to tell her how much her work has meant to you.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**July 5<sup>th</sup>-Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>: "Visions of the Prairie Garden" exhibit.** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Ridgway Center. "Photography exhibition by Henry Domke features native plants, birds and butterflies that inhabit the Prairie Garden Trust, a nature restoration project on a Central Missouri farm. Entry to the exhibit included with Missouri Botanical Garden admission or membership." For more information visit <http://www.mobot.org/events>.

**July 11<sup>th</sup>: Hawthorn Chapter, Missouri Native Plant Society regular meeting.** 7:00 pm at the Unitarian Church (2615 Shepard Blvd.). Scott Hamilton, urban conservationist with the Hinkson Creek Watershed Restoration Project will be the featured speaker. For more information contact Paula Peters at [PRPeters@aol.com](mailto:PRPeters@aol.com).



**July 16<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>: "Plants as Art" exhibit.** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Ridgway Center. "Cacti and succulents displayed for their sculptural forms and botanical merits in a once-a-year opportunity to see unusual specimens from the Missouri Botanical Garden's greenhouse and private collectors. Sponsored by the Henry Shaw Cactus Society. Entry to the exhibit included with Missouri Botanical Garden admission or membership." For more information visit <http://www.mobot.org/events>.

Visit the Heart of Missouri chapter website at <http://outreach.missouri.edu/boone/mg.html>

**July 21<sup>st</sup>: Poetry Book Group.** 7:00 p.m. at Barnes & Noble (2208 Bernadette Drive). "We will listen to Stanley Kunitz read some of his poems on tape and then discuss *The Wild Braid: A Poet Reflects on a Century in the Garden*. This collection of essays and conversations about poetry and gardening was published recently to commemorate Kunitz's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday." For more information contact Kathy Richmond at (573) 445-4080.

**July 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>: International Master Gardener Conference.** Saskatoon, Canada. For more information visit <http://mastergardener2005.usak.ca>.

**July 30<sup>th</sup>: "Best Homegrown Tomato Challenge,"** sponsored by NatureSweet. A \$5,000 grand prize will be awarded to the gardener whose homegrown tomato is chosen as the best by a panel of judges. Visit the following websites for more information: <http://www.mobot.org/events>  
<http://www.naturesweettomatoes.com>.

**August 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Heirloom Garden Show.** 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Baker Creek (Heirloom Seed) Farm near Mansfield, MO. Visit the following website for more information: <http://rareseeds.com/index.php?page=summer>.

**September 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>: 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Missouri State Master Gardener Conference – "Goin' to Kansas City."** Hilton Garden Inn in Independence, MO. For more information visit the website: <http://outreach.missouri.edu/gkcmg/>.

### SPEAKER'S BUREAU

**Library Series** at the Daniel Boone Regional Library:

**July 12<sup>th</sup>: "Art in the Garden" with Marie Pasley.** "Art can be found in any garden, in the curve of a limb, a combination of colors, or the addition of created art. Learn how to look at your garden with an artist's eye." 7:00 p.m. in the Friends Room.

**August 18<sup>th</sup>: "Beneficial Insects in Your Garden" with Celeste Mazzacano.** "Your garden needs insects. Learn how to identify and keep the beneficial ones and safely destroy the real pests." 7:00 p.m. in the Friends Room.

*"I think the true gardener is a lover of his flowers, not a critic of them. I think the true gardener is the reverent servant of Nature, not her truculent, wife-beating master. I think the true gardener, the older he grows, should more and more develop a humble, grateful and uncertain spirit."*

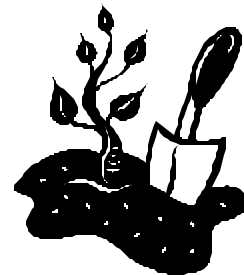
- Reginald Farrer, *In a Yorkshire Garden*, 1909

### 2004 STATE CONFERENCE REVENUE

The Heart of Missouri Master Gardener chapter has \$6,433.00 in revenue from the 2004 State Master Gardener Conference. This spring the executive committee reviewed and discussed all the suggestions received from chapter members for spending the funds. Below are the committee's recommendations for use of the funds. They were presented at the June meeting; however, due to the time limitation decisions were tabled until the July meeting.

Please review the following recommendations. All suggestions were considered. For example, there was a suggestion to offer a scholarship for someone in need to attend the master gardener training class. That suggestion was declined because there are funds available from class revenue that can be used to help a candidate in need. If you have questions about other suggestions, committee members will be glad to share their decision making thoughts at the July meeting. Chapter members will then vote on the recommendations in full or individually depending on group preference.

- Phyllis Barks



<b>Opening balance.</b>	<b>\$6,433.00</b>
1) Banner for displays, yard signs, exhibit header signs.	\$400.00
2) Community Garden Coalition partial payment on shed.	\$250.00
3) 2005 State Conference registration for someone who has never had an opportunity to attend.	\$110.00-\$135.00
4) 2004 State Conference door prizes to 5 people for \$50.00 each toward 2005 conference registration.	\$250.00
5) MU Horticulture student scholarship: Option 1 - \$500/yr for 3 years; Option 2 - \$500 for 05-06 and \$1,000 seed to start a fund.	\$1,500.00

- 6) Collaborate with Master Naturalists to enhance extension grounds – possible loop garden, accessible areas, bridge, etc, \$500.00
- 7) Shredder/chipper that can be used for Master Gardener projects on a checkout basis. \$800.00
- 8) Seed money for next time we host a state conference, i.e., invest to earn interest. \$500.00
- 9) Deli and/or fruit tray for Image Technologies for providing free color copies for newsletter for Habitat for Humanity families for the past four years. \$60.00

**Total proposed expenses \$4,395.00**

- \* Balance to be invested in savings account and/or CD for future projects, such as collaboration with University of Missouri botanical garden and other opportunities. \$2,308.00



### NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

The committee will meet **Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. at the Cherry Street Artisan (111 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 10). Everyone is invited to attend. We will review newsletter from the past few years and begin planning for the August issue. For more information contact Tony White.

All submissions for the August newsletter, including articles, pictures, committee reports and upcoming events, are due no later than **Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Items can be submitted to Tony White in person or by e-mail.

Due to popular support this newsletter will continue to be printed on colored paper.

### GARDENING RESOURCES

Are you interested in native plant conservation? The **Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC)** is offering the recently revised *Missouri Plants of Conservation Concern*, a full color booklet covering 37 rare or threatened species. This wonderful resource is free and is of great value to hobby gardeners, educators and conservation workers alike. It is available online at the following website: [http://www.mdc.mo.gov/documents/nathis/conservation/plants\\_concern.pdf](http://www.mdc.mo.gov/documents/nathis/conservation/plants_concern.pdf). It is also available in print at your nearest MDC office (1907 Hillcrest Drive, Columbia).

### 2005 OFFICERS

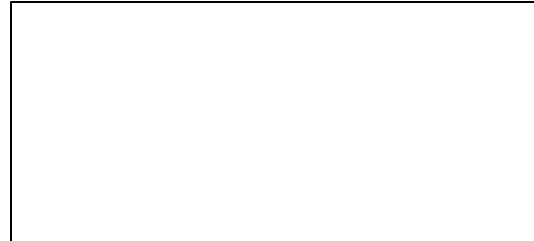
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*“Gardening requires lots of water – most of it in the form of perspiration.”*

- Lou Erickson



- Next General Meeting -  
Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
Lewis & Clark Gardens in Jefferson City

- \* Members of the **Central Missouri Master Gardener chapter** will take us on a brief tour of the demonstration gardens after which we will hold our General Meeting.
- \* If you're interested in carpooling please meet at 6:30 p.m. at the AC Commuter Lot just east of Highway 63.
- \* Remember to bring a copy of last month's meeting minutes and please wear your Master Gardener nametag!
- \* Refreshments will be provided by **Celeste Mazzacano** (drinks) and **Carolyn Doyle** (snacks).

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