

Northeast Nebraska Extension Master Gardener

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Hello Master Gardeners,

Summer is flying by and soon school will start. For us gardeners, we are so thankful for the rain that we have received. Our flowers and vegetable gardens are sure enjoying the rain.

We had a wonderful tour in Wayne. Thank you Deb and Lynn for scheduling the tour. The flowers looked beautiful, the hosts were very nice and we had visitors that also were with us. The weather cooperated, so we couldn't have had a better night.

Our next tour is Thursday, August 14th at 6 p.m. We are visiting Phanny's farm that had been postponed because of a weather concern. The address is: 86765 Hwy 81, Randolph, NE. It is 2.5 miles N of 81-20 Junction. Don't forget to bring a sack lunch. Lynn would like you to let her know by Wednesday, August 6. Her email is lynnbloomquist9@gmail.com and her phone number is 402-340-1735.

Our next meeting will be September 13th. That will be here before we know it.

Happy gardening everyone,
Kathy Duval

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES—

If you would like to submit an article or information to share with the Extension Master Gardeners, please submit it by the 22nd of the previous month.

Submit your article to: pkesting2@unl.edu

Member Recognition: These members have birthdays/anniversaries in August

Birthday

Vicki Rundell—August 1
Wayne Ohnesorg—August 13
Connie Dvorak—August 19
Kathy Duval—August 27

Anniversary

No member anniversaries this month



Meeting held at:
Nebraska Extension in Madison County
1305 South 13th Street
Norfolk, NE 68701

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Dates and Trainings to Know and Grow - Mark on Your Calendars

TREASURER'S REPORT:



Bank balance as of 7-30-25 \$12,019.46



Members,
Please save articles, thank you cards,
etc. about Master Gardeners that could
go in the scrapbook. - Deb Daehnke



NORFOLK DAILY NEWS ARTICLES

Articles for the Norfolk Daily News
can be emailed to Ashley at
agracey@norfolkdailynews.com

Also, email your article to Pam and
she will put it on the Extension Master Gardener Face-
book page.

2025— EDUCATION HOURS:

- January 11 —.75 hour “Recycled objects for the garden”
Deb Daehnke
- February 4— 1.5 hours “Houseplants for the Home” Scott
Evans
- February 8—1.5 hours “Ivy Folkers with Honey, “Raising
Bees”
- February 11—1.5 hours “Overs and Unders—Gambling on
Good and Not-so-Good Shrubs—Kim Todd
- February 18—1.5 hours “How Flowers attract pollinators”
- Emily Stine
- February 25—1.5 hours “Integrated Pest Management “ -
Elizabeth Exstrom
- March 4—1.5 hours “Vegetables” - David Lott
- March 8— 0 hours monthly meeting
- March 11—1.5 hours “Creating a Native Landscape - Ian
Peterson
- April 12—.45 minutes “Drip Tape” - Kurt Schrant
- April 25/26—Plant Fair
- July 17—Garden Tour in Wayne

**Please remember to keep recording your hours on the
Master Gardener website.**

[https://mastergardenvolunteer.unl.edu/vrs/sec_Login/
sec_Login.php](https://mastergardenvolunteer.unl.edu/vrs/sec_Login/sec_Login.php)



Hello Everyone,

As the garden visit draws near, will you please let me know if you will be attending the Phanny's Farm garden tour on August 14th at 6:00 p.m. so I can give them a count. I would like the count by Wednesday, August 5th. Please let me know by emailing me or texting me. Remember if you attend, please bring a sack lunch. My email is lynnbloomquist9@gmail.com and my phone number is 402-340-1735. Again, I will be unable to attend as I will be back in LA. I hope everyone that attends has a wonderful time.

Here is the address to Pfanny's Farm:

86765 Hwy 81

Randolph, NE 68771

This is 2.5 miles N of the 81-20 Junction, near Randolph

Let us know if you have any questions. Have a wonderful week everyone!

Lynn Bloomquist and Deb Daehnke



Information—Get to know your Extension Master Gardener members



The developer, RJ, has the VRS site back up and running. Here are a few things to know from now on.

1. The reason for the problem was that the site was hacked. RJ gave the option to move the site to his servers. While the University's servers are protected, it has become more difficult for RJ to access and work on them. We have also been running out of the allotted space on the University's servers, so this should work out better.
2. With this move, we will have a new site to go to log in <https://nebextemgv.org>
3. It will also have a slightly different look, but everything functions the same way.
4. We will no longer have this on the mastergardener.unl.edu site for people to connect to. We will need to share this link through our various outlets, including newsletters and email—Google Classroom, Top Hat, etc.
5. DO NOT create a page on your website and have the EMGVs connect through that.
6. It was this, or we would be getting a different link every year.
7. This link will automatically direct them to the new login page https://nebextemgv.org/sec_Login/
8. As we were transferring this over to RJ's servers, we discovered that two versions of the database were running on the university's servers.
9. This may explain why some people say they entered hours, and we could not see them
As an FYI, he did change a few usernames that were using the email address (noemail@email.com). We cannot have duplicate usernames in the system.
10. Here is the example he said to use for those who do not have an email address (that is what you need to use for usernames)
11. First name, underscore, last name, and the User ID, so "John_Smith_10474
In the past, they had to use their email address; they can still use that, but for a shared couple, they need to have individual usernames.



DEB DAEHNKE

I am Deb DaeHNKE and have participated with Extension Master Gardeners for almost 25 years.

I can remember helping my grandma work in her garden picking strawberries and then watering her houseplants in the winter. Hmm? Was that my prelude to enjoying working in my own garden?

Since retirement, Mic, my husband of over fifty years has been tagged with a little bit of the gardening bug as well. No one but him touches his sweet corn and it is delicious. We have a daughter who lives and teaches at a university in England, and a son who is night manager at the Max restaurant in Wayne. No grand children but we do have a grand dog. Neither of our children has picked up the gardening bug but our daughter sends us vibrant floral photos from her trips around Europe.

As the oldest of six children Wayne has been my home since I was five. I attended four different schools throughout my life, ironically, working at three of them after graduating from Wayne State College. I taught a self contained 7th and 8th grade class at Emerson Sacred Heart where I attended high school; PE, second grade reading assistant, and custodian at Wayne St. Mary's; and secretary for over 20 years in the department I graduated from at Wayne State.

I volunteer at the Wayne Senior Center and the Wayne Food Pantry and also enjoy reading, line dancing, touring gardens both in person or viewing videos, and traveling. One of the most fun things I ever did was drive in a Powder Puff Demolition Derby many years ago. I've been fortunate to visit the Denver, Des Moines, and Chicago Botanical Gardens, Lauritzen Gardens in Omaha, Bellingrath Gardens near Mobile, Alabama, South Texas Botanical Gardens in Corpus Christi, Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix, Boyce Thompson Arboretum in Superior AZ, Kew gardens in England and I try to visit Sunken Gardens in Lincoln every year. I've never met a garden tour I didn't enjoy. But more importantly are all the wonderful people I've met as a Master Gardener.