Thumbs Up!

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THIS MONTH’S MEETING

Thelma Rose will be speaking at our next meeting on  
**August 2 at 6:30 pm** at the Extension Office.  
She will be bringing a working hive that we can see.  
She is from Granby and her husband, Roger, is  
president of the Southwest Missouri Beekeepers  
Association. They will be happy to answer any  
questions you might have concerning bees and their impact on gardening.

CARVER DAYS—July 9, 2011

“I would like to extend a ‘Thank you’ to all who participated in Carver Day 2011. The event was wonderful with about 700 visitors. I appreciate your time and helping make Carver Day a great success! It was very hot, and you made it work.” - Curtis Gregory, Park Ranger

“Despite the heat (100°), approximately 700 people came to visit GWC National Monument on Saturday. There were several busloads of people—some were from as far away as St. Louis and some were from Joplin who had homes destroyed and needed a change of scenery. Despite the tent worms dropping on us all day, we set up tables under the big walnut trees in the park. We had a great time talking to the visitors as well as sharing amongst ourselves.

Once again, we had a great exhibit of native plants—edible, medicinal, and ornamental landscape. We are fortunate to have Linda and Mike Simmons, who are so knowledgeable about wild edibles, and Gwen Schröder, who is quickly developing a passion for our native landscape plants.

Thank you to the entire group who helped make 2011 Carver Day a success.” - Sherry McBride, chairperson

**Thanks to John Littlefield, a FFA Advisor at East Newton High School and a Hill and Hollow Master Gardener, and his teaching partner for providing pots, soil, and labor for trees donated by the Conservation Department for Joplin’s restoration projects. The East Newton FFA also helped Kathy Wright with this project. Thanks to all members who assisted our neighbors in Joplin after the May 22nd tornado.**
UPCOMING CONVENTIONS

State Master Gardeners Convention
Hannibal, MO
September 23-25, 2011
Theme: Gardening in America’s Hometown

Don’t miss your opportunity to see Mark Twain’s hometown while learning more about gardening! The weekend’s schedule is packed full of exciting speakers, sightseeing, classes, tours, and more. Hosted by the Salt River Master Gardeners. To learn more...

County Fairs

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered at our booths, in spite of the extreme temperatures. We gave away lots of freebies, distributed brochures, and introduced the Club to many visitors. Gift certificates were donated by: $25-Lowe’s of Neosho, $25-WXY Sporting Goods of Neosho, $15-Jon’s Pharmacy of Neosho, and $15-True Value of Neosho.

Welcome to the 2011 MISSOURI STATE FAIR
AUGUST 11-21 SEDALIA
IT'S A SHOW-ME THING!

NEW BROCHURES AND BUSINESS CARDS ARE READY!

OUR NEXT MEETING:
ANNUAL BBQ PICNIC
Location and Time TBA

Meat, Drinks, Beans, and Potatoes provided
Bring a side or dessert to share
Spouses welcome!

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

2011 International Master Gardener Conference
October 11 - 14 Charleston, WV

The West Virginia University Extension Service and the West Virginia Master Gardener Association invite you to join them!

Register Now

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