### MASTER GARDENER SEMINARS

**SE Corner of the Red Zone**

#### Friday • July 17, 2015

- **10:30** Maintaining your Health while Gardening with Lee Ann Aronson
  - Learn how to prevent injury to your back and knees while maintaining good health with three special types of gardening.

- **11:45** Watering Basics and Irrigation through the Summer with Jim Oravetz
  - How to preserve good plant health, reduce waste and lower water bills with the appropriate watering schedule for Summer and every season.

- **1:00**  Citrus Care with Dave Haase
  - What you can do today to sustain your winter yield. The best success practices to apply to citrus all year round: selection, watering, fertilizing, and pest management. Handout included.

- **2:15** Preparing for the Fall with Beth Rohls
  - How minimal Summer yard work can give you that beautiful landscape for the fall. Topics will include fertilizing, pruning, watering for trees, shrubs, lawns, cactus, and plant times for specific plants.

#### Saturday • July 18, 2015

- **10:30** Creating a Successful Raised Garden with Don Sutton
  - What is a raised garden and why are they so popular? Come find out everything you need to know, when, and why.

- **11:45** Watering Basics and Irrigation through the Summer with Jim Oravetz (See Friday)

- **1:00**  Saving your Trees from the Monsoon Season with Cathy Rymer
  - Just in time for monsoon season, join Master Gardener and ISA certified arborist, Cathy Rymer, on how to avoid common mistakes that contribute to tree failure in storms.

- **2:15** The Many Benefits of Collecting Rainwater with Paul Holdeman
  - Learn how to capture rainwater and use the latest technology. Take part in water reclamation and use – even people who live in HOAs.

- **3:30** Cool Off with Ponding with Paul Holdeman
  - What better place to garden in our Phoenix heat than knee-deep in water! Learn the right way to care for your living pond or stream, and your fishies will thank you.

#### Sunday • July 19, 2015

- **10:30** The Basics of Composting with Pam Perry
  - Composting recycles nutrients and yard waste bringing the garden full cycle. Learn the basics of backyard composting, how to reduce contribution to the waste stream and create the ultimate “black gold” soil gardeners dream of.

- **11:45** Watering Basics and Irrigation through the Summer with Jim Oravetz (See Friday)

- **1:00** What do Vegetable Gardeners do in the Summertime with Pam Perry
  - How spending a little time on just a few chores during the summer months reaps the benefits of monsoon planting in October. Gardens will have soil and compost ready for starting those wonderful fall veggies. Pam will be sharing her short summer “to do list!”

- **2:15** Summer Lawn Care with Sharon Dewey
  - Learn how to have a lawn that is the “green envy” of your neighborhood. Tips include: water conservation, how to fertilize, mow, and when to dethatch. Includes a monthly Turf Tip Guide handout and “Watering by the Numbers.”

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**Gardening Book Sale:** Make sure to visit the Master Gardener seminar area for books by experts on gardening in our desert conditions. There will be special show prices for these books from the Arizona Master Gardener Press.

**Do you have a turfgrass question?**
- Master Gardener & Certified Turfgrass Professional, Sharon Dewey, will be available to answer your questions Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Master Gardener seminar area.

**DONATE A NEW BACKPACK & RECEIVE TWO (2) FREE ADMISSION TICKETS & HELP MARICOPA COUNTY IN-NEED STUDENTS GET A HEAD START BACK TO SCHOOL.**

Your ticket to the Summer 2015 Maricopa County Home Show can be a needy student’s ticket to a successful start to the school year! One in five children under the age of 18 in Maricopa County lives in poverty, leaving many families unable to buy the essentials that will prepare their students for learning. You can help!

Donate any three (3) of the following school supplies and receive one (1) free ticket: 4-pack of glue sticks, pack of ballpoint pens (12/box), box of no. 2 pencils (12/box), box of colored pencils (12/box), box of water-based markers (8/box), box of crayons (16/box), 4-pack of dry erase markers, single subject spiral-bound notebook, package of loose-leaf notebook paper, pocket folders, Scotch tape.

The Maricopa County Education Service Agency will be on-site at Gate 2 collecting the backpacks and school supplies, as well as offering information on volunteering in schools and innovative educational programs that aim to ensure all 713,000 school-age children in Maricopa County graduate college and career ready. Donations of gently used books, appropriate for elementary-age readers, will also be accepted.