



**Redmond  
Market  
Clinic:  
Keeping  
Master  
Gardeners  
Hopping**

*...by Master Gardeners Jim Olson and Alison Johnson*

The Master Gardeners at the Redmond Saturday Market resolve many eastside gardeners' problems at every Clinic. Find out how they prepare and what kinds of questions they answer.

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## Master Gardener Carrie Hill: *Sharing Plant Science*

*...by Master Gardener Marty  
Byrne*

Master Gardener Carrie Hill finds many ways to talk about plants, one of her favorite things to do.

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## Foundation Plantings: *President's Letter*

*...by Master Gardener Foundation Board  
President Penny Kriese*

The new Foundation Board is open for business and anticipating great things for Master Gardeners. Board President Penny Kriese reviews recently completed projects and upcoming activities.

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## Westside Clinics Get Together: *Strengthening Clinic Connections*

*...by Master Gardener  
Suzanne Abbott*

Recently the Burien and West Seattle Clinics enjoyed some social time together at the Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden. The evening included a guided tour of the gardens and, of course, a potluck.

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# Master Gardener Foundation Midyear Financial Report

...by Foundation Treasurer Peggy Smith

Treasurer Peggy Smith outlines the state of the Foundation's financial position at midyear.

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## The Elisabeth C. Miller Library Gardening / Horticulture Book of the Month: *The Bold Dry Garden*

Take a break and peruse *The Bold Dry Garden* by Joanna Silver for some ideas to try in your own garden.

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## News Shoots: *Short Subjects*

**Master Gardener Summer Picnic.** The Master Gardener Foundation of King County, the Bellevue Demonstration Garden, and William Grassie Wine Estates are co-hosting the first summer picnic for King County Master Gardeners. Mark your calendars for Sunday afternoon, August 27, 3 p.m., at William Grassie Wine Estates in Fall City. Bring your spouse or partner and children and a dish to share - the Foundation will provide meat or veggie burgers, lemonade, and soft drinks, but you must RSVP for the picnic. There are only 250 spaces for parking so please try to carpool if possible. You'll find all the details [here](#). There is a link to register on the information page or you can go directly to register [here](#).

*From Elaine Anderson, Master Gardener Coordinator for King County:*

**Saturday Master Gardener Training Moves South.** In 2018 Master Gardener Training, which will be on Saturdays, will be held at the Burien Community Center. Karen and I are aware of the distance applicants from south King County need to travel to get to the Center for Urban Horticulture. In the past two years, we've noticed a decrease in the number of applicants from the south end, so we've decided to begin holding Saturday training classes at the Burien Community Center. This change will make it easier for trainees because they will be traveling on Saturday, and those from the south end will have only half the distance to travel. If all goes well, we will make the change a permanent one.

The 2018 training begins on January 13, 2018. All clinics have received recruitment brochures, and applications will be posted at [kingcountymg.org](http://kingcountymg.org) on August 1, 2017. The deadline for submission is October 13, 2017. I'll also be happy to send the brochure as an email attachment. Do you know someone who would love to apply but who dreads the commute? Tell that person the problem has been solved!

## Don't Check Your Skills at the Door!

*We can find a use for them*

## Can You Help??



Would you like to help with Foundation work for the Master Gardener Program? Join a committee or working group! We need skills in several areas to carry out the work of the Foundation. Here are some of our current needs:

- **Website & Graphics**
- **Membership** - finding way to better connect with our members, celebrating their commitment and keeping them engaged.
- **Communications** - writing articles of interest to MGs, short subjects, editing and learning to working with our online newsletter template.

Much of the important work of our Foundation is handled by our committees. Committee work can be done by any MG member, and yes, you can have a big impact. Are you up for it? Contact us if you are interested or want to find out more.

[Read about our needs](#)

## What's Happening?

### *News and Updates*

- **Next MGF Board Meeting:** Saturday, **August 12**, 10:30-12:00 noon at Neely Soos Creek Demo Garden. There will be a tour of the garden at 10:00. The list of future Board meetings is [here](#).

### SAVE THE DATES

- **August 1**, MG applications open online. Let someone you think would be interested learn how to [Become a Master Gardener](#).
- **August 27**, KC MGs **First Summer Picnic**, 3:00-7:00PM at Wm Grassie Estates in Fall City. RSVP by Aug. 21 required. Look for the invitation in your email.
- **September 9**, **BDG Harvest Festival & Plant Sale**. Celebrate the end of the season from 10AM to noon at BDG. Ongoing [Saturday workshops](#) at BDG through mid-October.




- **September 12, MG Rain Garden Workshop & Build**, 11AM during the New Castle Days celebration.
- **September 20-23, WSU MG Advanced-Education Conference** in Yakima. [Register now to attend](#) and earn CEs.
- **September 23, 2nd Annual Cool Plants & Hot Topics**, Fall Plant Sale and Speakers at **Bellevue Botanical Garden**. Watch your email to register for speaker session, earn CEs. Volunteer to help, earn support hours.
- **September 28, Plant Propagation with Gordon** at Bellevue Botanical Garden. Contact Gordon for more information, [ancientbrit2 at gmail.com](mailto:ancientbrit2@gmail.com)
- **October 21, Annual KC MG Recognition Event**. Watch your email for the sign-up invitation. Plan to recommend an outstanding MG or Intern for recognition. [See the guidelines](#).
- **November 18, Epic Battle of Plants**, the Renton Tech **all day MG CE workshop**. Watch your email for the opportunity to register. [Here's the flyer](#).

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