



Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Glenn County Master Gardener June 6, 2018 Monthly Meeting Notes

In Attendance:

Steven Jones, Donna Moore, Nancy Mulligan, Alyse Pendo, Stephanie Plummer, & Sue Stone.

Newsgram:

Nancy informed us that Bob has decided that he would like to pass-on the Newsgram responsibility. After some discussion, the group decided to change the Newsgram to a monthly communication, sent out before the monthly meeting. ***Nancy has agreed to compile the July Newsgram if she receives content from the members by the 15th of the month.***

Information requested:

- Interesting or relevant garden/plant information from your garden, (Pictures requested).
- Master Gardener Activity (*i.e.*, *Plant Clinic inquiries, updates on the Demonstration Garden, Update on Saturday Market in Willows... or anything else done with, by, or for the Master Gardener Program.*)
- Any Interesting or Relevant upcoming events or articles to share with Master Gardeners (*Please include URL Links if available*)

Content to be Submitted to Nancy's personal email: ***nanigan@sbcglobal.net***

We will revisit this new procedure at July Meeting to see if it works, and will continue.

Plant Sale:

Thomas Wooley (MG 2016 Class) is looking for home-based volunteer hours, and has offered to provide plants (Jade & Aloe) for a Plant Sale. Steve mentioned that he still had the plants that Thomas had provided to MGs last summer (Blue Agave, Burro Cactus, & Barrel Cactus) to add to plant sale if we held one. Discussion ensued about maybe having a Master Gardener Plant Sale as a fundraiser at some public event in October. Possible events included Corning Olive Festival, or Orland Pumpkin Patch. Stephanie mentioned that she has some Salvias that she could propagate, and Nancy mentioned she might have some too. Alyse volunteered to bring disposable aluminum foil pots to next meeting.

Willows Saturday Market:

Volunteers are just answering questions, not selling anything at Saturday Markets in Willows. At last Saturday Market Nancy & Sue talked to between 10 - 12 people, 2 people completed Plant Clinic Forms to receive more information.

Sue informed us that the Corning Farmer's Market starts this coming Thursday Night (6/7/18) but is a very small affair with only about 5 or 6 vendors.

Master Gardeners will only be present on a monthly basis at the Willows Saturday Market.

Next Saturday Market Date: July 14th (Volunteers: Nancy & Steve)

Plant Clinic:

Donna provided two Plant Clinic Inquiries since May Meeting (5/16/18)

5/4/18 - **Problem:** Tree on front lawn looking very sick with poor foliage. **Conclusion:** Homeowner had spilled fertilizer on lawn under the tree, killing the lawn in several patches. Conclusion was over fertilization, possibly "Weed & Feed" style fertilizer with 2-4D sickening Tree.

5/23/18 - **Problem:** Onions & Garlic bulbs rotting before finished. **Conclusion:** Bulb & Stem Nematodes in soil.

Nancy has volunteer Sign-ups through July

Gardening Articles:

Sacramento Valley Mirror Article submissions were not discussed.

Demonstration Garden:

Tammy has been a busy MG! Herb Garden has been mulched and several new plants added to the bed. The bed now contains 3 types of Basil (Italian, Thai, and Purple "Wild Magic" Basil) and a new Stevia plant (Natural Sweetener), also the Sage was blooming beautifully, as were the beautiful pink & white Yarrow plants, and the Parsley - which is starting to go to seed.

There is a Lavender plant in the old Tomato Bed, and a couple of other small plants that were not identified. Other than that the other two beds are still available if anyone is interested in planting another demonstration Garden.

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Plant Labeling was discussed. Nancy saw label stakes at Rusty Wagon she said she would look into, and Alyse mentioned she had purchased waterproof printable stickers that could be computer printed she wanted to try out, not sure if they will withstand the sun though...

Upcoming Events:

No upcoming events were discussed.

Continuing Education:

No continuing education was discussed.

Other Business:

Reappointment Everyone needs to complete Reappointment paperwork on VMS, even Master Gardeners from 2018 Class.

****Next meeting scheduled for July 11, 2018, 1-3pm at Extension Office.**