



Nov 2023



President's Patch

By President Kevin Johnson

The month of October has just flown by. The weather in the Valley has been very temperamental. Winter is coming but keeps teasing everyone. Today the temperature is about 15 degrees, so might be deciding to stay cooler. I have read many old wives' tales, but one is more likely - the one that says when Lazy Mountain gets its third snow, that one will stick. Well, by my count, we are on number 3.

Last Thursday, I had a zoom meeting with the other presidents of master gardener (MG) groups in Alaska. Four of us were present, from Anchorage, Fairbanks, Southeast and me. We spoke for about an hour on many subjects and will be continuing these meetings every two months or so. One of the main concerns is membership. Many of the MG members are older, and new and younger members are not coming in as fast. Also, with the UAF budget cuts, staffing for MG programs has been reduced. MG courses are not scheduled yet, and more issues were brought up. A major interest to MMGA was mentioned that it is our turn to host the statewide conference in 2025.

It was brought up that the last conference that we hosted was great in that pertained to new members and gardeners also. So, if confirmed that it is MMGA's turn again, then we have something to build on for 2025!

For November we have the elections. If anyone would like to be on the Board, please contact me. I will be contacting each of the Board members to see if they are interested in continuing for the following year.

In December, the meeting will be held at **Turkey Red** in Palmer. The meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm. Set-up crew, please arrive at 6:30 pm. We will have a white elephant gift exchange. The limit for cost is \$25. Please bring a dish to share. If possible, it could be made of something from your garden. If ingredients are potentially allergens, please have a card with allergens listed so all know. We are looking for volunteers to cook and bring to the event a ham and turkey. If you have any questions, our November meeting is coming up or contact me.

Now that our gardens are put away or will be soon for the winter, what are some events or suggestions for 2024? To expand membership and participation in MMGA, we need ideas.

Hope to see everyone at the November and December meetings.

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REGULAR MEETINGS

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

NEXT MEETING

NOVEMBER 6, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

**MATANUSKA EXPERIMENT FARM AND EXTENSION
CENTER, KERTTULA HALL, "BLUE ROOM"
1509 S GEORGESON DR, PALMER**

MEETING ACTIVITY:

**7 PM – BUSINESS MEETING AND ANNUAL MEETING
2024 STANDING RULES, 2024 BUDGET AND
ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**DR. JEFF SMEENK, DISTRICT MANAGER, PALMER SOIL
& WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (PSWCD) WILL
GIVE A PRESENTATION ON WHAT HIS ORGANIZATION
DOES. HIS PRESENTATION WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A
QUESTION-AND-ANSWER PERIOD. COME AND
FIND OUT WHAT THE PSWCD CAN DO FOR YOU!**

PEASANT'S PERSPECTIVE:

BY CURT MUELLER, MASTER GARDENER

Wintertime is great for gardeners to catch up on reading and make plans for the next growing season. The peasant has a collection of gardening books, and the most interesting, useful, and still used as a reference is "Secrets of Plant Propagation" by Lewis Hill. Although copywritten in 1985, this book is still current in its information and readily available online in either new or good used condition.

The peasant, at the ripe age of 89, remembers the days of WW2 when people of the U.S. were encouraged to grow "Victory Gardens" to supplement our food supply at a time when we shipped much food overseas to our military and folks in war-torn areas. Rationing of some foods and shoes and gasoline was in place. Rubber was not available, and tires were worn out and rebooted and used anyway. Farmers were already in the habit of growing large gardens as much of their own food, so it was easy to add more to help the rest of the world. The U.S. was not only producing arms and planes, but a good portion of the world's food. The peasant has never forgotten the value of growing our own nourishing food.

"Secrets of Plant Propagation" covers all aspects of propagation from seeds to bulbs and corms, tubers, and lilies, rooting and dividing, grafting, and cuttings of all types of plants. It lists hundreds of plants and how they can be grown and multiplied. It is easily read and understood and covers methods for difficult propagating techniques as well as easier ones. The writer uses practical methods and practical information. He has practiced the procedures himself and explains things in such a way as to make them easily understandable. The many illustrations

are priceless in understanding propagation techniques.

There is something here for every gardener. Vegetables, bush fruits, tree fruits, ornamentals, flowers, houseplants; there is a wealth of interesting information in this book. Indeed, this is an inexpensive and valuable source of information.

Thanks, folks.



This lady was constructed from spare parts by the peasant and a neighbor who collects odd and ends from secondhand stores. Happy Halloween!

November Guest Speaker

Dr. Jeff Smeenck District Manager Palmer Soil and Water Conservation District

Jeff Smeenck serves multiple roles with the Palmer Soil and Water Conservation District. In addition to acting as the overall manager of the district he is the Project Officer for the district's JBER work and does agricultural consulting for the overall Mat-Su region. He came to Alaska in 2004 to work with CES as the statewide Commercial Horticulture Specialist. His formal training is Bachelor of Science in Agronomy, Master's degree in Plant Pathology and PhD in Sustainable Agriculture, so he welcomes questions from a number of fields. In addition to managing the Conservation District, Jeff also farms on the side, focusing on certified seed potatoes.



Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center CLASSES
Watch our Facebook and Instagram pages
as well as our website for additional information & registration links

October 24	AgriAbility
November 7	Eat Your Weeds
November 8	Watts Up with Energy
November 09	Winter Gardening: Microgreen & Herb Gardening
November 16	Invasive Bird Cherry and their Toxicity to Moose
November 21	Nutrition

Website



Facebook



Instagram



<https://www.facebook.com/matanuskaexperimentfarm/>
<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/districts/matsu/>
https://www.instagram.com/matanuskaexperiment_farm/

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2024 Committee Volunteers

Newsletter	Deb Blaylock
Website Manager	Eva Cohnen-Brown
Guest Speakers	
Membership Directory	
Rebarchek Farm Project	
Annual Plant Sale	
Palmer Veterans & Pioneers Home Planting & Palmer Library	
Midsummer Garden & Art Faire	
Summer Garden Tours	
Alaska State Fair Awards	
State Fair Parade	
Nomination Committee	
2024 Christmas Party	
Meeting Space/Equipment Coordinator	

As an all-volunteer organization, we rely on volunteers to run our committees and activities. Please consider one of the committees, activities, or board positions. Most committees or activities are something which can be as little as two or three hours to accomplish – some are a bit more involved but so rewarding to be involved in. See the Standing Rules for detailed information on what each committee involves.

At our November meeting, we need to fill as many of these vacancies as we can. Especially important are the Guest Speaker committee and the Meeting Location/Equipment Coordinator. Speakers/activities need to be arranged for all our 2024 regular meetings. Someone also needs to coordinate with the Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center to arrange our meeting room for 2024. Or we need to find a different location for our 2024 meetings.

MMGA Meeting - Monday, October 2, 2023
Submitted by Secretary Georgiana (Jana)

Members present:

David Thompson, Marge Mueller, Curtis Mueller, Dawn Wolski, Georgiana Gooch, Craig Lisonbee, Mary Lisonbee, Todd Weaver, Jenny Weaver, Pearl Weaver, Eva Cohnen-Brown, Sandy Bohling, Deb Blaylock, Ken Blaylock, Kevin Johnson, Gregory Kalal, Dorte Mobley, Bonnie Hager, Isaac Vaughan, Phyllis Kircher, Michael Kircher, Sue Glenn.

Meeting opened at 7:04 pm

Kevin Johnson will be attending a Zoom Meeting on October 16, 2023, for all Garden Club presidents to discuss volunteer gaps and conferences. The Fairbanks Garden Club is organizing this meeting. Kevin will provide a report next month.

Ken Blaylock motioned to approve last month's meeting minutes. Craig Lisonbee seconded. Motion passed.

The membership form is online. We need to hear from the Board of Directors on the hard copy.

We need to review the draft of the standing rules. If there are any recommended changes, send those to Deb Blaylock. The standing rules will be up for approval at the November meeting.

Kristina Tornqvist would like to have the membership deadline extended. Dorte Mobley motioned that we move the deadline to the date of the first meeting in February. Craig Lisonbee seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: We added some members, paid some speaker fees, and paid our credit card usage fees. There are four checks from the state fair that are outstanding. We have \$7,164.44 in checking and \$7,764.54 in savings.

Discussed the proposal to move \$3,000 to savings.

Kevin Johnson will get together with Cathy Crew to review the budget proposal. It was suggested that we ask the Experiment Farm if they would allow the MMGA to receive their mail at their address, thereby saving us \$250 in post office box fees. Also was suggested that we give a \$50 fee to guest speakers instead of the \$75.

We were short on our budget from last year by \$2,300. Also, there is a line item on the budget proposal that we allot \$15,000 from plant sales next year (up from \$9,000 last year). This is based on the \$13,000 we made this year on plant sales. Kevin will meet with Cathy Crew early next week.

Regarding the Winter Social for the December Monday meeting: Kevin Johnson talked with Turkey Red, and they advised they are closed Mondays. The reason we got the facility on a Monday last year was because they made a special concession for us, but they will not be doing that again this year. It was proposed that we change the day of the week to another day. Kevin Johnson will get with Turkey Red to see what dates are available for us to have the Winter Social at their facility. We will try holding the event in the first week of December. We budget \$400 for the social. We typically spend at least \$100 on turkeys. Then there is money allotted for ham and \$100 plus a tip to Turkey Red for their services. If we cannot obtain Turkey Red for the social, Kevin Johnson will check into getting the Annex for the event.

Deb Blaylock said she has free hard neck seed garlic for anyone who wants it.

It was discussed that we do a club order of garlic seeds in the 2024 season and let the members take advantage of the savings. Seven members expressed interest in pursuing this avenue for the 2024 season.

Also, David Thompson says he has a 30' row of purple beets available to whomever wants some.

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Also, he has about a 15'-20' row of celery. He lives north of Palmer-Fishhook. His phone number is 830-928-4205 if you would like to dig some.

We will be discussing elections at the annual meeting in November. We need volunteers for positions.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m., followed by a potluck of foods prepared with members' garden produce and a slide show featuring pics from everyone's gardens this year.

To order UAF-CES Paid Publications online: <https://cespubs.uaf.edu/order-publication/> or go into a nearby UAF-CES Office. In the Mat-Su Valley, you can find publications at the Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center, 1509 S. Georgeson Dr., Palmer.

Publications Available for Purchase

How to Make a Trapper Cap \$10



These step-by-step instructions illustrate the right way to make an Alaska Trapper cap. Included are cap and lining patterns for two different styles of cap, as well as suggested fabrics and amounts, and detailed cutting and sewing instructions.

Alaska Mittens: A Collection of Patterns for All Ages \$6



This booklet includes five different mitten patterns in children's and adult sizes. In addition to clear, concise and straightforward directions, there is information on choosing and preparing fabrics, trimming mittens, general construction techniques, and working with skins and recycled knits.

So Easy to Preserve \$25



This publication covers all aspects of food preservation, including canning, pickling, making jellies and jams, freezing and drying. Each chapter includes a list of most frequently asked questions and a table of problems, causes and ways to prevent the problem from happening again. This is an exhaustive guidebook for all of your home-preserving needs.

Using Alaska's Wild Berries & Other Wild Edibles \$15



This publication has everything you need to know about using Alaska's wild berries. There is information on 18 different kinds of wild berries and other wild edibles, from blueberries to cloudberries and spruce tips. There are also tips for picking and preparing berries for storage, methods of preserving berries by freezing, drying or canning, and lots of recipes.

An Alaskan Herb Garden \$15



"An Alaska Herb Garden" features information about cultivating, harvesting, storing and using herbs. The 74-page guide includes color illustrations, recipes and detailed information on 25 herbs and general information on nearly 40 more.

Wild Edible & Poisonous Plants of Alaska \$5



Wild edible greens, stems, roots and berries are still used in great quantity by many Alaska Natives. These edibles often grow in quantity near villages. Wild edible plants are still important food sources in many areas of Alaska. This revision retains most of the original wording on plant preparation. It includes historical and traditional uses which may or may not be continued today.

Using and Caring for Your Pressure Canner \$3



Pressure canning is the only recommended method for canning meat, poultry, seafood, and vegetables. This publication includes canner types and safety features. It also discusses caring for, using, and storing your pressure canner, and dial gauge inspection and accuracy.

Winter Prep Tips

Have you:

Put all your garden tools away?

Sanitized pots and containers?

Put things in easy reach for spring planting?

Charitable Organizations to Donate Extra Garden Produce (Mat-Su Valley)

It's that time of year when we have extra veggies or other produce and might be looking for a good organization to donate excess to. Here's a few located in the Mat-Su Valley area.

Mat-Su Senior Services, 1132 S. Chugach Street, Palmer, Alaska 99645. Webpage: <http://www.matsuseniors.com/>, 907-745-5454

Matsu Food Bank, 5099 East Blue Lupine Drive, Wasilla, AK, 907-357-3769, Website: <https://www.matsufoodbank.org/> (On FB). Hours: Monday - Friday, 10 am - 1 pm. (Corrected address)

Kids Kupboard, 4800 N Tanis Dr. Wasilla AK 99654, 907-357-5439, email: director@kidskupboard.org, website: <https://www.kidskupboard.org/> (Corrected address)

Wasilla Area Seniors, 1301 S. Century Circle, Wasilla 99654, 907-376-3104, <https://www.facebook.com/WasillaAreaSeniorsInc/>

Palmer Food Bank, 221 South Valley Way, Palmer 99645, 907-746-3565

Frontline Mission 2001 E Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Wasilla, AK, 907-357-8600

Winter To-Do List

(adapted from HGA-0049, UAF-CES publication, An Alaska Gardener's Fall & Winter To-Do List)

- Investigate new plant varieties in seed catalogs. Try a few new varieties each year and compare them with others that have been consistently dependable. Review variety trials at the Fairbanks Experiment Farm:
<http://afesresearch.uaf.edu/publications/?cat=27&ts=> and UAF CES Recommended Varieties for your region:
<http://cespubs.uaf.edu/publications> by searching for "Recommended Varieties" and download the Grow&Tell app to view what other gardeners in your area have grown successfully.
- Build or plan projects for next season. Spring is usually a very busy time. Accomplish as much as possible in the winter to make spring less hectic. Boxes, hangers, cold frames, and indoor lighting may all be projects that can be accomplished indoors during the winter.
- Improve and organize your food storage facilities. Determine storage requirements for each crop that you grow. Temperature and humidity control are important. Do not forget space requirements differ, too!
- Collect containers and protective covers for seedlings. Clear plastic containers are potentially usable as hot caps for protecting newly transplanted crops and as collars to prevent pest problems.
- Try new recipes for stored produce. Tasty, fresh, and nutritious produce is the reward of your gardening efforts. Obtain recipes from your local Extension office. Trade recipes with friends and neighbors.
- Avoid applying salt to paths and roadways near plants. Use urea or other fertilizer that can benefit plants next spring. Apply sparingly since fertilizers contain salts

also. Sand or other inert material can be a good alternative.

- Compost kitchen scraps. Eggshells, coffee grounds, and fruit and vegetable scraps (no meats, fats, or salad dressings) can be composted for later use in the garden.
- Swap gardening stories and information. Study insects, birds, plant diseases and gardening techniques. Successful gardening requires constant learning. Benefit from other gardeners' experience and use books, magazines and Cooperative Extension Service newsletters and publications.
- Keep track of what you are buying in the store and think about how you could replace it with homegrown produce. Gardening provides you with nutritious alternatives to storebought vegetables, and you know what conditions they were grown in from seeding to harvest. Cost, freshness, and quality are areas of concern for all consumers.
- Learn more about gardening. Read books or blogs about gardening or sign up for a workshop or a class like the Alaska Master Gardener class.
- Review your garden journal. Use what you learned to improve your garden next year.
- Save wood ashes. Wood ashes help recycle waste and will reduce the requirements for lime.
- Cut brush and branches for peas, beans, and tall flowers. Using naturally available materials for trellising can reduce the overall cost of gardening.
- Rest. Dream. Plan. Looking forward to spring can make the winters seem shorter. Plan ahead so that next year's garden will be the best one yet. It will be here before you know it.

Source: Heidi Rader, Extension Faculty, Agriculture and Horticulture. Based on two publications by Wayne Vandre, former Extension Horticulture Specialist. Revised Aug 2020.

2024 Mat-Su Master Gardener Proposed Budget

				P & L	2023	2024
				Jan 1 - Oct 2, 23	Budget (current)	Proposed Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense						
Income						
General Income						
		Interest Income		\$ 6.69	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.00
		Membership Dues		\$ 795.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 825.00
		Total General Income		\$ 801.69	\$ 830.00	\$ 835.00
Ed/Comm Outreach Fundraising						
		Annual Plant Sale Income		\$ 13,665.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
		Total Ed/Comm Outreach Fundraising		\$ 13,665.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
		Total Income		\$ 14,466.69	\$ 9,830.00	\$ 14,835.00
Expense						
Operating Expenses						
		Banking/Square Fees		\$ 266.49	\$ 150.00	\$ 275.00
		Christmas Party			\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
		Equip Rental (PO Box etc)			\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
		Licenses, Fees and Permits		\$ 10.30	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00
		Membership Appreciation			\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
		Membership Directory		\$ 41.07	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
		Supplies/Stamps/Copying			\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
		Insurance - Liability, D and O		\$ 400.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 400.00
		Website/Computer Expense		\$ 173.90	\$ 125.00	\$ 25.00
		Total Operating Expenses		\$ 891.76	\$ 1,610.00	
Ed/Comm Outreach Expenses						
		Board Discretionary Expense			\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
		Plant Sale Member Expense		\$ 10,991.20	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 11,200.00
		Plant Sale Expense - Misc.		\$ 159.80	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
		Pioneer Home / Library Planter		\$ 435.18	\$ 400.00	\$ 450.00
		Rebarchek Farm			\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
		Speakers Fees - Meetings				
		Meeting Speakers		\$ 765.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
		Speakers Fees - Meetings - Other			\$ 600.00	\$ -
		Total Speakers Fees - Meetings		\$ 765.00	\$ 1,200.00	
		State Fair Prizes		\$ 500.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
		Total Ed/Comm Outreach Expenses		\$ 12,851.18	\$ 10,500.00	
		Total Expense		\$ 13,742.94	\$ 12,110.00	\$ 15,550.00
Net Ordinary Income				\$ 723.75	\$ (2,280.00)	
		Net Income		\$ 723.75	\$ (2,280.00)	\$ (715.00)

Garden Links (updated November 2023)

Alaska Botanical Garden

<http://www.alaskabg.org/>

Alaska Center for Conservation Science

<http://aknhp.uaa.alaska.edu/botany/>

Arbor Day Foundation

www.arborday.org

Alaska Division of Agriculture

<http://dnr.alaska.gov/ag/>

Alaska Garden Clubs

<http://www.alaskagardenclubs.org>

Alaska Grown

<http://www.buyalaskagrown.com/>

Alaska Master Gardeners Association, Anchorage

<http://alaskamastergardeners.org/>

Alaska Native Plant Society

<http://www.aknps.org/>

Alaska Non-Native Species List

<https://accs.uaa.alaska.edu/invasive-species/non-native-plant-species-list/>

Alaska Orchid Society

<http://www.akorchid.org/>

Alaska Peony Society

<https://www.alaskapeonysociety.com/>

Alaska Pioneer Fruit Growers Association

<http://www.apfga.org/>

Alaska Plant Materials Center

<http://plants.alaska.gov/>

Alaska Rhodiola

<https://www.akoseroot.com/>

Alaska Rock Garden Society

<http://www.akrockgardensociety.org/>

Flora of North America

<http://floranorthamerica.org/>

Good Earth Garden School

<https://www.goodearthgardenschool.com/>

Georgeson Botanical Garden

<https://georgesonbotanicalgarden.org/>

Integrated Pest Management Program

<http://www.uaf.edu/ces/ipm/>

IPM Alaska Pest Reporter

<https://plw.man.mybluehost.me/>

Junior Master Gardener

<http://www.jmgkids.us/>

Landscape Plants for Alaska **New Nov 2023**

<https://visionplusapps.com/alaska-plants/>

Mat-Su Borough Rain Garden Program

<http://www.matsugov.us/environment/raingardens>

Mat-Su Master Gardener Website

www.matsumastergardeners.com

Master Gardener Research Link (Extension)

<https://extension.org/search/>

Master Gardeners of the Tanana Valley

<https://fairbanksmastergardeners.wordpress.com/>

Mat-Su/Copper River Cooperative Extension Service

<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/districts/matsu/>

Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Services

<https://www.uaf.edu/afes/places/palmer/>

Palmer Soil & Water Conservation

<http://palmersoilandwater.org/>

Society of American Foresters, Cook Inlet Chapter

<https://forestry.org/cook-inlet-seedling-sale/>

South-Central Alaska Beekeepers Assoc.

<http://www.sababeekeepers.com/>

Southeast Alaska Master Gardeners Association

<http://seak-mastergardeners.org/index.html>

Sustainable Agriculture – UAF

<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/agriculture/sare/>

UAF Cooperative Extension Service

<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/>

UAF Cooperative Extension Service Publications

<http://www.uaf.edu/ces/pubs/catalog/>

UAF CES Citizen Pest Monitoring Portal

<https://pestreporter.alaska.edu/>

UAF Herbarium

<http://www.uaf.edu/museum/collections/herb/>

UAF Alaska Master Gardener Program

<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/garden/mastergardeners/>

University of Saskatchewan Fruit Program

www.fruit.usask.ca

USDA/NRCS Plant Database

<https://plants.usda.gov/home>

Wildflower Garden Club of Alaska **New Nov 2023**

<https://wildflowergardenclub.org/>



November 5th

CLUB CONTACT INFO

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Treasurer:	Cathy Crew	907-632-4401
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If you have gardening news, photos, or information you would like to share in the newsletter, please send to the MMGA email.

Website: www.matsumastergardeners.com/

Email: matsumastergardeners@gmail.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2023 AND BEYOND

Nov 5, Daylight Savings Ends – Fall Back!
Nov 6, Palmer, Annual Meeting/Elections, Dr. Jeff Smeenk
Dec 5, Palmer, Christmas Party (this is a Tuesday)

2024

Jan 8, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Feb 5, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Mar 4, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Apr 1, Palmer, Regular Meeting
May 6, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Jun 1, Palmer, Annual Plant Sale
Jun 10, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Sep 9, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Oct 7, Palmer, Regular Meeting
Nov 4, Palmer, Annual Meeting/Elections
Dec TBD, Palmer, Christmas Party

Do not forget to check out the photos tab on our webpage! Eva updates it periodically from activities our Association participates in.
<https://www.matsumastergardeners.com/photos.html>

Its time to renew your membership! You can renew by printing out and mailing in a 2024 membership form. You can also renew online by completing the online form and submitting your payment online using the convenient credit/debit card option.
www.matsumastergardeners.com – look for the Membership Application tab.

Club Membership

The membership year runs from January to December each year. Annual individual memberships are \$15 and family memberships are \$20. Family memberships are only for family members living in the same household. The deadline to join is **February 5, 2024**, to be listed in the annual membership directory.

Join or renew online.

Thank you!

How and What to Submit for the Monthly Newsletter

Your submissions are appreciated and make our newsletter what it is - so do not be shy about submitting items for publication.

However, there are a few rules which we all must pay attention to:

Articles, stories, poetry, upcoming events, and pictures (garden-related) are needed for inclusion in the newsletter. Please submit pictures in JPEG format and other items in Word format with no special formatting other than paragraphs. When submitting pictures, please provide a brief caption or explanation as to who or what is in the picture.

If you are not the author or photographer, please ensure you have permission of the author or photographer to use their material in the newsletter. The newsletter publisher is not responsible for obtaining this for you.

Please do not provide magazine articles or pictures from the internet unless they are public domain items.

Deadline for submission of articles and info: 20th day of each month -- Thank you--



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