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
Wed’s 9a - 11a

LaCygne Community Garden
Wed and/or Fri 8a - 11a

Doolin’s Extraordinary Vegetable and Flower Garden
Rena Tedrow

On June 4th, a group of EMGs traveled to the outskirts of Louisburg to visit Lana Doolin’s garden. What a treat!

At first glance, I could see Lana’s gardens were thoughtfully planned and organized. Her flower gardens were beautiful, and her vegetable garden was organized and only a short walk from her driveway.

Over the years, her garden took formation with raised bed areas, fencing, a garden shed, and a greenhouse.

Once inside the fenced area, there are multiple raised bed areas. Over the years, Lana has educated herself on companion planting - the plants that help fend off ‘plant predators’ and help one another.

We truly enjoyed our visit and hope to be back at a later date to see the progress.

Additional photos from the day can be found on page 7

Lana Doolin, answering a question.
Q3 Board Meeting & General Meeting... will be in Mound City in July. See the calendar notes (page 3) for additional information.

Sympathy... to Carol Vandenberg whose mother passed away this week. You are in our thoughts, Carol.

Planters... at the Paola Extension office are being replaced with summer plants by Debbie K. Don’t forget to check them for water them if you are in the area.

Plantings in the monument sign planter... at the entrance to the shopping center (where the Paola Extension office is located) have been refreshed. They need to be checked for watering also.

Volunteer opportunity... Come ‘represent’ at the Swan City Farmer’s Market in LaCygne as a recruiter. A table will be set up in the Swan Room at the LaCygne Library to promote the EMG program and membership. This is INSIDE... on Friday’s from 4-7p, starting 6/14 and running thru 7/25. Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D49ABAC22A6F58-50036462-lacygne/

Recruitment time! Help recruit new members for the classes beginning in September. The flyer is attached (pg 6) if you know of interested individuals. Please feel free to print and distribute in your area, or contact the extension office for copies

MiCo Fair... The fair committee is gearing up! New this year! We’ll be using a Sign-up Genius link to help ensure we have enough volunteers to help things run smoothly! Here’s the sign-up genius link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D49ABAC22A6F58-50076206-2024

The 2024 MiCo Fair will be July 20th thru July 27th. Mark the dates for the 23rd and 24th, for that will be when we’ll help as well as when the Open Class Departments will be entered and judged. The online Fair Entry system is OPEN! and will close on July 1st. Please enter...there are so many categories to enter in.

June 19th the extension offices will be closed.

Reminder... All articles, photos, etc. that you want included in the monthly EMG Newsletter should be sent to Rena T. at wordet01@gmail.com by the second Thurs. of each month. This includes any type of upcoming event that might take place before the next newsletter is distributed.

Email your plant/flower photos that you’d like to share as well. Some (not all) will appear scattered in the newsletters (periodically) and will a
UPCOMING:

- **June 18th - Garden Party at Lenora Larson’s** ...a thank-you to Beth Connor of the *Miami County Republic*, 10:00a - 12:00p. 27995 Plum Creek Rd. Paola, KS. Please RSVP to stephmyers328@gmail.com ASAP.

- **June 25th - Mid-summer Tea & Tour at Lori Stottlemeier’s** ... 10:00a - 12:00p (see flyer on page 5). Please TEXT RSVP by June 21st – (785-727-0194 Lori). A few EMGs are needed to help with refreshments. Please contact Lori or Barb Shropshire if you can help.

- **June 30th - Last day for Miami County Fair entries**

- **July 9th - Q3 Board Meeting and General Meeting**...the meetings will be at the Linn County Fairgrounds-4-H Building in Mound City (8510 Hwy K7). The Board meeting is at 4:00p. ‘Sack’ dinner (meaning byo) at 5:30 with the General Meeting starting at 6:00. Mound City Courthouse Garden tour at 7:30p.

  Note: Rena will be bringing a couple of Pineapple Juice Bundt cakes as dessert.

- **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#/.

AT for August (Description)

**Tick Talk - AT by Bob Burns**

Ticks are a part of life in Kansas, albeit a less welcome one, especially given their reputation as carriers of diseases to humans. If you have been outside in Kansas, chances are you’ve encountered ticks.

While these tiny creatures play their role in the ecosystem, their potential to affect human health cannot be overlooked. Understanding the habits of ticks and the risks associated with them is the first step toward minimizing their impact on our health.

This presentation will cover what has been learned about the seasonal abundance of ticks in our state, their disease-carrying capabilities, and how we can coexist safely with these little critters. The discussion will help you understand the peak times of tick activity and define some measures to minimize the risks ticks pose.

If you’re intrigued by this topic, join us for this Advance Training August 20, 2024.

The information for this talk is based on a presentation by Marlon E. Cobos, Phd that he delivered at the Kansas University Field Station on April 12, 2024. Slides used with his permission.
## 2024 Marais des Cygnes Extension Master Gardener Advanced Training Calendar

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

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<td>See website</td>
<td>Track each session, workshop &amp; tour you attend</td>
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### MdC Training Hours
- **Other Training Hours**

### Red text denotes new training or updated information

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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/](https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/consumer-horticulture/garden-hour/)

- July 3 - Success with Cacti and Succulents
- Aug 7 - Establishing a More Environmentally Sustainable Lawn

Past recordings are available on the website.

**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](http://deeproots.org) (past recordings available on website)

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**IF YOU HAVE THOUGHTS, OR IDEAS FOR TRAINING, CONTACT BARB SHROPSHIRE**
Tuesday June 25th  
10:00-12:00  
718 10th Street  Osawatomie

Your invited! Come photo ready in your hats, sundresses or collared shirts!

Garden of the Giants
Hollyhocks on Parade
Plant Exchange...bring em if you got em
Violin Serenade

Little Grandies  Fashion Show

Make n Take Herbal Roller ($20) with essential oils with Janet Guterriez

Garden Sign Creation Station

Come for fun and leave with a smile!

Kindly RSVP by June 21st to Lori Stottlemire  785-727-0194

Do you have a special talent!? Let me know to be added to the itinerary!

BYOB. Not responsible for accidents!

Reminder...don’t forget your camera for some photo ops.
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 5th – December 5th

Applications can be found at
https://www.maraisdescygnes.k-state.edu/
or stop by & pick one up at the Paola Extension office. Deadline for applications is July 31st.