



# JUNEAU COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ✨

NEWSLETTER

August 2008

*UW-Extension Juneau County*



# COUNTY FAIR TIME

## AUGUST MASTER GARDENER MEETING

**WHEN:** Monday August 25, 2008  
6:30 – 8:30 pm

**WHERE:** Gail & Dave Hitchcock  
N4380 Hwy H  
Elroy WI 53929  
608 462-5968

Car pool when you can  
Bring along lawn or folding chair

### AGENDA:

- Meet and Greet
- Plant Sale
- Garden Tour
- Magazine and Catalog Swap
- Approval of July 28 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report



**DIRECTIONS:** Almost the same as last months

From Mauston:

- Take Hwy 82 to Elroy
- Turn right on Hwy 80 (north towards New Lisbon)
- Go north 1.8 miles to Hwy H
- Turn left on H and continue 2.2
- House on right – look for balloons

From Elroy:

- North on Hwy 80, follow direction from Mauston

From New Lisbon:

- Take Hwy A west out of New Lisbon to Hustler
- At west end of Hustler turn left onto Hwy H
- Proceed on H 6 miles (1.9 miles past Hwy S
- House on left

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- MG signs
- Projects for 2008
  - Boorman House
  - Juneau County Fair
  - Mauston Hospital Project
  - Prairie Flower Restoration at Buckhorn State Park
  - Mauston Food Pantry Project

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- August 13-17, 2008 – Juneau County Fair
- Don't forget that your volunteer hours are due to Jan Brendle by Sept 15. She needs to compile them by Oct 1.
  - Working at the fair counts towards your hours by:
    - Come out, help out and have some fun
    - Also digging and donating plants
  - Also coming to MG meetings – education hours.
  - Work with Craig at UW Ext office by answer calls.
  - More questions on volunteer hours or education hours call or email Jan at 565-7290 or [jbrendle@tds.net](mailto:jbrendle@tds.net)

**Juneau County Master Gardener Meeting Minutes**  
**July 28, 2008 6:30 pm - Maureen Fox Residence**  
**Secretary: Rich Milgrom**

Meet and Greet

Magazine and catalog swap

Meeting was brought to order by Acting President Sally Spangler.

Approval of June 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes

A Big Thank You to Maureen for the garden tour, food and fantastic view.

There were 37 people in attendance and we have 52 total members.

Fiscal audit completed by Arris, Irene, Jan and Sally. All OK at balance ending 6/30/08.

Treasurer's Report - Previous Balance: \$ 1815.03

Expenses: \$ 0

Income: \$12.00 membership

Current Balance: \$ 1827.03

**Correspondence:**

A thank you was received from the Carl W. Nelson Animal Shelter for the \$613.25 that was raised from the sale of plants at Jan's house. Donations for plants at this meeting and future meetings this year will also be given to CWNAS as Dolly Fleming is done with her event.

**Membership Chair Update - Jan Brendle** - We have 52 members, 37 certified.

Need volunteer hours by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Due October 1<sup>st</sup>. Note in newsletter for members to contact Jan if clarification of hours is needed.

Jean Morton was recognized for 150 hours of volunteer service.

**Historian Report** - Nothing to report

**Unfinished Business:**

Plaques for project sites - Arris - \$10 each + \$2 for step-in (Jan has step-in stakes and will donate what is needed).

Verbiage to be: "Garden by Juneau County Master Gardener Volunteers" 10 will be ordered.

Craig suggested using a sign with just the JCMGV name at the MG meeting house.

**New Business:**

SEWMG Midwestern Conf - Valinda & Arris - July 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> 2008

- Keynote Speakers: Ed Lyon from UW Madison, Director of Allen Centennial Gardens. He mentioned that gardening was the number one hobby and now is declining. Two greenhouses in Madison just closed and Bear Valley south of here is closing August 1<sup>st</sup> (250 perennials at ½ price).
- Melinda Myers, Great Lakes Gardener - Color, texture, her favorite plants. She donated 3 very good books to the extension library - "The Garden Book for Wisconsin", "Month-by-Month Gardening in Wisconsin" and "Lawns in Wisconsin".
- Michael Weishan, from Victory Garden - Lots of neat slides.
- Other featured items: Outdoor Living, Living and Cooking areas, Container Gardens, Simple Fountains (getting away ponds and big fountains), whites, silver and blues are in.
- Ponds/Lakes/Rivers - problems with geese - after one generation they will stay, so pester them, also put something along waters edge such as grasses or bushes they can't see over and they will not enter the area.
- Wildlife management - Change your pattern for getting rid of deer - nothing is a permanent deterrent.
- Woodpeckers - they peck to attract a mate but if you can't stand it, harass them at different times during the day.
- Garden Tours - Rotary Gardens, Janesville; Northwind Nursery near Lake Geneva; William Radler home (he's famous for his knock-out roses). He has 6 gardeners on staff at his home garden; Tom Krischan had a garden with pitcher plants (like a bog) - they had no lawn; Boerner Gardens in Greendale; Flower Factory south of Madison.
- Purple and orange combinations were apparent in many of the gardens.

## July 28 Minutes Continued

### Projects for 2008:

- Boorman House - Work done on shade garden. Gutter needs fixing, heavy rain floods garden area. Getting day lilies for planting. Garden room available for Christmas decorations (usually starts around Thanksgiving). They also asked us to have one of our meetings at the house.
- Mauston Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau - This project will be dropped. After repeated calls to the Chamber we have not received any response.
- Juneau County Fair - Sign up sheet was passed around. Call Sharon Duffy, Pat/Duane Weisenhaus for info. Starts August 13<sup>th</sup> (10am - 8pm). Needs plants (with descriptions) priced \$1 to \$5. Please remember to bring plants to sell at the Fair; you may bring them right to the booth - also mark what they are and the price. They also are requesting "guards" for the open area and 4H so nothing is damaged or stolen.
- Mauston Hospital Project - Needed lots of weeding, applied peat moss. Will rototill in next Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. Mulch will be put in garden when hospital purchases. It was suggested that a representative from the hospital be invited to the next MG meeting.
- Prairie Flower Restoration at Buckhorn State Park - Only three people so far have volunteered. 3 small beds need to be cleaned out this year, more planting next year. Rich Mazzoni to check out what Joe wants and if we front money for plants what the turn around time is to get reimbursed.
- Mauston Food Pantry - Marsha Lubinski needs donated plants for in front of food pantry. Call her at 847-5166 if you can help.
- Plant sales today totaled \$21. Money was given to Carl W. Nelson Animal Shelter.

### Garden Meeting Dates and Locations:

Please call and confirm any events before attending as there may be a change.

- August 25<sup>th</sup> - Gail Hitchcock
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> - Sally Spangler
- October 27<sup>th</sup> - Library (We may consider going to the Boorman House after Irene checks with the staff).

### Events/Important Dates:

See State MG Website for more events <http://www.hort.wisc.edu/mastergardener/>

## **Stevia**

Stevia has recently been in the news as companies such as Coca-Cola and Pepsi are getting ready to introduce it in their products in spite of not being FDA approved, according to Susan Nitzke and Barb Ingham, UW-Extension food safety specialists. FDA has not approved it as a food ingredient so it has been marketed as a dietary supplement. This comes from a controversial study done in the 1990's. According to some researchers, if stevia is used sparingly, once or twice a day, the risks are low. Stevia is used widely in other countries such as Japan.

When cooking with stevia, it is important to use the exact amount specified in the recipe as too much can cause a bitter aftertaste. Cakes and quick breads made with stevia may not rise as well.

As with anything, eat in moderation.

*-----The Herb Lady*  
**- Kathy Metznerbauer**

**Editors Note:** Stevia is extremely sweet. In fact, this remarkable noncaloric herb, native to Paraguay, has been used as a sweetener and flavor enhancer for centuries.

# Craig's Corner

Agriculture Agent 608-847-9329  
Juneau County UW-Extension



Ever wonder what people are asking (or sharing with) the Juneau County Extension Agricultural Agent? Below is a sample of the latest horticultural related issues. Have a question or comment just call 608-847-9329 or email [craig.saxe@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:craig.saxe@ces.uwex.edu) Extension publications mentioned can be found at: <http://learningstore.uwex.edu/>

- Slowing down fast spreading plants like trumpet vine can be difficult. Here's a few suggestions: 1. Plant the vine in a 5 gallon bucket (or something similar) with the bottom removed. 2. Grow the trumpet vine in a 36 inch pot above ground. Keep a diligent eye on the drain holes as the runners will grow through these holes. 3. Plant next to a pole (telephone, light, etc) where it can climb and then mow the grass around it regularly to head off shoots. 4. Deadhead the vine and keep it trimmed back in the spring and fall. 5. Cut the vine at the soil line then treat the now cut off young re-growth with a systemic herbicide.
- Permanent vegetation is required to minimize topsoil loss on a septic mound. Herbaceous plants, such as wildflowers and grasses are good choices for mound plantings. Grasses are especially desirable due to their fibrous root system, which holds soil in place. Do not place trees, shrubs or edible plants on the mound. On the other hand, low maintenance lawn grasses such as fine fescues can make a dense cover and only need to be mowed once or twice a year. Mow in October and late June to reduce weeds. Fescues will tolerate dry soils and shady sites. Other traditional lawn grasses such as Kentucky bluegrass can be planted on the mound and mowed regularly. Mowing will increase evaporation from the mound and aid in rodent control. For more information search the Internet for the Minnesota Extension publication entitled "Landscaping Septic Systems".
- Small branches accumulating on the ground and the presence of clean-cut twigs, and in some cases dangling branch tips within a tree, indicate the presence of beetle pests referred to as **twig pruners**. These long-horn beetle species (Cerambycidae) attack numerous types of shade, nut and fruit trees. Heavy damage may detract from the aesthetic appearance of the tree, but this insect will not kill the tree. A strong wind breaks most infested branches at the point where the mature larvae chewed their way from the center of a twig outwardly to beneath the bark. To control or reduce the population simply pick up the fallen branch tips and destroy them to eliminate the larvae that are inside.
- **Grape Phylloxera** is a tiny aphid-like insect that causes small round growths on grape foliage. These growths, called galls, are not injurious when they are few in number. Grape phylloxera also attacks the roots of some grapes, causing root galls. European varieties on their own rootstock are most susceptible to attack. Most grape vines sold to date are grafted onto resistant native rootstock which is not damaged by phylloxera.

**See you at the Juneau County Fair, August 13 thru August 17**



# August Gardening Tips

Harvesting of fruits and vegetables are in full swing now and is a close second to spring for gardening activities.

- Keep vegetables such as pickles, tomatoes and melons picked regularly and frequently for best product and to avoid over ripe fruit being present to attract bugs. Also keep eggplant and peppers picked so younger fruit develops.
- Harvest onions as the tops dry and fall over. Garlic should be dug out and the tops braided and hang in a cool, dry place. Cut onion tops back to 1" and dry thoroughly before storing. Use any damaged produce immediately.
- Cut and dry or freeze herbs. Pick them just before blossoms open for best flavor.
- Fall bearing raspberries, blackberries will begin ripening. Pick fruit as soon as ripe since overripe fruit loses its best nutrient value, spoils fast, and attracts insects.

Make the second application of fertilizer on new plantings of June bearing strawberries. Apply 3 lbs. of 10-10-10 per 100 feet of row. Thin plants or control runners if necessary.

There is still time to sow seeds for a late crop of radishes, leaf lettuce, mustard greens, Swiss chard and spinach.

Plant mums for fall color. These will need extra winter protection.

Now is a good time to order and plant spring flowering bulbs for next year's early flower display. Plan for different flowering times to extend the season. As with most flowers, they are

best displayed in masses of all one type and color rather than in mixtures which can be too busy looking.

If you haven't already done so, divide irises now before their second flush of root growth which will occur during fall's cool, moist weather. Examine rhizomes for borer tunnels and soft rot. Destroy all infected plants. Replant by barely covering the small sections of rhizome with soil making sure each section has a fan of leaves and some roots. Cut leaves back by 2/3's.

Keep phlox plants deadheaded. Never let phlox go to seed if you want to keep colors true.

Mid August to mid September is the ideal time to seed or sod new lawns or to repair diseased or damaged areas of your yard. Both require a good seedbed and even moisture. Prepare areas with an application of the herbicide glyphosate 10 days before seeding or sodding. Rototill the area to a depth of 6-8". Work in extra organic matter and fertilizer. Level and rake smooth. Rake seeded areas lightly to bury seed about 1/8 inch. Tamp to assure good seed to soil contact. Keep soil moist at all times or seed will dry and die. Cover newly seeded areas with a very light layer of straw to help retain moisture. Once grass has emerged – in about 15 days – do not mow till the new grass is at least 3 to 3 1/2 inches tall.

Prepare for a Labor Day fertilizer application to the lawn unless you will be doing a weed n' feed treatment later in September. Mid-September is the only time of year when weed and feed products are actually timed right for both the weed control and the fertilization. If you do three applications of fertilizer per year, they should be at Halloween, Memorial Day and Labor Day. Use a slow release product for the late season application.

Send articles and other ideas for the Master Gardeners Newsletter to:

Irene Klingemann  
W5805 Brown Rd  
Mauston WI 53948

Or email: [klinger.mstn@yahoo.com](mailto:klinger.mstn@yahoo.com)  
and please add in the subject line Master Gardeners.

Adapted from <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/wihort/updates/MGCAugust2004.htm>

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOTE: Be sure to call & check times & dates to verify event.

**Aug 16, 2008 - Urban Horticulture Field Day - West Madison Ag Research Station, Verona, WI** - Tours, vegetable sampling and demonstrations on a variety of topics from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Free. For more information contact Asst. Superintendent Judy Reith-Rozelle, 8502 Mineral Point Rd., Verona, WI 53593-9689 at (608) 262-2257 or fax (608) 829-3074

**Aug 22, 2008 (12:00 noon) - Growing Tender Bulbs: Glad, Canna, Dahlia - Brown Bag Program** contact UW Ext Office for access - Join Bob Tomesh to learn more about growing and storing these wonderful additions to the summer garden.

**Aug 22-23, 2008 - Explore the World of Perennial Gardening - Madison, WI** - Presented by the Central Region of the Perennial Plant Association, this two-day "mini" symposium offers great opportunities to learn from the experts, as well as visit some local public and private gardens and businesses. At Madison Marriott West, 1313 John Q. Hammons Drive, Madison. \$175, includes Friday lectures, Saturday tour, lunches on both days and refreshment breaks. Single day registration available. For more information contact the Perennial Plant Association at [ppa@perennialplant.org](mailto:ppa@perennialplant.org) or (614) 771-8431,

**Aug 23, 2008 - Elroy Garden Walk - Elroy WI** - Five gardens starting at the Gazebo near the bank. Hours 10 to 3 Cost \$5.

**Aug 25, 2008 - Urban Wildlife - West Madison Ag Research Station, Verona, WI** - Join David Drake, Extension Wildlife Specialist, at 5:30 p.m. to learn about the animals you encounter in the garden (and learn about some others you likely won't see there). Free. For more information contact Asst. Superintendent Judy Reith-Rozelle, 8502 Mineral Point Rd., Verona, WI 53593-9689 at (608) 262-2257 or fax (608) 829-3074

**Sept 6, 2008 - Harvest Festival - Rotary Botanical Gardens, Janesville, WI** - MGVs host an educational afternoon of vegetable taste testing, demonstrations, and tours of the gardens. Snack vendors and activities for the kids. 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Free family event, rain or shine. For more information call Rotary Botanical Gardens at call (608) 752-3885.

**Sept 9, 2008 - Potions and Lotions: Garden-based Massage Oils, Beauty Products and Creams - Rotary Botanical Gardens, Janesville, WI** - Shelley Ryan, gardening nut redefines "mud-mask". Begins at 1:00 p.m. to approximately 4:00 p.m. \$60 (includes all materials). For more information or to reserve a space, contact Mike Maddox at call (608) 752-3885 ext 17.

**Sept 10, 2008 - Grocery Store Herbs - Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton, WI** - Not much room for an herb garden? Learn what the store has to offer for easy "grocery store herbology" in this class from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. \$12 (\$8 member), advance registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Gardens of the Fox Cities, 1313 E. Witzke Blvd. Appleton, WI 54911 at (920) 993-1900.

**Sept 16, 2008 - Cover Crops for the Home Garden - West Madison Ag Research Station, Verona, WI** - Join John Hendrickson, Center for Integrated Agriculture, at 5:30 p.m. to learn about buckwheat, clover, oats, peas and soybeans to grow as a cover crop to enhance your soil and prevent erosion. Free. For more information contact Asst. Superintendent Judy Reith-Rozelle, 8502 Mineral Point Rd., Verona, WI 53593-9689 at (608) 262-2257 or fax (608) 829-3074

**Sept 26, 2008 (12:00 noon) - Managing Invasive Woody Plants - Brown Bag Program** contact UW Ext Office for access. Join Bob Tomesh to learn more about how to deal with certain plants that have invaded our yards and woodlands.

**Oct 24, 2008 (12:00 noon) - Heirloom Fruit and Vegetables - Brown Bag Program** contact UW Ext Office for access. Join Bob Tomesh to learn more about these old varieties of food plants.

**And Save the Date: Jan 30-31, 2009 - Garden Visions: Under the Cloak of Winter - Wausau, WI** - This conference for northern climate gardeners is sponsored by the North Central Wisconsin & Portage County MG Associations. Saturday's keynote speaker is Art Wolk on Garden Lunacy. Friday evening includes a photography contest exhibit, meet & greet speakers and book signings. There will also be hands-on workshops and sessions, and master classes by MGVs. At the Plaza Hotel & Suites, Wausau. For more information see the Conference website or contact Mary Slagoski at (715) 261-1230.



All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism

Submitted by Rich Milgrom

# 2008 JUNEAU COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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**Note from Edie Felts-Podoll, Family Living Educator from Adams County:**

Would you please assist by promoting this class in your HCE/4-H/Master Gardeners/Agriculture newsletters. Cost for the class is \$10.00 and we will need 12 participants to hold the class



## Driver Safety Course (formerly 55 Alive)

**What:** Due to popular demand, Bob Podewils, Certified Driver Instructor, will teach the 8-hour safe driving course.

**When:** Monday, August 18th & Tuesday, August 19th, 2008  
8:30 am - 12:30pm each day

**Where:** Central Wisconsin Community Action Building, Board Room  
1000 Highway 13, Wisconsin Dells, WI

**Why:** You will learn the following

- .. New driving laws with explanations
- .. How to handle stop signs, stop & go lights, turns, entering the freeway & roundabouts
- .. Overall driving courtesies
- .. Changes in our abilities as we age
- .. Opportunities for Questions & Answers

**Cost:** \$10.00 / Person  
Check, made payable to AARP

**Questions or to Register Contact**  
Edie Felts-Podoll  
Adams County UWEX Office  
(608) 339-4237



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## ***Note from Gypsy***



### ***Dear Friends***

**Bugs - Bugs - Bugs!! There are good bugs, bad bugs, beneficial bugs and damaging bugs.**

**But we can't live without them!**

**Did you know there are 200 million insects for each of the over 5 billion people on Mother Earth? And they are discovering new ones every year.**

**They fly, they crawl, they burrow and they really know how to play hide & seek.**

**They pollinate, produce silk and honey and feed on dead vegetation putting nutrients back into the dirt.**

**So keep that in mind when you are fussing and complaining about them.**

**Well, I'm going outside to play with "what bugs me"!**



***Until next time,***

***Gypsy Jean***

***aka Jean Morton***

**Talking about bugs...**after the first confirmed occurrence of emerald ash in Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture and Consumer Protection has issued an Emerald Ash Borer quarantine press release statement. The quarantine includes all of Ozaukee, Washington, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan counties. The purpose of the quarantine is to limit the artificial spread of emerald ash borers which may be present in ash nursery stock, hardwood firewood, timber or other articles that could spread EAB into other areas of Wisconsin or other states. The quarantine will affect plant nurseries, firewood dealers, lumber mills, arborists, pallet manufacturers and homeowners within the four-county area.