

BOONSLICK MASTER GARDENERS
APRIL 1, 2009
MEETING MINUTES

With 11 Master Gardeners in attendance at the Calaboose Gardens on Morgan Street behind the Old Jail we started at 6:00 p.m. with a **clean up day** in the flower beds and yard. All beds were attended to and leaves and sticks were raked and stacked for pick up.

Following the clean up, **Jackie Hickam held a quick update meeting** to review the activities that were coming up, some requiring staffing and some for information including:

- 1) **Wal-Mart Garden Center opening** on Saturday, April 4 with two hour shifts beginning at 8:30 AM. Contact Darlene or Jackie for times you may be able to assist. Bring your resource manual and a chair and be prepared to answer general questions, usually regarding veggie plants and plant placement. Wal-Mart has historically provided pop and hot dogs for sale in the parking lot.
- 2) **Pilot Grove Katy Junction Garden** group will meet at the garden at Katy Manor on Tuesday, April 7 at 6:30 PM to conduct long range planning, plant selections for the 5 senses garden, a working accessible bed, and to discuss innovative ways to gather support for this project.
- 3) **Native Plant Sale** – Saturday, April 11 from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Bradford Farm off WW in Boone County.
- 4) **Blackwater Community Garden Show** on Saturday, April 18 is an opportunity to staff a booth or demonstration. Todd Lorenz is requesting any volunteers to put on a program of your choice. Contact him for scheduling or programming ideas. So far, two Master Gardeners will be participating, more are welcome.
- 5) **Four H Kids and Critters program on Sunday, April 26** at the Youth Fair Grounds. Contact Daneal Gerke at the office if you are interested in helping.
- 6) **Beginning Gardening Class** will be offered by Todd Lorenz on Monday, April 27 in Fayette in a location to be announced. Call Todd if you are interested in assisting. Participants will learn basic veggie gardening with ability to bring in soil tests in advance. Cost of class is \$25.00.
- 7) **Linda Jones at Touch of Class** contacted Megan and is offering a two hour workshop on Wednesday, April 29 from 6-8PM put on by Rex Roberts, President of the Columbia Farmers Market, (he is also employed by Linda as a reflexologist). The program and fresh, organic greens salad is offered at \$7.00. They are introducing this programming to see if there is interest. Mr. Roberts is also available for a presentation at a Master Gardener meeting if desired.
- 8) **Morgan Street Park and Plant Sale** is still anticipated for 1st or 2nd weekend in May, when Parks Department and plants are ready.
- 9) **Arrow Rock's Annual Garden Show** – May 9
- 10) **Spring Fling on the Marshall Square** – May 16

Jackie stated that Todd intends on offering a Summer Core MG training program based upon interest and demand. In addition, the MG Hours Reporting form has been updated with new service codes.

Jackie announced that the MG Advisory Board is in need of an alternate. This group meets the 1st Friday of the month at the Boone County Extension Bldg. Anyone interested should contact Darlene or Todd at the Ext. Office.

Carol Nauman gave the Treasurer's report with an account balance of \$1547.35.

The MG group stated that they would like to invest in some more and better mulch for the Calaboose Garden flower beds this year, before the Garden Tour in June.

Next MG meeting will be on Wednesday, May 6th.

With no further business to come before the group, we adjourned at 7:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan McGuire
Secretary
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