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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 - Lynn Campbell

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

Can you believe it's almost mid-October?

Rena Tedrow

While some of the summer plants are lingering, many are starting to add fall plantings and/or fall plants to add additional colors to the gardens. It won't be long before we will begin putting garden beds to rest for the year.

Although it's October, with the lowered temps the Trial Garden has ramped up in production. Monitoring the produce is over - the observation, weighing, tasting, etc., but the produce will continue to be donated to the food bank until the first frost. A clean-up date will be planned for November--date, time TBD. **To the trainees...this is a good opportunity to get some volunteer hours in early.** To everyone else...your help is always needed.

On Oct. 15th the new class and MdC Master Gardeners will take a guided tour of the Overland Park Arboretum with Anne Wildeboor, Horticulture Supervisor. The tour will include viewing some of the gardens and discussing design and plant selection.

During the 4Q general meeting, several topics were discussed. The plant sale, the garden tour...to name a couple. We are still very excited about being *indoors* for the plant sale! Lenora provided a PPT presentation illustrating the gardens participating in the 2025 Garden Tour.

In the works...plans for CPR training. A minimum of 10 people is needed per session - this is open to friends and family. Cost is \$35pp, it is two hours long, and upon completion you will receive a two-year certificate. The training will include adult, child and baby and AED (automated external defibrillator) If interested, **please contact Carol Vandenberg (text or call) on or before Oct 31st.**

Welcome MdC EMGs to the digital age! Earlier, Natalie Hartig proposed digitizing records, and the board has been moving forward to make this happen. If you have been in the volunteer room recently, you've probably noticed a printer/scanner. Plans are to replace the desktop computer with a laptop and docking station. Natalie will be working on setting up guidelines/procedures for saving documents so we can all help get this task completed.

Committees**Courthouse Garden**

Phyllis Benedict

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

Lorraine Crawford

Advanced Training

Barbara Shropshire

Awards BanquetDonna Cook, Betsy Hasselquist,
Susan Thompson**Symposium - 2024**

Janette Everhart

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

TBD

Seeds for Kids

Betsy Hasselquist

Miami County FairDennise 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.

2025 Plant sale... The date for set-up and the plant sale is April 23rd-26th. Sign-up genius will again be used. The location is bldg 2 at the MiCo fairgrounds. We've reached the big time! Great job, Katelyn!

2025 Fall Garden Tour... Plans are moving forward. Six gardens have been selected for the tour. Lenora gave a presentation during the 4Q meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8th. Some vendors have been selected--still seeking recruits. Vendors need to be garden 'related.' There was discussion of being 'paperless' this year, which would certainly save on cost.

If you would like to volunteer to help on the committee, they would appreciate any and all help. Please contact Susan Rodgers.

The EMG Board Election... is upon us. Due to resignations this year, members stepped up for appointments to the board. Some of the board members have decided to serve additional 2-year terms, but voting is required. Their bios can be found on page 3. Katelyn will be distributing information for voting soon. All active members are encouraged to vote.

Note: The new class members are provisional members and not eligible to vote during this election.

Volunteer hours... A reminder to add your hours .

By-laws... If you have not read them recently, be sure to read them and familiarize yourself with the by-laws. If you need a copy, please contact one of the board members.

Last AT class for the year... On page 5 you will find noted our final Advanced Training class for 2024, along with a description for the class.

If you find you are behind and need additional hours for educational AT hours, please refer to page 5 and click the link for the **K-State Garden Hour** classes and sign up. Once you register, you have access to the classes for the year. You can also register for the **deeproots.org** webinars as well.

Related to this topic, Barb Shropshire has been our AT coordinator for the past four (4) years--she is stepping down at the end of this year. We cannot thank you enough, Barb for providing great content for us these past four years.

This means, we need someone to step up. Barb has agreed to work with the next coordinator thru the end of 2024. ***If you are interested in coordinating our training classes, please contact Katelyn asap.***

Board election time! Here are your candidates and their bios...

Janette Everhart



I joined the Master Gardener program in 2019. I have volunteered at the garden tour, hot line, extension office garden, trial garden, courthouse garden, county fair. I have led the Symposium Committee and the nominating Committee. I have served as the Co-Chair and am presently serving as your Chairperson of the Board.

My prior experience working at Hewlett Packard as a consultant, manager and director helped me develop my professional skill. My education and experience help me working with computers and networks and of course, people. Over the years I have served as officers in many volunteer organizations.

I have enjoyed working with the board members and all of the great Master Gardeners. I have learned so much about gardening and made such good friends.

I look forward to having your support to continue serving on the board and helping us focus and execute efficiently, while enjoying our time together.

Helen Kloepper

My husband, Jim, and I moved to Louisburg in 1976. I started teaching there in 1977. I received a great offer from Spring Hill and taught there until I retired in 2017.

We have two wonderful grown sons and 10 acres I am just starting to tame. I loved all the help and the learning curve I've experienced working with this wonderful group of Master Gardeners.

I am on the board and have volunteered primarily at the Court House Gardens; in 2023, I cochaired the Garden Tour.



Susan Rogers



I was born and raised in Kansas. I am a graduate of KU nursing School. I worked at Shawnee Mission Hospital for 40 years and retired in 2022.

My husband Tim and I have three grown sons and three rescue dogs (one dog is paralyzed). We moved to Louisburg in 2014 from Overland Park. We have remodeled our home and enjoy country living.

I'm learning to garden by trial and error. Our property was part of the 2023 Garden Tour. I am presently serving as the Board Secretary and am Chair of the 2025 Garden Tour.

Board candidate bios - cont.



Lynn Campbell

I retired three years ago from working in accounting and business administration. The greater Kansas City area (Lee's Summit, Olathe, Shawnee, and Paola) has been my life-long home.

My husband Dan (Master Gardener class approximately 2010) and I have four children and seven grandchildren all living within 45 minutes from us. We currently share our home with two dogs and a cat, plus two horses (outside).

I have always enjoyed vegetable and ornamental gardening. We live on 17 acres that require all types of land management, so I have plenty of area to experiment with. Along with horseback riding and traveling with my horses to mountain and forest destinations my hobbies include stain glass art, and quilting. I also spend a lot of time cooking.

I am from the 2022 class and have enjoyed the programs offered as well as the opportunity to volunteer on numerous projects as well as the plant sale and cut flower garden. I look forward to the opportunity to serve as treasurer and again use my professional skills.



WORD FIND

**FIND ALL THE
GARDEN TOOLS
LISTED.**

Garden Tools

H	G	N	R	E	M	M	I	R	T	S	E	RAKE LAWN MOWER FORK LEAF BLOWER SHOVEL WHEELBARROW PRUNER HOSE REEL STRIMMER TROWEL WATERING CAN CHAINSAW EDGER SHEARS GLOVES BRUSH
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L	B	R	U	S	H	R	R	R	W	E	S	
C	A	W	O	A	O	E	E	K	L	E	E	
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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
Oct	22	6:30p	1	Using Dried Botanicals in Medicinal Products (see desc. below)	Janet Guittierez, MS	MdC Extension Office, 913 N. Pearl, Paola KS
MdC Training Hours			Other Training Hours		Red text denotes new training or updated information	

“Using Dried Botanicals in Medicinal Products” - Janet will bring some of the dried herbs and plants used in her products and explain the drying process. She will also bring examples of her products and discuss how their natural and medicinal properties work.

Janet Gutierrez, MS - Janet is a retired Medical Social Worker and Adjunct Professor. She became a Certified Professional Aromatherapist when she started making her own skin products after developing severe skin allergies. She has done extensive research in herbal medicine and created a natural product line including healthy skin products, soaps, perfumes, and herbal teas. She uses tree resins and sheep’s milk in her products and many homegrown herbs, flowers, and plant material. Spices and natural clays color her soap products naturally and essential oils are used for scenting.



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.

Nov 6 - Rabbit, Mole and Deer Mitigation

Dec 4 - Home Hydroponics

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

Register for both webinars at deeproots.org (past recordings available on website)

IF YOU HAVE THOUGHTS, OR IDEAS FOR TRAINING FOR 2025 CONTACT BARB SHROPSHIRE

Meet & Greet on 9/17 with the 2024 training class at Lenora Larson's...

Sharing a few photos
from the day at Lenora's...

