



# THE GARDENER'S DIRT

*The Latest Scoop from the Scott County Master Gardeners*

July 2011

## Ice Cream Social & Garden Walks



You are cordially invited to an ICE CREAM SOCIAL and GARDEN WALKS on Sunday, July 10th.

Stroll through three Master Gardeners' yards all within one neighborhood beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Nancy Nelson, 4104 Glendale Blvd., Davenport

Tana Odean, 2929 E 44th Ct., Davenport

Carol Wagner, 4308 Ryan Ct., Davenport

To reach their gardens take East Kimberly Road to Forest Road, turn north, then right on 43rd Street which becomes Glendale Blvd., and Nancy's house. Back off Forest Road turn right on 44th Street and follow it down to the end to 44th Court to Tana's beige ranch home. The first left off 43rd Street is Ryan Court and Carol's house. (Carol and Tana's backyards meet.)

The Ice Cream Social will be 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. in Carol's backyard. Please bring your own lawn chairs for the social. Rain or Shine.

**HOMEMADE ICE CREAM PLUS PIE AND OTHER DELICIOUS DESSERTS  
WILL BE SERVED!!**

Please RSVP by Thursday, July 7th by calling the Extension Office, 359-7577 or Sally Freeman 355-8534, or email Vicki Liebbe at [vjpickle@netins.net](mailto:vjpickle@netins.net).



### Board Briefs

*Submitted by Bob Cohee*

The Master Gardener Advisory Board met June 2, 2011 with nine members present.

The upcoming garden walks were discussed. It was reported that the trip to K&K Nurseries was enjoyed by those attending.

The plant sale was discussed and it was felt that a wrap-up meeting should be scheduled soon.

It was suggested that some Master Gardener sponsored projects at the Mississippi Valley Fair might be a good way to promote our group and aid in recruitment of new members. Anyone with ideas should get with a board member or Duane.

A full set of minutes are available at the extension office. Due to conflicts, the next meeting date will be announced later.

### Our Mission

*To provide home horticulture information and education to the citizens of Scott County consistent with Iowa State University recommendations. We also strive to increase members' knowledge of horticulture through educational programs.*

## Upcoming Classes & Events:

CEU's	Course #	Topic	When	Where	Cost	Instructor	Registration Information
2	-	Summer Webinar Series ID & Management of Invasive Woody Plants in Iowa	June 28, 2011 6:30—8:30 p.m.	ISU Scott County Extension 875 Tanglefoot Lane, Bett	\$5.00	Jan Thompson Matt O'Neal	359-7577 ISU Scott County Extension
		MG Summer session	July 18, 2011 All day	Iowa State University Ames, IA	\$150.00 Combined two day with field day	Various	On state MG website
		All Hort Field Day	July 19, 2011 All day	ISU Hort field station Gilbert, IA		Various	On state MG website
2	-	Summer Webinar Series Tallgrass Prairies of Iowa	July 26, 2011 6:30—8:30 p.m.	ISU Scott County Extension 875 Tanglefoot Lane, Bett	\$5.00	Daryl Smith	359-7577 ISU Scott County Extension
3	-	Invasive Plant Field Day	August 6, 2011 9:00 a.m. to noon	Black Hawk Historic Sit Singing Bird Lodge	\$5.00 (included in the March 10 workshop fee)	Various	359-7577 ISU Scott County Extension
2	-	Summer Webinar Series Native Friends and Invading Forces	August 23, 2011 6:30—8:30 p.m.	ISU Scott County Extension 875 Tanglefoot Lane, Bett	\$5.00	Rich Pope	359-7577 ISU Scott County Extension
*	-	2011 International Master Gardener Conference	October 11-14, 2011	Charleston Convention Center Charleston, West Virginia	TBA	Various	Info at <a href="http://imgc.ext.wvu.edu/">http://imgc.ext.wvu.edu/</a>

\* To be determined by sessions attended. Submit proof of sessions attended to the ISU Scott County Extension Horticulturist.

**News articles are needed for the Gardener's Dirt  
Please have articles to the Extension Office by July 15th**





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## City of Bettendorf Public Works Day (Recycle) Education re Composting *Ed Sharkness, Chair*

Saturday, May 21, 2011 started with clouds and wet pavements but quickly changed into a pleasant spring day. Our Master Gardener logo was proudly displayed. Master Gardeners were effective and efficient as they informed and educated the public regarding composting. Five different educational strategies were used:

1. Pamphlets which explained composting were handed out.
2. The Portable Horticulture Clinic answered any difficult questions regarding composting and answered all of the other horticulture questions.
3. A TV/VCR played a video which explained composting.
4. Melody Coffey educated children and adults with a demonstration of toy making from recycled material.
5. Model compost bins were displayed.



More than 83 people were helped.

Special Thanks to:

Melody Coffey	Sally Freeman	John Hale	Wayne Hannel
Sue Horan	Deb Janke	Bob Krush	Marianne Lemon
Nancy Nelson	Ron Phillips	Dean Stotz	Karen Stotz
Beverly Thies			

The above activity completes scheduled Recycle and composting work for the year. Special thanks to all committee members.