2022 Jo Co EMG Advanced Training  -  All on Zoom

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April 21 1:00 pm - Unique Methods to Boost Your Vegetable Harvest, Speaker – Jen Stefanchik – Johnson County EMG  -  Traditional gardening would have you planting your veggies in straight, parallel rows with perfectly placed plants. While that is very pleasing to the eye, it is not always the best use of space. In this presentation, Jen challenges you to adopt some unique, informal gardening styles to increase your overall harvest. Through targeted plant selection and stretching your gardening space, you’ll get more bang for your buck. Jen will also recommend plant varieties with each strategy for large, small, and container gardens.

May 19 1:00 pm – Flowers: What’s New and Other Tidbits for Success, Speaker – Mike DeRee, Ball Horticulture  -  Back by popular demand Mike will update us on new introductions on the market to grace our gardens. New varieties of flowers are continually hitting the market and, in this presentation, we hear about the latest and greatest. In addition, Mike will give us some inside information about the nursery trade helping us better understand the how’s and why’s of our flower gardening passion.

June 16 1:00 pm – The Fundamentals of Garden Layering, Speaker – Benjamin Vogt, Monarch Gardens, prairie-inspired design firm, Lincoln, Nebraska  -  With careful planning, we can create a space working in harmony with nature, expands biodiversity, builds healthy soil, and nurtures pollinators and other wildlife. In this session Ben will show how layering can achieve these goals. Benjamin Vogt owns Monarch Gardens, a prairie-inspired design firm. Benjamin is primarily a plantsman with deep prairie roots. His designs are 100% native plants and his firm specializes in converting lawn to prairie gardens that build biodiversity and support pollinators. His landscapes have been featured in Garden Design, Fine Gardening, and The American Gardener. Benjamin speaks nationally on a variety of topics and is the author of A New Garden Ethic: Cultivating Defiant Compassion for an Uncertain Future and the forthcoming Prairie Up: An Introduction to Natural Garden Design (spring 2022).

July 21 1:00 pm – Mushrooms and Their Association with Plants, Speaker – Malissa Briggle, State Botanist, Missouri Department of Conservation  -  Mushrooms are all around and we often never give them a second thought. In this session we will explore the importance and value of mushrooms for a healthy and diverse ecosystem.

August 18 1:00 pm – Sunflowers That Will Steal The Show, Speaker - Marilyn Schmit, Platte County Nebraska EMG  -  Sunflower varieties come in every color and size. They are easy to grow from seed with minimum care. Sunflowers make great cut flowers, attract pollinators, and provide winter food for birds. In this session you will learn more about varieties and cultural requirements.

September 15 1:00 pm – Clematis Mythbusting, Speaker - Linda Beutler, Rogerson Clematis Garden, Curator, International Clematis Society  -  Clematis are one of best flowering vines for the garden. In this session you will learn all the tricks you need to know about successful culture. Learn what to do or better yet what not to do for the best clematis to grace your garden. Rogerson Clematis Garden West Linn, Oregon was found by former K-State English Professor Brewster Rogerson in 1986

Friday, October 21 10:00 am – Speaker - Doug Kluck, Central Region Climate Services Director NOAA’s National Center for Environmental Information (NCEI)  -  Weather! What’s Brewing in our Future?

November 17 9:00 am – Growing Old Garden Roses, Hybrid Rugosa and Hardy Roses, Speaker - Dr James Roush, Associate Dean of Academic Programs and Student Success, College of Vet Medicine, Riley County EMG