



The Foundation Connection

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

July 2020 Issue



Read the Program Coordinator's Updates

Find the latest update from Master Gardener
Program Coordinator Mary Watts at MGFKC.org

News from the Foundation Board: *New Board Members*



The Master Gardener Foundation Board welcomes four new members. At the June meeting, the Board confirmed the following: Suzi O'Byrne, Tiffany Ng, Steve Hiday, and John Sykes. Their three-year term officially began with the June 11 meeting. Welcome!

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Meet Board Secretary Valentina Barei

Master Gardener Valentina Barei shares a bit of her MG history and her experience on the Foundation Board.

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Washington State University Extension

**Ask a
Master Gardener!**

Supported by the Master Gardener Foundation of King County

**Got Questions?
Ask a Master
Gardener!**

...by Gary Scheider, Master Gardener

Our online Master Gardener clinics launched in May, allowing home gardeners to bring their questions live to MGs and include photos and other information. MG Gary Scheider details why we need to get the word out to let gardeners know that even though our in-person clinics are closed, MGs are still providing the resources and answers that gardeners seek.

[Read more](#)

Foodies in the Garden

**Beyond Parsley,
Sage, Rosemary and
Thyme: Consider
Borage**



...by Marty Byrne, Master Gardener and Connection Editor

Borage has been known since ancient times and distinguishes itself as a very versatile herb. Try something a little different in your herb garden.

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Volunteer



If you have **WordPress** or **Constant Contact** expertise and would like to help KCMGs, contact Penny at [pckriese at gmail](mailto:pckriese@gmail.com).

Of Interest to You

Continuing Education

Learning takes place in many ways, and the Program is offering more ways to learn than ever before. [Find CE opportunities](#)

Tip Sheets for KC

Free Webinars



The WSU Extension Forestry Program is offering another free webinar in July. This webinar qualifies as Continuing Education for Master Gardeners: MGs earn one hour of CE for the 50-minute webinar. Registration is required. See registration details [here](#)

July 28, 12:05 p.m. and 7:05 p.m.

The Four Horsemen of the Root Disease Apocalypse. Root disease is one of the most common forest health issues in western Washington. This webinar will cover identification and treatment options for the four most common root diseases: laminated root rot, annosus root disease, Armillaria root disease, and Schweinitzii root and butt rot.

Mary Watts, WSU Extension Master Gardener Program Coordinator, King County

Browse tip sheets about Puget Sound Gardening [Garden Tips](#)

WHERE am I?

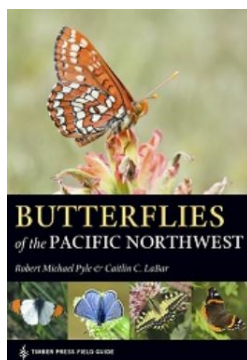
Find King County Master Gardener clinics and garden locations using the [MGFKC map](#).



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Elisabeth C. Miller Library Selection

Butterflies of the Pacific Northwest

As you spend more time in your garden during our sequestering, are you seeing more butterflies? This month's book selection will help you identify and learn more about them.

[Read more](#)

Master Gardener Volunteer Opportunities

Can You Help??



Note: In-person volunteer opportunity listings are postponed for the near future. Stay informed with

Continuing Education Opportunities

What Counts as CE?

Classes that will improve a volunteer's knowledge and skill base for performing work as a horticultural advisor and serving as a resource on issues of sustainable gardening for home gardeners.



Staying Smart!

Online Learning Opportunities

Master Gardeners can still earn Continuing Education credit from a wide selection of online classes, webinars, and online workshops. Check out the new section on the MGF Education page: <http://www.mgfk.org/education/online-continuing-education>

July Growing Groceries Class

The remaining Growing Groceries class will be offered on the Zoom online platform.

Wednesday, July 22, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Succession Planting/ Fall & Winter Gardening/Seed Saving

Please visit the [Growing Groceries](#) page for information and registration.

Bellevue Demo Garden Talks online!

All talks from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Visit

<https://www.mgfk.org/education>

for information and link to the Zoom session.

Saturday, July 11. The ART, SCIENCE, and MAGIC of Propagation with Master Gardener Alison Johnson.

Saturday, July 18. Growing and Caring for Roses with John Hamerling, Seattle Rose Society.

Saturday, July 25. Creating Beautiful Containers with Master Gardener Molly van der Burch.

Snohomish County Extension Master Gardeners Classes Online

Classes are offered Tuesday and Thursday evenings, starting on July 7 and ending on July 21. Classes start promptly at 7 p.m. and last 45 minutes.

Tuesday, July 7. Veggie Q & A with Master Gardeners

Thursday, July 9. Slugs and Snails

Tuesday, July 14. Beneficial Insects in Your Garden

Thursday, July 16. Growing Vegetables for Fall and Winter Harvest

Tuesday, July 21. Watering Your Vegetable Garden: Saving Time, Money, & Water

Advanced registration is required for these free classes. Information and registration [here](#)

Check these websites for updates on online and in-person classes.

Bellevue Botanical Garden

**Wednesday, July 1, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., online.
Irises for Every Garden**

**Thursday, July 23, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., online.
Pruning Shrubs III**

Information and registration here:

<https://bellevuebotanical.org/classes/>

Library Talks at North Bend (10:30 a.m.) and Sammamish (2:00 p.m.)

Please watch future issues of *The Connection* for updates on these classes.

Savvy Gardener Classes (Saving Water Partnership)

Thursday, July 16, 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m

Sustainable Garden Design. with Emily Bishton.

Register to receive a link to the join the online class.

<https://www.savingwater.org/lawn-garden/gardening-classes/>

Future File

September 12 to 17, 2021:

[International Master Gardener Conference](#)

Norfolk, Virginia.

Fall 2021:

The WSU Master Gardener Advanced Education Conference for 2020 is rescheduled to Fall 2021.

[WSU Master Gardener Advanced Education Conference,](#)

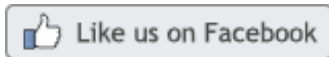
Events, Coming Attractions

Master Gardener
Foundation Board Meeting,
Thursday, July 9, 7:00 p.m.
online meeting. Information
and details at



<http://www.mgfk.org/events/mgfk-meetings>

Stay Connected:



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