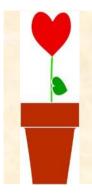




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## FEBRUARY12, 2020

"Myths, Legends & Heros of Horticulture"

Please attend the meeting at the Horticultural Hall on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 6:30 pm for the pot luck and 7 pm for the presentation.

Brenda Williams will present on "Myths, Legends & Heros of Horticulture" What myths has science debunked? What legends are good, and which just aren't worth it? Who, and what are the 'Heros' that can make our gardens prosper?

## **Notes from Nina**

Please remember to log into the Wisconsin Master Gardener online reporting system before February 1st to update your volunteer agreements. Once you log in, you will be prompted to check off the agreements. If you have trouble, contact Julie Hill at Email: <a href="mailto:julie.hill@wisc.edu">julie.hill@wisc.edu</a> or Phone: 262-741-4958

The first class for the Level One Master Gardener training will be February 6, 2020 from 1:00-4:00 pm. at 100 W. Walworth Street in Elkhorn. Julie reports that they have a full class of registrants to begin the training! The February WCMGV meeting will be Wednesday, February 12 th at the Horticultural Hall starting at 6:30 pm. beginning with a potluck. One of our own members Brenda Williams will be giving a presentation on Gardening Myths, Legends and Heros. Hope to see you all.

The Walworth County Master Gardener volunteers are looking for one volunteer to help with the annual treasurer audit. Please contact Sherry Mathews if interested <u>mathews</u> <u>se@yahoo.com</u>.

The subject of the presentation at our March 11th meeting will be 'Lifelong Gardening' and will be sponsored by WCMGVA. This is open to the public and more information coming soon!

Also, there are so many great workshops in February. Be sure to check out the WCMGVA calendar on the website: Link here. There are too many to list here! There are volunteer opportunities, too.

## **Reminders & Contacts**

<u>WCMGVA Calendar Contact Change:</u> Previously, if you wanted to have something put on the WCMGVA calendar you would notify Sherry Mathews. That task has now been transferred to Julie Hill. Please contact Julie Hill, Horticulture Outreach Specialist at 262-741-4958 or <u>julie.hill@wisc.edu</u> to have events added to the calendar. Mark Dwyer is offering several workshops at Blackhawk Technical College in Janesville, starting in February. Each one meets on both Tuesday and Thursday evenings for two consecutive weeks. Classes run from 6 -8:00 p.m. each night, for a total of 8 hours of CEUs. For instructions on how to register, go to : <a href="https://www.blackhawk.edu/Portals/0/PDFs/CommunityEdSchedule.pdf">https://www.blackhawk.edu/Portals/0/PDFs/CommunityEdSchedule.pdf</a> The first one is Tues, Feb 4: Wellness in the Garden. Topics including Gardening for All Ages; Adapting the Garden; Appropriate Garden Tools & Tasks; and The Sensory Garden. February 7-9 Wisconsin Garden and Landscape Expo 2020, Alliant Center- Madison

Another Continuing Education event is a Winter Sowing Presentation on Tue, February 11th, at 6:00pm – 7:30pm, at the Hedberg Public Library, 316 S Main St, Janesville, WI 53545. It is presented by RPMGA MGVs

Leap Into Spring Gardening at UW Whitewater- February 29 from 9-12:00 noon. It's Free but you need to register. <a href="mailto:uww.edu/ce/garden">uww.edu/ce/garden</a> or call 262-472-3165. It will cover planning and preparing for spring gardening, discuss general gardening practices, strategies for you to try at home, and provide information and resources on a variety of topics. Participants will be able to choose four breakout stations to attend after the main presentation. You will explore a gardening topic more specifically at each of these hands-on, interactive stations led by a certified Master Gardeners.