

The Weeders' Digest

Architecture and Gardens in Germany



Judy Kautz, MG Class of 2007, entertained us with her travels to Hamburg and Garmisch in Germany at our October meeting. There are not significant differences in plants grown in Germany and Oklahoma, but the weather is very different. The heirloom roses were particularly beautiful!

Programs....

by Lois Cox Marshall

Thanks to Judy for sharing her travels to Germany. We need a field trip! November and December will be full of lots of food and fun. In January, we will have a Meet and Greet session to bring in our new members and meet some of the older (in time in MG—not in years) members. Combined with this will also be a committee fair. The committee chairs will have a table to explain to you what they do. Everyone is encouraged to be involved in AT LEAST one committee. The more you put into master gardeners, you more you will get out of it!

Harvest Feast!

Reminder that canned goods to donate to the food bank are welcome at the meeting. Also, if you have an item you'd like to provide to auction as a fundraiser, bring that too!

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President's Posting

By Lois Cox Marshall

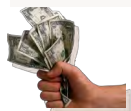
We are moving into the busy and fun time of the year for most of us. The holiday season is upon us and is full of cooking, shopping, planning, family, and fatigue (usually). It is also a busy and fun time for Master Gardeners. We will enjoy the Harvest Feast November 10 with lots of food and fellowship. Our new members who have completed their hours will become official Master Gardeners. The new trainees will have finished their class and are eager to get started on their hours. We will also be recognizing some new honorary members because of all their work for the organization. And, of course, the Distinguished Service Award will be presented to one of our members. You don't want to miss this great time. The meal will start at noon. If you signed up to bring food, please have it there by 11:15 to 11:30.

We want to welcome all those who are finishing their MG class. It is always exciting for us "old" members to welcome some fresh ideas and excitement. We want your input, your involvement, and your friendship as we get to know you.

The Christmas party is always a lot of fun. Be thinking ahead to your ugly sweater contest entry. Details about bringing food items for the food bank will be coming soon. Along with the Christmas festivities, be sure to plan to come to the wreath making class. Those of us who attended last year had a great time and went home with a unique Christmas wreath to hang on our doors.

The Greenhouse Committee met October 27 to clean out the greenhouse and get ready to plant for the April 15 Garden Party. It was VERY dirty but there was a great group to help. We also took the cover off the top—not a small feat to fold it multiple times and finally put it in a large garbage can for storage. Because of the greenhouse, we get to dig in the dirt and watch plants grow all year round!

Lois



Dues Increase

By Lois Cox Marshall

Reminder of dues going up! The dues for 2023 will be \$30, an increase of \$10 from the last years. You get a lot for \$30 a year! Also, be staying up with your hours for the year. They will be due at the first of the year. We start collecting dues at our Harvest Feast November 10.



Do You Have Extra Magazines?

By Courtney DeKalb Myers

We received a request for old magazines from the Employment and Residential Centers (EARC). EARC provides adults with developmental disabilities the support they need to lead successful lives, as well as empowering them to live independently. The magazines are used in many different ways, including to help regulate emotions, manage time, and meet tactile needs. **We'll be collecting magazines in the office through November 17th.** You'll be welcome to drop them off at Harvest Feast as well. You, like me, probably have lots of old, colorful seed catalogs that could go to a good use! If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you always for your generosity!



Dear MG's,

We had a wonderful year in the Demo Garden! Our scheduled days are done but feel free to go on your own. You can check out a key for the gate in the office. Be sure to not go alone for safety sake.

We are still working on the Backyard Greenhouse. We're getting closer!

We still need a couple of bedheads. This years Locust Group has been very helpful to make things easier.

This next year will be my last year as coordinator. I am looking for someone to replace me and shadow me this next year. Contact me if you need more info.

Kathi



Greenhouse Cleanup

by Pat Welty

Pat Welty writes, "The greenhouse crews worked to clean and prepare for the new GH growing season. Great day of hard work and fun. Tables won't stay empty for long."

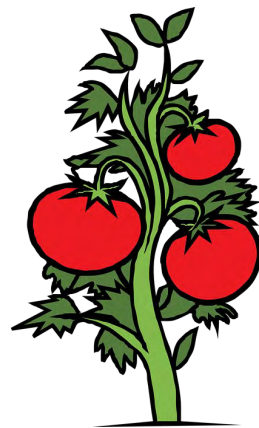






Greenhouse Cleanup Photos

by Lois Cox Marshall





Jeannie Kline and I met Anthony Pascall from Oklahoma Forestry Services. He will be training our committee including anyone who wants to join us in January on the curriculum they have already created. We will then be able to use the curriculum with our next Girl Scout troop or homeschooler group. Tony will also be our February speaker for our general meeting. We encourage any of you who want to join us to attend this training.



Garden Party

by Lois Cox Marshall

Yes, it is time to start planning for our April 15 Garden Party. There were 6 who signed up with interest in helping. Thank you to those 6! If any of you who were not at the last meeting want to get involved, please let me know. We will have a meeting in January to plan what we want to have in the way of classes and activities. Our planning will be thorough. However, we can't plan on the weather! Plans may have to "adjust" at the last minute! It is an exciting and big event, and we need everyone to take part. Be thinking about ideas to make this year's even better!



Mark your calendars for the International Master Gardener Conference for next year. Never will it be closer than Kansas! Check out all they have to offer at their website and sign up for the newsletter. <https://imgc2023.com/>



OU Little Event

By Kathi Farley

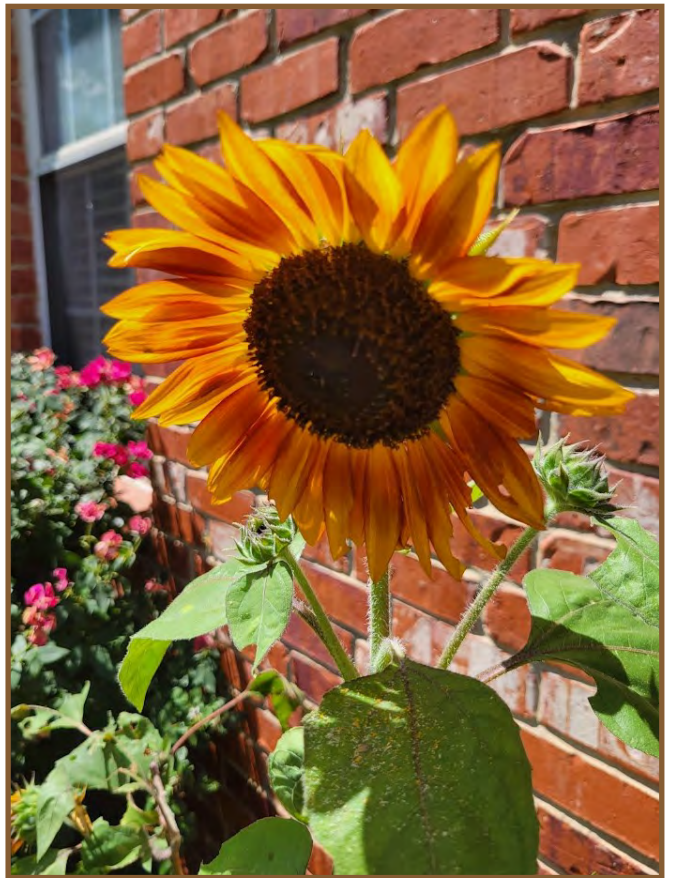


This was our first time to have OU Little Event's help in our Demo Garden. Big thanks for students who came to help us in the garden. We asked for 9-10 and 16 came! Also, thanks to Joan Barker and Cherri Cummings for coordinating the day and Janice Oaks and Mike Sherrod for their assistance too. A lot got done and our backs thank you!





Donna Wright sent this—
ultimate garden planning!



Marilyn Solomon sent the lovely sunflower
and the purple lisianthus and black eyed Su-
sans.

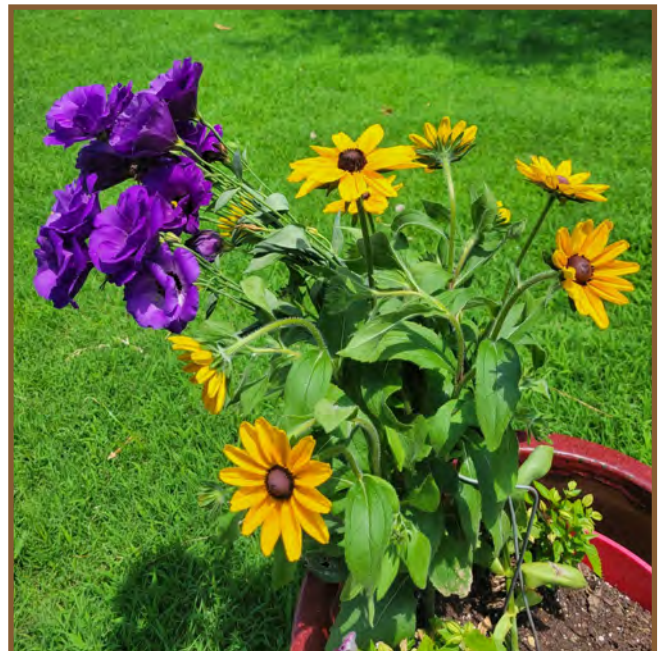




Photo Booth

by Patty Hayes

Patty wanted to share her photos from a recent trip. The first one (bottom right) is the Ethnobotanical Herb Garden at Strawberry Banke Museum in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, a unique outdoor museum of preserved neighborhood buildings built in the late 1700s and early 1800s. The garden includes both medicinal herbs used in New England before 1800 and the herbs used by generations of immigrants to this region, arranged by their countries of origin and all of the plants were labeled with common and Latin names. Very interesting site to visit and beautifully maintained. The second is a pic of my husband, Greg, and me on Main Street in a small town just north of Niagara Falls called Niagara-on-the-Lake. The numerous plantings all along the street and lamp-post baskets were amazing and the trees were just beginning to turn. It was a lovely place to shop and enjoy the scenery.





State Master Gardener Conference Photos *by Judy Kautz*





State Master Gardener Conference Photos *by Judy Kautz*





Are You Interested in a Red Long Sleeved Shirt?



Susan from Universal Printing has found a crewneck sweatshirt that has a nice color (at left). She also found a long sleeved t-shirt in a similar color. Are you interested in either of these long sleeved options? If so, please mark the sheet at the entry table for our Harvest Feast. If there is enough interest, we will ask her to open another online store. We must have a minimum of 30 orders.



Community Education Committee *By Donna Wright & Linda Dolezal*

GROWING OKLAHOMA NATIVE PLANTS IN THE NORMAN AREA

Fred Schneider, a Cleveland County Master Gardener, will give a power point presentation on Growing Native Plants at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19th, in classroom "C" at the Cleveland County Extension office located at 600 E. Robison. Fred has been conducting research on Native American use of Native Plants and grows plants suitable for the Norman area. Topics to be discussed include: What are Native Plants? Why might I want to grow them? Where can I find these plants? What issues should be recognized and addressed before planting any plant? Where might I go to see displays of these plants. In addition, how have Oklahoma Tribes used these plants?

Oklahoma is a unique state in that the greater OKC region including Norman is located at the intersection of four major plant ecoregions. It is possible to grow plants in this region that cannot be successfully grown in many areas of the state. Our state is a locale of 2,600 native plants!

There will be a display of appropriate books, pamphlets, Extension Fact Sheets, information on the Oklahoma Native Plant Society, and information on the Master Gardener program. See the class flyer on the next page

CLEVELAND COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

EDUCATIONAL CLASS

Native Plants



Photo Credit:
Oklahoma Native
Plant Society

**Saturday, November
19th 10:00 - 11:00**

*At this **Free** meeting Fred Schneider will answer questions about native plant selections including: What are Native Plants? Why do I want to grow them? Where can I find these plants? What issues should be addressed before starting these planting? Where will I find these plants?*

**Location: Cleveland County Extension
Meeting Room C, Northwest corner of front
building, Parking Behind building due to
Construction
601 East Robinson, Norman, OK 73071**



**Presenter:
Fred Schneider**
Master Gardener



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October Meeting Minutes

By Marilyn Solomon

Lois Cox opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nancy Logan (Treasurer) Beginning balance as of August 31, 2022, was \$29,534.74. Income for the month \$0. Expenses were \$765.00 Demo Garden, \$201.05 Greenhouse Sale 2023, and \$415.50 Materials for Day of Caring for a total of \$1,382.55. Balance as of September 30, 2022, is \$28,153.19 less budgeted expenses not yet reimbursed of \$6,757.92 and less reserve for greenhouse repairs of \$1,913.00, leaving funds in excess of budget at \$19,482.27. Dues will be raised to \$30 for 2023. The reporting of Service and Education hours is not due until the end of the year.

Nancy Logan (Greenhouse). There will be a greenhouse clean-up day on October 27, and we will start planting in November. The inventory sub-committee is busy planning, and we hope to have more plants this year. We lost a few committee members, so if anyone wants to help, contact Nancy, or just show up.

Lois, Jeannie Kline, and Patty Cummings (Programs) The next two meetings will be big-eating days. We need more committee members.

Donna Wright and Linda Dolezal (Education) Fred Schneider will speak about Oklahoma Native plants in November. They thanked everyone that spoke this year and handed out yellow questionnaire sheets. Debra Howser took care of the computer for the speakers. The rose bouquet on the sign-up table is from the demo garden.

State Conference Feedback-Judy and Marilyn gave reports about the State Conference in Claremore. Mary Engel talked about the International Conference in Overland Kansas coming up June 18-22, 2023

Lois Cox and Donna Carter (Garden Party) A list of what we want to do will be developed in January.

Judy Kautz (Public Relations) She thanked everyone for their newsletter inputs. She hopes to publish the next one on the 1,2, or 3 of November. If any more people want the red t-shirts, we have to have at least 30 people sign up. If you have an extra green t-shirt, give it to Kathi and she will give it to people wanting to wear them in the garden. Courtney also has some new green shirts in the office.

Kathi Farley/Georjana Mauldin/Sherry Hill (Garden Committee & Tours) There will be a special workday on Saturday for an OU Big Event. Students will help clear out some plants. Joan coordinated the event. The Executive Board sent a recommendation that some husbands that have been working hard in the gardens be awarded Honorary Master Gardener certificates. They are Loreen Upton's husband, Kathi Farley's husband, Joan Barker's husband, and Sonya Fallgetter's husband. Kathi made a motion to approve the recommendation. Randy Edward's was previously given a certificate. Patty Hayes seconded the motion and it passed. Kathi would like someone to shadow her next year to learn her job.

Evan Taylor (Home tours) He is suggesting have smaller tours with gardens that are in season at the time.

Ronna Banks, Sherry Garner, and Cheryl Jones (Hospitality) – Thanks to Lois Cox, Sherry Garner, Rahmona Thompson, Valerie Green, Debra Howse, Linda Reed, Fred Schneider, Linda Dolezal, Les and Donna Brown, and Scott Woods for the tasty treats.



October Meeting Minutes (cont.)

By Marilyn Solomon

Julie Johnson and Phyllis Blackwell (Special Projects) No report

Jr. Master Gardeners—Needs a chair. Tony Pascall, the Education Coordinator for the Oklahoma Forestry Services has a curriculum for ages K-8 that we can have for free. They will also come and do the teaching or teach us how to use it. We could possibly get the other girl scout troop in during winter months with their help. So far, Valerie Green is the only person signed up as a committee member

Tom Walker had surgery for lung cancer recently.

RECURRING BUSINESS:

Styrofoam recycling. Densifier Event coming up—Next Saturday at the Central Library and on Nov 12 at the Household Hazardous Waste Disposal. Tulsa authorities have met with environmental trust for information on the Styrofoam recycling program.

Claren Kidd (Farmer's Market Table) She said 1,784 questions have been posed at the table with an average of 87 people per week stopping at the table. Kids really like the butterfly coloring pages. We need someone to open the booth in April. Fred started the booth at the Wall and Claren carried it through this year.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Harvest Feast and Christmas meetings with an ugly sweater contest are coming up. We will also be collecting food for the needy.

Courtney's Comments: She needs desk help to justify setting up the new Master Gardener desk area. She will also need help in December or January to set up the area. We need to drop off the food to the intended destination on the days it is collected because of lack of storage space. Ten people will graduate this year. The current class is wrapping up with 28 people.

President's Comments: Lois said we need more volunteers.

Dates to Remember:

November 10—Harvest Feast

November 19 – Native Plants by Fred Schneider

Meals on Wheels Poinsettia delivery – December 1 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, *Marilyn A. Solomon*



Treasurer's Report

By Nancy Logan

Beginning balance as of September 30, 2022 is \$28,153.19. \$70 Gloves Sold: \$300 2023 Dues and \$10 2022 Dues for Total Income of \$380.00. Expenses were a total of \$85 Demo Garden. Balance at October 31, 2022 is \$28,448.19, less budgeted expenses not yet reimbursed of \$6,672.92 and less reserve for greenhouse repairs of \$1,913.00, leaving funds in excess of budget at \$19,862.27. Respectfully submitted, Nancy Logan

Reimbursement requests for approved budgeted expenses are due by December 31, 2022. Please contact Nancy Logan by email, nloganrel@gmail.com, to request a reimbursement form. Completed forms, along with original credit card receipts and cash receipts, can be turned into the extension office or mailed to Nancy Logan, 2803 24th Ave NW, Apt 2126, Norman 73069.

2023 Dues of \$30 will be collected at the Harvest Feast, Christmas and January 2023 meetings. Dues paid by the January meeting will assure you a place in the new member directory.



Onion Apple Glazed Pork Tenderloin

By Georjana Mauldin

Ingredients

1 1/2 lbs. pork tenderloin
Ground black pepper
2 Tbsp. olive oil
1 envelope Lipton® Recipe Secrets® Onion Soup Mix
1/2 cup apple juice
2 Tbsp. firmly packed brown sugar
3/4 cup water
1/4 cup dry red wine or water
1 Tbsp. all-purpose flour

1. Preheat oven to 425°. In small roasting or baking pan, arrange pork. Season with pepper and rub with 1 tablespoon Olive Oil. Roast uncovered 10 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, in small bowl, combine remaining Olive Oil, Lipton® Recipe Secrets® Onion Soup Mix, apple juice and brown sugar. Pour over pork and continue roasting 10 minutes or until pork is done. Remove pork

to serving platter; cover with aluminum foil.

3. Place roasting pan over medium-high heat and bring pan juices to a boil, scraping up any brown bits from bottom of pan. Stir in water, wine and flour and boil, stirring constantly, 1 minute or until thickened. To serve, thinly slice pork and serve with gravy.

Note: I used two pork tenderloin strips. I baked them until their internal temperature reached 145°. I also added two red apples, sliced thickly into rounds, the placed on the bottom of baking sheet under the pork tenderloins.

Makes 6 servings



Upcoming Events

Submitted by Elaine Dockray

November 11, 1 – 2 PM: Guided Garden Tour. Myriad Gardens, OKC. Every second Friday at 1pm and the last Saturday of every month at 10am, the horticulture staff invites you to the Guided Gardens Tour. As we stroll the grounds, we'll examine and talk about the seasonal flowers, shrubs, trees, and other vegetation that our staff looks forward to every year. Discover the projects the Gardens is working on and bring back useful gardening advice. Takeaway handouts are provided at the walk or can be downloaded from the website myriadgardens.org. Meet at the Conservatory's Visitors lobby. Free of charge. Wheelchairs and strollers are welcome on the trip.

November 18 – 20: Crystal Bridge Reopening. Celebrate the reopening of the Inasmuch Foundation Crystal Bridge Conservatory at Myriad Botanical Gardens November 18-20 after extensive renovations. As they go through the beautifully redesigned and accessible space, visitors will enjoy new features like a reflecting pool, new plant collections, overlook terraces and a new waterfall feature. They'll also find it easier to learn about the tropical plants in the conservatory – the space will include interpretative signage and exhibits and educational programming. A new Myriad Gift Shop will offer merchandise that reflects the Gardens' mission of horticultural education and conservation. This tropical conservatory opened in 1988 and has always been a popular destination for the Gardens. When it reopens, visitors will get to rediscover its beauty. Opening weekend is Nov. 18 and 19 with special hours from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 20, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

November 19, 9 – 11 AM: Autumn Garden Tour. Will Rogers Park, OKC. Stroll through the Gardens and see what is growing, flowering, resting, or holding onto its fruit late into November. \$5. Register at Will Rogers Parks website.

November 26, 10 – 11 AM: Guided Garden Tour. Myriad Gardens, OKC. Every second Friday at 1pm and the last Saturday of every month at 10am, the horticulture staff invites you to the Guided Gardens Tour. As we stroll the grounds, we'll examine and talk about the seasonal flowers, shrubs, trees, and other vegetation that our staff looks forward to every year. Discover the projects the Gardens is working on and bring back useful gardening advice. Takeaway handouts are provided at the walk or can be downloaded from the website myriadgardens.org. Meet at the Conservatory's Visitors lobby. Free of charge. Wheelchairs and strollers are welcome on the trip.



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The Cleveland County Master
Gardener Association & OSU Extension
invite you to our annual

HARVEST FEAST



Thursday, November 10th, 2022 at 11:30am

At the Frye Auditorium

Cleveland County Fairgrounds

601 E. Robinson St.

Norman, OK 73071



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