

# Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener

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September 2021

Dear Master Gardeners:

How are you all doing ?



My new projects in my garden this year have been simple. I am growing Passion Flower in a pot and it has gotten lots of flowers. More than I've ever had before. I'm am going to try to hand pollinating and see if I can try growing the fruit.

I have also started building my spiral herb garden. It's about halfway there and I hope to finish it next year. This year I used it to plant extra veg starts and had a lot of extra cherry tomatoes.

Our next business meeting is September 11 at 9:00 am. We will talk about: old business, what's coming in the next few months, Some changes in the way the scholarship will be handled and planning for the Plant Fair next year. Lastly we will also talk/share about our successes and challenges this year in our garden. I know the weather has been different. If you can, bring in a sample of a garden item to share. Lastly we will have a plant exchange. This will more than likely be held outside and will give us a chance to see how the demonstration garden has done this year.

Be the sure to continue keeping track of all your education and volunteer hours. It is best to have most hours recorded online by October if you can.

The officers have been working on speakers for future meetings and have met the first of August to go over the information we have so far. There is a speaker for October, January demo, February and March. The schedule will be listed in the newsletter. If anyone is interested in sharing with the group about a topic please let us know. We are listed in the MG member book.

Be safe and happy gardening!

Thanks, Viola McShannon President

## Member Recognition: These members have birthdays/anniversaries in September

### Birthday

Mary Lux—September 8  
 Emmalene Raasch—September 25

### Anniversary

Connie & Mike Dvorak—September 1, 1978  
 Deb & Mick Daehnke—September 2, 1972  
 Vicky & Verlan Hingst—September 16, 1962  
 Kathy & Ken Duval—September 22, 2012



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

### Regular monthly meetings:

(doors open at 8:30 a.m. with meeting to start at 9:00 a.m. and speaker to start at approximately 10:00 a.m.) *\*\*Please remember to wear your name tag to the meetings\*\**

**Plant Fair Committee meeting will start November before the regular meeting at 8:30 a.m.**

- September 11: Plant Exchange and Share. *Please back your vehicle up to the front of the building (west side) and we will conduct the plant exchange there after the meeting.*
- October 9: Jim Peschel from Osmond (harvest and makes his own maple syrup)
- November 13: Kelly Feehan “Using Focal Points in Landscapes/Landscaping ideas”
- December 11: ?
- January 8: Awards Banquet
- February 12: Jill Heemstra (Herbs)
- March 12: Mary Birch (Worm Experiment Project)
- April 9: ?
- May 21 (3rd Saturday): Plant Exchange



Backyard Farmer airs live Thursdays on NET at 7 pm CDT from April 1 through September 16 and repeats on NET Saturdays at 10 am CT or CREATE (NET3) Sundays @ 3 pm CT & Mondays @ 5 pm CT.

Backyard Farmer is dedicated to helping you find solutions to your lawn and garden questions. Every year from spring to fall, our panel of experts deal with topics from insects, turf and weeds, rots and spots, landscapes, vegetables, and critters, as well as landscape design and general horticulture topics.



Late summer or fall fertilization of Kentucky bluegrass and tall fescue lawns is the most important time to fertilize these cool season grasses. Fertilizer applied now promotes recovery from summer stress, increases density of thinned turf, encourages root and rhizome growth, and allows the plant to store food for next spring's growth flush. On older lawns, those that are 10 to 15 or more years old, that typically need only two fertilizer applications a year, make the fall application in late August or early September using fertilizer with all or some slow release nitrogen. On younger lawns, two fertilizer applications during fall are recommended. Make the first one in late August or early September, and the second in mid to late October. For the first one, select a fertilizer with all or some slow release nitrogen. For the later application, use a fast release nitrogen source so plants will take it up before going dormant. Email: kfeehan2@unl.edu

### TOPIC FOR GARDEN STORY FOR THE NORFOLK DAILY NEWS—

Specifications: About 1.5 pages double spaced (about 535 words). Email submission is preferred; send column in word format or in the body of an email. Email your column(s) directly to me at [living@norfolkdailynews.com](mailto:living@norfolkdailynews.com)

Hand-written/typed columns can be mailed to me at:

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Photos: A head-shot photo is needed to run with your column. If your photo hasn't been updated in recent years — or you'd like a new photo to run — please send it to me.

—Sheryl Schmeckpeper

**\*\*\* ALSO, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO EMAIL PAM A COPY OF YOUR ARTICLE, SHE WILL PUT IT ON THE MASTER GARDENER FACEBOOK PAGE.**



### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- ◆ Balance as of 08/29/2021: \$6,251.88
- Purchased a roll of stamps: \$55.00

### 2021— 1ST QUARTER LOCAL EDUCATION HOURS:

February 13—1 hour  
March 13—1 hour  
April 10—.75