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The Foundation Connection

A monthly e-newsletter from the Master Gardener Foundation of King County

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President's Message

...by Board President Dave Hanower

I want to congratulate our first-year interns on completing the training class and offer a very sincere "welcome" to the Master Gardener Program. We look forward to your presence in our clinics and gardens. Having new interns rejuvenates all of our critical activities.

May is a very busy period, as our clinics and gardens are fully underway. I would like to remind you about four upcoming events and ask for your

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2016 Master Gardener Plant Sale & Garden Market

Saturday, May 7 & Sunday, May 8

[Preview Party, Fri., May 6 - purchase tickets online](#) today. Shop early before the party.

Plant Sale, May 7 and 8 - Plants and more for gifts or for your own garden.

[Find all the details online:](#)

- What's going on when
- The list of vendors
- Which organizations are at the NHS Hall Education Center
- Catalogs of veggies and herbs, and tomatoes
- A List of mini-seminars in the Veggie & Herb section both days

Please support this year's sponsors as listed on your sale map or online.



Mick Duggan: A Passion for Connecting People and Plants

...by Master Gardener Marty Byrne



*MG Mick Duggan in
the CCDG greenhouse*

Mick Duggan has always had a passion for gardening. At last year's Washington State Master Gardener Conference in Vancouver, Washington, Mick received a Gold Level award for 500+ hours in 2014 and a Master Gardener Lifetime award for 4000+ hours.

Cesar Chavez Demo Garden: *A Garden for the People*



The entrance to El Centro de la Raza

The Cesar Chavez Demonstration Garden on the property of El Centro de la Raza is truly a garden *para la raza*. The garden's variety of plants reflects the diversity of cultures in the Beacon Hill neighborhood.

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15 Years After Devastating Arson Fire, CUH is Thriving

...by Michelle Roedell, MGFKC Community Relations



Aftermath of the May 21 fire

that ravaged the CUH.

Knowledgeable and excited Master Gardeners, along with an abundance of vegetables, plants and herbs, will be ready to roll at the Master Gardener Foundation's Plant Sale & Garden Market on May 7th and 8th at the Center for Urban Horticulture. But 15 years ago this month told a different story: 2016 marks the 15th anniversary of the fire

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CUH Clinic: A Neighborhood Treasure

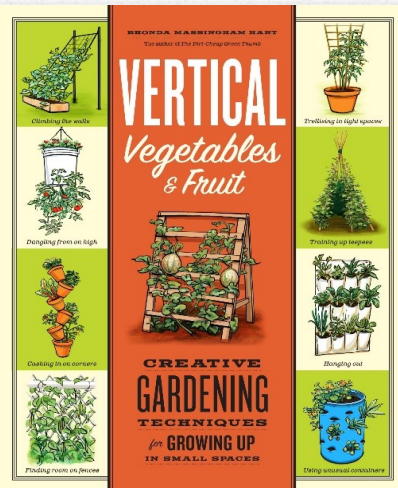
...by Master Gardener Marty Byrne



Master Gardeners Lark Fisher and Linda Kumin

Tucked away near the Miller Library, clients need to seek out the Master Gardener clinic at the Center for Urban Horticulture (CUH). Clinic Leader Susan Eby says, "We seem to be seen as a 'go-to' clinic. People with problems know they want to have somebody really figure out the answers. Our clients have to go out of their way."

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The Elisabeth C Miller Library Gardening/Horticulture Book of the Month: *Vertical Vegetables & Fruit*

...article by Master Gardener Marty Byrne

May's featured book from the Miller Library is *Vertical Vegetables & Fruit: Creative Gardening Techniques for Growing Up in*

Small Spaces.

[Read the full article](#)

Remember to GiveBIG! on May 3

...by Board President Dave Hanower

The **GiveBIG 2016** event is **May 3**. Please consider making a donation to the Master Gardener Foundation of King County. **New this year:** You may schedule your GiveBIG gift starting today. [Schedule here](#).



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MGFKC Community Relations Consultant Position

The Master Gardener Foundation of King County (Foundation) is seeking a person with community relations experience in marketing and communication services for a part-time (25 hours per month maximum), paid position. This individual is expected to provide strategic and innovative marketing, publicity and communications services that enhance the image of the Foundation and its affiliation with and support of the WSU Extension Master Gardener Program in King County (Program). The Foundation is looking to educate and inform the public and Master Gardeners about the Foundation and the Program. The services of the consultant will include, but are not limited to, advertising; developing communications plans and activities to promote the Foundation and the Program using a variety of media; and improving communications within the Master Gardener community.

If you are interested in this position, please send an email to secretary@mgfkc.org by May 30, 2016. In the email please include your reasons for interest in this position and your qualifications. Also include a telephone number.

If you have questions, or should need any clarification about the position, please feel free to contact Penny Kriese, secretary@mgfkc.org.

[Print a copy of this job posting.](#)

What's Happening?

News and Updates

- **[Next MGF Board Meeting](#)**: Thursday, **May 12**, at CUH.
- **April 15 to May 15 - Vote for MGFKC slate of Directors**. Look for your Apr. 15 email from MGFKC with the link to vote.
- **April 30 - BDG Eastside Edible Plant Sale** 9:30-1:00 at Bellevue Demo Garden.
- **May 3 - GiveBIG!** Remember MGFKC on this one day Seattle fundraiser event. Plan to make this year BIGger.
- **May 6 - Plant Sale Preview Party** fundraiser for Master Gardener program in King County. **Purchase tickets** now & bring a friend.
- **May 7 and 8 - MG Plant Sale**. [Volunteer to help if you haven't yet.](#)
- **May 15 - Voting** for MGF Board closes.
- **May 14-22 - Cesar Chavez Plant Sale** at 2524 16th Ave S. Find all the [King County MG plant sales](#).
- **WHERE am I?**
Find Master Gardener clinics and gardens in King County using the new MGFKC map.
<http://www.mgfkc.org/resources/map-of-mg-clinics-and-gardens>



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