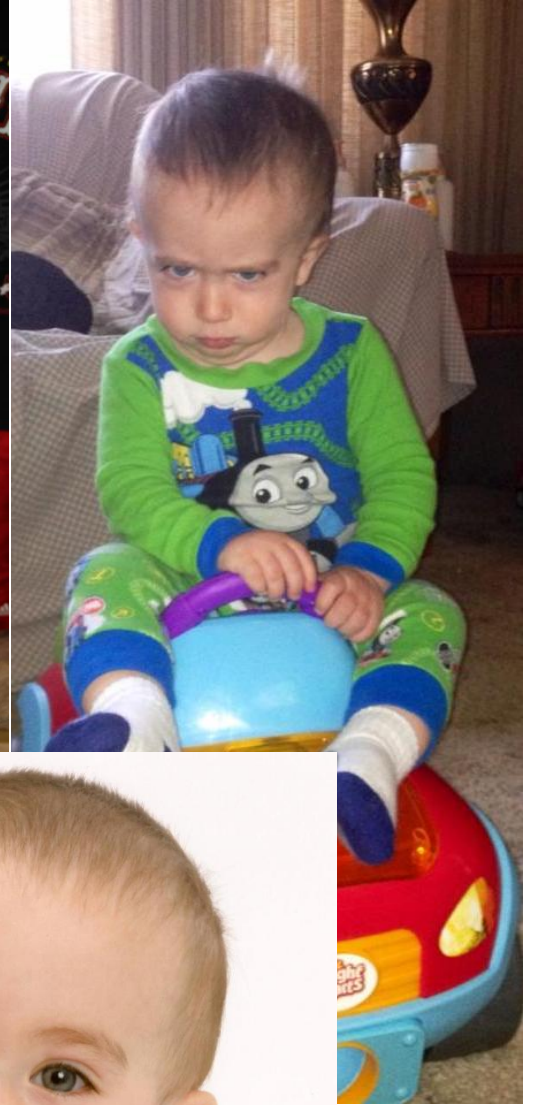


May 2013



- First the important things
- Thank you to Teresa for planning the food and Julie for organizing dessert!
- Aaaaannnnndddddd





New Advisory Committee Member

- Jeff Ramsey replaced Bob Hurst who had to step down

Annual Recertification

- Will be sending out the link this week
- Recertification must be completed by June 5th
- All appointment paperwork must be completed by this date as there is no grace period. (If you do not complete the recertification you cant be part of the program.
- MG program will cover the \$6.00 insurance fee

Give Every Child A Chance

- June 1st & 2nd, 2013
- Dell 'Oso Family Farm – Lathrop
- Sign up on VMS



SJ County Fair

- June 12-16th
- Bigger MG display out of the flower building
- Shifts will be going up on calendar soon



Farm Bureau at the Fair



- 3 MGs to host 3 different tables
 - Working on topics with FB coordinator
- Geared towards 4-H kids Monday June 11th (4 pm?)
- 10 minute rotation x 5 groups (1 hour total)

2013 MG Graduation

- Saturday July 13th
- Time TBD – Morning
- Brunch
- Casey Havres home/orchard (French Camp Rd/Lone Tree area)



Smart Garden Conference

- Saturday September 28th
- Looking for topic ideas, displays and speakers
- If you would like to be part of committee please sign up on clipboard sign up sheet
 - Will be added to collaborative tools group

Attention computer savvy MGs

- Looking for volunteers to help with:
 - Collaborative tools clean up
 - Master Gardener web-page
 - Fixing broken links
 - Updating the home page with timely info
 - Creating new pages/adding items

Warning: You may look like this!



Work on these items from the comfort of your home



PRMG's

- Looking for MGs in the Lodi, Stockton, and Manteca/Tracy area to add calendar event to local websites, send out PR info for MG events
- MG needs to be computer literate
- Connections to media outlets a plus but not required.



Farmers Markets

- Waiting on Mantecas application process for Tuesday nights.
- We are in Stockton, Tracy and Lodi markets
- Schedule will be going up on VMS calendar VERY soon

CE Units

Boething Nursery Tour



- Thursday May 16
- Sign up on VMS calendar – limited number of participants
- Outdoors and lots of walking
- 20601 Kettleman Ln., Lodi



Chicken Talk Cancelled

- City Attorney contacted the library and a change in ordinance now states hens are not allowed
- Lodi Library
- Raising backyard chickens
- Thursday May 23, 7:00 pm



June Field Trip

- Lavender Hollow Farm
- Lorena's Edibles - 150 varieties of herbs, butterfly and hummingbird plants all naturally grown.
 - Both in Escalon
- June 29 (Saturday)
- Sign up on the VMS calendar



Lodi Flower Pot Project

- Workday this Friday morning to complete pots that weren't finished 7 am at the post office



- Bringing back the natives tour.. Who went?

Committee descriptions and opportunities

- Help Line Sheila B.
- PR Sharon M.
- Continuing Ed Corinne B.
- Demonstration Garden Sharon
- Hospitality Betty/Julie
- Garden Based Learning Marcy
- Newsletter Susan P.
- Community Outreach Lee M

Help Line

- Coverage of the Master Gardener office and help line, maintaining the Master Gardener library and resources, and ensuring that office supplies are ordered when needed.
- MGs that enjoy researching and “CSI” work



Continuing Ed

- Field Trips
- Advanced training for MGs (CE units)



Demo Garden

- Each of the seven demonstration gardens has a Captain.
- Each team is responsible for all normal garden design and maintenance including, but not limited to, requesting plants, planting, weeding, deadheading, mulching and monitoring water needs.
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Hospitality

- Organizing and facilitating social activities of the Master Gardeners.
- Sunshine group, E-mail greeting, Birthdays, etc



Garden Based Learning

- The Garden Committee encourages and assists teachers in starting and maintaining gardens at their respective schools.
- Consultants provide help for Community Garden start-up.



Newsletter

- Needs to be computer literate/accessible
- Quarterly newsletter
- Work from home
- Word count guidelines