Thumbs Up!

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"Fall into Spring"
2010 Fall Gardening Workshop—October 16th, 2010
Presented by Master Gardeners of the Ozarks

Kimberling Area Library
Community Room
45 Kimberling Blvd
Kimberling City, MO

9:00 am: Registration
Continental Breakfast
Lunch catered by Carefree Catering
Cost: $16.00

9:30 am—3:15 pm Workshop Topics:

- **ABC's of Garden Pruning**: Patrick Byers - MU Extension - Springfield
- **Improving Ozark Soils**: Sarah Becker - Lincoln University - Mt. Vernon
- **Secrets to Growing Perennial Flowers Made Easy**: Lee Coates - Peggy's Flowers - Highlandville
- **Bringing the Garden In for Fall**: Alice Troyke - Master Gardeners of the Ozarks - Kimberling City
- **Planting for Fall Color**: Bill Eskes - Grimes Horticulture - Ozark

"The Master Gardeners are drawing this year on speakers who have a lot of experience in these topics so it should be an outstanding workshop." said Tim Schnakenberg, agronomy specialist, University of Missouri Extension, based in Galena.

Space is limited and advanced registration is required.
For more information, contact the Stone County Extension Office at 417-357-6812.
Mail-in registrations should be postmarked no later than October 8th to ensure a seat! Or register online by October 13th.

Hope to see you there...

The new horticulture/agronomy instructor at Crowder, Tracy Allman, is scheduled to speak to us. We will also be discussing our Crowder scholarship candidates. Everyone's input is valuable.

Inside this issue:
- Reducing Rabbits in your Garden
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Rabbits can cause a great deal of damage to plants. Though fencing is an effective control, it may be too unattractive for some uses.

“In cases where fencing isn’t wanted, using plants that are less likely to be attractive to rabbits can be helpful,” said John Hobbs, an agriculture and rural development specialist with University of Missouri Extension. “Just remember, these plants are resistant; not immune to attack.”

“Young plants, or those that are succulent due to over fertilization, are more likely to be damaged. The unavailability of other food sources can result in rabbits feeding on plants that are normally rejected,” said Hobbs.

A list of flowers considered resistant to feeding damage by rabbits include Artemisia, Aster, Bee Balm, Begonia, Blanket Flower, Bleeding Heart, Candytuft, Columbine Coreopsis, Crocus; Daffodil, Dahlia, Daylily, ferns, Gloriosa Daisy, herbs (except basil), Iris, Lamb’s Ears, Pincushion Flower, Red Hot Poker, Surprise Lily, Sweet Violet, Verbena and Yarrow.

A University of Arizona publication entitled “Deer and Rabbit Resistant Plants” lists other resistant plants including trees, shrubs, groundcovers and vines.

We had a great day at GWC National Monument Prairie Day. It was estimated that over 1300 people visited the Park...approximately 100 volunteers. Thank you so much to Pam and Debbie for helping set-up and tear down. And thank you to Cindy, Doug, Beth and Roy for giving us a break — Sherry McBride, Chairperson