



Northeastern Wisconsin Master Gardeners

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March 17, 2023

Attention! Tree Pruning Schedule Change

The March 18 tree pruning workshop **has been postponed until March 25, 2023, 9:30 am-noon, 526 N Erie St, De Pere**. With the change in date, please confirm or reconfirm your desire to attend **this free workshop for Master Gardeners only** by emailing jclasson@yahoo.com. Coffee and snacks will be provided, but please bring your own mug.

Update from the March 8 NEWMG Board meeting

Draft minutes from the last Board meeting are attached. Note well that we decided to form **an ad hoc committee to explore the establishment of a Master Gardener internship program**. This program would allow people to assist on a project and meet MGs before making a commitment to Master Gardener training. Interested committee members are welcome to a meeting at 5 pm, Monday, March 27, at the STEM Center, Board Conference Room. For more information about the ad hoc committee, contact [Kate Fix](#).

2023 Plant Sale

There will be a meeting for planning the 2023 NEWMG Plant Sale on Tuesday, March 21, 5 pm, STEM Center. **The sale will be held 9 am-5 pm, May 11; 9 am-5 pm, May 12, and 9 am-2 pm, May 13**. For more information, contact [Eileen Rueden](#), 920-470-5562

Continuing education

2023 Bob Mongin Garden Series and NEWMG member meeting

Save April 15, 2023 for the NEWMG Bob Mongin Garden Series (presentation on growing peonies) and NEWMG membership meeting. Share on Facebook by clicking [here](#). To register for the presentation, click [here](#) (**walk up registrations are also available; \$10 for Master Gardeners, \$15 for others**); if you forgot if you are already registered, contact [Eben](#). After the presentation, there will be a general membership meeting, 11:30 am-1 pm with a taco bar lunch (you may bring a dish to pass), organizational update, and new nametags.

Volunteer needs

The Seed Saving Library seeks volunteers to help pack seeds at the STEM Center, Sat. March 25, 9 am-noon and Sun, March 26, noon-3 pm. There is no need to register as a volunteer. MGs are also invited to be Seed Stewards (seed savers) for the Library; sign up [here](#). Contact [Melissa Wass](#) with questions.

[Spring Fling at Heritage Hill](#)

Sat. April, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. We will share stories of our work in Green Bay and at Heritage Hill's Tank Garden. To volunteer for any amount of time, contact [Peggy Loritz](#).

Donation needs

We have been granted storage space at the STEM Center. We seek a lockable donated file cabinet, plastic shelving to hold totes, clean totes and shelving, and a dry erase board. Email [Kate Fix](#) if you can help.

March 3, 2023

News from Wisconsin Master Gardener Office

Online Reporting System (ORS) is back online. The ORS has a new website link, ors.wimastergardener.org—please bookmark. Please indicate your preferred name in ORS.

NEWMGA member meeting

Plan to attend a membership meeting at the STEM Center, Sat. April 15, 11:30 am-1 pm. Taco bar lunch (you may bring a dish to pass), organizational updates, and new name badges!

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Save the date for the May 9-11 Plant Sale at the STEM Center. We all seek volunteers to lead informational seminars or construct educational displays. For more information, contact [Eileen Rueden](#), 920-470-5562

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Introduction to Installing a Rain Garden

5:00 pm-6:30 pm, Thursday, March 9, 2023, Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary. Sponsored by Green Bay Conservation Corps. Click [here](#) for more information about this free event.

2023 PDDC Plant Disease Talks, Brian Hudelson, UW-Madison Plant Pathology. There are 12 free talks sponsored throughout 2023. Click [here](#) for information about each talk (ZOOM) and the series.

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Can you help supply?

[Chris Reitmeyer](#), a local horticulturist, seeks leads for scion wood for sweet cherry varieties that are cold hardy to this region. Please let him know if you have a connection.

February 3, 2023

Continuing education

[“PBS Wisconsin Garden & Landscape Expo”](#)

The Extension office has two one-day passes to the PBS Wisconsin Garden and Landscape Expo. If you are interested contact [Eben](#).

[“Prairie Plants for Urban and Suburban Gardens,”](#) Neil Diboll, 10 am–Noon, Feb. 18, 2023. Registration is now closed.

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January 6, 2023

Membership news

Where do you shop?

Our Outreach Committee is polling all members to determine your go to businesses for plants, seeds and gardening equipment and supplies. The hope is for our organization to form partnerships with our favorite businesses that can provide discounts for members' and organizational purchases. Click [here](#) to answer the survey. **Please complete the survey by January 9, 2023.**

Reminder to log hours

Don't forget to log your 2022 community service and continuing education hours into ORS by **Jan. 9, 2023**. Every certified Master Gardener must accrue 24 service hours and 10 continuing education hours in 2022.

Continuing education

Green Bay Botanical Garden blog posts

Our friends at the Green Bay Botanical Garden have highlighted their most popular 2022 blog posts: [Tips for Planting Spring Bulbs in the Fall](#), [7 Edible Plants to Grow in Smaller Living Spaces](#), [Keep It Clean or Not: How to Tidy Up Your Outdoor Spaces & Still Protect Wildlife Habitats](#), [Threats to Monarch Migration](#), [Good Bugs You Need in Your Garden & How to Protect Them](#). Check them out for continued learning!

[“Plant Diagnostics: The Step-by-Step Approach to Identifying Plant Problems”](#)

Offered by the University of Wisconsin, Extension Division. Click [here](#) for information about this February 1, 2023-April 30, 2023 online course.

[“Prairie Plants for Urban and Suburban Gardens,”](#) Neil Diboll, 10 am–Noon, Feb. 18, 2023. The presentation is co-sponsored by Wild Ones, Green Bay Botanical Garden, and Master Gardeners. Click [here](#) to register.

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Donation request

Toilet paper tubes are needed for a Master Gardener community service project. Please drop tubes at Melissa Wass' house, 3120 Essen Rd, Green Bay (see silver box in front porch).