



Digging in Dodge

Dodge County Master Gardeners Association

Issue 5

New Local Recordkeeper

We had an election at our May meeting for two positions on the Board of Directors. Judy Zirbel was re-elected and will continue in her role as Vice President. Chris Zuleger was elected and will take on the role of Local Recordkeeper. Lori Schultz did a fantastic job as our Recordkeeper this past year. She tabulated all of the volunteer hours completed on projects in the Dodge County area and prepared a report for the state. The report highlighted several projects from the area.

Lori will be assisting Chris in preparing the 2005 report. **Record sheets with volunteer hours for 2005 must be turned in to Chris by October 1st.** They can be mailed to 509 E. Maple Street, Horicon, WI 53032.

Those who want to be certified or recertified must complete 24 volunteer service hours before October 1st. Record sheets can be

downloaded from the Master Gardener website at www.hort.wisc.edu/mastergardener/. Click on State Associations then MG Program Office. You can download the forms in a PDF format.

Thanks to Lori for all of her hard work this past year and her support of the Dodge County Master Gardeners.

Thanks to Chris and Judy for their commitment to be on the Board for the next two years.

Newspaper Column

Watch for the Home/Living section of the Beaver Dam Daily Citizen. Area Master Gardeners are writing a column for this monthly supplement. A variety of interesting gardening topics are covered in this column and the information will help you to create a fantastic garden.

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Summer Trip

You won't want to miss our summer trip to the Chicago Botanic Garden on Saturday, July 16, 2005. The coach will leave at 8:00 a.m. from the parking lot at the Administration Building, 127 E. Oak St. in Juneau. We plan to arrive at the garden at 10:30 a.m.

The Chicago Botanic Garden is actually 26 gardens in one! From the Romantic English Walled Garden to the wild Midwestern prairie, specialty gardens and native habitat areas show the diverse beauty of nature. The Japanese garden, railroad garden and waterfall gardens provide something for everyone to enjoy.

We have chosen a great day to visit the garden because they are having a fabulous old-fashioned all-American ice cream social! They will be serving lemonade and ice cream, barbeque and old time

treats on their Rose Terrace. Enjoy brass bands, barbershop quartets, and Dixieland tunes under a tent in the Esplanade.

You can also catch outstanding chef Lucio Cavallino from Enzo and Lucia Ristorante Italiano doing a creative cuisine demonstration at the Regenstein Fruit and Vegetable gardens open-air amphitheater at 1:30 p.m.

The Garden Café provides lunch and snacks and the Garden Grille provides lunch, weather permitting. Lunch is on your own since there are so many great choices for you. There is also a picnic area if you prefer to bring your own lunch.

You may want to check out their gift shop where you can find books, prints, and specialty garden tools.

The bus will leave the garden at 2:30 p.m. and return to

Juneau at approximately 5:00 p.m. We will plan a brief rest stop on the way to the garden and on the way home. The bus is equipped with a bathroom.

Registration fee is \$22 which includes the bus, tolls, and parking fee. There is no admission fee.

If you have any questions about the trip call Lisa at 920-387-4741. Register early to reserve your seat on this fabulous trip.



Trip Registration for the Chicago Botanic Garden

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number attending _____ x \$22 each = \$ _____ enclosed.

Please make checks payable to the Dodge County Master Gardeners Association and mail with registration form to Lisa Traugher, 274A Mountin Dr., Mayville, WI 53050. Registration is due by July 13, 2005 to reserve your seat on this fun trip!

2005 Meeting Schedule

Our meetings are open to anyone who has an interest in horticulture. The meetings start at 6:30 p.m. and are held in the Administration Building, 127 E. Oak Street in Juneau, except as noted.

June 23—Sue Gronholz will present information on heirlooms, herbs, and seed saving.

July 28—Rain Gardens will be discussed with Susan Wade and Matt Hanson. This meeting will be at the Union Hall in Horicon. We will then have the opportunity to see the rain garden at Bowling Green Park that was established in 2004.

August—no meeting.

September 22—Are hostas your passion? Bob Zondag from J.W. Jung Seed Company will talk about varieties of hostas and how to grow them.

October 27—We will enjoy hearing about prairie gardens with members from our group presenting.

November—No meeting

December—No meeting

We will look forward to seeing you at the meetings! If you have ideas for speakers or topics please tell one of the Board members.

Lunch Programs

The Brown Bag Lunch Program offered at the UW-Extension Office at the Administration Building in Juneau counts toward continuing education hours. The programs run from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. They are designed for statewide Master Gardeners and those who are interested in horticultural topics. The schedule of topics is below. If you have questions, contact Matt Hanson at 386-3790.

Growing Iris

June 24

Iris are among the earliest blooming and easiest perennials to grow. Join Dr. Bob Tomesh in a discussion of ideas for cultivar selection and growing.

Growing Alliums

July 29

Most of us are familiar with the edible varieties belonging to the onion or allium family, which include garlic, chives, leeks, onions, and shallots. Bob Tomesh will present tips on growing alliums.

Collecting, Storing and Propagating Nut Crop Plants

August 26

Nut trees are ideal for land-

scapes and conservation plantings. Bob Tomesh will discuss those that are common in Wisconsin.

Soil Amendments

September 30

Growing Peonies

October 28

TBA—November 11

Home Propagation Techniques

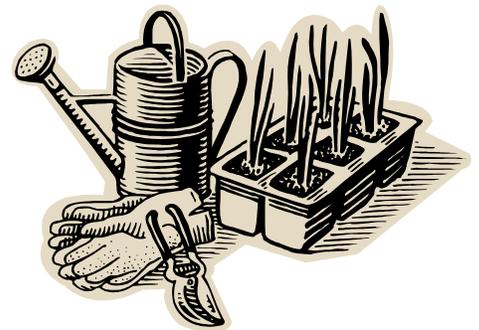
December 16

Veggie Pop Quiz

What are we eating anyway? Can you name the edible parts of these vegetables?

1. Broccoli
2. Asparagus
3. Artichokes
4. Brussels sprouts
5. Celery

Answers are below. No peeking!



1. stems, unopened flower buds, 2. young shoots, 3. unopened flower buds, 4. axillary buds, 5. petiole

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Caption describing picture or graphic.

*“Remember to get those
hands dirty!”
Rebecca Kolls*



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