

# Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener

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Dear Master Gardeners,

This summer is really going well. My garden is growing so much better this year than last year. So green and lots of veggies also. I've been picking zucchini and tomatoes. Made stuffed zucchini for supper last night. So good! Started plants for my fall garden bed which will be mostly greens and root crops. How is your summer so far?



The trip to Lincoln on July 11 was so much fun. There were nine in the group that went. Bob Henrickson met us at the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum. He talked with us about the work that the Arboretum does and it's history. We then went to the Backyard Farmer Garden where Bob talked to us about so many things! Very educational and entertaining! We had lunch and then drove on to the Sunken Gardens. The flowers were stunning! So many colors, I didn't

know where to look first. The weather was beautiful and hot! Thank goodness someone remembered to bring water, thanks so much.



Our third volunteer day for the summer, at the Elkhorn Valley Museum, is August 12 at 9:00 am. Please come if you can.

Continue logging your education hours and volunteer hours online. If you need some help with this let Pam or I know.

Thanks and see you later,

Viola McShannon President

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




Nebraska Public Media (CDT)

- 7 pm Thursdays
- 10 am Saturdays
- 4 pm Sundays
- 5 pm Mondays



**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- ◆ Balance as of 7-24-23: \$7,930.68
- No transactions for the month.



Click on the Northeast Nebraska Master Gardeners Facebook page. A lot of great article to read.

*Thank You*

to everyone who has remembered me with cards and attending the open house (that my family instead on having) for my 80th birthday. I enjoyed it all!

— Karen Zierke



If you did not pick up your member directory at the Plant Fair, directories will be available at the Extension Office.

**2023— EDUCATION HOURS:**

January 14—Awards Banquet and 1 hour watch “The Botany of Bees” from Ohio State

February 11—1.5 hour zoom (Nut Trees)

February 3—2.0 hour zoom (Perennials with Kathleen Cue)

February 7— 1.5 hours Bringing Back Pollinators Nesting & Overwintering Habitat with Jennifer Hopwood.

February 11— 1 hour—If Only Trees Could Talk, Kelly Feehan

February 14—1.5 hours Strawberry and Small Fruits, John Porter

February 21—1.5 hours Invasive Plants and Insects in Nebraska, Allison Zach & Nicole Stoner

February 28—1.5 hours Evergreen Problems, Kelly Feehan

March 7—1.5 hours Seed Saving, David Lott

March 11— Monthly speaker canceled due to weather

March 14—1.5 hours Sedges for Home Landscapes, Bob Henrickson

April 1—0 hour (Plant Fair Planning)

April 28 & 29—Plant Fair

May 20— 0 hour (Plant Exchange)

**DON'T FORGET TO RECORD YOUR PLANT FAIR VOLUNTEER HOURS.**

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

[https://mastergardenervolunteer.unl.edu/vrs/sec\\_Login/sec\\_Login.php](https://mastergardenervolunteer.unl.edu/vrs/sec_Login/sec_Login.php)

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 2023-24 MEETING DATES**


(doors open at 8:30 a.m. with meeting to start at 9:00 a.m. and speaker to start at approximately 10:00 a.m.)

September 9, 2023  
 October 14, 2023  
 November 11, 2023  
 December 9, 2023  
 January 13, 2024  
 February 10, 2024  
 March 9, 2024  
 April 13, 2024  
 April 26/27, 2024—Plant Fair  
 May 18, 2024 [3rd Saturday]

Speakers will be announced later.



*Noted in Passing*



◆ Janice Wobbenhorst brother recently passed away

Address can be found in your Master Gardener directory.

## Water Dogs Workshop - Mark on Your Calendars



# Water Dogs Workshop

## August 28, 6:30 pm

2808 Dover Drive, Norfolk

**Learn how to water lawns efficiently, maintain a healthy soil, and reduce water use.**  
**View a demonstration of an irrigation audit.**  
**Ask your turf and watering questions.**

For information, call Kelly Feehan, Extension Educator, at 402-563-4901 or email [kfeehan2@unl.edu](mailto:kfeehan2@unl.edu)

### **GRO Big Red August Learning Opportunities –** Register at: <https://hles.unl.edu/grobigred>

**August 15, 7 – 8 pm Lawn Care for Healthy Lawns & Rehabilitating Languishing Lawns** - Whether your lawn is healthy or struggling, there are many best practices to ensure it remains a vibrant part of the overall landscape. This program will provide information on when to fertilize, how to water, the importance of aeration, controlling weeds and how to return an ailing lawn to health. *Presenter: John Fech, Nebraska Extension Educator*

**August 22, 7 – 8 pm, Safely Preserve Foods** - Whether canning, freezing, or dehydrating – preserving foods at home is a great way to use up produce, build food storage and save time. Join Nancy as she provides established and trusted research-based food preservation information, while maintaining nutritional value, texture and flavor. *Presenter: Nancy Urbanec, Nebraska Extension Educator*

**August 29, - 8 pm - Fall Landscape Playbook** - Fall is a great time to get many landscape tasks accomplished. Join us for a discussion of four common landscape projects listed in order of attack, including fall weed control, dividing perennials, tree & shrub planting and composting. *Presenter: Sarah Browning, Nebraska Extension Educator*