

Learn how to grow beautiful, productive gardens

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Melinda Myers, gardening expert, TV/radio host and author, invites Wisconsin residents of all ages to learn how to grow nutritious food and landscapes no matter their space, time or budget limitations.

From April through September, Myers will produce and provide libraries and their patrons throughout Wisconsin educational content, including live webinars, how-to videos, do-it-yourself projects and other ac-

tivities at no cost thanks to underwriting sponsor We Energies.

Wisconsin residents can register for the three live webinars with Myers via the links below:

- "Growing a Bountiful Harvest Even When Time, Space & Budget are Limited," 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18. Register at bit.ly/37NnUJL.

- "Gardening in a Changing Climate," 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3. Register at bit.ly/37NnUJL.
- "Fall is for Planning and Planting an Energy-Saving

Landscape," 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13. Register at bit.ly/37NnUJL.

The webinars will be recorded and housed for on-demand viewing on Milwaukee Public Library's YouTube Channel.

The videos and garden-related activities that will be offered include:

- Host a Seed Swap (April/May) — Gather with library patrons, friends and family for a seed swap at your local library, if you're hosting one, or host one

yourself. Then share and receive surplus seeds with others in your community.

- Grow a Tomato in a Pot (June) — Learn how to successfully grow tomatoes in a container for a bountiful harvest.

- Go on a Bug Hunt (July) — Learn more about the good bugs in your garden and neighborhood and why they are so important.

- Worm Composting (August) — Learn all about converting kitchen scraps into a nutrient-rich soil amendment

and how it can help boost the beauty and productivity of your garden.

All information will be loaded throughout the season to the program web page melindamyers.com/articles-grow-better-wise-egg-free-ful-gardens-anywhere. Seed Swap Activity Guide is not available.

Contact your local public library for additional activities and related books and information.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Community egg hunt at King Center

RACINE — Racine Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services will host a community egg hunt for ages 14 and younger from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, April 6, at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 1134 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive.

The free event will include an egg hunt, games, children's activities and food.

Starting times are: Ages 5 and younger, 5 p.m.; ages 6-9, 5:30 p.m.; ages 10-14, 6 p.m.

For more information, call the King Center at 262-656-9237.

Disposal event set for April 8

RACINE — The City of Racine is hosting a free drop-off disposal event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 8, at 1800 S. Memorial Drive.

While residents are normally charged, tires, microwaves, TVs, computer monitors, frozen appliances and non-frozen white goods such as washers, dryers, stoves, ranges, dishwashers and hot water heaters, will be free to dispose of at this event.

Proof of residency in the city is needed. Driver's licenses and property tax bills can be used as proof of residence.

Eight tires are allowed to be dumped per resident. Commercial and business drop-offs are

not allowed. For more information, call 262-656-9126.

An additional drop-off event will be scheduled for September.

Golf club accepting new members

RACINE — The Johnson Park Retired Men's Golf Club is holding its annual new member registration for the 2023 golf season which begins May 2 and runs through September.

League play is on Tuesday mornings with permanent tee times assigned between 7:20 and 8:45 a.m. Interested groups or individuals are encouraged to sign up early in order to secure one of these limited tee times.

Annual dues are \$60 and include a Racine city golf card, Johnson Park club house/proshop discounts, and a season-ending banquet with awards and door prizes.

To register or for more information, call text Terry Snyder at 262-989-5101.

Future reimagined is art show topic

RACINE — Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, a campus of the Racine Art Museum at 2519 Northwestern Ave., invite artists to share their ideas about what a potential future could look like for the upcoming Wustum exhibition, "Futures Reimagined: RAM

Community Art Show" June 14 through Aug. 5.

Artwork can be used to revisit the past, document and comment on the present, and envision the future.

As RAM celebrates its 20th anniversary in Downtown Racine throughout 2023, considerations of the past are inevitable. However, anniversaries also offer a meaningful opportunity to think about what comes next.

The 2023 edition of RAM's annual, community-focused exhibition is organized with Scott Terry of Mahogany Gallery and is inspired by the theme of Mahogany Gallery's second annual Wisconsin black art and culture expo, Black Futures. As a part of Futures Reimagined, Terry is inviting artists to participate in the next iteration of the Expo theme, "Black Futures 2."

The show is free to enter and open to any artist who has taken a class or workshop at RAM's Wustum Museum within the last five years.

Racine Art Guild members, Racine school teachers, and RAM members, volunteers and staff are also invited to submit artwork. Submissions must have been made within the last three years and cannot have been previously exhibited at Racine Art Museum or Wustum Museum.

Further information and a downloadable entry form are available on the RAM website, ramart.org. Entries must either be dropped off at Wustum Museum

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday or Saturday, May 12-13; or shipped to arrive at Racine Art Museum, 441 Main St., Racine, WI 53403, by Thursday, May 11.

Volunteers needed for annual crane count

RACINE — The International Crane Foundation needs volunteers for the annual Midwest Crane Count from 5:30-7:30 a.m. Saturday, April 15. Each year participants travel to their local wetlands and favorite birding locations to survey the Sandhill and Whooping Cranes and report the data collected.

The survey takes place in more than 150 counties in seven states including all of Wisconsin and portions of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Ohio.

Each crane count site will have a county coordinator who will assign a site and provide instructions on how to participate and report the data. People can visit cranecount.org to view the list of county coordinators and find other useful links on how to download the data sheet and enter data. To become a county coordinator, call 608-356-9462.

Data collected will be available on the foundation's website to study sandhill crane population trends and new areas where cranes are colonizing. The survey is also a powerful tool for creating

awareness about cranes and their wetland habitats.

The International Crane Foundation works worldwide to conserve cranes and the ecosystems, watersheds, and flyways on which they depend.

Humane Society vaccine clinics

MOUNT PLEASANT — The Wisconsin Humane Society Racine Campus, 8000 10th St., will hold a vaccine clinic for dogs and cats from 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Thursdays, April 20 and 27.

Appointments are required. If a person is bringing more than one animal, they will need to request an appointment time for each animal.

To best prepare for the clinic these tips should be followed:

- Dogs should be on a leash and cats in a carrier.

- Bring the animal's prior vaccine history if they have any. A signed rabies certificate is the only acceptable form of proof for prior rabies vaccines.

- Animals must be healthy, not pregnant, and able to be safely handled.

- The animal's guardian must be present to give vaccination consent.

Costs are: Distemper, \$15; rabies, \$15; bordetella, \$20; microchip, \$25.

To make an appointment, go to wihumane.org. For more information, call 262-554-6690.

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