

# THE GARDEN PATCH



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## MORE AWARD WINNERS

Here are the rest of the award winners and recognitions from the December meeting;

### Cooperating Partner Award

Sgt. Raelene Eppard  
Salt Lake County Sheriff Jail Programs

### Silver Trowel Awards

Pioneer Park Farmers Market – Andrea Berman  
Christmas Box House – Jordan Beesley  
Wheeler Vegetable Garden – Sara Anderson  
Wheeler House Garden – Karen McDowell  
Salt Lake County Jail Horticulture Program – Drue V. Somerville  
Gilgal Garden – Gigi Brandt  
Tracy Aviary – Ron Klepper  
Murray Boys & Girls Club – Mridula Patel, Charlene Homan  
Ask a Master Gardener Clinics – Karl Hauptfleisch  
Murray Park – Cheryl Michaud  
ABC-TV Demonstration Garden – Tony Mirabella  
Fresh From the Heart – John Kalasky (donated 2,032 lbs from his own garden in 2007)



Also recognized for their contributions in 2008 were:

### Project Leaders:

Pioneer Park – Karen Crook  
Jail Horticulture – Kathy Dennis  
Tracy Aviary – Matthew Utley  
Murray Park - Becky Hansen  
Youth Programs/Murray Boys & Girls – Lisa Chin  
Gilgal Garden – Bev Sudbury  
Christmas Box House – Peggy Call  
Wheeler Pumpkin Patch – Golden Reeves  
Wheeler Vegetable Garden – Bob Moss, Dorothy Lee  
Wheeler Herb Garden – LaWana Kosel  
Wheeler House Garden – Sandy Burgess  
ABC TV Garden – Heidi Wayman  
Fresh From the Heart – Jennie Gibson

**Thanks to everyone who helped to make 2008 a huge success for SLMGA. We have a new year with new opportunities to learn, grow, and be of service. Great general meetings are planned. Don't miss out on any of it. Get involved. You'll be glad you did!**

## NOTES FROM THE BOARD

By Allison Topham, Secretary

As the new Board members, we have decided to change the President's Notes to the Board Notes. We will each take a few months during the year and create an article about the activities of the Board of the SLMGA. We will also, if we choose, add any other tidbits of information which we find helpful, amusing or creative. This way, you can get to know us better, and it will be a good break for Kathy Dennis, our new President.

This leads into another subject which we are passionate about -- teamwork. We held our first Board meeting in January with all of the new elected officials in attendance. We are still getting to know one another. Some of us have been Master Gardeners for years, others are new members as recently as last year. I found that everyone is very nice and very passionate about the SLMGA. I also found that everyone has a great sense of humor and we get along very well. I am very proud to be a part of this group.

As the meeting progressed, it was obvious that our group is about teamwork, not only teamwork within the Board, but also teamwork within the SLMGA. We want EVERYONE to be involved -- involved in volunteering at community events and also SLMGA events such as the General Meeting each month and other field trips and get-togethers which we are planning. We love to do the work, but it is more fun to have others involved so we can all get to know each other much better and feel more a part of the SLMGA.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to be on the Refreshment Committee and the Audit Committee when we asked for help during the January General Meeting. We also look forward to reading your "We want to hear from you" handouts. Any ideas about gardening topics, speakers, or places to meet are welcomed. If you did not make the meeting and have ideas, please contact any Board Member, Maggie or Heidi with your information. We really want to hear from you.

Speaking of Heidi Wayman, her presentation on Indoor Plants was wonderful. I left the January meeting early, but I took advantage of a similar presentation she gave during the lunch hour a few months ago. I learned so much and am so grateful to have indoor plants during the winter that keep my thumb green.

I am getting a little tired of the cold weather, and especially the snow. I have been keeping my

driveway, patio and sidewalk shoveled, but when the snow changed to a little rain a few weeks ago, I found that they are all covered with a sheet of ice now. I am thinking of opening my own ice-skating rink to bring in a little side money to buy my flowers next spring!

I hope everyone is staying warm and having a wonderful new year. We look forward to seeing everyone at the February Master Gardener Monthly Meeting on February 19th. Carl has set up a presentation on "Hydroponics", which should be a very interesting topic. Come and learn and have tasty refreshments courtesy of our new Refreshment Committee.

### TEAMWORK

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

-- Henry Ford

## In Association With .....

By Jo Turpin

The new year has arrived and along with it a new Board of Directors and coordinators for the Salt Lake Master Gardeners Association. Webster's defines an association as 'an organization of persons having a common interest'. What Webster doesn't tell us is how to make that association successful and beneficial to the members.

The most successful associations are those where members freely and consistently participate in events, programs and activities offered through their organization. Another key to a successful organization is input from the membership to the coordinators. This year's Board members want to encourage member participation in all of our activities and meetings and would like input from the membership about what those activities will be.

Many of our meetings for 2009 have been decided. The annual April plant exchange, the Summer Picnic and December's graduation for example. But, we still have room for other events and we have 2010 to plan for as well. If you would like to see a topic addressed, know a speaker you believe we could all enjoy and learn from, know of a place that would be ideal for a meeting, and so on then please take a minute to let us know.

This year's Program Coordinators are Charlene Homan and Jo Turpin. We would appreciate your ideas and your input. We want to keep our organization relevant, vibrant and healthy; we want it to grow, we want it to be a group you want to be associated with. Forward your ideas to Jo at [lazydaisy09@hotmail.com](mailto:lazydaisy09@hotmail.com) or Charlene at [mhcharlene@yahoo.com](mailto:mhcharlene@yahoo.com). You can also contact any board member with ideas, questions or suggestions. Maggie and Heidi at the Extension offices are always there to help too. Like Maggie says, when we work together we can "learn well and teach others". Thank you!



By Maggie Shao

We had a great turnout at our January Master Gardener meeting on Indoor Plants. Much thanks to Heidi Wayman for doing a great job on her presentation on caring and selecting houseplants. We have other great upcoming Master Gardener meetings in February (Hydroponics) and March (Orchids). Someone asked me if we still will hold a seed exchange at the February meeting. I have quite a few seed packets that I can offer and if others are also so inclined, it will be a nice added activity for those thinking about starting their seeds at the end of February either under their indoor light garden (instructions at <http://extension.usu.edu/saltlake/htm/horticulture/indoor> ) or in their greenhouse. A reminder that those meetings will be held at the Columbus Center at 2531 South 400 East in Room 106 – I'll be using the USU training room for those months for the 2009 Master Gardener Volunteer Training. I'm starting to get a lot of requests from community groups for Master Gardener presentations. Be sure to contact our volunteer coordinator Jennifer Knight, at (801) 955-5979, to volunteer as a speaker. Also call Jennifer Knight if you are interested in volunteering for the Spring Home and Garden Festival March 5-8, 2009 at the South Towne Expo at 9575 S. State in Sandy.

To help boost the confidence of those who want to teach, but need a little help, I'm planning with Heidi for a training on "How To Give a Garden Talk" sometime in March (I'll let you know the exact date soon). It will be offering guidelines with an outline of a presentation, how much time to spend on each subtopic, and USU publications and resources that you can use for your presentations. A portion of the class will allow the participants to get practice speaking in front of an audience – I'll ask all participants to give a 5 minute presentation on a USU fact-sheet.

I adapted information from Purdue University on Orchids preparing an article for our USU Newsletter that comes out every 2 months. If you do not receive that newsletter and would like to sign up you can go to our website (<http://extension.usu.edu/saltlake/htm/newsletters>) and Subscribe, or next time you are in our office, sign up to be placed on our newsletter mailing list at our reception desk. By the way, we did remodel our reception area and we like the more open feeling and have been getting positive comments for the new reception. Karl Hauptfleisch and the Master Gardener desk is now directly to your left as you enter the office. Back to orchids, here are some fun facts

**Thanks to Jennifer Knight for accepting the roll of Volunteer Co-ordinator and to Jo Turpin and Charlene Homan for accepting the rolls of Co-Program Co-ordinators.**

about orchids, in preparation for our March Master Gardener meeting presented by Dr. Joseph Diaz.

\* Did you know that the flavoring vanilla is derived from the seed pod of the vanilla orchid, native to Mexico and Central America? The first orchid from the western hemisphere to reach Europe was vanilla, sent to Spain in 1515.

\* Orchids are the largest family of flowering plants, with an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 naturally occurring species (the orchid family is called the Orchidaceae). The orchids are the second most widely geographically distributed family, after the grasses.

\* Though we tend to think of orchids as only tropical, they occur on all continents except Antarctica. In the mid 1800's Charles Darwin gained fame with a treatise entitled *The Various Contrivances by Which Orchids Are Fertilized by Insects*. He won the Royal Society's coveted Copley Medal for this work.

\* The first man-made orchid hybrid was created in 1856. Over the years hybridizers have learned to cross as many as five genera to create a single plant – the equivalent of mixing a hummingbird with a blue jay, eagle, mallard and whooping crane.

\* Once an orchid is fertilized it produces hundreds of thousands of seeds. However, it is exceptionally difficult to grow orchids from seed. Each seed contains so little food for the infant plant that few make it even to the seedling stage. In nature, the tiny plant is nurtured by a helpful, symbiotic fungus.

\* Orchids found in temperate regions, grow in soil. Many tropical orchids grow on trees or rocks as air plants. Such plants are called 'epiphytes' are not parasites and only use trees or rocks for support. Such plants get their nutrients from decaying plant material that lodges in the bark of the tree and water that drips from leaves above.

\* To preserve orchids in the wild, it is essential to protect the insects and birds of the region. Orchids have adaptations luring insects and birds to them, all to insure

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The month of January has really gone by fast. The seed order came in a few weeks ago and I have planted some of the seeds at this time, those that take a long time to grow. The 'Glacier' tomatoes are growing quite well and I can see some blossoms on them. They are small, so it will be another two weeks before they open. The tomatoes were planted a few weeks later than other years, but are doing really well so far. I have had some problems with the verbena I had potted up last fall. I trimmed the roots and the foliage and left them in the greenhouse for a while to check for aphids. After about a month in the basement I began to see signs of the pesky bugs. I tried spraying them, but they kept coming back so I threw all of those plants out. I still have some cutting that seem to be ok. I did not want the aphids to spread to other plants.

The pelargonium cuttings are off to a great start and some are in bloom all ready. With saving all of the mother plants I can start a second batch if I have room for them. The New Guinea impatiens have all rooted and I decided to trim the mother plant and see what would happen. It also is putting out a lot of new shoots, so I will have a good crop for the spring.

I received the replacement *Fiskars* Bypass Pruner the end of December so that is another loose end taken care of from last year. Most of the time I would have just thrown them away and tried another brand or another product. I was pleasantly surprised with how easy it was to get a replacement, but you need to save the packing and the receipt to be able to file a complaint. So file that type of information away. You may need it in the future.

Late in the summer I screened out three bags of mulch and stored them in the greenhouse. I have done this other years and found that if I add some water to the screened compost it will break down a lot more before I need to use it. I use a lot of that in my potting mix when I am ready to transplant to larger containers. It helps to save some money. You can tell when winter has come. Normally the heat in the compost pile goes out and that is unless you have a BIG PILE.

The neighbor's grandson came just before Christmas with a seedling pine tree about ½ inch high planted in a small cup. He wants me to take care of it for him. He really likes plants and I have had him over looking at my garden during the summer a lot. His Grandmother pulls the same thing. When some plant is not doing well she brings it to me to make it well. I had to take it out of the small planter with no drainage and put it into a pot that would drain, I am happy to report it has grown about 1/16 of an inch, so it may survive if I don't kill it with too much good care.

Update on my computer: I have had to replace the printer and also the wireless equipment so now I have a complete new unit to work with. While I



By Wm. Golden Reeves

have been writing *Golden's Garden* this is the third computer I have had to buy.\* This should be my last as it has a lifetime warranty with parts and service-- so they tell me.

The snow has melted from the front of the house and it is mid-January, but the back is piled deep with snow. I have had to shovel paths for the dogs to go out and play in and also to do their business. In the greenhouse on a clear day the temperature gets up to 110 degrees. It is nice to have a place to go where you can get warm all over. I have a chair and now it is carpeted so it is nice to have a place to read and get warm at the same time

I am not going to hold my breath until spring comes. That is still a long ways away, but I will use the time to read those seed catalogs and do my planning. We all need to do that.

Editor's Note: Golden's column has been around longer than any of his computers!

### Maggie's Notes on Orchids, continued from page 3

pollination and reproduction. Each orchid is pollinated by a specific insect or bird and only rarely can an orchid species successfully be pollinated by another bird or insect. Because of this specificity, preservation of orchids in the wild depends on preservation of the entire ecosystem.

\* Orchid flowers have three sepals, which form the outside of the bud before the flower opens, two petals and a third modified petal called a "lip". Orchid flowers have their male and female reproductive parts (anther and stigma) fused into a single structure called the "column". The column is unique in the plant kingdom and is the key identification characteristic delineating the orchid family.

\* Orchid flowers also come in every conceivable size, small enough to fit on the nose of President Roosevelt on the US dime (*Platystele stenostachya*) to *Cattleya gigas* which forms flowers between eight and eleven inches across, sometimes in clusters bearing more than half a dozen flowers at once. *Grammatophyllum speciosum* is the giant of the orchid world. It can reach 25 feet in height with leaves up to 2½ feet long. The flower stalk can reach 8 feet, often bearing more than 100 flowers, each 5-6 inches across.

\* Orchid flowers often last for several weeks – unless they are pollinated. Once fertilized, the blossoms wilt very quickly.

A brief survey of the USDA Plant Database shows at least a dozen native orchid species that occur in Utah. Several are widely distributed in the intermountain region and found in or near Salt Lake County including stream orchid (*Epipactis gigantea*), slender spire orchid, (*Piperia unalascensis*) and Sierra bog orchid (*Platanthera dilatata*) while blunt leaved orchid (*Platanthera obtusata*) has been documented to occur only in Summit and Duchesne counties.



## CHICKEN ADVENTURES

By Val Chatwin

Della, the beautiful white hen with the black fringe, and Clara Bell, the Rhode Island Red hen, are molting. They have barely enough feathers to spottily cover their bodies; you can see bare skin. I feel sorry for them when the wind blows. Why does this happen in the winter? You'd think nature would take care of it when it is warm. The internet had nothing to say about the timing of it.

The chickens were in the yard. Usually they were on the roost by this late, but they were not going to bed. They were under the trampoline and flower bed and looking toward the coop apprehensively. Suddenly Ray saw a critter by the door. I walked out, and it ran out of the coup door, out the gate and down the strip of grass toward the road. It was large and black. The footprints in the snow were rodent so it wasn't a cat. It was too big to be a rat; we'd killed a big brown one in the summer. A weasel? I looked all around the end of the garden and couldn't find it. We went in the house.

The chickens still would not go to bed. I went out and found that the critter was back. It ran out of the coup (I was at the gate) to the back fence and into the hole the rat had made into the shed. Ray had a flashlight. It came to the front of the shed and looked at him, then scurried back amongst the feed sacks, shovels, and flower pots. It was black and silky.

We couldn't get it this night -- no light in the shed and it was too cold. We had to bring the chickens in. We thought of our cockatoo cage that we take them chicken wrangling in. We'd used it at the County Fair. It would keep them safe. Its bars were close enough that this creature couldn't get in, and it was hard to open. It was way too hot for them to be in the house and we could put this out on the deck right by the slider. We got our daughter Dana to come help us. We put the cage on the deck. It was too small for all of them so we found a big cardboard box, which rodents can chew into and put boards around it so it couldn't get to the hens. Now we had to catch them. I usually feed them bread from my hand and can catch them easily that way. They were too spooked. We drove them into the coup and I caught them one by one and they transported them to the deck and put them in the cage. They went in willingly, all except Charles, the black Polish rooster, who doesn't eat from my hand either, and attacks Dana and Ray. I had him twice but he flapped too fiercely for them to carry him, so I decided to give him up. We put a blanket around the cage and got them all settled in. It was too dark to go find black Charles. I turned to go in the house, then here he came walking up the deck stairs, right to the cage and into my hands and willingly let me put him in to safety. That was bizarre!

At first light I got my boots and coat on and went out to the shed. We'd decided it was a mink. I could not

find any evidence of it. The chickens didn't seem unhappy about spending the night cramped up in the cage and box. They flapped happily, glad to see the sun shining and to get breakfast and scatter over the yard. A couple even laid eggs in the coup.

Then an odd thing happened. That night the box and cage were still on the deck. (You have to clean the cage before you put it away, and it takes an unfrozen hose.) When it became time to go to bed the chickens came to the deck and gathered by the cage instead of going to the coup. I was surprised they were so smart. We never saw the mink again.

We have mink farmers out here and fur activists have opened cages and let the mink escape. They don't realize that these animals are used to being fed regularly and taken care of carefully. I don't think this mink would have known how to kill a chicken. It came to the front of the shed when we were chasing it. It wanted to be rescued and put back in a nice safe cage and given some food.

## January Meeting

by Val Chatwin

The general meeting on Jan. 15 was fun and interesting. Heidi Wayman presented a lecture on indoor house plants. She is a fun, funny, personable, and cute teacher who knows her stuff. She worked for Cactus and Tropicals before joining our group. It must have taken hours to prepare the information for the screen. Besides writing it you have to organize and type it. She gave us how to do it and encouraged and carefully listened to comments from the class. She had pots that she'd prepared that had conditions that took days to get to so she had prepared ahead. I learned a lot.

Our new president Kathy Dennis took charge. She is going to be great! Then she had to leave for a birthday dinner so she is a January baby. I love January. You can be inside all the time and make new curtains, repot your house plants.

I have 20 house plants, some as old as my 30 year old Ficus tree. I have a 20 year old jade plant I got when my mother died. I was able to identify some that I had not known the names of before. I'm going to start labeling them someday so I can remember what they are. I have a Dragon tree, Snake plant, and a braided trunk Schefflera tree. It is 4 feet tall and has lots of branches and mealy bugs. Once I told Bev Sudbuy I had something with mealy bugs, and she said to get it out of your house, put it in the garbage can and shut the lid. This tree doesn't seem to mind the bugs, they don't thrive on it and it is beloved by me. So far it is staying.

Kerry Morton manned the door for the meeting. It was a good crowd and I enjoyed talking to lots of my Master Gardener friends, including a couple who were at the fairs with me. Barbara Braeden got the refreshments, which were good-for-you stuff, vegetables and fruits with dip. She said it was to purge us from our Christmas gorging.

It was a fun and interesting evening. Thank you all who work so hard to make these kinds of things good.

## VAL'S VIEW

By Val Chatwin

New email address for Val Chatwin.

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No article for last month because my computer was gone.

I had Burgoyne for email and Quest for DSL I have the Tech support numbers in bold on the paper holder next to the computer—where important information goes, like my kids telephone numbers, Spider game grids, advances and new computer tips, and the chickens names card.

I would rather go out and weed my whole perennial bed than have to call tech support. They talk so fast and sometimes I don't know what they want me to do. I really admire their patience and knowledge.

Our computer guy couldn't fix it. He took the thing home, always a very bad sign, and had it for a few days. My fingers itched for its comforting keys and I got to cracking some of the neighbors walnuts without needing them for cookies. We had to have a new modem.

He also set us up with a new email address from hotmail, which is free from windows or Microsoft because it has ads on it. Now we only have a Quest bill.

It is hard for me to get used to this kind of stuff. I had to call our computer guy. He said he would be our new tech support, and he has been wonderful. I've gotten so I can receive and forward and got the old address book transferred partly over. What I do not have is the Master Gardeners addresses so if you want me to have your email address, please email me.

I also like *Pinetree Garden* seed catalogue the best, like Golden Reeves in his article last month. They have more variety and you can buy a lesser amount of seeds for a cheaper price. Their shipping charge is less than others also.

I opened up one of my seed caches, an old metal bread box with a lid that fits tight. It keeps out insects and rodents in the shed. I found it at the DI. A wonderful licorice scent wafted out. I had fennel seeds in there.

Try fennel. It has a licorice taste, is easy to grow, and is a tall and attractive herb. Its use—hmmm, have people taste as you are taking them on tours of your garden. It forms a bulb like thing at the bottom. We had some served as a vegetable next to a piece of meat at a gourmet meal on a cruise ship. Everyone thought it was asparagus, but me. I had it growing, and it tasted slightly licorice so I knew I was right.

Try chard. It is better than spinach and bears all year. It lasts through the winter, if you don't have chickens eating it. Bright Lights is colored and looks very attractive.

It's amazing! We are still eating tomatoes from last summer. I kept them in egg cartons, so each tomato had its own little cavity, in the garage. Lots did spoil. The chickens appreciate any that I toss out. They taste pretty good on a sandwich, which is funny because they were

picked so green, and you know how wonderful that huge warm slab of tomato, on a sandwich, juice running down your chin, is in the summer. It's not like that, I only use a sliver on the sandwich, but they give a little kick that we like. They are Roma's which are meatier; they were developed for tomato sauce. You see trucks transporting them to factories in California because they are so tough.

My large jade plant is blooming with 25 pretty red flowers. It was my mother's. She died 7 years ago. Last year it didn't look good because it was so leggy, so I cut it down to the top of the pot and new plants grew. It looks pretty now but I need to dead head the minute the flowers start seeding up. I'm not a good deadheader. The potted geraniums spill their petals all over the floor constantly.

## Spotlight

On Barbara Braeden

In 1978, after growing up in the Land of 10,000 Lakes, Barbara Braeden downsized to one - the Great Salt Lake. She moved here with her husband where they take full advantage of the mosquito-free outdoor life. It seems they hardly have time to do all the sailing, snowshoeing, wilderness camping and bicycling they enjoy.

Cycling is at the top of Barbara's choices. "Touring at that speed, it's easy to take in all that the countryside has to offer," she says. Her longest ride was a two-month, 4,000-mile route through Canada and the northern United States. Recent trips include an organized day ride called Bike Big Blue around scenic Lake Tahoe, and a six-day Hut-to-Hut mountain bike ride from Telluride to Moab.

In addition to traveling, her other passions include cooking, reading and of course, gardening. In her spare time Barbara is an art team volunteer at Utah Dream Center, serves as Program Director for a monthly senior luncheon and occasionally works at Spoons 'n Spice Kitchenware stores.

Barbara earned a BS Degree in Food Science/Nutrition from the University of Minnesota. She initially considered a major in horticulture. "I should have stuck with it," she says. Fortunately, her dream of working in this area is now being fulfilled as a Master Gardener.

Plantings include what Barbara calls a *kitchen* garden with edibles like carrots, beets and basil. "Last year I had fun growing tomatoes from seed," she says. The abundant crop produced enough extra for the food pantry. In the way of flowers she prefers perennials but tucks in a few annuals. Then a couple of years ago she transformed some of the yard into a xeric garden and has discovered which sun and shade-loving plants thrive.

Barbara is currently serving as Vice President on our SLMGA board.

"I feel it a great privilege to serve on the SLMGA Board," Barbara says, "and I'm very excited to see what the next two years hold."

# Calendar

Thursday, February 19

7:00pm at Columbus Center

2531 South 400 East, room 106. Hydroponics: growing plants using mineral nutrient solutions, with their roots in an inert medium such as gravel, perlite or mineral wool. Presented by Tom Diana and Sharon Forsyth of Salt Lake Plant Hydro.

*We will have an informal seed exchange after so bring those seeds you don't need or want*

March 19, 2009 Monthly Meeting  
Columbus Center at 7:00PM  
2351 South 400 East, Room 106  
Growing Orchids - All the Ins and Outs  
Presented by Dr. Joseph Diaz  
Medical Researcher at LDS Hospital

April 16 - Annual Plant Exchange

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please send a check for \$15 made out to SLMGA to:

Cathy Miller, Treasurer  
SLMGA

E-mail to get address  
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Be sure to include any change of address, phone number, or e-mail address

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**<http://extension.usu.edu/saltlake>**  
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<http://www.slmg.org/gardenPatchTOC.html>

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**YOUR ATTENDANCE AT**  
**SOME OF OUR GENERAL**  
**MEETINGS ON YOUR**  
**HOURS! IF THE MEETING IS**  
**EDUCATIONAL, SUCH AS**  
**OUR JANUARY MEET-**  
**ING ABOUT HOUSE**  
**PLANTS, YOU CAN**  
**COUNT IT!!!!**

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## Get Volunteer Hours at the Spring Home and Garden Festival

The annual Spring Home and Garden Festival show will be held at South Town Exposition Center, 9575 South State. It will offer new ideas, expert advice and a large selection of home-related products for renovating, decorating, entertaining and gardening. Master Gardeners are provided a complimentary booth and we are looking for volunteers to staff the booth during the four days. We need people for set up and packing up at the end of the show. Set up is Wednesday, March 4th anytime. Shifts are Thursday, March 5th: 2-5, 6-8, 7-10; Friday, March 6th: 12-3, 2-5, 5-8, 7-10; Saturday, March 7th: 11-2, 2-5, 4-7, 7-10; and Sunday, March 8th: 11-2, 2-5, and 5-7 plus stay to pack up.

Please contact Jenn Knight if you would like to sign up.  
jknight@networld.com

## FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING AT COLUMBUS CENTER.



2531 South 400 East, Room  
106.

DO NOT GO TO THE  
COUNTY COMPLEX.

Hydroponics  
and Seed Exchange  
Bring seeds you don't  
want and see if someone  
brings something you do  
want.

## PROJECTS

These projects are done year-round. Please volunteer if you are interested.

### Christmas Box House

Peggy Call

Email: [pcall@xmission.com](mailto:pcall@xmission.com)

### Community Talks

Jennifer Knight

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