



# Wood County Master Gardener Volunteers

## Wood County Events

**June 23**  
**7:00 PM Meeting**  
**MG Karen Houdek's**  
**1370 Sawgrass Trail,**  
**Nekoosa (Rome)**

### Tour of Certified Wildlife Habitat

Do you enjoy watching the many birds and Wisconsin wildlife just as much as you do gardening? Come join us to tour this beautiful Rome yard and Certified Wildlife Habitat. Find out what is required and how to certify your own yard.

### DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Drive south on Hwy 13 from WI Rapids to Rome. Pass Pritzl's Trading Post and drive approximately 1.1 mile until you come to the **Rome Realty** sign on the corner of Apache Ave. and Hwy 13 and turn right onto Apache Ave. Drive west on Apache to 14th Ave. and turn right. Drive to Sawgrass Dr. Turn right and continue about one quarter mile to Karen's house and beautiful gardens at 1370 on the left. Parking is on the street.

**July 28**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Wood Co. Court House**  
**Monarch Butterflies**  
**& Milkweed Seedlings**

Join us for a very interesting program featuring Monarch Butterflies. Learn what is involved in raising the Monarch from egg to release and meet Monarch caretakers Kathy and Pat McGrath of Port Edwards who will be joined by our own Pat Paulus, also a dedicated WCMGV Monarch Volunteer.

Kathy McGrath is well-known in the central Wisconsin area as one of the most knowledgeable Monarch educators. Both Kathy and her husband, Pat, are former teachers who have just the right touch when it comes to speaking on all phases of raising Monarchs.

Kathy and Pat have traveled to California to observe Monarch hibernation. And like our own Pat Paulus, their yard is also a monarch waystation. Pat has shared milkweed seedlings with us before and plans to do so again.

## Volunteer Opportunity

Leonore Look and Jane Maciejewski are presenting two children's programs, one at Vesper Library and one at Arpin Library on Tuesday, June 23rd, called 'Farmers are Heros.' They anticipate up to 80 children at each site and are asking for assistance putting together the snack packs and educational materials.

If anyone can help or if someone needs MGV volunteer hours, they will start **putting the materials together Tuesday, June 16th at 12:30**, at the Vesper Library.

Address: 6550 Virginia Street in Vesper (corner of Hwy 186 and Virginia St.). We appreciate any help you can give.



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## UW Extension

University of Wisconsin, U.S Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA. Please make requests for reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to educational programs as early as possible preceding the scheduled program, service or activity.

The Wood County Master Gardener Volunteer newsletter is designed to inform you about the Master Gardener and University Extension activities as well as educational articles. Please let us know if there are any subjects you would like covered in future newsletters.

Teri Lessig Matt Lippert



# From the President's Notebook

Thoughts from the President's Notebook, , , ,

June...Time for Dairy Breakfasts! This is the only time I eat **Strawberries and Ice Cream** for breakfast! Most gardeners have their gardens planted by now and are enjoying the fruits of their labor...crisp lettuce, spinach, radishes, little green onions, and oh the rhubarb this spring. My rhubarb leaves are the size of elephant ears. My secret for growing the best rhubarb is to cover the entire plant with 2-year old horse manure each fall...four to six inches makes a nice blanket for the winter.

Our next event is the Garden Walk....new ideas, many changes, and a new site. We will enjoy strolling lovely gardens in the Pittsville community which is the exact center of the state. The garden walk committee has worked since last year to bring new ideas to life. I thank them very much for leaping outside the box and bringing a new look to our already famous garden walk. This walk plays a very important part of our WCMGV organization...it provides the funding for our projects, programs, and seminars. Our two plant sales provide funding for these events as well. This event is enjoyed by over 400 people each year. I ask that you invite your friends, neighbors and family to walk with you and enjoy a lovely day with outstanding gardens, a food chef demonstration, music, artists, fabulous refreshments, and a visit to the newest: "Art in the Garden Boutique". This year I will be shopping for an old barn window and a very large, tall urn for my new garden idea. In order for garden walk guests to find unique items to haul home and make into their own art.....someone needs to clean out their potting shed/old barn and donate all of those old treasures that have been collecting dust for 40 years to the garden walk committee. So bring your unique old items to the June meeting.....let them have a new life in a new garden. We all have a bit of artistic ability....all we need is

"stuff" to create with.....so what will I find when I visit the "Art in the Boutique" on July 18<sup>th</sup>?

Our June program will show us how anyone can create a wildlife habitat...this is a 'must see' gardening for wildlife tour. Our July program compliments the June program by having a hands-on experience with butterfly and the plants needed for them to survive.

Being outside in nature is my kind of living...some of you may remember the short talk that Bob and I gave about Horicon Marsh last November. We showed a slide of a new born fawn that we came face to face with on our farm and named June Bug. Last week we came across a 'just born' fawn in our front prairie so now we have May Apple. The third fawn was about a week old when the doe (mother) carefully stepped into our back yard to give us a glimpse of her new fawn Shadow. With that I leave you with this thought...

*Gardens and nature teach us the necessity of waiting and the virtue of patience. Accept the fact that through much of life we live in incompleteness and on-the-way-ness. We're still growing.*

*from Garden Therapy by Ted O'Neal*

See you along the pathway...

*Ruth Cline*

## WCMGV WEBSITE NEWS

Our new website is up and running. Check it out:

[www.wood-county-master-gardeners.org](http://www.wood-county-master-gardeners.org)

We have three people besides Teri who are able to add content and keep things updated. Chris Grimes, Peg Klinkhammer, and Karen Tlachac.

The Wood County Master Gardener Association is a non-profit organization with a mission to educate and share information with its members and the community alike. In addition, it is our charge to promote the UW Extension from which we are founded. We are a diverse group interested in the latest research-based horticultural information.

### Wisconsin Master Gardener Website

<http://wimastergardener.org/>

### Wood County Extension Website

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## Chapter NR 40: Invasive Species Identification, Classification and Control

Chapter NR 40, Wisconsin Admin. Code, went into effect on September 1, 2009. A new revision went into effect as of May 1, 2015. The rule establishes a comprehensive, science-based system with criteria to classify and regulate invasive plant species in the state of Wisconsin.

The rule consists of two categories of species, “Prohibited” and “Restricted”, each with associated regulations and control requirements. The rule also establishes “Preventative Measures” to aid in slowing the spread of invasive species. This summary outlines the classifications and regulations as they pertain to plants and, in turn, the nursery industry and includes the 2015 revisions.

As defined by s. 23.22, Wis. Stats., ‘Invasive Species’ are non-indigenous species whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health.

### **PROHIBITED INVASIVE PLANTS**

- These species are not yet in the state or established in pioneer stands only.
- A high potential for environmental and/or economic impacts exists with these species.
- It still may be feasible to prevent the introduction and spread of these species statewide and eradicate populations as they are found.

**Regulations:** Cannot transport, possess, transfer, buy or sell, or introduce without a permit issued by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Any viable part of the species, including seeds, is covered by these regulations. Control is required. The state may order or conduct a control effort.

### **RESTRICTED INVASIVE PLANTS**

- These species are already established in the state.
- High environmental and/or economic impacts are evident with these species.
- Complete eradication of these species unlikely.

**Regulations:** Cannot transport, transfer, buy or sell, or introduce without a permit. Any viable part of the species, including seeds, is covered by these regulations. Control is encouraged but not required.

### **What this means for the nursery industry.**

Nurseries and greenhouse operations are on the front line of defense against the spread of invasive species because they provide plants and expertise to so many members of the consuming public. The primary goal of ch.NR 40 is to prevent the introduction and slow the spread of invasive species in Wisconsin. The Wis. DNR is using a “stepped enforcement” protocol, which emphasizes education and voluntary compliance as initial steps. However, citations are possible for intentional violations. Remember:

- It is illegal to buy, sell, offer to sell, give away or barter any species listed under ch.NR 40.
- Become familiar with the listed plants and their regulated status.
- You are responsible to comply with all elements of Chapter NR 40.

One of the greatest temptations gardeners face is a Sunday afternoon stroll and a back pack stuffed with plastic sacks and a digging tool to the woods or marshes just on the outskirts of town. “Just to see what’s blooming” may be filled with the best intentions. Imagine not having the training we have and spotting a beautiful purple plant that would look so good in your garden — only to find out it is Purple Loosestrife. Or how about that pretty, lacy-looking yellowish plant — kinda’ looks like Queen Anne’s Lace? It’s Wild Parsnip and it will burn and itch when the sap is exposed to the sun. One of the prettiest wild invasive plants I’ve ever seen is *Impatiens glandulifera* — the Policeman’s helmet. It is a beautiful specimen! The entire point of this article is not to discourage your hikes and your love of gardening. Please learn as much as you can about invasive and dangerous plants. Educate yourself and your family.

There is a tremendous amount of information available in regard to NR 40, including a comprehensive list of species. Many of the plants on the list may surprise you. As Master Gardener Volunteers we need to do our part to keep Wisconsin’s forests, marshes and natural resources pure. As Wisconsin residents, “It’s the right thing to do.”

Chris Landowski

For additional information, visit these sites:

dnr.wi.gov keyword: “invasives” or “NR40”

[http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Invasives/documents/Nursery\\_plantlist.pdf](http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Invasives/documents/Nursery_plantlist.pdf)

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/classification.html>

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/bmp.html>

## 2015 WIMGA Conference

**When: July 31 – August 1**

**Where: LaCrosse**

- **Hosted by the Bluff Country Master Gardeners, many interesting things to see and do at this conference.**
- Early-bird registration is available at a **discount** until May 29<sup>th</sup>. **Additionally, all who register early will have their name put into a drawing for a free room at the Radisson.**
- You can register online with a credit card or print the registration form and mail it with your check or credit card number.
- **Complete information and registration available:** <http://www.bluffcountrymastergardeners.org/wimga-2015.html> Click on WIMGA 2015 near the top to reveal a drop-down menu and advance to an event schedule, workshops and breakout sessions, the keynote speakers and the registration form.

Keynote speaker on Friday, July 31st is Roy Diblik of Northwind Farms. Saturday morning’s keynote address will feature Dr. Karen Oberhauser of the University of Minnesota taking us on a “Butterfly Mission”. Additional breakout session leaders include Carol Labuzzetta, Tom van der Linden, Heather Holm, Kathy Zuzek, Molly Murray and Mike Maddox.

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**Wood County Master Gardener Volunteers  
General Meeting Minutes  
Pam Piotrowski's Garden  
May 26, 2015**

**1 hour Continuing Education**

**Meeting was called to order:** at 7:00 p.m. following the annual plant exchange and preceding a tour of Pam Piotrowski's edible yard.

**Minutes were presented:** One correction in the announcements set forth: Lynne Bushmaker made the announcement that the Children's Fest went well. She was identified as Jan Sabin in April minutes. Chris Griffith moved to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Patti Quinnell; motion carried.

**Financial report:** Presented by Barb Herreid, motion was made to accept as presented by Joanne Wilkinson, Seconded by Jeanne Osgood; motion carried.

**Old Business:**

- **Continuing Education;** The Bus Trip is cancelled. Only six of the necessary 30 reservations were made. The October 17th Fall Education Seminar in Marshfield is set to go. Micky Erickson has located a Certified Permaculture Gardener as a possible speaker for 2016 seminar. Teri Lessig explained that Permaculture Gardening is a sustainable gardening philosophy that encompasses everything on your property.
- **Spring Plant Sale:** Deb DeByl and Joanne Holden stated that the plant sale was a huge success. They brought the few remaining plants to the meeting for sale. All the potting soil was sold. Barb Herreid has seven bags of worm castings still for sale at \$3.00/bag. Deb thanked all for the donations and help.
- **Recipe book:** Joanne Wilkinson has a non-binding sign-up sheet to estimate how many cook books might be needed. Publishing the right amount of books the first time will be less expensive than going to the company for two or three publications. The book will cost between \$15-20.00 and is up to over 650 recipes.

**No other old business.**

**Announcements:** Ruth Cline announced that Audrey Gohlke suffered a stroke on May 18 while visiting her son. An e-mail will be sent out to the membership with her address for those wishing to send cards to the hospital.

**New Business:**

**Extension Update:** Teri polled the members on their tomato grafting status. More gardeners had success than not. Guest speaker Pam Piotrowski had copies of the Farm Tech catalogue that she used to get her drip system for her unique edible garden.

**Garden Walk:** The garden walk is Saturday, July 18. Five gardens are in Pittsville and one is in Wisconsin Rapids. We are using the same chef as last year for a garden. We still have one artist slot open. Barb Herreid will hand out tickets to members after the meeting. Chris Griffith and Deb DeByl are looking for any additional Garden Guides and Garden Greeters. Joanne Wilkinson had a garden walk treats signup sheet but it dissolved in the rain. She will bring a new sign-up sheet next month. Denise Larson has some additional Styrofoam™ containers to give away.

**Walmart:** is offering broken bags of mulch, soil, etc. to the WCMGV for free if we pick it up the same day. Barb Moeskelfgen takes the phone calls but cannot always do the pick up and needs backup with a truck or trailer. Walmart usually does not help load. Micky Erickson volunteered to back up. Chris Grimes said she could help pick up, but cannot store the excess at her residence. Chris can e-mail project leaders when there are supplies available.

**No Project Leader Update/Information:**

**There was no other new business.**

Motion to adjourn was made by Deb Ostrowski, seconded by Karen Houdek; motion carried.

**The next meeting** will be in June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Karen Houdek's residence in Rome to tour her certified wildlife habitat.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Sabin, Interim Secretary for  
Famia Marx, Secretary

*May Attendance:*

*Members Attending: Shirley Anderson, Annette Bowden, Debby Brown, Audrey Brundidge, Lynn Bushmaker, Julie Carlson, Bob Cline, Ruth Cline, Deb DeByl, Karen Deglow, Michaela Erickson, Patricia Farley, Fern Fregien, Chris Griffith, Chris Grimes, Barb Herreid, Joanne Holden, Karen Houdek, Paula Klevene, Denise Larson, Ellen Mazurek, Barb Moeskelfgen, Diane Nickel, Jim Nickel, Debra Ostrowski, Jeanne Osgood, Tom Paul, Patti Quinnell, Jean Rockwood, Janet Sabin, Judy Sternitzky, Apollonia Virsnieks, Penn Wilkes, Joanne Wilkinson, Marlene Winters, Mary Kay York, Teri Lessig was also in attendance. Guests in attendance: Purvi T Bivedi-Ziemba, Duane and Jean Sweet.*



# Announcements

## Educational Funding Opportunities

**Did you know that the Wisconsin Master Gardeners (WIMGA) offers grants to local associations? Yes —** WIMGA annually awards several grants to MG groups throughout the state to aid their efforts in community education. There are three (3) grant levels available -- \$100, \$250 and \$400. Applications for each of the three levels of funding are due by October 1 (postmark date) of each year.

If you've had an idea in the past on ways to incorporate more education into your project but were held back because the dollars weren't available, then this just might be for you! Contact any of our board members to start the process! We'll even help with the application form. The more people who will benefit from your idea, the better the chance of having it approved. Last year, WIMGA had more dollars budgeted to be given out than what were requested, so your chances are pretty good of being approved.

The WIMGA Educational Grant Program has given grants totaling \$37,000 over the past 16 years. In fact, Wood County Master Gardeners have been awarded five grants in the past totaling \$1,300. In 2010, we received a grant for \$400 which was matched by our own organization and used to upgrade the selection of gardening books in each of the area's public libraries. More recently, in 2012, we received \$400 that was used to provide each project with a well-designed educational sign.

So, think of ways this will enhance your educational efforts and then, share your idea with a board member to get the ball rolling!

*Barb Herreid*

## Let's Talk Garden Walk

- ♦ If you want to volunteer to be a Greeter ( take tickets) or a Guide (answer gardening questions from attendees), please contact Chris Griffith at [cgriffith@solarus.net](mailto:cgriffith@solarus.net).
- ♦ The Friday Night Pre-Walk for volunteers who are working the day of the Garden Walk as well as the artists and garden owners will be held on Friday the 17th starting at 5:30 pm at the first garden on your Garden Walk ticket. A map and directions are included on your ticket which you will need to attend.
- ♦ We still need more used garden-related items for the Art in the Garden Boutique. Any garden-related item is great. . . . Such as gardening books, magazines, old pails, garden tools, small benches, pots and other containers, old small windows, items suitable for making art such as dishes, vases, old bird houses and old bird feeders, old window screens,. Statues and old lawn ornaments.
- ♦ Country-themed items like used parts from farm equipment, I.E. disk blades, water cups (like those cows used to drink from) small wooden stools, colored bottles, old artwork with garden designs, old quilts to hang in the garden, garden path stepping stones, chicken feeders, wooden spoons. Potted Perennials can also be donated, please include an identification and care label. Bring your donations to the June membership meeting and give them to Denise Larsen, Barb Herreid or Jennifer Fane. If you do not plan to attend the June meeting please contact one of them to make other arrangements.

## Double Hours Work Night Project THURSDAY, JUNE 18

The South Wood County Historical Museum Project Team request volunteers to help with a special work night. The work night will be start at 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 18th. All members of MG are invited for this special double hour evening.

The museum will be the site of an ice cream social as part of the Cranberry Blossom Festival on Saturday, June 20th, and all 18 beds need sprucing up. Examples of activities are: weeding, spreading mulch, deadheading, trimming and removing dead branches/twigs from arbor vitae and other evergreens, weeding historic brick sidewalks in iris and daylily bed and adding new sand to joints. Please bring pruners, weeders, forks, and containers for weeds.

Please contact Micky Erickson ([715-435-3616](tel:715-435-3616)) or Betty Havlik ([715-325-5859](tel:715-325-5859)) with any questions.



## Plant Sale Results

We want to give a big shout out of **Thanks** for all the help from everyone on the WR Plant Sale committee, and to all who donated plants, we wouldn't have had such a great success without all of your help and commitment. Of the native plants purchased from Agrecol(544) we still have thirty-three left for sale (at cost) if anyone is interested. Please call Joanne H @ [715 459-3089](tel:715-459-3089). The left over plants were taken to the May MG meeting in Nekoosa and sold during the plant exchange (except for the 33 leftover plants). These are the plants remaining:

Eryngium Rattlesnake Master – 6 Phlox Prairie Phlox – 4  
Vernonia Ironweed – 7 Amorpha Lead Plant – 5  
Chelone Turtlehead – 8 Aster New England – 3

*Deb DeByl and Joanne Holden*

## News on WCMGV Audrey Gohlke

As many are aware, WCMGV Audrey Gohlke had a serious stroke while in Chicago a few weeks ago. She is in serious condition but seems to be improving a tiny bit each time we check in with her family. Her daughter called to thank the Master Gardeners for the cards, especially those with flowers on them. She also related that Audrey is beginning to move her right hand/arm. That's progress! She had movement of the left hand and arm shortly after the stroke so this is really great news.

Her address is:

Audrey Gohlke  
Resurrection Medical Center  
7435 W. Talcott Ave, Rm. 4113  
Chicago, IL 60631

# WCMGV News and Information

## Lester Public Library Vesper

### Creating a Simple Garden Path

Will be held **Thursday, June 25, 2015, starting at 5:00 pm at the Lester Public Library in Vesper.** This work is eligible for **MGV Double Work Hours** and as a bonus, you may count the learning time toward your continuing education hours. Instructors: Ruth Cline and Sue Wilford.

The community will be invited as well. Those who attend will have a hands-on experience and learn how they can create their own garden path. A handout on path-making will be available. We will create a simple garden path (which currently is dirt and mud) between two flower beds in the back of the library. Most of the preparation will be completed prior to the work days. To reduce the amount of heavy work, we will shovel gravel/stones into small buckets and bring them to the library from an off-site location via a trailer. The gravel and stones will then be poured onto the path.

What to bring: shovel, work gloves and a (1-2 gallon size) small bucket. Bottled water and snacks will be provided. Come and learn how to build a simple garden path

## MG Cookbook Team

At the June 23rd membership meeting we will make samples (of the proposed style of book we favor) available for you to see. We will also circulate a sheet asking you to give us an idea of how many books you may wish to have. **YOU WILL NOT BE COMMITTED** to buy that number. It is our hope however, to enter only one cookbook order and not have to pay shipping costs more than once by having to reorder again and again.....

Many of our members have asked when the books will be ready. There are two things you must remember.....

- Our 20th Anniversary isn't until 2016.
- It is our plan to make this book the best cookbook you ever owned.

**So.....the cookbook will be ready in 2016.**

In order for this to be the best cookbook you ever owned, there are countless ***I's to be dotted and T's to be crossed.*** It takes a lot of time for a project like this to be done perfectly. And several of you can testify to that because we have called or e-mailed you with clarification questions about the recipes you have submitted — because we want to get this done right the first time.

Don't forget to enter your favorite garden/gardening photos in the contest for the photo on the Cookbook cover. The contest will run until July 1, 2015. Please send the photo you wish to enter to any committee member. Send along a little history of the shot and don't forget your contact information. Thank you.

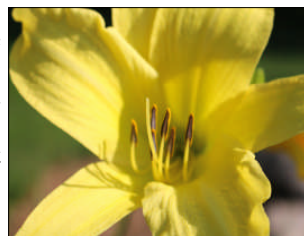
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As we get closer to the firm order date, we will also announce the project in the local news media and invite area residents to pre-order and pre-pay for any books they wish to purchase. We'll keep you up to date on our progress.

**Joanne Wilkinson, Chris Landowski, Sue Wilford**



## Continuing Education Opportunities

**June 29, 2015**

**Growing Power and the Good Food Revolution  
Waupaca, WI**

Will Allen, founder and CEO of Growing Power Inc. will speak at Winchester Academy in Waupaca at 6:30 p.m. For more information see: <http://winchesteracademywaupaca.org/>.

**June 30, 2015**

**Container Gardening**

**Rotary Botanical Gardens, Janesville, WI**

Containers offer a wonderful gardening opportunity as they can add color and interest in a wide range of garden settings beyond our traditionally planted areas. Container gardening can be successfully approached with proper container selection, soil preparation, plant selection and care. This presentation will cover the wide range of containers that are available and how they can be utilized for maximum success in our gardens. Many planting suggestions will also be reviewed in this class from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM \$10 (\$7 members). For more information see the [Rotary Gardens website](#).

**July 27- August 1, 2014**

**Perennial Plant Symposium  
Baltimore, MD**

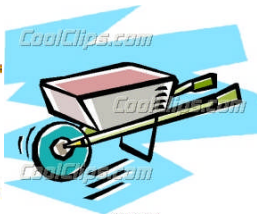
The national symposium of the Perennial Plant Association. Includes specialty tours, professional tour, seminars, workshops, a trade show and networking opportunities. For more information or to register see the [PPA Symposium website](#).

## Portage County Master Gardener Volunteers Garden Guide Link:

<http://portage.uwex.edu/horticulture/master-gardeners/monthly-gardening-guide/>

### July Gardening Guide

- Water gladiolus and dahlias weekly to a depth of 6-8 inches.
- Water flower beds at least once a week during dry spells. Remove old lily blooms.
- Peony bushes should be mulched and seedpods removed.
- Take cuttings from roses and spring flowering shrubs for new plant propagation when stems are no longer succulent but not yet hardened.
- Cut old canes of climbing roses so those new shoots can grow.
- Control rust on hollyhock by removing infected leaves.
- Divide iris and day lily when done blooming. Cut leaves back to about 8 inches.
- Thin and transplant perennials sown in June.
- Complete outdoor sowing of perennial seed.
- Inspect vegetables and herbs for pests daily and treat if necessary.
- Control garden weeds to prevent them from going to seed.
- Harvest onions and early potatoes when tops begin to shrivel.
- In early July, plant lettuce and spinach for fall crop. Pre-germinate on moist towel or plant deeper than in spring. Plant kale, bunching onions, cucumbers, beets, rutabagas and turnips, cabbage family seedlings and peas for fall harvest.
- Keep tomatoes mulched and watered to prevent blossom end rot.
- Keep ripe vegetables picked to maintain productivity.
- Watch for spider mites during hot, dry weather. Juniper and spruce needles turn rusty colored if infested.
- Water newly planted trees weekly if needed throughout the summer and apply a mulch (three inches or less) to maintain even soil moisture.
- During dry spells, water all trees deeply every 2-3 weeks.
- Remove suckers from grafted plants. Water fruit trees during dry spells or they may abort fruit. Trees need 1 inch of water weekly during fruit growth.
- Prune yews, junipers and arborvitae by mid-July.
- Remove old canes of summer bearing red raspberries after harvest. Thin new canes to 3-4 canes per foot of row or 9-ten canes per hill. For black raspberries, thin new canes to ten per hill. Cut tips of new canes back around July 1st. Cut back raspberry tips back to two feet above the soil level and blackberry tips back to four feet above soil level. Cut purple and yellow raspberry tips to 30-36 inches above the soil.
- Keep orchard grass mowed and raked to discourage fungal pathogens harbored in tall grass and plant debris. Hang baited red sticky ball traps in apple trees for apple maggot control.





# 2015 Farm Technology Days: MG Volunteers Needed

From: mike maddox  
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 2:34PM  
Subject: FW: Farm Technology Days: MG Volunteers Needed

Master Gardener Volunteers are needed to answer general gardening questions in the US-Extension Home Landscaping and Gardening Booth at the 2015 Farm Technology Days.

The Wisconsin Farm Technology Days is the largest agricultural show in Wisconsin and one of the largest in the nation. The three-day outdoor event showcases the latest improvements in production agriculture, including many practical applications of recent research findings and technological developments. Each year it is held in a different Wisconsin county.

For 2015, the event will be hosted in Sun Prairie (Dane County), August 25, 26, 27.

- Two Master Gardener Volunteers are needed for each shift of the event.
- There are two shifts each day, from 9:00am to 1:00pm and 1:00pm to 5:00pm.
- Due to travel and logistics, teams of volunteers are encouraged (you can note teams in the comments of the online form, below). However, individuals may apply to volunteer, too.
- Tickets and parking passes are provided.
- This is an outdoor event and we will be inside a large tent. Volunteers will need to dress for the weather– and FTD has experienced lots of weather over the years! Heat. Rain. Wind. Thunderstorms. Mud.
- Experience answering general gardening questions requested, but not required.
- Do not count on internet for mobile devices.
- An educational display will be set up relating to home horticulture.
- UW-Extension staff will be on hand for assistance and back-up with questions.

**Please apply to volunteer online:**

**[FTD 2015 Master Gardener Volunteer Application](#)**

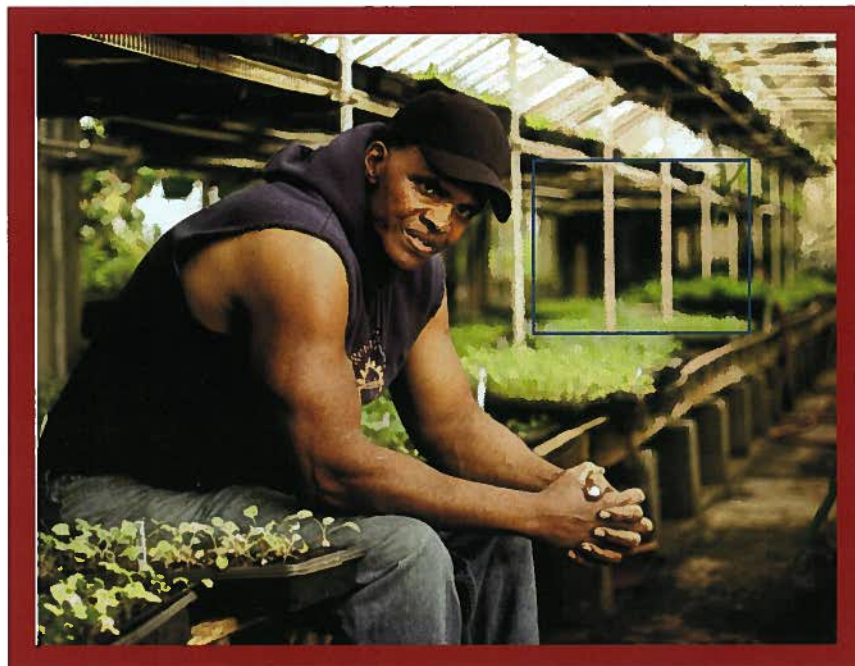
- Selection will be based on availability
- Deadline for applications: July 30, 2015
- Tickets, passes, and additional information will be mailed at that time

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