

MASTER GARDENER UPDATE. . . Friday, July 18, 2008

Announcements and news for ISU Extension Master Gardeners, staff, and faculty

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FREE SWEET CORN AND GREEN BEAN SEED FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

The America the Beautiful Fund out of Washington, D.C., has 6 pallets of 5- 50 pound bags of sweet corn and green bean seed for distribution to farmers and gardeners in Iowa who were affected by the flooding and whose gardens/fields were too wet to plant earlier this year. The seed was donated to them by the Harris Seed Company. Cultivars are not known, but if you know of anyone or any group who could use this seed, please contact Katie Rehwaldt as soon as possible.

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America the Beautiful Fund
katie@america-the-beautiful.org

COUNTY MASTER GARDENER E-NEWSLETTERS

We want to include your county e-newsletter on the state Master Gardener website. Please send an email to jromer@iastate.edu with the web address so that we can post the link on our site. Thanks!!

FARM PROGRESS SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Farm Progress show will be held August 26, 27 and 28 near Boone. We are looking for volunteers to help staff the Master Gardener display. Duties include answering questions about the Master Gardener program (what is it, who can participate, how/where to sign up) and other horticultural questions. There are 2 shifts per day 7:30AM -

12:15PM and 12:15PM - 5:00PM. Up to 2 volunteers per shift will be needed. Admission and parking will be provided. If you are interested, please send an email to jromer@iastate.edu

REGION 21 AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY MEETING

The annual fall meeting and public iris sale of the Region 21 of the American Iris Society will be held in Ames. All interested gardeners and irisarians are encouraged to attend as the event is not limited to American Iris Society members. Registration includes the Friday night welcome dinner, Saturday programs, lunch, and banquet. Registration monies can be sent to Robin Shadlow.

August 8 and 9

Quality Inn & Suites Starlite Convention Center in Ames

Early-bird registration fee is \$50 by July 18
Registrations received after that date, including walk-ins, will be \$60

For more information, contact Robin Shadlow, 16124 Shirley Street, Omaha, NE 68130, (402) 213-3414 or Kelly Norris, (712) 621-5399

CEDAR VALLEY IRIS AND DAYLILY SOCIETY SALE

The Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society is having an annual Summer Sale at Riverside Gardens in Monticello, Iowa. There are usually all types, sizes and colors of plants available and knowledgeable members to answer all your questions.

Saturday, August 30

10AM to 1PM

Corner of North Main and Third Street in Monticello

For more information, contact Brenda Knipper at bknipper53@netins.net.

SUBMITTING YOUR NEWS

Master Gardener Update is published Friday by the Iowa Master Gardener Coordinator. Please send your news via email to James Romer (jromer@iastate.edu). Press releases received by Wednesday will

be included in the next Update.

When submitting information for the MG Update, be sure to include who, what, when, where, why, cost (if applicable), a brief paragraph discussing the event and a contact for more information. Please review all information before submitting. For questions, call (515) 294-2336.

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