



GRAPEVINE

From the President

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Wow!!! I can't believe that we are already looking at not only the end of the growing year and putting our gardens to bed, but also, looking at the 3 month planning calendar below. The end of 2009 will be on us before we know it.

It's that time of year when things are winding down in the garden. The trees are glowing with fall colors, and we look forward to curling up in front of the fire to begin planning our gardens for next year. But we still have lots to do to get everything done in our gardens before winter sets in.

Speaking of some wrap up work in the garden. Keep an eye and ear out for the next clean up dates at our demonstration gardens at the parks. And when you are working in the gardens, be sure you have something identifying you as a Master Gardener – your name tag or at least a Master Gardener shirt. There are some "Volunteer" ID badges stored in the shed. Please don't be upset if someone asks who you are or what you are doing – let's appreciate the public's help and vigilance in keeping our parks and gardens more secure.

Remember, hours sheets, pamphlets about upcoming seminars, and the calendar of events are all available at our website.

See you in the gardens!

OCTOBER

- 5 Board Meeting
- 10 "Going Green In The Garden" – St. John's Cancer Center
- 13 General meeting 6:30
- Mid Election of 3 board members by mail
- 30 Hotline scheduling ends

NOVEMBER

- 2 Board Meeting
- 10 General meeting 6:30

DECEMBER

- 7 Board Meeting
- 8 No General meeting – Happy Holidays!

Board Members

Mark Bernskoetter,
President

Ann Hall,
Vice President

Janet McWilliams,
Secretary

Christy Jenkins,
Treasurer

Carl Redmon,
Board Member

Mary Brown,
Board Member

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Treasurer's Report
Christy Jenkins, MG, Treasurer—759-2987

As of August 31, 2009, we had the following account balances:

Extension Account—\$ 10,364.05

MG Account - \$ 4234.76

Certificates of Deposit - \$ 15,800.46

Total Cash - \$ 30,399.27

Snacks:

Oct: M, P, E, O, S, K

Nov: B, A, N, I, V, Y

Thanks,
Jana

Tonya's Strawberry Soup

16 ounces of frozen strawberries
1 cup half and half
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup sugar

Blended together and serve chilled!

When I heard this recipe I wanted to share it with you. I know it sounds like a summer recipe but I could not resist sending it now.



Master Gardeners of Greene County Board Meeting Minutes 09.08.09

Voting Board members in attendance: Mary Brown, Christy Jenkins, Janet McWilliams, Carl Redmon, Mark and Renae Bernskoetter, Ann Hall, and Randy Underwood
Patrick Byers represented Missouri Extension.

Committee Chairs in attendance: Carl Huffman and Cindy Arrowood

Approval of Minutes: Carl Redmon moved to accept the minutes as printed, Mary seconded, motion passed.

Treasure Report: Christy reported a balance of \$30,399.27, with \$10,364.05 in the Extension account, \$4,234.76 in the MG account, \$15,800.46 in the two CD's.

Deposits

Donation of \$250.00 from Wal-Mart
Fall into Gardening \$180.00

Invoices to pay

Greene County Print shop	20.31	Grapevine
Carl Redmon	46.66	Xeriscape – mileage 15.00
		NG – mileage, food, brush fee 31.66
Renae Bernskoetter	24.20	Fall into Gardening – supplies
Sharon Owings	51.93	Fairs and Shows - supplies

Approval of Treasurer's Report: Mary moved to accept the report as given, seconded by Renae, motion passed.

Barbara – Xeriscape- She is hoping that the Linden trees will recover from the Japanese beetles and the crabapples have apple cedar rust.

Cindy: NG – Work evening, Tuesday, September 15th, signs are up for the reward and another statue was stolen. Name tags are in the shed for volunteers working in the garden.

Missouri Extension: Patrick - Stated that several people visiting the park had reported to Friends of the Garden that they were worried about chemicals being used on the gardens, so an oversight committee is being formed. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be the days for the new Level 1 classes – The Botanical Center is underway, Parks is starting a landscape committee and would like to have 2 MG's on it (to keep the building and landscaping within sustainable building qualifications) so let Pat know if you are interested.

Public Education: Renae: Dates are set for some of the events for next year, MO Gardens will be on Mondays.

President: Still need someone to review scholarship applications. Amy Tuggle is working on a Jr. Master Gardener program. Signs are up for the reward at NG.

Mary – She has three volunteers for the nominating committee: Sharon Owings, Ruby Miller and Anise Butler. Several people have responded positively when asked to run.

Janet- Brought up a new project I am working on and would like to have some designing help, and would also appreciate and donations next spring of shrubs, trees and perennials, especially natives. The project is for the landscaping for the Missouri Institute of Science, which is our new natural history museum. This is located where the River Bluff Cave was discovered, and is worth a visit.

Respectfully submitted, Janet McWilliams, MG Secretary



Cabrini's Tasty Chicken

Take a package of chicken tenders and coat with flour. Place in a skillet with olive oil and brown. Turn down the heat and add chopped garlic, lemon juice and white wine. The amounts are up to you depending on your tastes. You can use 5-6 garlic cloves, juice from 5 lemons and quite a bit of white wine. Let that start to bubble and add cooked plain spaghetti noodles. Salt and pepper to taste. It is not easy on the breath but a good dish. Serve with bread because of its richness.

Sue's Pumpkin Cake

3 eggs
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 box yellow cake mix
1- 15 ounce can solid pack pumpkin
1- 12 ounce can evaporated milk
1/2 cup chopped pecans
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup melted butter

Preheat oven to 350'. Grease bottom of 9x13 pan. Combine pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar, cinnamon, and salt in large bowl. Pour into prepared pan. Sprinkle the dry cake mix evenly over the pumpkin mixture. Top with pecans. Drizzle the melted butter over top of cake mix. Bake for 50-55 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm or cool and top with whipped cream. Delicious!



Master Gardeners of Greene County General Meeting 09.09.09

Nathanael Green: Cindy – There is a work day (last one) on September 15th. There will be a general cleanup after the first frost with goodies provided. Name tags or a Master Gardener shirt should be worn when working at the gardens. Name tags are available in the shed (volunteer for the parks name tags). A sign up sheet was available for anyone wanting to help with daffodil planting.

Social Committee: Jana – This is the last “party” of the year – look for snack initials in the Grapevine for next month.

Public Education: Some dates for 2010 have been set; the last “Knowing and Growing” is September 26th, at 9:30 (a short class on herbs) at NG. September 26th and 27th will be the Harvest Fest at Rutledge- Wilson Park. There will be classes available.

Fairs and Shows: Sharon – Harvest Fest is the next event. The Lawn and Garden show is in February.

President: Mark – Information on cook books is being worked on. Still need two volunteers to look over scholarship applications.

Patrick: Level 1 classes are being set for next year. These will be evening classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Patrick pointed out the area where the Botanical Center is going. Need 2 volunteers to be on the Parks landscaping committee for the center. Don't forget about the State Conference.

Mary – Nominating committee consists of Mary, Sharon Owings, Ruby Miller and Anise Butler.

Debbie – shirts are still available but will have to be picked up at the Extension office. Let her know if you want a denim shirt.

Amy – October's meeting will be on bulbs. November will be about conifers. No meeting in December, with the potluck in January.

Carl Redmon reports that someone has left a tiller at the garden, please contact him to pick it up.

Janet McWilliams needs some designing help with a landscape project for the Missouri Institute of Science, the new natural history museum which is located at the River Bluff Cave. Also needs donations of plants next spring.

Carl Huffman – Rutledge Wilson Park will be open every weekend through October.

Respectfully submitted, Janet McWilliams, MG Secretary

**Public Education****Renae Bernskoetter - Chair****marnaeb@sbcglobal.net****MG Continuing Education 2009 Opportunities:**

It is recommended by University of MO Extension Master Gardener Program that we as Master Gardeners obtain at least 6 hours of Continuing Education each year, in addition to the 20 volunteer hours.

These are the opportunities that have been available thus far for 2009:

January 24 – “Gardening Inside and Out”- up to 2 ½ hours

February 7 – “Veggies from Start to Storage”- up to 4 hours

March 14 - Espalier pruning at Nathanael Greene - 1 hour

March 28 - “Spring into Gardening” – up to 2hours

May 2 - Knowin’ & Growin’- identify/transplant native seedlings – ½hr.

June 6 - Knowin’ & Growin’ – beneficial insects ½ hour

July 11 - Knowin’ & Growin’ – dividing iris – ½ hour

Aug 8 - “Fall into Gardening” – up to 2 ½ hours

General Meeting topics:

February 10 - Emerald Ash Borer - 1 hour

March 10 – Rain Gardens - ½ hour

June 9 – Lawn seeds – 1 hour

Other opportunities:

Lawn and Garden Show – Seminars

Naturescaping at the Nature Center - Seminars

Jan 24 - “Veggie Gardening for Beginners” – Midtown Library

Feb 21 - “Organic Gardening” – Midtown Library

March 21 - “Herb Gardening” – Midtown Library

You can count the time spent in classes that broadened your gardening knowledge. This is not meant to be an all-inclusive list. If you attended a class not listed here it can still count towards your Continuing Education hours. If you are unsure if it would qualify, contact Patrick Byers for a determination.



October Topic: Bulbs
Location: St. John's C.H. "Chub" O'Reilly
Cancer Center
2055 S. Fremont, Auditorium
Begins at 6:30 p.m.

It's really starting to feel like the fall season, which turns gardeners' minds to mums, asters, fall veggies, and pumpkins. I know you are enjoying this time of the year as much as I am. Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 13th as we welcome back Dr. Clydette Alsop from Missouri State University. She will be discussing bulbs. We look forward to seeing you for our next meeting.

Coming up in November will be Bob Lovett with a program on conifers. As a reminder, we will not have a monthly meeting in December, but will meet up again in January for our annual "holiday" potluck. The Cancer Center was not available for our February and March meetings, so we will be taking a field trip for those two months. Watch the Grapevine for more details.

Amy Tuggle

Suzy's Cabbage Stew

- 1 pound of ground beef, browned and drained**
- 1 can kidney beans**
- 1 can crushed red tomatoes**
- 1 head of cabbage, shredded**

Let these ingredients cook down slowly and enjoy!

I thought this recipe could warm up a chilly evening in the fall.

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To own a bit of ground, to scratch it with a hoe, to plant seeds, and watch their renewal of life—this is the commonest delight of the race, the most satisfactory thing a man can do.

Charles Dudley Warner

**Growing on the vine,
Susan**

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