

MASTER GARDENER UPDATE. . . Friday, July 25, 2008  
Announcements and news for ISU Extension Master Gardeners, staff, and faculty

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HERB FAIRE AT THE BICKELHAUPT ARBORETUM

The Bickelhaupt Arboretum has a wonderful herb garden. A morning dedicated to the lure of herb gardening from planting to harvesting and uses has been planned. Come learn how herbs can be used for cooking and crafting. There will be presentations, demonstrations and a tour of the Mercy Hospice Herb Garden. Samples of foods using garden herbs will be provided.

Saturday, August 16

9:00AM - 12:00PM

Cost \$10

To register, call 563-244-7100 or 888-336-3907.

For more information, contact Francie B.Hill, Executive Director  
563-242-4771 or visit the website [www.bickarb.org](http://www.bickarb.org)

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BICKELHAUPT BUTTERFLY FEST

Many activities are planned including: Garden Contest (bring your favorite arrangement of butterfly-attracting flowers you may win a prize!); participate in the Ribbon Cutting; listen to presentations on the travels of Clinton butterflies; learn about the life cycle and habits of Iowa butterflies; find out what a Monarch Way Station is; meet the Environ Kids; join in a Native American Butterfly and Shawl

dance; and crafts for all ages! Bring a picnic lunch and be part of the tagging and release of the butterflies.

Saturday, August 23

11:00AM - 3:00PM

FREE No pre-registration required.

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#### 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](mailto:jromer@iastate.edu)

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#### 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](mailto:bknipper53@netins.net).

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#### NO UPDATE NEXT 3 WEEKS

Due to a fairly good reason, editors, columnists and staff will be unable to publish a Master Gardener Update for the next three Friday afternoons. Take the extra time to visit a garden or a State Fair

(August 7 - 17) and enjoy the beauty that is Iowa! Look for the next excellent edition Friday, August 22.

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## 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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