The past month has been a busy time for Master Gardeners. The Spring Plant Sale was a smashing success. Diane Daniel and her committee are to be congratulated for their tireless efforts, as are the dozens of you who assisted in preparation and at the sale. We nearly doubled the forecasted income for the sale. The officers and committee chairs present at the May Master Gardener's Board Meeting expressed a desire for us to invest a sizeable amount of those proceeds back into our community, in ways that will enhance our visibility and programs. Consequently, an ad-hoc committee co-chaired by Julie Dickson and Patty Stranahan was appointed to revisit the idea of setting up a scholarship or scholarships for students with horticulture/agriculture majors. We also plan to conduct a mid-year budget review designed to help meet individual committee needs. These actions, when completed, will of course require approval of the membership at a regular scheduled meeting. See you around the garden.

JUNE HOLIDAYS

Flag Day - Always June 14th

Flag Day, is a day for all Americans to celebrate and show respect for our flag, its designers and makers. Our flag is representative of our independence and our unity as a nation.....one nation, under God, indivisible. Our flag has a proud and glorious history. It was at the lead of every battle fought by Americans. Many people have died protecting it. It even stands proudly on the surface of the moon. As Americans, we have every right to be proud of our culture, our nation, and our flag. So raise the flag today and every day with pride.

Did you know June 6th is National Gardening Exercise Day?

Everyone knows gardening is therapeutic. It's good for the mind, body, and soul. Gardening Exercise Day gives us an opportunity to go out and burn off calories and have fun doing it. National Gardening Exercise Day is intended to recognize the important physical health benefits of gardening. In reality, gardening is exercise. Experts say the various activities and tasks of gardening ultimately use all of the major muscle groups. In addition, strenuous gardening activities such as raking, hoeing, and digging is both aerobic and muscle strengthening. Take time today to celebrate one of America's favorite hobbies. Go out and exercise with, and among, your plants.
What a difference a year can make!! Last year at this time it was very hot and dry and this year so far it’s been cool and wet. I have already seen some damage to tomatoes and trees from the cool nights and even the one cold night we had a few weeks ago. Symptoms for tomatoes were yellowing and some curling of leaves, trees had defoliation of young leaves, but they both should recover. Do continue to keep a watchful eye on the trees around your home. The drought they have endured over the past two years has been very hard on them and I am getting calls almost daily now about the trees with dieback appearing in the tops of them. The best way to save a tree is with preventative measures such as proper fertilization spring and fall and irrigation during droughts. Once a tree is found to have disease there is very little hope for a recovery. I regret that I missed our Master Gardener state convention this year due to a schedule conflict with a graduation ceremony I had to attend. I know Garland County was well represented and very involved. What an amazing job by all who played a part in the plant sale, your dedication and hard work paid off with us attaining the largest profit ever. Thanks to each and everyone that participated in the plant sale. Have a fun and safe June.

Allen Bates
CEA Agriculture
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Hot Springs, AR
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STUMP THE EXPERTS

This is a wildflower growing near the Little Missouri River bottom land about 17 mi. south of Prescott. The flower tendrils span about 8-10". What can it be? It was submitted to me by a friend.

Rita Monsen
Answer 1: Spider Lily I say - Chap Harper

Answer 2: It is a spider lily I have some growing on my property I can do some research on this when I get back from Europe  Heidi

Answer 3: Flower this time is easier to identify. It is a Spider Lily (Hymenocallis Caroliniana) Shown on Page 47 of Carl Hunter's wild flower book. Another variety that mostly grows further south is H. Liriosme-but also on the Grand Prairie.  Ruth Siebels

Answer 4: Looks like one of the native spider lilies (Hymenocallis caroliniana or H. liriosme). They are usually found in marshy locations in low areas.  Yvonne

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Get BUSY Master Gardeners and see if you can “Stump The Experts”. They are ahead now.

DONT FORGET

We are always looking for photographs and/or questions to be submitted for our “Stump the Experts” column. If you submit a photo, please give any available info. Please send direct to cid945@sbcglobal.net – subject “STE”
“Hunt and Find”

MAY NL  WINNER

Ken Johnson

Our NEW object for June

As soon as you locate the item, send an email to cjd945@sbcglobal.net identifying the location. The first correct response will be our winner!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE FOR LIBRARY CLASSES 2013

Aug 13  11:30-1:30pm  Tu  Good bugs/Bad bugs

Sept 26  11:30-1:30pm  Th  Decorative things in the Garden

Nov 12  11:30-1:30pm  Tu  Hanging baskets

Contact the library for reservations  623-4161. Or 922/4483

WISH LIST/TRADING CORNER

This is a new column in the newsletter for what you need or do not need anymore!! It is a way to share plants, seeds, items, or get information regarding gardening needs.

I would love to have some pink peony's for my yard. My girlfriend gave me some from her mother's yard and they got mowed down twice by my husband and then I moved and since they don't like to move I left them. If someone has any to share I would be so glad to give them a good home. Call me at 262-5243. Thanks, Gaye Harper

If you have an item to give away or need information, send your information to Carolyn Davis and mark subject line as Wish List. If you have a photo you want to include be sure to send as an attachment in jpeg format.

Send to cjd945@sbcglobal.net
REALLY GOOD TIP FROM PINTEREST

SAVING GREEN ONIONS

I love using green onions in a variety of dishes. They add flavor, color, and are easy to have on hand all of the time. I keep my green onions in a small mason jar filled with water to a few inches below where the green sprouts out. How do you like that expert description? I’m certainly not a gardener or an expert on green onion etymology, but this works and I’ve had these same green onions for about a month. Every few days I switch out the water when I start to see it getting lower. When you need to use some, just chop off the stalks. If you need to use the whole green onion, carefully take one out being careful not to damage the roots of the ones surrounding it. How simple is that?

FALL PLANT SALE

Even though it seems we just got finished with an extremely successful spring plant sale, and October seems many months away, we are already at work getting ready for the fall plant sale. The sale will be held in conjunction with the Arts and Crafts Fair held at the Garland County Fairgrounds, October 4-6, 2013.

We have reserved and paid for our space several months ago, and have started to collect plants from individuals and from various projects. Please consider being a part of our sale by surveying your gardens and begin planning items to donate. More detailed information may be found in a separate article posted on the MG website under "The Fall Plant Sale Nitty Gritty".

Hilde Simmons

VEGETABLE GARDEN FORUM MEETINGS

Central Arkansas Vegetable Garden Forum invites you to its next meeting scheduled for the spring and summer of 2013.

Meeting: Tuesday, June 11 at the garden of Lyn Newton. 9:30-11:00 a.m. Bring a chair.

Location: 101 Chad Street, Hot Springs, AR. From Hot Springs, go out Malvern Rd. (270 E toward Malvern) turn right at Akers Road (there is a stop light), go about 1/4 mile and turn right at Ingram, then turn right again at Chad Street. His house is at the end of the street. Take dirt driveway around the house to the back and park on the grass.
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SPRING SOCIAL
JUNE 22, 2023
At the Elk’s Club

We will be serving appetizers, wine and beer starting at 5 p.m. to be followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Master Gardeners are free, guest $10.00. This year we will be serving Ribs (or if you prefer chicken), salad, baked beans, french fries, rolls and blackberry cobbler.

The deadline for your choice of ribs or chicken is June 15. Please let me know so we can have enough food to feed everyone. We ask you please pay for your guest in advance. You may mail me a check, Gaye Harper.

RSVP to cakelady@cablelynx.com

Hope to see everyone there,
The Hospitality Committee

TO ALL MASTER GARDENERS

As you know it is now Yard of the Month season. The Committee has requested that as you are traveling around in Hot Springs, please be on the “look-out” for gardens that you feel would be deserving of being chosen as our Yard of the Month.

Please send nominations to Gaye Harper, Chairperson for the Yard of the Month Committee at cakelady@cablelynx.com

Thank you for your assistance.

Yard of the Month Committee
Happy Birthday Wishes to our June GCMG – from “the gang”

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ENTERGY PARK

It was a wonderful May Day experience at Entergy Park. For those not in attendance, you missed the gaiety of park nymphs dancing around the flag pole (our substitute for the May Pole). Well, OK, that didn't happen. But all in all, it was a great day at Entergy Park. We had a terrific turn out and quickly disposed of the tasks that Daryl had in store for us. We pulled all of the pansies, which were really looking good, trimmed perennials and disposed of weeds. Then a large variety of summer stock was planted in preparation for this year's park visitors.

Thanks to these Master Gardeners:

Front, Don Turner, Kay Shearer, Lin Johnson, Michael Carr, and Ellen Majestic.
Next row, Becky Pawelczak, Ross Sedler, Lindy Holmes, and Dani Kew.
Back row, Daryl Edwards, Wayne Patterson, Jeff Finney, John Long, and James Moore Jr.

Not shown is our photographer Janie Turner.

EXTENSION OFFICE

The following was conducted at the County Extension office:

- An educational program was presented to the MG Interns by Allen Bates concerning the soil test of each of the grasses displayed at the office, and how to read the soil test. Also, he discussed what to do concerning the St. Augustine grass, and how to establish a watering system for the plants and flowers.
- After the presentation and discussion of the above, the MGs and Interns planted lantana and begonias in the planters. Additional compost or replacement of the soil in the planters was necessary. Spider grass was planted in hanging baskets and hung from the Dogwood tree outside of the office. The hedges were trimmed.
- Weed eating the grass around the office and cleaning the area with blowers was also done.
- St. Augustine grass was removed and will be replaced.

from left to right: Jan Hodges, James B. Moore, Jr., Ross Sedler, Jeff Finney, Jim Moore, Greg Watts, Twila Brown and John Goodwin.
GEMS

It seems like we were just getting into spring, and now it is time to prepare for summer at Garvan. We met three times trying to help the hort crew stay caught up, the weather has sure made gardening difficult! Our first day found us on the Woodland Walk pulling tulips, then at the overflow parking lot to unload the Reynold's plant delivery. The next extra session was spent planting mexican heather, josephs coat and begonias on the Woodland Walk. Thanks to the four who pitched in on their "day off" - Jan Hodges, Betty Fortner, John Long, and Linda Doherty. Finally, we worked our third session back around the Great Lawn and Pavillion areas. We split into four groups and planted impatiens, persian shield, and begonias. Bob Byers sent a nice e-mail to all expressing his and the crew's thanks for all our hard work. It is such a pleasure to work with such a fine committee.    Linda Doherty, chair

HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE XERISCAPE

All is well at the HSV Xeriscape. With an extra work session, things are under control, and the grounds are looking GREAT! After recent rains, the gardens are even more lush. Early June is bringing Garvan Woodland Gardens to the pavilion for a meeting with HSV volunteers, and we are hoping they will appreciate their beautiful surroundings.
THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The June 4, 2013 Brown Bag Lunch at the Garland County Library, Companion Planting, has been cancelled—it will be rescheduled at a later date.

HOT SPRING YARD OF THE MONTH

The home of Ruby Randall at 105 Wilshire Place in Hot Springs was selected as the April Yard of the month.

Ruby’s yard was originally landscaped about eight years ago when she and her husband built this lovely home on a quiet street in central Hot Springs. As time has gone by, Ruby’s daughter, Linda Gentry, has become partners in the planning and enhancement of the original landscaping.

After establishing a beautiful Zoysia lawn, they have incorporated several areas pleasing to the eye, including a planting area surrounding the mailbox, a pond area with a flowing fountain, and a landscape bordering the home itself.

Plants include nandina, euonymus, azAleas, variegated monkey grass, yarrow, moss rose ground cover, coreopsis, knock out roses, cannas, landscaping rocks, and other plantings which were gifts from friends and neighbors.

The fountain area contains whimsical yard art including frogs, snails, angels, and bird houses to name a few. One of the outstanding shrub/bush plantings is a large Oleander which has thrived very well in Ruby’s yard.

left to right are Carolyn Harris, Ruby Randall (homeowner) and Barbara Stallion.
COURT HOUSE/POLICE MEMORIAL

The Court Houses/Police Memorial Committee met on May 9th on the monthly scheduled Thursday. Seventeen members met to weed and pull out the 20 plus lantana plants that perished due to unexpected cold snap or over-watered or weak plants or... who knows?. They are gone, to be replaced at a later date. The Police Memorial is looking really great and it will really shine for the Memorial Service that is held each year.

So as you can see the weather was beautiful to match the beautiful spirits of the committee members. Thank you Max Carter, Linda Doherty, Sunshine Spielvogle, Shirley Williams, Kay Holland, Anne Fulbright, Lin Johnson, Kay Skoog, Glenda Pannell, Barbara Donathan, Michael Carr, Bev Merritt, Chuck Lange, Wayne Patterson, James Moore, Jr., Jane Oliver, and Jeff Finney.

We will meet again on June 13th, the 2nd Thursday of the month at 8:30a.m. at the New Court House. Everyone is invited....Michael Carr and Kay Skoog

YOUTH GARDENING COMMITTEES

FOUNTAIN LAKE SCHOOL

On the Friday before Mother’s Day, Master Gardeners on the Fountain Lake Young Gardeners committee took marigolds to the five third grade classrooms. The third graders had planted the seeds and grown the flowers and had fun decorating the pots to take them home to their mothers.

Photos by Bucky and Madalyn Harris
SMALL BUSINESS OF THE MONTH – HS

Cooper-Anthony Mercy Child Advocacy Center located on McAuley Court in Hot Springs is an enchanting area which would make any child or adult feel peaceful and relaxed. Immediately upon entering the garden area the sound of gently splashing fountains can be heard. A large bronze elephant with an upturned trunk has water flowing from it. A tall giraffe is immediately noticeable. Sculptures of children swinging can be seen.

The Director of the center, Janice McCutcheon-Beaver, guided Barbara Stalion and Carolyn Harris through the small area which focuses on areas to delight the children who come here. Some of the many features include colorful Japanese maples and butterfly bushes which abound. Large hydrangeas are nestled against the wall at the back of the building. Hostas are spaced at several location as well as nandinas. Contrasting tropical dark and vibrant green cennas add depth to the overall area. Holly bushes and red tips abound. Day lilies will be blossoming as the sun becomes hotter and will bloom throughout the summer.

The Director mentioned that the Children’s Garden items and landscaping were donated by various caring individuals, companies and organizations. What a worthwhile and thoughtful contribution to the children of Garland and surrounding counties.

The Garland County Master Gardeners slate of officers for 2013 are left to right Lin Johnson Past President, Glenda Pannell 2nd Vice-President, Ken Johnson President, Carmon Hayes 1st Vice-President, Mary Ann Schnipper Secretary, and Gaye Harper Treasurer.
HSV YARD OF THE MONTH

The home of Robert Orr and Linda Hodges, 4 Resplandor Place was chosen for the May HSV Yard of the Month.

If you have just "strolled" in your neighborhoods, looking at the varied and gorgeous landscaping, this is the place for you! Peonies line the roadway like hedges with giant blooms. Beautiful iris, Stella d'oro lilies with burning bushes highlight the driveway. There is even a center island filled with azaleas, Japanese maples, and a "late blooming" dogwood in front of the house.

From the driveway, you descend to the backyard, stepping through an arbor filled with flowering clematis and is bordered on the side with a beautiful rhododendron. In the back there is a variety of garden roses lining the lakefront, and a raised vegetable bed flanked by blooming blackberry bushes. An array of dianthus and lilies combine to lead you back to the front of the house.

Thanks to Robert and Linda for sharing their home and being our first winner this year. They were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Hot Springs/Garland County Beautification Commission and will receive a one year membership to Garvan Woodland Gardens. Dianne Hardin

Garden Therapy at The Caring Place

Our May meeting had only three Master Gardeners to help with the planting: Kay Ford, Sue Tanner, and intern Marty Lynch. The seniors planted impatiens into the pots they had decorated in April.

Rita Monsen
Garden Therapy Chair
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Construction is still in progress on the next Habitat house for the Master Gardeners to landscape. We are looking at June or July before the next house will be ready. We will keep you informed. Thank you for your patience.

Will see you soon.

Gene Lichliter, Chairman
Evelyn Worsham, Assistant

CITY GREENHOUSE COMMITTEE

The Garland County Master Gardeners met at the City Greenhouse to cut back and propagate the coleus and begonias. Several cuttings were made of the Santolina, liriope and purple fountain grass were re-potted. Daryl Edwards, the City's Park Horticulturist, also conducted a question and answer session for the Master Gardeners.

left to right Kay Shearer, Dani Kew, Barbara Donathan, Henryetta Martin, Michael Carr, Bev Merritt, Lin Johnson, Julie Venkateswaran, Barbara Smith, Rick Chaney, Hilde Simmons, Heidi Haskins, Wayne Patterson, Sue Tanner, Sallye Waddell, Mary Ann Schnipper, Cathy Dresel, not shown Ellen Majestic.
TRIANGLE/FARMERS MARKET/GREENHOUSE COMMITTEE

We met a week early, but still had a great turn-out of 12 wonderful volunteers - Dani Kew, Michael Carr, Barb Bradstreet, Sue Bristow, Shelly Sims, Janie Turner, Don Turner, Ellen Majestic, Sallye Waddell, Henryetta Martin, Cindy Bright and Lin Johnson. At the Farmer's Market, we planted coleus, firecracker fountain grass, prestige scarlet celosia, dark red periwinkle, and of course, we weeded all the beds. We moved on to the Triangle on Malvern and Grand and weeded the beds we planted last month. We also finished planting the front bed with zinnias, red salvia and coleus. Thanks to a wonderful committee. Lin, Michael and Gene

CARDS SENT THIS MONTH

Cards sent this month to those who were sick, recovering from surgery, or were in the hospital.

Sick: Annie Crutcher

Surgery: Chappie Harper (another)

Charlotte Anthony

Mary Beth Vowel

Sympathy: Dick & Sue Fendley loss of a daughter

Roger Giddings loss of a mother
HOT SPRINGS XERISCAPE

On May 4th, 6 members of our committee, Lin Johnson, Dani Kew, Lindy Holmes, Shirley Williams, Stephanie Ballard and Becky Pawelczak came to the Xeriscape bed across from Hollywood Park to plant the spring plant sale plants donated to us and clean up our lovely garden. We planted wandering jew, celosia, oxalis, yarrow, airplane plants, etc. We left it looking great and got lots of compliments from all the walkers along the green-way. Lin Johnson

REMEMINDER TO COMMITTEE CHAIRS/CO-CHAIRS

It has been brought to our attention that there is some confusion as to where information is to be sent. If you are sending in a COMMITTEE ARTICLE AND PHOTO OF YOUR COMMITTEE – send to Rita Monsen at monsenr@ipa.net. Photos must be sent as a separate attachment in jpeg format for the newspaper to accept. You will send announcements for NL information page to Rita. Information regarding Stump the Experts and Hunt and Find are listed in the newsletter.

If anyone is sending a “special or feature article (not relating to our committees) and/or photos that do not accompany committee reports, these are sent to Patty Stranahan @ biopatty@comcast.net.

If you have any questions regarding this, contact Carolyn Davis @ cjd945@sbcglobal.net.

The Newsletter Committee

GOLD STAR to Como Committee– 1st article submitted for NL

SILVER STAR to GEMS – 2nd article submitted for NL

BRONZE STAR to G Court House/Police Memorial- 3rd article submitted for NL
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2013 MASTER GARDENERS STATE CONVENTION

ROGERS, ARK.

The Embassy Suites in Rogers, Arkansas was the location for the Arkansas Master Gardener's Convention held May 15 - 18. Over 600 MG's from all over the state attended, 45 (plus 6 guests) were from Garland County. There were 4 garden tours available, and a full days worth of speakers to make for a very busy schedule. Highlights were Crystal Bridges, P. Allen Smith, and the 2013 State MG Awards. Did you know that the buildings at Crystal Bridges required more concrete than the Sears Tower in Chicago? Plan to attend next year, Texarkana is the location of the 2014 convention.