

Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener

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Dear Master Gardeners,

Well Summer is over and Fall has arrived. Fall is my favorite season but this year I'm sad that my garden will soon be done for the year. This last week I spent time picking pears at Emma's house. I have quite a few and will soon be canning them. Last night I canned tomato sauce. Only 4 pints but it turned out really good! It has been so much fun to can this year. 😊 My small pantry is getting full!



This month we had a guest at the meeting, welcome Kay Pruitt! Thanks for coming and sharing. I hope you will be back. 😊

Thank you Emmalene and Laurie for hosting the meeting. This month's meeting will be October 14 and our hosts will be Connie Dvorak and Joyce Eucker. Thanks for volunteering. The meeting will start at 9:00am with the speaker at 10:00. Topic for the meeting will be 'Herbs' with Margaret Svitak.

Last month we passed around some of the volunteer signup sheets. We still need an election committee and a host for the Awards Banquet. All of these volunteer hours count towards your Master Gardener certification. Talk to any of the officers and we can explain how this is recorded. We can talk about it at the meeting also. Thanks.

It's also time to think about and start paying dues for next year, 2024. Please give your \$20 to Karen Zierke, treasurer. The Fall Master Gardener zooms have started. We will have them at the office however we need to have at least 4 sign up before noon on the day of the training. Please call and let Pam know if you plan to attend.

Continue logging your education hours and volunteer hours online. Speaking of that I need to get some of mine in there also! 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 October

Birthday

Linda Douglas—October 1
 Alice Johnson—October 17

Anniversary

Kurt & Toni Schrant—October 4, 1975
 Vicki & Steven Rundell—October 12, 1996



Meeting held at:
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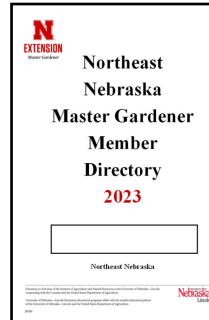
Dates and Trainings to Know and Grow - Mark on Your Calendars

Regular monthly meetings:


(doors open at 8:15 a.m. with meeting to start at 9:00 a.m.)

Please remember to wear your name tag to the meetings

- October 14, 2023— “Herbs” Margaret Svitak
- November 11, 2023—”Urban Agro Forestry” Pam Bergstrom
- December 9, 2023– “Ferns” Marilyn Schmit
- January 13, 2024—Awards and a garden related recording
- February 10, 2024—”Gardening with Prairie Plants” Bob Henrickson
- March 9, 2024—”The Beetles Invade Nebraska” Wayne Ohnesorg
- April 13, 2024—Plant Fair preparations
- April 26/27, 2024—Plant Fair
- May 18, 2024 [3rd Saturday] — Spring Plant Exchange




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



TREASURER’S REPORT:

- ◆ Balance as of 9-24-23 \$7,125.35
- Deposit of \$40 for the Plant Fair, \$225 new membership and check \$1,030 to Northeast Community Collage scholarship.



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

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)

July 11—3 hours Road Trip to Lincoln

September 9—1.5 hours Share the good or bad in our gardens

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



Minutes and Mark on Your Calendars for Fall Extension Master Gardener Classes

Northeast Nebraska Master Gardeners
Extension Office
9-9-2023 Monthly Meeting

Handouts: Volunteer sign-up sheets

President Viola McShannon called the meeting to order at 9:00am with 19 members present and one guest, Kate Pruitt. She thanked Laurie Larson and Emmalene Raasch for treats.

Mary Lux/Joyce Eucker motion to accept May minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer Karen Zierke noted the treasurer's report was the same as in the newsletter (\$7,891.02).

Old Business

Discussion that was tabled at the May meeting ensued about deadlines for sponsors to submit their payments to be included in pre-Plant Fair advertising. Motion by Robin Jones/Kathy Duval: Sponsor payments due by March 1 to be included in flyer and advertisements. If sponsors pay after March 1, they can still be a sponsor/advisor but not in the flyer. This is then fair to those who do pay by the early deadline. Motion passed.

Elkhorn Valley Museum volunteers worked very hard but there is a long way to go. Libby, director at the museum was going to contact people to get mulch. At this time there is no mulch so can't move forward with some other tasks. There is water and the code to access the hose in the shed is OCN.

Seed Library has no seeds for the fall, but seeds are sought for the spring. Viola will try to organize monthly spring classes at the library.

New Business

A suggestion sheet for speakers was passed around.

Plant Fair meetings start at the November meeting, 8:30am.

Bonnie and Viola worked on the Volunteer sign-up sheet, and it was passed around.

Chair of officer elections is needed. This involves soliciting names for the election at the January meeting. An awards banquet chair is also needed to coordinate the January meeting.

Submit up-to-date volunteer and education hours by October 1, 2023. You can continue to submit hours after this date through December 31, 2023, but the Oct 1 date allows the state office to process hours for reporting purposes.

For any fall classes being offered, let Pam know by noon of that day if you plan to watch via Zoom at the Extension Office.

Meeting adjourned 10:43, Robin Jones/ Joyce Eucker.

Members shared their good and bad of summer gardening from 9:55 -11:00 and then a plant exchange.

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**FALL EXTENSION
MASTER
GARDENER
CLASSES**

SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
PHOTOPERIODISM PLANTS: POINSETTIAS & MORE
PRESENTER: SCOTT EVANS, DOUGLAS/SARPY COUNTY EXTENSION

OCTOBER 3, 2023
FALL PERENNIAL WEED CONTROL
PRESENTER: JOHN FECH, DOUGLAS/SARPY COUNTY EXTENSION

OCTOBER 17, 2023
COMPOSTING
PRESENTER: SARAH BROWNING, LANCASTER COUNTY EXTENSION

**ALL PROGRAMS ARE ON TUESDAY EVENING
FROM 6:30-8PM ON ZOOM**

Zoom Link
<https://go.unl.edu/emgfall2023>
Meeting code: 962 9628 4840
Passcode: 673574