Marion County Master Gardeners are hosting four Pleasantville-area gardens open to the general public for their 2013 Garden Tour.

This year the gardens are all in the Pleasantville area and can be visited in any order after making a (suggested) $10 donation to Marion County Habitat for Humanity at the Pleasantville City Square Park. The park is located in the center of the downtown business district.

After making the donation and receiving an Official Tour Map at the City Square Park anytime on Saturday, July 20th from 10 am until 4 pm or on Sunday, July 21st from 1 to 5 pm, the other gardens will be open. The Tour Map is good all weekend; gardens can be toured in any order. No dogs, please. Children under 12 are admitted free.

For more information, contact: Karen Ackley, Marion County Master Gardener Coordinator, Marion County Extension Office, 641-842-2014, kackley@iastate.edu.
“The Green Scene” is a tip sheet developed by the Marion County Extension Office to inform people of horticulture events, problems, and interesting ideas. Let us know if you want to be added to our mailing list. Some issues are also available at www.extension.iastate.edu/marion/. This material has been prepared Karen Ackley, Agriculture Program Assistant. If you have questions, please contact the office at (641) 842-2014.

### Sitting Pretty in Pella!

Area gardeners competed for cash prizes in the Sitting Pretty Gardening Contest sponsored by Marion County Master Gardeners and De Bloemen Hof in Pella’s Ag in the City. Above, left to right: Dixie Roorda (first place, $100), Marilyn Vos (second place, $50, & Honorable Mention), David Pealer (third place, $25), and Marlys Anderson, People’s Choice and Honorable Mention. Also pictured are Marlys Anderson and Jill DeVries (De Bloemen Hof).

### What’s Going On?

**July 12-18 — Marion County Fair,** Open Class Entries due July 2nd at noon. Return entry forms to the Marion County Fairgrounds. Entry forms available in back of Marion County Fairbook. Pick up your fairbook at the fairgrounds or at the Marion County Extension Office.

**July 20-21 — Master Gardener Garden Tour,** Four Pleasantville area gardens, 10 am-4 pm, Saturday; 1-5 pm Sunday. Go to www.extension.iastate.edu/marion/news/marion-county-master-gardeners-2013-garden-tour or see front page for more information.

**August — Master Gardener Enrollment Begins,** contact Karen Ackley at kackley@iastate.edu to be added to the waiting list (or call 641-842-2014).

**September — Master Gardener Classes Begin**