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**June Merced Master Gardeners Public Newsletter**

**Have gardening questions?**

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**Public Educational Opportunities**

July	8	Culinary Herbs
August	12	Citrus**
September	9	Seed Saving**
September	23	House Plants
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December	9	Grow your Soils



**Merced Master Gardeners**  
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To find out more about the Master Gardeners Program, point your phone's camera at the QR code and follow the link.

**Happy Gardening!**

**June**

Temperatures are increasing. The most important thing you can do in your yard right now is mulch, mulch, mulch. Mulching maintains soil moisture and reduces weed growth.

Be aware of watering systems and maximize efficiency. It takes very little for an emitter to drop off or a line to become clogged. We have two sources of water now.....the city, which you pay for, or your own well, so you do not want to waste it.

Feed everything, to produce more flowers and more fruit/veggies. Best to apply fertilizer in the morning and water it in so that plants get the best benefit. For most things, flowering and fruiting has begun in earnest. Use fertilizer with less (or zero) nitrogen and some level of P and K to increase yield/encourage rebloom. Morning watering also helps keep disease at bay.

Deadhead roses and spent flowers from everything else. This too encourages more production.

**Merced Fair**

Come and see us at the Merced County Fair if you have questions about gardening. We have a information booth inside the floriculture building and a there are lots of beautiful gardens to visit this year, including ours. We also have an educational booth in the Ag-Hort Bldg.

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