



REMINDERS AND E-LOGBOOK TRAINING

August Webinar

Wednesday, August 7th 10-11am

Go to <http://breeze.wsu.edu/mg> and log in as a guest a few minutes before the meeting. Don't forget to run the Audio Wizard after entering the meeting to test your equipment.

Agenda for our August Webinar

- Guest Speaker – Kerri Wilson (new Pierce County Master Gardener Interim Program Coordinator—welcome, Kerri!)
Topic – *The People's Garden Grant*, multi-state research grant focusing on school gardens and nutrition, partnering with SNAP-Ed and the potential for 4-H collaboration
- Reporting Contacts in Your County
- Coordinators' Meeting at State Conference in Everett on Thursday, September 26th 9:30am-12:15pm

September Webinar

Wednesday, September 4th 10-11am

- Guest Speaker – Michele Huffman (Clark County Master Gardener)
- Topic – Clark County's MG Program Share Point Site

September Meeting at State MG Conference

Thursday, September 26th

Continental Breakfast Available 9am, please join us for some social time.

Meeting from 9:30am to 12:15pm (lunch will be provided)

Theme: *All About Training*

Steve Garl with Global Campus will present (either online or in person) and answer all of your burning questions regarding the online training.

Do you have a hands-on/in-class activity you'd like to share with the other coordinators? Please let me know.

If you have not contacted me to let me know whether or not you plan to attend, please do so by Friday, August 30th.

Yakima County E-logbook Training in Everett – This is the project that was shared by Yakima County at our June meeting.

Save the Date: Wednesday, September 25th, 2013

Location: Snohomish County Extension Office

Time: 10am-4pm

Cost: \$125 for first attendee from each county and \$50 for each additional attendee from that county.

Please let me know if you are interested in attending, the training will only be held if enough counties want to participate.

State MG Program Website

The [State MG Program Website](#) is chalk full of resources.

You might want to set it as your home page, create a shortcut from your desktop, or save it to your favorites.

<http://mastergardener.wsu.edu/>

Please don't hesitate to call or email me with questions, though. I am here, and always happy, to help!

State MG Share Point Site

Want to share or borrow presentations or glean ideas from another county's evaluation tool?

You can also find training schedules and other items on our [Share Point Site](#).

http://mastergardener.wsu.edu/staff-and-volunteers/tools_for-program-management/

The Share Point Site link is at the bottom of the webpage.

Log in with your WSU User ID and your WSU password.

NATIONAL AND STATE CONFERENCES

American Community Garden Conference

It's not too late to register for the [American Community Garden Conference](#) Thursday, August 8th

through Saturday, August 10th in Seattle!

<http://www.communitygarden.org/conference/>

2013 Master Gardener Advanced Education Conference (Flier Attached)

September 26-28, 2013

Hansen Conference Center at Comcast Arena

Everett, WA

Great Rates have been negotiated on Top Notch Hotels near the Conference Center
(please open attachment)

For Complete Conference and Hotel Information please go to:

www.wa-mg-conf.org

"Celebrating 40 Years of Growing... Together"

Sharing Success at the State Advanced Education Conference

Do you have ...

- a Master Gardener in your program with a special skill or project?
- a tried-and-true display to educate the public?

Have you created ...

- a hands-on activity for children?
- partnerships in your community?

Do you have a demonstration garden that ...

- showcases a particular gardening technique?
- targets a particular demographic?

Are you willing to share these or any other achievements ...

- so we can recognize and celebrate the hard work and bright ideas of Master Gardeners in your county

For more information on format and timing ...

visit mastergardener.wsu.edu/mgfws or contact jane.billinghurst@gmail.com

RESOURCES, PEST-SIGHTINGS AND A FIELD TOUR

Publication Information Update

Please see the attached *July 2013 Publication Information Pack* document. It lists new and revised publications.

New Publications:

PNW644 *Field Guide for Integrated Pest Management in Pacific Northwest Vineyards*

PNW643 *Powdery Mildew on Sugar Beet: Importance, Identification, and Control*

PNW647 *Corn Smuts*

Revised Publications:

EB1326E *Storing Vegetables and Fruits at Home*

MISC155 *Forest Stewardship Handbook*

New OSU bulletin

This bulletin covers the newly introduced Azalea Lace Bug, *Stephanitis pyeroides*

Download it for free at

<http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/xmlui/bitstream/handle/1957/40424/em9066.pdf>

Mountain ash sawfly

The first hint of the second wave of this sawfly was found in Everett last night (7/30/2013). A single cluster of sawflies and a few unhatched eggs were collected from a branch. Check trees for the next week or two, depending on your location. First check to see if this sawfly has arrived at a tree near you. Look for branches defoliated earlier in spring; only the petioles and midribs remain.

The first sign is a ratty leaflet at the tip of the compound leaf. The larvae are pretty tiny but look very closely, they are there. Early intervention will reduce defoliation substantially and reduce that third generation in fall.

Photos of life stages

<http://snohomish.wsu.edu/newsletters/BugsandBlights/2013JuneBugsandBlights.pdf>

Biology and scouting

<http://pnwhandbooks.org/insect/hort/landscape/hosts-and-pests/mountain-ash-sorbus -mountain-ash-sawfly>

Home and Commercial pesticides registered for sawflies (make sure the host is on the label).

<http://pnwhandbooks.org/insect/hort/landscape/common/landscape -pests-sawfly>

Japanese beetle

Dave Pehling says, "keep your eyes open" for the Japanese beetle. We have populations that come in on planes using the King County airport. No 'wild' populations have been discovered in WA yet.

If you find a suspect, collect it, freeze it, get it identified, and send it to WSDA

(<http://agr.wa.gov/PlantsInsects/InsectPests/Exotics/>) Call 1-877-9-INFEST to report a pest!

Japanese Beetles threaten Oregon's agriculture, nursery industries

<http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2013/07/japanese-beetles-threaten-oreg.html>

Poplar for Biofuels – Pilchuck Field Tour August 19

Near Stanwood, Washington, hybrid poplar trees are growing to demonstrate the potential of purpose-grown woody crops for biofuel production in the Northwest.

Join policymakers, Extension professionals, and researchers in learning about the latest biofuel developments in the Northwest focusing on:

- Cellulosic biofuels and the Renewable Fuel Standard
- Hybrid poplars as a renewable energy crop in Western Washington
- Biomass production tour highlighting operational and research poplar plots

When: Monday, August 19, 2013 | 10:30am – 1:00pm

Where: Stanwood, WA

RSVP: Lunch provided! Please respond no later than August 12, 2013 to reserve your space and your meal.

Contact Nora Haider at WSU Extension nora.haider@wsu.edu.

Archived Webinar – Wildfires in the PNW

<https://learn.extension.org/events/1132>

New National Repository for Extension Master Gardener Coordinators - Draft

<http://create.extension.org/node/88394>