



Jackson County Master Gardener™ Association

2009 Saturday and Evening Classes

- Sat. February 7** *Grape Pruning Chris Hubert, Quail Run Vineyard
The emphasis of this class will be growing grapes in the home garden especially how, when, and where to prune. Participants will also learn terminology that applies to growing grapes, care of grapes, and solutions for common grape problems in the home garden. The class will conclude with outdoor practice in pruning grapes so dress for the weather and bring gloves and clippers.
- Sat. February 21** *Fruit Tree Pruning Terry Helfrich, Bear Creek Corp.
The emphasis of this class will be growing fruit trees in the home garden especially how, when, and where to prune. Selection of trees and planting site, tree structure, planting requirements, spacing, tree training, will also be discussed with the goal of producing more fruit. The class will conclude with outdoor practice in pruning fruit trees so dress for the weather and bring gloves and loppers.
- Sat. March 7** *Rose Pruning George Jennings & Medford Rose Society
Rose anatomy, general rose care, pruning tools, and the 10 principles for successfully pruning roses will be discussed. The class will conclude with outdoor practice in pruning roses so dress for the weather and bring gloves, clippers, and loppers.
- Thurs. March 12** *Gardening for the True Beginner Carol Oneal, Master Gardener
Want to raise your own veggies, but don't know where to begin? Had a garden in California, or Ohio or Florida and wonder if what you did there works here? If you are 'rookie' in the vegetable gardening department, this is the class for you. Soil preparation, watering, variety choices, raised beds and more to get you started on the right foot in your gardening adventure will be discussed.
- Thurs. March 19** *Fruit Tree Grafting George Tiger, retired OSU Extension Agent
Class limited to 25. Preregistration required by calling 776-7371. Materials fee of \$25.
Learn how to create your own apple tree or save Grampa's favorite apple tree. The techniques and tools for grafting fruit trees will be taught. Class members will choose from a variety of apple tree varieties to make a minimum of three grafted starts to take home.
- Thurs. April 16** *Gardening in Clay Soils Marcus Buchanan, OSU Extension faculty
Clay type soils comprise only 13% of the local area, but probably comprise a greater percentage of the land that gardeners tend. This class will provide a broad overview of the properties of clay soils and discuss strategies for making clay soil a good home for roots!
- Sat. May 9** *Summer Care of Grape Vines Chris Hubert, Quail Run Vineyard
Learn the most important grape management techniques after pruning. The proper summer management of grape vines includes early season shoot thinning, controlling head suckering, training vine growth for the rest of the season and controlling crop load. Class will take place outdoors in the vineyard. Come dressed to work.
- Thurs. May 14** *Small Space Gardening Marjorie Neal, Master Gardener
This class will discuss techniques to get the most return from your gardening efforts. Using raised beds, containers, intensive planting techniques such as interplanting and succession cropping all result in bigger yields of vegetables for the space available.

* Classes eligible for Master Gardener recertification

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Tues. June 16 *Organic Pest Management Marsha Waite
Learn the safer approach to pest and disease control in the home garden. Gardening techniques that prevent the need for pesticides, along with cultural and least toxic controls, will be presented in this organic gardening class.

Tues. July 14 Drip Irrigation Colby Troxel, Grange Co-op
This purpose of this class is to help the beginner decide if a drip system is right for them, and how to choose the right system. The basic components of a drip system, how it works, how to install a system, and how it can save money on the water bill and greatly benefit the plants in the landscape will be covered.

Thurs. August 6 *Wildflowers in the Home Garden Lillian Maksymowicz, Master Gardener
Bring native flowers into your gardens. Select plants for optimum bloom in the many types of soil and weather conditions of Southern Oregon. Practice conservation and learn the many benefits and aesthetics of wildflowers in the home garden.

**Thurs. September 10 Feng Shui in the Home Garden Cheryl Magellan, Master Gardener
Feng Shui Practitioner**
Find out how the placement of a water feature can increase your prosperity! Tune into the natural rhythms of your garden to discover how small adjustments can make big changes in your life.

**Tues. October 13 *Growing Berries in the George Tiger, retired Extension Agent
Rogue Valley**
This class will cover everything you need to know to successfully grow and harvest your berry crop. Learn the establishment and management of berries in your backyard including when to fertilize your crop, when plants are available, how to select the best varieties for the Rogue Valley, and where to find the nurseries that may carry the varieties you wish to grow.

**Tues. November 10 *Managing Weeds Around Bob Reynolds, Master Gardener Advisor
Your Home**
Are weeds taking over your yard and garden? Learn some strategies and techniques for managing weeds around your home and in your garden. Note: This presentation will not address large acreages or farm weed management.

Tues. December 8 Maintaining a Home Greenhouse Don Shaffer, Master Gardener
All you need to know about selecting and maintaining a hobby greenhouse will be discussed. The various types of greenhouses, their advantages, disadvantages and costs, siting and construction of your new greenhouse, and accessories will be covered.

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