



For those who share our interest in gardening . . .

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*"I am Summer, come to lure you away from your computer...
come dance on my fresh grass, dig your toes into my beaches."*

~Oriana Green, @NatureSpirits



Sand Beach and Great Head Trail, Acadia National Park

All of us have known of at least one person who came back from vacation then couldn't shut up about their experience. I'll try not to bore you like that, but...my first trip to Maine this summer introduced me to the Atlantic Ocean as appreciated from Acadia National Park. And it's kind of hard to keep it to myself.

The founders, in the early 19th century, saw land that needed to be protected in perpetuity - and set about doing just that. Walk the park even just a few hours and you see sandy beaches cozying up to rocky coastlines, and hiking trails for even the hardest amongst hikers (along with walkable paved trails for others). Some of the original trails laid down in the 1920's have been kept and re-habbed, so the hiker can get a great historical perspective while exploring.

Arcadia is enjoying its 100th anniversary this year. Dig your toes into her beaches, if you get the chance...

-BP

Pruning Primer



Margaret Roach, leading garden writer and lecturer for 25 years, provides gardening tips for everything from clematis to fruit trees; hydrangeas to weigela; roses to viburnum - and more - from her experience as a leading expert and hands-on organic gardener at <http://awaytogarden.com/garden-faq/pruning-faqs/> -BP

Please Recertify!

If you didn't turn in your hours for 2015, you could be dropped from the MG rolls.

Please turn in a new Application and Agreement, as well as your hours, by December 1 each year. The forms are on our website, and on the Bartholomew County Master Gardeners Facebook page.

Interns have two years to certify with 35 hours of volunteer service.

Help Needed

2016 National FFA Youth Convention, October 19-20 in Indianapolis, needs volunteers to help set up, judge, and monitor the Floriculture events. Contact Melissa Riley if you have questions or would like to volunteer, mriley@gaaged.org or phone (478) 973-4071.

Alycyn Pratt at **Developmental Services** still seeks a Master Gardener who would be willing to set up basic gardening education experiences for their clientele. Contact Alyson at DSI: 812-376-9404 x 152, or apratt@dsiservices.org

Thanks!

Amy King and Tara Waldo, for helping with Master Gardener activities at the Bartholomew County 4-H Fair.

Jan Bruner, for coordinating the Master Gardener activities at the Bartholomew County 4-H Fair. Also for assisting at FFY and the Community Garden Ramble.

Sherry Warner, for her willingness to share her work at FFY in the Community Garden Rambles.

Terri Finney, Lindsey Ostergaard, and Pat Babcock, for taking shifts at the Downtown Farmers Market!

Capability Brown's Garden Vision - for 2016

This year is the Year of the English Garden, commemorating the 300th birthday of England's most celebrated landscape designer, Lancelot "Capability" Brown. His vision was responsible for more than 170 English gardens created in the 18th century, including Alnwick Castle in Northumberland (think Harry Potter films); Longleat in Wiltshire; and Althorp in Northamptonshire where Princess Diana grew up. Think your little plot can't possibly borrow tips from this famous designer of Biltmore-like mansions? Think again! "Capability" Brown got his nickname for his tendency to design responding to a site's unique capabilities as dictated by nature, not imposing unnatural demands or concepts upon it. John Phibbs, principal of Debois Landscape Survey Group, specializes in historic landscapes, is the founder of the Brown tercentenary celebrations, and editor of *The Brown Advisor*. His tips bring Brown's ideas to even the small garden.

Add Water

"Lakes are important in [Brown's] designs," Phibbs says. "If you have a small garden and want to be Brownian, avoid a pool and go for something that is more like a stream — something which provides a sense of freedom and of breaking boundaries"...

Add – but hide – Paths

For hiding a smooth mown path, Phibbs says Brown would raise the turf around the path a few inches, making the path vanish when viewed from the side.

Create a Vista

Brown had a skill for using garden structures or buildings to create vistas. Per Phibbs, "You walk through it and, at

the far end, you see — for example — a little white bench."

Go (Mildly) Wild

Mow part of the garden, closest to the house, and let the rest go wild.

Work with Nature

Incorporate *genius loci*, or "the spirit of the place." Plant native plants that like wet feet in boggy places.

Rip Out The Fences.

If you and your neighbor share gardens and complimentary vistas, consider ripping out the fence between you. For more detail on Capability Brown's garden visions that you may incorporate, visit

http://www.houzz.com/ideabooks/69633987?utm_source=Houzz&utm_campaign=33758utm_medium=emailutm_content=gallery4 -BP



Hey, Save the Date!

MG Intern Training begins! <i>Sit in for review.</i>	11 August 9am-noon	Red Cross Building
Tree Stewards Training <i>Take for Education Credit.</i>	11-12 August	Franklin
MG Planning Group	15 August 5 pm	BCPL
MG Session: Hypertufa	17 August 6 pm	BCPL
Community Garden Ramble <i>Attend or assist!</i>	27 August 9 am	CSA New Tech HS
Topics in Permaculture <i>Introduction - Attend or assist!</i>	17 October 6:30 pm	BCPL
Chainsaw Safety and Felling <i>Attend for Education credit.</i>	25 October 1-4 pm	Youth Camp
Topics in Permaculture <i>Site Design - Attend or assist!</i>	27 October 6:30 pm	BCPL
Super Saturday <i>Tree Walks – Attend or assist!</i>	29 October 10 and 11:30 am	Mill Race Center

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The Hendricks County Master Gardeners present

Adventures in Gardening 2016: Natural Attraction

Oct. 15, 2016 • Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Center



Benjamin Vogt

You've put your heart and soul into your garden, and it's beautiful! Now join the Hendricks County Master Gardeners to learn how to attract bees, birds, beneficial insects, and humans to your garden. Keynote speaker Benjamin Vogt of Monarch Gardens, Lincoln and Omaha, Nebraska, will present two sessions:

21st Century Garden Ethics: Our gardens can empower us to help wildlife, heal nature, and overcome environmental grief in a time of extinction and climate change.

Designing for Winter Wildlife and Beauty: The gardening season doesn't end in October, not for us and not for wildlife or even the plants.

Additional programs:

Botanical Workhorses: Heavy-Hitter Native Plants presented by Jim McCormac of the Division of Wildlife, Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

The Amazing Honey Bee presented by Terry Plank, beekeeper and pollinator educator

101 Landscaping Ideas: Adding Style & Fun to Your Outdoor Space presented by Colletta Kosiba, 2500 Level Gold Master Gardener and Advanced Master Naturalist.



Jim McCormac

Attendee information: 1) The \$45 registration fee includes continental breakfast (8 – 9 a.m.) and lunch.

2.) This event will be held Oct. 15, 2016 at the Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds, 1900 E Main St., Danville, IN

3.) Registration, silent auction, and breakfast begin at 8 a.m. • Programs run from 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

4.) Bring your checkbook to purchase discounted gardening books and silent auction items.

5.) To register, complete and mail this registration form or go online at hendricksgardeners.com/AIG.

6.) For the latest information on this or any HCMG event, visit HendricksGardeners.com or like us on Facebook.

Questions? Call 317.745.9260.



REGISTRATION is \$45/PERSON)

Write check to: Hendricks County Master Gardener Inc or HCMG

Mail check and this form to: HC Ext. Office, 1900 E Main Street, PO Box 7 Danville, IN 46122

Or register online at hendricksgardeners.com

Name: _____ Address: _____

City/ST/Zip: _____ Ph: _____

Email: _____ Master Gardener or Intern? Y/N _____

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Accommodations: _____



83,389	Extension Master Gardener (EMG) volunteers	Extension Master Gardener is one of the largest volunteer organizations in the country.
5,293,130	EMG volunteer hours	The Extension Master Gardener volunteers an average of 60 hours a year.
\$122,112,509	value of EMG volunteer hours	The national estimated value of volunteer time is \$23.07 an hour according to Independent Sector. (www.independentsector.org)
14,256	newly trained Extension Master Gardeners	On average, each state trains nearly 400 Extension Master Gardeners every year.
629,327	hours completed in training	On average, each Extension Master Gardener has over 40 hours of training before becoming certified.
846,431	pounds of produce donated	Fifteen states reported data on food donations. It is estimated nationwide that Extension Master Gardeners donate 1,382 tons of fresh produce to food banks and pantries yearly.
1,047,037	direct contacts	Direct contacts include hotline/helpline calls, emails, live presentations, site visits, events such as farmer's markets, plant clinics and county fairs, and eXtension Ask an Expert responses.
51,051,383	yearly media reach	Yearly media reach includes state and county websites, radio, tv, newspaper, Extension publications, and social media including Facebook, Pinterest, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.
981,603	continuing education credits earned	Extension Master Gardeners often continue their education to remain certified.
2,026	community gardens	Seventeen states reported. It is estimated that there are nearly 6,000 community gardens nationally that involve Extension Master Gardeners.
1,001	community gardens with youth involved	Eleven states reported. It is estimated that there are over 4,400 community gardens with Extension Master Gardeners working alongside youth.

38 states reporting

The information provided was compiled from data collected by the Extension Master Gardener National Committee in 2015. The numbers reflect data collected in 2014. 38 of 49 states that currently have Extension Master Gardener programs reported information about impacts of their program. The overall national impact of the program is significantly higher.

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