



Good Earth News

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Greetings Gardeners!

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I am probably not the first to wish *you* a Happy New Year, but I want to be the first to wish your garden one!

This time of year it always feels like we are standing on a mountain ridge; we have a view of where we have been as well as seeing at least some of what's to come laid out before us. It is a time to revel in our successes and steel ourselves for the challenges ahead.

A Backward Glance to 2006

Business as usual...

- General training and specialty training courses
- CNI & Realtors' shows
- 3 pruning workshops
- Another successful perennial plant sale
- Thousands of visitors at our State Fair Exhibit
- MGV Open House at Ronald McDonald House Secret Garden
- The 2nd public open house and a summer picnic at Eble Park
- Monthly programs and bus trips galore

Exciting NEW activities last year...

- Volunteer recognition event with 2 special awards for 5,000 hours of service for Arlene Kaufman and Bill Baumgarten.
- Master Composter training
- 2 hort therapy workshops
- Plant health update sessions bimonthly during the summer
- Planning for the 2008 Midwest MG Conference
- New logowear (in pretty colors and styles!)
- Newsletter feature articles on 4 garden projects
- Increased numbers attending MG Brown Bag teleconferences
- Record breaking service hours – over 20,000!

Anxiously Anticipated in 2007

- General training sessions offered in Waukesha Co.
- Educational focus on the MGVs 'Model Backyard' at State Fair
- Opening of the UWEX Hort Education Center at Boerner
- Specialty short course on

trees and shrubs

- The state Champion Tree project
- Programs focusing on flowers like peonies and lilies
- Joining Friends of Boerners' garden walk programs
- Newsletter articles featuring more MG projects

Last but definitely not least....

- Changes to the Core Service policy (see article inside)

I first want to thank all of the outgoing officers and the committee, garden and project chairs for all of their hard work and leadership during the past year. Thanks, also, to those taking on those responsibilities for 2007.

I am proud of what we do together and I look forward to the adventure the new year provides. Happiest of new years to you all.

Sincerely,

Sharon Morrisey
Consumer Horticulture Agent
Milwaukee County UWEX

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MG Program News

From Sharon Morrissey and Ann Wied

The new Volunteer Service Policy is now available at the SEW Master Gardener web page.

"Core" Redefined

After 2 years of living and working with the "Core Service" policy instituted in 2005, the volunteer service policy of the MG program in Milwaukee and Waukesha counties has had a *major* overhaul. Much input was gathered, much discussion, writing and re-writing ensued and many were asked to review the proposal. It was met with true enthusiasm and surprisingly unanimous acceptance!

The new Volunteer Service Policy is now available at: <http://milwaukee.uwex.edu/mg/volunteerservice.cfm>. Copies were mailed with this newsletter for those without e-mail. Copies are also available from the SEWMG File Box kept in the UWEX office and at all MGV meetings and programs.

The new policy eliminates the terms "core" and "extra". Instead, it specifies that ***ALL MGV activities meet a set of 3 basic criteria which should be at the heart of all of our work together. You will most likely find that much of what you are currently doing as volunteers already meets these requirements!***

Simply put, activities must have a strong educational focus, UWEX needs to be plainly identified and you should represent yourself as a MGV while performing the activity. The written policy goes on to clarify each of these a little further.

There are also 6 categories into which all activities should fit. These are the same categories previously used for "core" – plant problem assistance (Plant Health Advisors); educational public presentations; educational displays, exhibits or booths at public events; support through service to UWEX, SEWMG and WIMGA; and gardening projects.

Furthermore, to simplify reporting of hours on the timesheet, each category specifies into which of the three columns on the timesheet – community service, youth or support – the ac-

tivity fits. So, all activities related to a project are reported the same. This will be especially helpful for Category #6: - Gardening Projects which are to be reported as community education. Even if what you do on that project is garden care and maintenance, it is still part of community education because it is a necessary activity in order to manage the garden in order for it to be used for community education.

Category #6 – Gardening Projects is also the only category with a few additional criteria that must be satisfied for the project to qualify for volunteer credit. The garden must be open and accessible to the general public, it must have some educational signage, and the Garden Chair must submit annually, a *Gardening Project Profile*. This form is available in the same locations as the Volunteer Service Policy – on the website at <http://milwaukee.uwex.edu/mg/volunteerservice.cfm>, in this newsletter and from the SEWMG File Box in the office. This one form takes the place of both the *Activity Record* and the *Annual Activity Report*.

New timesheets and the guidelines for volunteer service description are available there as well.

If you ever have questions about the volunteer activities you are doing and how or even whether they qualify, please discuss it with Ann Wied or myself or our volunteer coordinators, Kathy and Ellen.

I want to thank everyone who helped us develop this new policy. We will again evaluate the policy at the end of 2007 to fix anything that isn't working or to change it yet again to better meet our needs.

As always, we welcome your comments, concerns and questions so feel free to contact us.



MG Program News (continued)

"Yellow Manual" Revisions Completed!

The revisions to the *Master Gardener Program Manual* are complete! For many years now, this manual along with the *Handbook for Wisconsin Gardeners* have been the core educational materials for all new MGVs. New MGVs this spring will receive the new, revised manual for class.

Anyone who has an old manual, however, may wish to purchase this one now that all of the chapters have been rewritten by specialists, agents, and UWEX staff and thoroughly discussed and edited by a committee of MGVs and UWEX personnel.

Copies will be on sale at the Milwaukee Co. UWEX office beginning the second week of January. They will be \$25, cash or check payable to the "Master Gardener Program".

So, stop in and buy your copy. This is so much more than a training manual. It is a great, university research-based reference book for all Wisconsin gardeners.

SEWMGs & Champion Trees

A training workshop is set for January 24th from 10:00 – 12:00 at the Milwaukee County UWEX office for anyone wishing to volunteer to assist the DNR with checking up on some of the state's existing champion tree species as well as locating and cataloging new ones. Participants will learn how to use a GPS (being purchased by SEWMGs) to record the exact location of these noble giants. Half of the session will be conducted outside for this purpose and to practice taking the measurements on large trees. MGV Ruth Marshall is taking the lead to coordinate this workshop and MGV work on this project. So, if you consider yourself a "tree hugger" and want to join this group, contact Ruth.

Directory Information Needed

The 2007 SEWMG Directory is being produced. February 1st is the deadline to get changes and additions into the new Directory. Please check your current listing for accuracy. We will also be adding cell phone numbers if you so choose. Re-

port changes and updates to the office to Kathy.reese@ces.uwex.edu or by calling her at (414) 290-2400 on M, T, or Th.

MGV Speakers Workshop

The 3rd annual speakers workshop for MGVs interested in giving public educational presentations will be held on Saturday, February 17th from 9:30 – 12:00 at the Milwaukee Co. UWEX office. Learn both low-tech and high-tech techniques for making information easy for your audience to understand and retain. The focus this year will be on PowerPoint presentations and using the laptop and LCD projector. Even if you have attended in previous years or if you consider yourself an experienced speaker, plan to attend to help share some of your pointers. RSVP by February 14 to Sharon.morrissey@ces.uwex.edu or (414) 290-2412.

Plant Health Advisor Regional Training

The annual training session for MGVs from Milwaukee, Waukesha, Kenosha and Racine is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7th from 9:30 – 3:00 at Boerner Botanical Gardens. Attend this annual training session to become effective problem solvers by helping UWEX personnel meet the huge demand for this form of assistance. Opportunities are available in all counties for answering phones on the Hort Help Line, assisting people in person at the county office and outreach sites around your county. MGVs have found that the very best way to learn more about gardening, plants and environmental issues is to help answer the questions of others.

Remember, now is the best time of year to "get your feet wet" by sitting in with the staff and volunteers already serving in this role in your county office. There are enough calls to provide training but also enough time for showing you the ropes and to discuss practices in detail.

Sign-up to sit-in and/or to attend training by contacting the UWEX Hort Help Line in your county – in Milwaukee call (414) 290-2410 and in Waukesha call (262) 548-7779.



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MG Program News (continued)

Volunteer Celebration! Set

Mark your calendars now for the 2nd Annual Volunteer Celebration! and Graduation. It is scheduled for Wednesday evening, February 21st at the New Berlin Public Library. We will gather at 6:30 for refreshments and socializing. The program will begin at 7:00 and will include graduation of all newly certified MGs, Specialty Training certification and recognition for volunteer service. RSVP by February 14th to ellen.blankenship@ces.uwex.edu or (414) 290-2416.

Pruning Workshops, Spring 2007

Mark your calendar for our annual pruning workshops coming in March! Once again three workshops will be offered. Hopefully one will accommodate your schedule if this is something that interests you! Some locations and times have been confirmed (see below). Registration will be done through the Waukesha County UW-Extension office. New this year - all who attend will need to pay a fee. Cost will be \$10 for Master Gardeners and \$20 for the General Public. If a Master Gardener participated in a pruning workshop in 2006, they will be put on the waiting list and will be allowed to attend only if workshops are not filled. For those of you new to the SEWMG program, the pruning workshop is a half-day, hands-on workshop with half of the workshop spent inside listening to a presentation and the other half spent outside practicing what you have learned.

Registration information: Look for the MG listserv notice regarding when registration will start, how to register, and dates and locations of pruning workshops. This will occur in early to mid-January. If you do not have e-mail, feel free to contact Mary (262/548-7775) at Waukesha County UWEX (who is assisting Ann Wied with registration) in early 2007 to inquire about locations and times and regis-

tration procedures. Registration will be taken on first come first serve basis.

2007 Pruning Workshop Dates: Wednesday, March 21st 9 to Noon, held at Nashotah Fire Station, Nashotah, WI (Waukesha County) Saturday, March 24th - times and location not yet confirmed Wednesday, March 28th -- 1 to 4:00 pm held at Franklin City Hall, Franklin WI (Milwaukee County) (Maps to all locations will be provided).

Summer Short Course: Trees & Shrubs

This will be the first in a series of annual short courses designed to supplement General Training in the 6 subjects covered during the traditional Specialty Training courses - landscape plants, lawns, garden flowers, houseplants, fruits and vegetables. It is specifically intended for certified MGVs who are never able to take full Specialty Training courses because of work schedule conflicts. Class enrollment will be limited to 30 such MGVs.

Classes will be held at Boerner Botanical Gardens with some classroom time and some outdoor walks. Sessions will be from 5:30 – 8:30pm and are tentatively scheduled for the following dates: May 29, June 26, July 24 and August 28. Registration will be announced sometime in April.

New Office Director in Milw. Co.

We are pleased to welcome the new Director of the Milwaukee Co. UWEX office, Ms. Eloisa Gomez. She is replacing former Director Ronnie Stricklin who moved to warmer climes for health reasons. Eloisa is from Milwaukee and is familiar with our political issues as well as our many neighborhoods and our community non-profit organizations.

Eloisa started on December 11th and I hope her new calendar has room on it to meet the MGVs. in January. Welcome, Eloisa.



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Volunteer Opportunities

For a complete list of volunteer opportunities go to: <http://milwaukee.uwex.edu/mg/volunteeropps.cfm> or call for a recorded listing 414-290-2416 (after the main message).

Welcome to the lovely days of winter! The Fall Specialty Training is finished, and General Training is about to begin. For those of you who do not use computers, the voice message will try to stay current. And there are calendars on the bulletin board in the fireplace room (207), as well as the Listserve binder that has messages sent over the internet. So there are many ways to stay informed.

Volunteers are needed to help clean-up youth gardens. Please call Demetrius Brown at 290-2435 for more information. This is also a good time of the year to volunteer at the Hort Helpline as the phones are less busy and there is more time for the staff to work with you. Please call Suzy Orth at 290-2368 for more information.

And it is not too early to start thinking about the Garden Center Symposium at Boerner Botanical Gardens on January 24-25, the Natural Landscape Conference on February 17, and the CNI Show on February 23-25. And of course, save the date of February 21 for the Volunteer Celebration at the New Berlin Public Library at 6:30 pm. That is when we celebrate you and all you do as MG's!

Hope your holidays were happy and that you have a wonderful and healthy 2007!

To volunteer for these activities contact Vol. Coordinator MG Ellen Blankenship at 290-2416.

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Message from the President

At the annual meeting on November 29, a new slate of SEWMG officers was elected for 2007. I am honored with the opportunity to serve you in the coming year. Kudos to outgoing President Marcia Zientek and all of the 2006 officers for a job well done, and thank you and welcome to those who have agreed to fill these positions in 2007.

The first meetings of 2007 will be held in January, Committee meeting on January 3rd and General meeting on January 10th, both at 9:00 am. For new officers, the January 10th meeting will be followed by a board meeting. Watch the web site, the calendar and the newsletter for the many programs, trips and other opportunities that have been planned. This will be a busy year, especially as the 2008 conference gets ever closer. Participate in your organization – you get out much more than you put in.

Watch for a survey of membership during the first quarter. What do you want SEWMG to be? How can we change to increase participation? What other activities might be appropriate for this group? Watch for the survey and give us your ideas for the future. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me or any officer or board member with your questions or comments.

Looking forward to a busy and productive 2007,
Ed Kraus
President, SEWMG



SEWMG 2007 Officers



2007 SEWMG Officers were elected at the Annual Meeting on November 29. Here is the roster for the coming year.

2007 Officer Slate

Ed Kraus – President
 Judy Williamson – President Elect
 Bill Baumgarten – Treasurer
 Janet Wintersberger – Secretary
 Marlene Jaglinski – Public Relations

Members at Large

Bill Shaffer
 Roxanne Lombardi
 Judy Savage

Board of Directors

Arlene Kaufman – 2007-2010

Biographies of the officers.

President - Ed Kraus. Attended first Master Gardener class in the fall of 2003 and immediately became interested in the Plant Sale. Worked the sale in 2004 as plant pickup coordinator, then as co-chair in 2005 and 2006. Have also worked at a few MG gardens, including the Zoo and Ten Chimneys. In several other volunteer organizations, Ed typically works on financial/computer positions and projects.

Pres Elect – Judy Williamson. Attended first specialty training class in the fall of 2001. Has helped at Mt Carmel Rehab Center, at State Fair in the

native garden, at the Zoo butterfly garden, many plant sale digs, and of course a shift each year for the State Fair. Judy has helped Kathy Reese in the office and is currently helping to update the resource books in the Plant Health Advisor office. She also updates the Master Gardener Web site. She worked for a data processing company in her previous life.

Treasurer – Bill Baumgarten. Has been a master gardener for eleven or twelve years, and has been SEWMG's Treasurer for more than five and less than ten years. With his fiduciary responsibilities and volunteering in the gardens, Bill logged over 1000 volunteer hours in 2006. Bill had been a CPA for the IRS.

Secretary – Janet Wintersberger. Became a master gardener in 2004. Contributes to newsletter, gardens at Ten Chimneys, and has compiled information for UWEX offices. Professional experience includes market research, team and meeting facilitation and project management.

Public Relations – Marlene Jaglinski. Has been a MG for the last several years. Marlene has been responsible for SEWMG public relations for six plus years. She works part-time for UW Extension in a variety of capacities. She is a grant writer, feature writer and does public relations for assorted organizations. For years Marlene worked and volunteered in a variety of Milwaukee area arts groups. She is president of a machine shop in Oregon, WI.

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From Theory to Experience

We learn many aspects of gardening through our horticultural training at UWEX. Here's something we learned and recently experienced. For any disease to flourish, three things are needed: the proper environment, a host and a pathogen. Here's the experience. Peony stunted and not flourishing at a core garden.

History: This established bed had no new plants or other improvement in the past several years. With a large group of volunteers at a fall clean-up the bed was mulched heavily with a layer of compost. The ground was not frozen by the date of application. The following spring the bed was not growing nearly as well as the nearby bed that had not been amended. Removing the layer of mulch and sending a sample to the diagnostic lab in Madison re-

turned a report of root rot caused by *Rhizoctonia*, a pathogen known to cause stem and crown rot. This pathogen was favored by the proper environment of high moisture held in place by the compost mulch. To add to the problem mice had been attracted to the bed and were feeding on the stressed plants.

A commercial remedy is available, but it needs to be professionally applied. The environment has been amended, to favor the plant, by the removal of the compost and soil from the peony bed. Everyone will wait and see what the change will bring this spring.

A gentle reminder: wait until the ground is frozen before adding no more than 3" of compost or mulch in late fall.



SEWMG Calendar of Events

SEWMG Programs

For the SEWMG month-by-month calendar go to: <http://milwaukee.uwex.edu/mg/newsevents.cfm>. Further details about MG Events including registration information and maps to program locations are provided on the website on the *Events List* page.

Copies of the calendars for the two current months are included with this newsletter for MGs receiving a paper copy by mail. For updates, regularly check the "MG Hotline" 414-290-2416 (after the main message).

This is a tentative forward look at 2007. Speakers and programs are still being lined up. Our focus for programs next year will be on specific flowers for your garden such as roses, lilies - day and oriental/asiatic, and peonies. With this in mind we are looking at many speakers who specialize in breeding or raising specific plants.

Tentative SEWMG Calendar for 2007

January

- 8 - 1:00 - MG General Training orientation Milwaukee. Class until April 1
- 9 - 5:30 - MG General Training orientation Waukesha. Class until April 2

Program Dates:

- 17 Program
- 19 - Mid Am Conference in Chicago call Arlene Kaufman to register
- 24 - 6:30 - 2007 Focus: 'Model Backyard' at State Fair
- 31 - 9:00 - Lilies for your garden - Jerry Nelson

February

- CNI Show - 23 - 25*
- 17 - 9:30 MG Speakers Workshop

Program Dates:

- 21 - 6:30 - Volunteer Celebration - New Berlin Library
- 28 - 9:00 - Peonies - Dave Wanninger

March

- Pruning Workshops - 21 (Wed.), 24 (Sat.), and 28 (Wed.)
- Realtors Show - 3/23 - 4/1 (excluding 3/26 & 27).
- Orientation 3/22 from 10:00 - 12:00
- Plant Health Advisor Training - early in the month.

April

Programs

- 18 Program
- 25 - 6:30 - MG Mixer

Digs will be scheduled

May

Programs for summer we will take advantage of walks at Boerner Botanic Garden. We will determine which Wednesday we will do this depending on which garden they are focusing on that week.

Plant Sale set-up the week before the sale.

Trees & Shrubs Short Course - pre-registration; limit 30 on Tuesday or Thursday
30 Program ?

Open House for Extension Hort Diagnostic and Resource Center at Boerner - early in the month.

June

- 6 - 4:00 Walk in Plant Clinic and Plant Health Advisor Open House

Programs

- Saturday trip to Rotary Garden and Song Sparrow Nursery*
- 20 - 6:00 - 7:00 Plant Health Update (P.H.U.)
- Trees & Shrubs Course (as above)

July

- 11 - Combine committee and business meetings due to holiday on July 4th
- 18 - Trip to Chicago Botanic Garden

Programs

- 18 - 6:00 - 7:00 Plant Health Update
- Trees & Shrubs Course (as above)
- 31 (Tuesday) 6:30 State Fair Orientation

August

- 1 - 9 am State Fair Orientation
- 8 - Combined Committee and business meeting; 6:00 - 7:00 Plant Health Update (P.H.U.)

Programs

- 15 - Picnic*
- Trees and Shrubs Course
- 29 - 6:30 - 2008 MG Focus Meeting

September

- 5 - 6:00 - 7:00 Plant Health Update (P.H.U.)

Programs

- 19 - 6:00 - 7:00 Plant Health Update (P.H.U.)
- 26 - Fall Specialty Training - Garden Flowers and Houseplants

October

- Training; No meetings
- 3 & 17 Plant Health Updates (P.H.U.)

November

- Budget Meeting*
- Annual Meeting*

December

- Holiday Party*
- Items in italics are subject to change.*

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Unless otherwise noted each month has a committee meeting the first Wednesday of the month and a business meeting the second Wednesday of the month.



Feature: Waukesha County Update

About 40% of SEWMG members live in Waukesha County. Ann Wied, Waukesha County UW-Extension Consumer Horticulture Educator, is a familiar face at training sessions for "new" and returning master gardeners; at the Home, Garden, and Landscape Show in (February); at plant health advisor training (March); and at the yearly pruning workshops (March).

There's a lot that Ann is involved with that many of us do not see or hear about. As this calendar year comes to an end I spoke with Ann and she summarized things she accomplished in 2006.

Each growing season Ann brings weekly, hands-on gardening training to Waukesha County residents. She takes gardening training to people who live in apartments, homes or in interim housing. You may find her at the "West Side Community Garden" (Waukesha), "Stonegate Apartments" (Sussex) or working with inmates at Waukesha County's Huber Jail. When teaching gardening, Ann often teams up with a UWEX nutrition educator. It's just natural. In 2006 over 200 Huber Inmates attended the gardening program. As a result of the program, over 1,000 pounds of fresh produce was harvested and donated to a local food pantry.

Ann is also involved with youth programs. Four to five times each summer she teaches gardening to preschoolers at New Berlin Day Care and she brings gardening education to a number of the city of Waukesha neighborhood after-school programs. Also,

she coordinates one-time or on-going gardening and beautification projects in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods in the city of Waukesha.

Ann co-leads UWEX-Waukesha Farmer's Market Project that collects unsold produce at Farmers' markets and donates it to meal sites and food pantries in the county. Over 6,000 pounds of fresh produce was collected from three farmers markets in 2006.

Some of Ann's other activities include getting horticulture information out to the public through educational displays at various locations and coordinating the Waukesha County community gardens rental program.

And what does she do from October through February? October through February is busy with garden clean up, grant writing, planning for next year's gardens, attending planning and committee meetings, and writing reports for completed projects. When time permits, she also gives presentations to the general public.

Starting in January 2007 Ann will be leading six of the 12 General Master Gardening training sessions that will be held in Waukesha County. Ann is kept quite busy considering she only works 30 hours a week.

By Janet Wintersberger, SEW Master Gardener

Over 1,000 of fresh produce was harvested and donated to a local food pantry from the jail garden program. Plus, over 6,000 pounds of fresh produce was collected from three farmers markets in 2006.



People working at a table during a neighborhood **Join Hands Day** event. A one-time event coordinated in the city of Waukesha neighborhoods. This is the horticulture component at the event. Re-potting Peace Lily houseplants. MG Charmaine Cochrane helped at the event.



West Side Community Garden



Saratoga After School children making holiday swags using evergreen boughs.

Education and Events Around the Region

Here are some of the interesting educational programs and events going on around the region. Contact the organizations for more information on specific programs.

Educational programs offered by these organizations qualify for Continuing Education hours for SEWMGS.

Milwaukee & Waukesha Co.s UWEX

Continuing Education

MG Brown Bag Teleconferences

Monthly, last Friday, 12:00 - 1:00. Contact your county office if planning to attend.

January 26 - *2006 Fruit Production Update: The Year In-Review*

February 23 *Exploring the Growing of Garden Mums*

March 23 *Lilies for the Home Garden*

April 27 *Container Gardening*

May 18 *Pest Management in the Fruit Orchard*

June 29 *Mycorrhizas in the Urban Landscape*

Ozaukee Co. MGs

262-284-8288 www.co.ozaukee.wi.us/MasterGardener/Index.html

Rock Prairie MGs & Janesville Rotary Garden

608-752-3885 rock.uwex.edu/hort/RockPrairieMG

Brown Co. UWEX, Green Bay

(920) 391-4658

Other Plant Related Organizations

Friends of Boerner Botanical Garden

414-525-5653 www.boernerbotanicalgardens.org

Jan 13 New and Better Woody Plants for the Home

Jan 18 Gardening with Heirlooms

Jan 20 Botany 101

Jan 25 New Plants for 2007

Feb 1 Landscaping 101

Feb 3 Seed Starting

Feb 8 The Soil

Feb 10 Tough Plants for Midwest Gardens

Feb 15 Consider the Hardscape

Feb 17 Japanese Gardens

Feb 22 New Plant Varieties

Feb 24 Plants for your Landscape

Mar 3 Basic Landscape Design

Wehr Nature Center

414-425-8550 www.countyparks.com/horticulture.wehr

Riverside Urban Ecology Center

414-964-8505 www.urbanecologycenter.org

Retzer Nature Center

www.waukeshacounty.gov/parks/nature_center

Schlitz Audubon Nature Center

414-352-2880 www.sanc.org

Villa Terrace

414-271-3656 www.cavtmuseums.org/vt

Milwaukee Audubon Society

414-352-2437 www.milwaukeeaudubon.org

Feb 17 - Natural Landscaping Conference

Fox Valley Wild Ones

920-987-5587 Harmony@for-wild.org

11th Annual Toward Harmony with Nature Conference.

Madison

Feb 3-4 Orchid Quest

www.orchidguild/content/quest.html

Feb 9-11 WPT Garden Expo

www.wpt.org/gardenexpo

Submit educational opportunities and events to newsletter editor, MG Sandy Manning (sandy@the-mannings.org)



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SouthEast Wisconsin Master Gardeners, Inc.
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TDDY 800-947-3529

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[HTTP://MILWAUKEE.UWEX.EDU/MG/](http://MILWAUKEE.UWEX.EDU/MG/)



Mailed with this issue:

- January and February Calendar
- Volunteer Service Policy
- Volunteer Time Sheet
- Gardening Project Profile
- SEWMG Dues form

Pick 'n Save "We Care" Number - 718790

Local Pick 'n Save stores donate to local nonprofit charities. To take advantage of this to support SEWMGs, use this number when registering for your card. Already have a card? The number can be added to your card at any Pick 'n Save Service Counter. We are listed as Southeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners. You may list up to three organizations on your card.



For more information:

Master Gardener Hotline

414-290-2416

On the Web

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UWEX Milwaukee County Office

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UWEX Waukesha County Office

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Waukesha