



## K-STATE

Research and Extension

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## What's Growing On.....

### The latest news from the Marais des Cygne Extension Master Gardeners

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#### ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman - Janette Everhart

Vice Chair - Carol Vandenberg

Secretary - Susan Rogers

Treasurer - Billie Lenz

Members at Large:

Helen Kloepper

Stephanie Myers

Rena Tedrow

#### MdC Vision Statement

We are recognized as a welcoming, knowledgeable, focused gardening volunteer team. We grow, communicate with, and educate our community and ourselves. We build lasting connections and friendships.

#### WORK DAYS

**MiCo Courthouse Garden**

Wednesday's, 8a - 10a

**Trial Garden/Cut flower Garden**

Tuesday's, 8a

**LaCygne Community Garden**

Wed and/or Fri 8a - 11a

#### Beth Conner Garden Party

Stephanie Myers

On Tuesday, June 18 the EMGs hosted Beth Connor from the MiCo Republic at Lenora's garden. I believe she was really taken back by how much the Marais des Cygnes master gardeners appreciate the good press in her column from time to time. We had light snacks, lemonade and tea and went around the group introducing ourselves and giving a little summary about how we arrived in the Miami/Linn County garden world. We then toured Lenora's garden in its beautiful June mode. Lo and behold on June 26 Beth wrote in her column a lovely article about Lenora and her garden.



#### 2024 Short-term Project Completion - Paola Library

Carol Vandenberg

The Paola Library has been made a little more attractive on the exterior via phases. Phase I involved removal of dead and/or dying plants and general clean-up. Those involved with this project: Phyllis B (her husband Rodger), Bill & Carol V and Lorraine M.

With the help of Rosie King (FOL Chair.), Patty T., Carol & Bill V., phase II involved planting, additional trimming. Phase III will involve watering and adding mulch. This will be handled by the FOL through the summer and fall.



Committees**Courthouse Garden**

Phyllis Benedict

**Trial Garden**Dennise Fink-Morse,  
Chet McLaughlin, Shirley New,**KSU Extension Office Garden**2024 Class (monument sign)  
Deb Kitchell (planters by door)**Linn County Courthouse Garden**

Larraine Crawford

**Advanced Training**

Barbara Shropshire

**Awards Banquet**Donna Cook, Betsy Hasselquist,  
Susan Thompson**Symposium - 2024**

Janette Everhart

**Plant Sale**Sue Burns, Stacie Campbell,  
Lenora Larson**Garden Tour (2025)**

TBD

**Seeds for Kids**

Betsy Hasselquist

**Miami County Fair**Dennise Fink-Morse, Hort. Supt.  
Betsy Hasselquist, Seeds4Kids  
Supt.  
Bill Vandeberg, Flori. Supt.**New Recruits/Mentors**Stephanie Myers/  
Rena TedrowOther**Publicity**

Lenora Larson

**Newspaper Articles**

Katelyn Barthol, Extension Agt.

**Social Media/newsletters**

Rena Tedrow, Editor

Articles, photos, etc. to be included in  
the monthly EMG Newsletter should  
be sent to Rena at  
wordet01@gmail.com  
by the second Thurs. of each month.

**2024 Master Gardener Applications...** Time to recruit! Come represent and sit at a table at the Swan City Farmer's Market in LaCygne for the next 2 Friday's, 4-7p. You get credited hours for doing this. 2 people are still needed for the next two weeks. Sign up via the sign-up genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D49ABAC22A6F58-50036462-lacygne>

Applications need to be turned in to the extension office by July 31st. Applicants can be referred to the K-State webpage to download the application - <https://www.maraisdescyignes.k-state.edu/>

**MiCo Fair is almost here...** Please check the link for information.

<https://www.miamicountykansasfair.com/>. **Also**, check the sign-up genius for available times to help in Floriculture, Horticulture, or Seeds for Kids over July 23rd, 24th and 27th.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!! There is still plenty of open times available! Please sign up and help out!** There are over 250 pre-entries in Horticulture, over 150 pre-entered in Floriculture and over 100 pre-entered in Seeds for Kids. PLEASE come and help out!! EMGs get volunteer hours for helping out!

**2025 Garden Tour...** First committee meeting was July 1st. Seven gardens are up for consideration. Be thinking about the wonderful garden you have or perhaps you know of gardens that might be good candidates. Contact Susan Rodgers.

**Stepping down...** Billie Lenz has stepped down from the Board and her role as Treasurer. Thank you so much, Billie, for your excellent attention to the financial details of our organization. Lynn Campbell has been appointed by the Board to complete Billie's term effective the end of July.

**Nominating Committee....** for the 2025 board members is also forming. Please let Janette Everhart know if you would like to serve on the nominating committee or become a candidate for the Board.

**Help...** If anyone is available to help Shaun Williams with weeding her garden, please contact her directly.

**Hotline sign-up:** Don't forget to sign up for the hotline. EMGs are required to complete 4 Hotline hours. Hours for hotline are 2-hour sessions on Thursday's at the Paola Extension office from 8a-10a and 10a-noon. You can complete all your hours on one day or select another day. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D49ABAC22A6F58-48540259-2024#/>



## Linn County - Meetings & Garden Tour...

Rena Tedrow

The July Advisory Board meeting along with the 3Q General Meeting were held in Mound City in the 4-H Building. For some, this was the first time to Mound City.

After the meeting, we drove the 3/4-mile distance to take a quick tour of the gardens at the Linn County Courthouse. Laraine Crawford described the plans and what has taken place for the first two phases while the group gave exclamations of “wow” and “nice work.” Kudos to Theresa Barr and Monica Chapman, as the primary caretakers, with watering assistance from Kristy Schmidz (the LinCo Register of Deeds).



Front of the courthouse (before) the EMG work.



A bit of historical information - the Linn County Courthouse building was constructed in 1885. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974. It is the second oldest operational courthouse in the state of Kansas.

The photos included are along the south (primary) entrance to the courthouse. Imagine this...with grass up to the concrete ramp. Again, kudos for a job well done to the group that made this happen.

Additional photos are on page 7.





## UPCOMING:

- **July 16th, 9:30-11a, Doolin Garden Tour, Part Deux...** Another opportunity to visit Lana Doolin's flower/vegetable garden. If you were unable to go the first time, you will enjoy it. For those who did visit the first time, you'll get to see the progress.
- **July 23rd, 6-8:00p... OPEN CLASS** entries will be accepted at the Miami County Fair at this time & again on **July 24th, 8a - 12:00p.**  
**July 27th, 7:30 - 9:00p...** Clean up
- **July 30th - 10:00a, 2025 Garden Tour Committee meeting.** Location will be TBD. Susan will notify Katelyn when it is determined.
- **Aug 13th, 9:30a, Advisory Board Meeting...** Paola Extension office or attend via Zoom. Please advise if attending via Zoom. All members are welcome to attend.
- **Advanced Training... Tick Talk, Aug 20th 6:30p, Bob Burns,** Paola Extension office. Description was included in the June newsletter and will be repeated in the Aug newsletter.
- **Workshop... Aug 21 or Aug 28, Making Cyan Nature Prints** with Patty Trull. This will be an art project/social time--there are no hours accepted for participation--volunteer or AT. Approx. cost for materials - \$5. Please contact Patty ([moonshdws1@yahoo.com](mailto:moonshdws1@yahoo.com)) or Barb Shropshire ([barbshrops@gmail.com](mailto:barbshrops@gmail.com)) to add your name to the list (if you hadn't already signed up during the 3Q general meeting).



In a cyan printing frame the dry paper is placed chemical side up. On top of that goes what you are using to block the sun (leaves, lace, cut paper, a film negative for example). A glass sheet is placed on top and the frame is taken outside to the sun for exposure. If it is a sunny, summer day it should only take 2-5 minutes.

The paper is then removed from the frame and rinsed in water and allowed to dry.

*A little humor...*

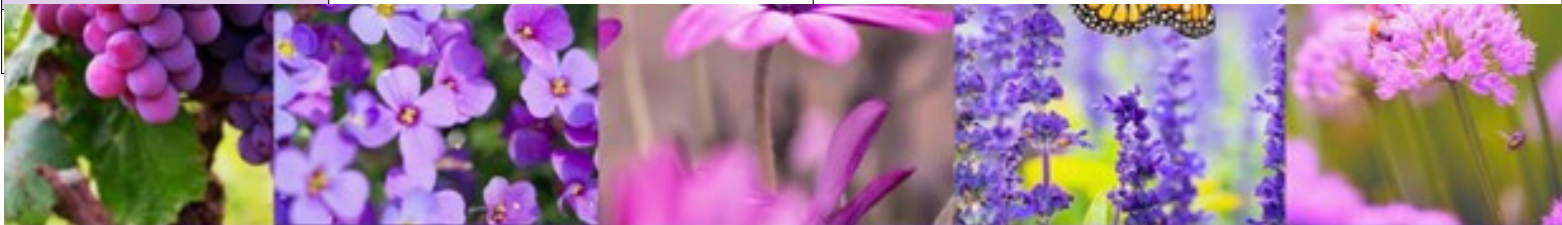


# ADVANCED TRAINING SCHEDULE

## 2024 Marais des Cygnes Extension Master Gardener Advanced Training Calendar

**Note: Additional trainings will be added throughout the year as they are scheduled**

MO	DATE	TIME	# HRS	TOPIC	SPEAKER	LOCATION
JUL	16	9:30A	1	2nd look or chance... Doolin's Extraordinary Vegetable & Flower Garden	Lana Doolin (member of Louisburg Garden Club)	29885 Antioch, Louisburg Tour a beautiful property in the country with a large fenced raised bed garden. Gorgeous flower beds are mixed in along with in-ground plantings. Learn about Lana's methods for bountiful produce.
AUG	13	6:30p	1	What is a Master Naturalist? (and what one does to support our wildlife and ecosystem)	Kristen Dickerson, area Master Naturalist	31270 Hedge Lane, Paola KS
AUG	20	6:30p	1	Tick Talk	Bob Burns, MdC Extension Master Gardener	Paola Extension Office, 913 N. Silver, Paola KS
SEPT	27-29	See website Track each session, workshop & tour you attend	and consult with Katelyn regarding AT hours	"Gardening With a Purpose"	Garden Conference by NW MO Master Gardeners	MOMGA '24 - Registration open - \$135 MO Western State University <a href="https://momga.org/momga-conference/">https://momga.org/momga-conference/</a> Fri.--St. Joe Garden Tours (addtn'l cost) Sat. eve. - Keynote Speaker, Doug Tallamy Choose from 20 speakers on Sat. & Sun.
MdC Training Hours			Other Training Hours		Red text denotes new training or updated information	



# K-STATE GARDEN HOUR

Join K-State Research and Extension every first Wednesday of the month from 12:00 - 1:00 pm CST

The **K-State Garden Hour**, is at 12:00 PM on the 1st Wed. of each month. Register online at <https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/consumer-horticulture/garden-hour/>. Past recordings are available on the website.

Aug 7 - Establishing a More Environmentally Sustainable Lawn

Sept 4 - Season Extension in the Vegetable Garden

**Lunch and Learn**, 12:00 PM, Every 1st Thursday of the month. **Native Plants at Noon**, 12:00 PM, Every 3rd Thursday.

Register for both webinars at [deeproots.org](https://deeproots.org) (past recordings available on website)

IF YOU HAVE THOUGHTS, OR IDEAS FOR TRAINING, CONTACT BARB SHROPSHIRE





# MASTER GARDENER TRAINING

## WHY JOIN THE PROGRAM?

Master Gardener volunteers are educators passionate about strengthening vibrant local economies and livable communities by empowering individuals and families to cultivate healthy environments and food systems through horticultural practices. Passionate about gardening, life-long learning and community education? Then apply to be an Extension Master Gardener.

**Contact the Marais des Cygnes Extension District – Paola Office to get started!**

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## **APPLY TODAY!**

Online & In-Person Trainings

Each Thursday 1 - 4 PM

September 5<sup>th</sup> – December 5<sup>th</sup>

Applications can be found at

<https://www.maraisdescygn.es.k-state.edu/>

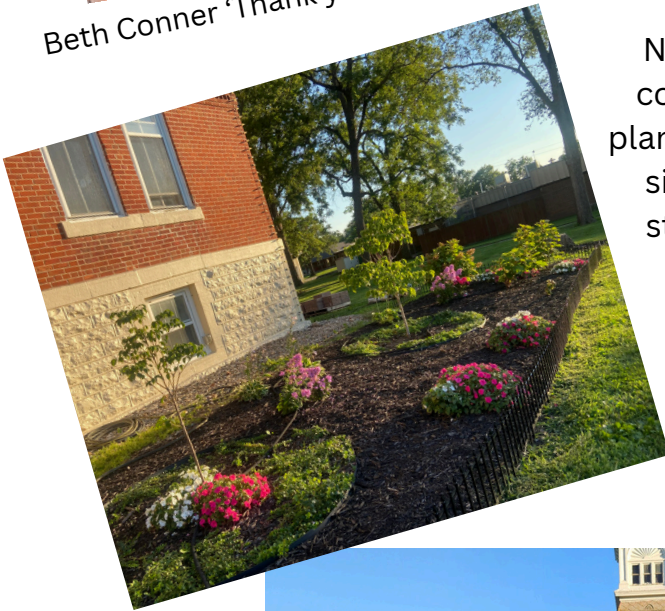
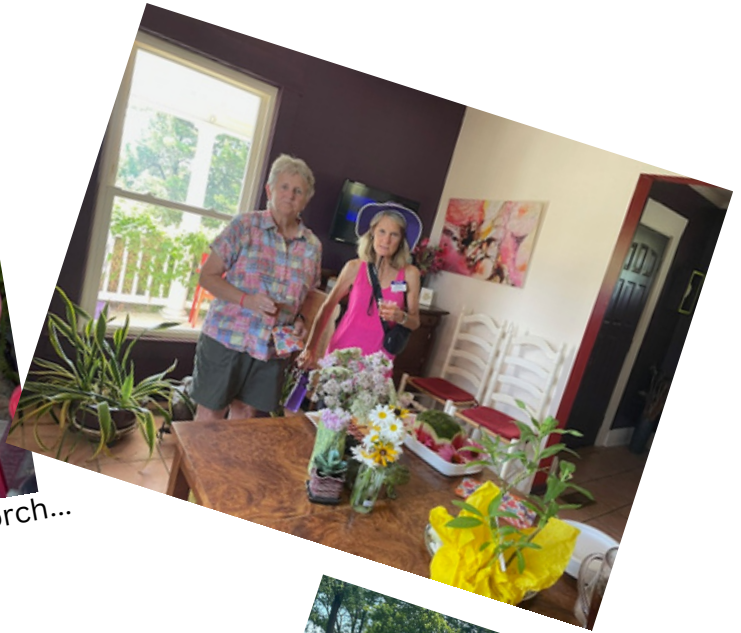
or stop by & pick one up at the Paola Extension office. Deadline for applications is July 31<sup>st</sup>.



## ADDITIONAL PHOTOS



Beth Conner 'Thank you' - Introductions on the porch...



North side of the courthouse--each planting area on each side of the front steps is a mirror of the other.



Planter area - redesigned



Visiting the Linn County Courthouse gardens