

**We will
start
our
meeting
at 6:00
pm.**

Humboldt & Del Norte October 2021

Meeting will be recorded and made
available upon request



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Ask a Master Gardener Online Garden Hour Workshop Series

WE NEED YOUR EXPERT HELP!

Informal and fun exchange of gardening information

2 step registration:

Sign up on VMS:
vms-mg.ucanr.edu

Sign up for Zoom Link:
ucanr.edu/ask or included on VMS calendar **29 registered**



Join the panel of **Humboldt and Del Norte Master Gardeners** for our 2nd Thursdays **Zoom Gardening Hour**.

The garden hour starts with an interesting discussion on the listed topics and then we open up the room for all your gardening questions.

Do you have questions about: your vegetable garden, pests in your home or garden, how to select the right plants for the right place, climate zones, pruning shrubs and trees? Join us for live workshops to learn and ask questions

Register at
<http://ucanr.edu/helpmg>



UCCE Master Gardeners of
Humboldt and Del Norte Counties

Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm

- SEP 9** Learn to Compost with Worms
- OCT 14** Planting & Care of Daffodils
- NOV 11** Mulches: the Good, the Bad, and the Sadly Wrong
- DEC 9** All the Buzz About Bees



Book Club

- Updates from Susan Kornfeld
- Register at Eureka Library
<https://forms.gle/MUrppciehH9axU9w6>
- Earn 1 hour CE for book reading
(set by our state office)
- Earn up to 1.5 hours for attending discussion via Zoom meetings
- Want to join the committee?

October's Book Topic
10/15/21 6-7 pm



FINDING THE MOTHER TREE

Discovering the
Wisdom of the Forest

SUZANNE SIMARD



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40% off UCANR Books

ORDER BOOKS AT 40% discount – October 15-31st promo code:
PERSIMMON * see next slide for instructions

Books for Training

- Do you have the 2nd Edition of the MG Handbook – published 2015 ?
2016 + trainees should have been issued the 2nd edition
- ANR - Abiotic Disorders of Landscape Plants:
A Diagnostic Guide
- ANR – Pests of Landscape Trees and Shrubs
- ANR – The Home Orchard
- ANR – Pests of Garden and Small Farm Third Edition



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Only for UCANR Master Gardeners

Steps for ordering with code:

- 1) Visit anrcatalog.ucanr.edu (or Kindle store for e-books)
- 2) Order publications
- 3) Create a customer account to check out – DO NOT check out as a guest.
- 4) Enter promo code PERSIMMON in the Shopping Cart portion of your account. Please note that the promo code field will only be available if you are logged into your account and you have placed a publication in your cart. Once you are logged into your account, and you have added a publication to your shopping cart, you will be taken to the Shopping Cart page that asks for your PROMOTION CODE. Once you enter the promotion code, be sure to click on the yellow “Add” tab in the PROMOTION CODE box. You will receive a pop-up that states that your promotion code has been added, and then the field will once again be empty. The system will deduct the 40 percent discount at checkout.



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2022 Humboldt/Del Norte Training Updates

- Training will be Hybrid – Weekly online classes
- In-Person – 1 Saturday a month (March/April/May)
- Tuesdays 9am-1:30pm starting 1/25/22 thru end of May – total 19 weeks
- Veteran Master Gardeners are all welcome to attend online classes and attend monthly in-person – posted on VMS calendar – shows topic and speaker – Earn CE credit
- Veterans can Earn Vol credit for helping with various tasks – opportunities to be posted
- Currently interviewing 40 applicants
- Information Meeting Recording from 9/14/21 https://youtu.be/5_NqcNercmw



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Volunteer Opportunities for Training

1. Attend and participate at the Informational meeting 9/14/21 8:30-10:30. Volunteer on VMS calendar. Register for Zoom link is found on VMS calendar..
2. Trainee Selection Committee – Tom, June, Myron, Martha, Grant, Maria
3. Attending weekly classes for CE portion, Volunteer portion or both
4. Attending monthly in-person events. Earn volunteer or CE (it's what you sign up for)
5. Mentoring – who is interested? Let Sherida know
6. Help with grading as needed.
7. Help plan graduation celebration, ect.



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Badge Orders – Still Delayed

Delayed –statewide new vendor

Sorry for the delay:

new Gold badges – Zeal and Myron
replacement badges ordered



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MG Lifetime Achievements

250 Hours

Jackie Tidwell
Bill Peer
Jon Daigneault

500 Hours

Maria Krenek

750 Hours

Tom Schrader

Platinum Badge
2,500 Hours

June Walsh
Terry Allaway

Gold Badge
1,000 Hours

Tim Walsh
Zeal Stefanoff
Myron Kelso



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Presentations – They are watching

Live Presentations – L4HSU

55	- 6/25 Vegetable Garden Basics
27	- 7/07 Heather Growing Basics
11	- 7/14 Designing with Heaths and Heathers
22	- 7/16 IPM
50	- 7/21 Success with Houseplants
137	- 7/23 Wildfires

Online Presentations

ACP & HLB
Dark Side of Plants Poisonous Plants
Apple Pruning Demo
African Violets

Recorded Virtual Classes

	Prior	Current
	112	114
	1,666	2,068
	78	108
	26	26
	64	64
	199	203
	75	82
	81	96
	56	59
	202	204
302 Total	2,566 @ 9/1	3,024 @ 10/1 + 458



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Ask a MG Help Desk

MGs earn Volunteer Hours

- Advise to Grow by Help Desk for is for home gardeners in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties. The Help Desk is located on our website. They complete a Help Desk Ticket and submit online.
- https://ucanr.edu/sites/hdnmastergardeners/Help_Desk_-_Ask_A_Master_Gardener/
- Please help with providing responses when the Help Desk email goes out to you. Provide your recommendations and links to approved online resources. Earn volunteer service hours for your time responding and researching.



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Question for 10/14 Zoom Gardening Hour

Do avocados grow well in Fortuna? How does one determine the species of avocados?

Do daffodils need watering in the summer dry months for best spring blooming?



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Description of the problem or question

catpillars chewing holes in leafs of many plants in garden this year Want to know what they are and how to start early next year to avoid so much damage on so many plants. The other thing I'm noticing is there is a small bug, looks like a small, fat spider along a webbed, curled Rhodie leaf. A commonality on all of these plants is there is something that looks similar to a dandylion sphere, although I don't think it is that. And sometimes there's just a piece of the sphere. I've taken more pictures than you've allowed. I'll do my best on picking and choosing. Didn't find worms today, just spider looking thing.

On top, new growth 2 leafs will be sandwiched together & I find either webbing with a worm inside or the actual worm. First noticed probably around early July. We have an open field behind us & it's quite windy. I wonder if this is contributing to the amount of this occurrence. This is on 2-year old plants: Guava bush and Hugeli Alyogyne huegelii. Also on many other plants too numerous to list, but some are a camellia, Veronica, Mum, Strawberry, Dahlias, Hydrangea. Seem to be on smooth-leafed plants. I also have a lot of earwigs. Could this be related? Dahlias had many earwigs. Would appreciate any help. Thanks, Laura

Describe the normal care you give this plant:

I water once a week by hand. I don't over-fertilize. I manually take leafs off. I have sprayed some plants with BTU. Apparently didn't start early enough. This is why I'd like to understand the cycle of these and what I can do in the future to head this problem off.

Have you changed the care? If so when and what is different?

Haven't changed the care.

How many hours of direct sunlight does this plant get during the day?

Varies by plant.

How do you water? How often?

Once a week.

What is your soil like and is there good drainage for this plant?

We have fairly nice soil. I do amend with bagged soil to make a nicer soil for new plants.



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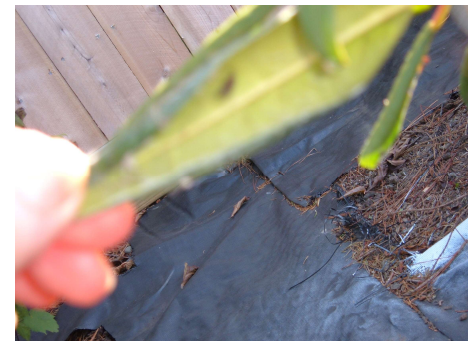
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Do you have a plant diagnosis
or victory to share?



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Other Topics/Questions?



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UCANR COVID No Change from updates 7/26/21

Face Mask Use

Outdoor activities with youth and adults: County mandates that masks are required.

Indoor activities with youth and adults: Face masks required for everyone due to children under the age of 12 not being eligible for the vaccine.

Indoor activities with adults only: Face masks required for unvaccinated adults. Post the [signs about facemask requirements](#) (PDF- 3 pages).

Indoor Physical Distancing

Maintaining a minimum of 3 feet between participants is required for **indoor youth** activities.

Maintain 6 feet of distancing during times when members and volunteers are not masked due to eating or drinking.

Maintain hygiene practices

After each use, clean and disinfect workspaces and equipment, wash hands often, and/or use hand sanitizer.



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In Person Activities

Status – Must remain fluid, as protocols may change

- UCANR has provided updates
- UCANR has updated protocol for offices
 - Humboldt County **offices** is requiring everyone to wear masks at this time. **This includes our UC office**

Want to do in person?

- Send in activity request form for approval

Farmer's Markets –

- Crescent City- has been approved, papers signed
- Any other locations?
- Need Agreements **signed only by Yana**
- Get information along with contact name, email, phone number to Sherida



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COVID-19 Updates

- New – ALL in-person volunteer MUST be immediately logged into VMS – showing actual date with time recorded in “note” section as well as who you interacted with 10 minutes or longer.
- Only outside approved activities.
- If you meet with anyone for 10 minutes or longer, you must keep a contact tracing log. Here is the UCANR contact log [link](#).

REMINDER

ALL In-person activities require pre-approval from County Director, Yana. This is a UCANR State Office directive. Submit your activity(s) using [the My form](#). **Approval must be obtained in order to volunteer as a MG and log hours for service and CE.**

- Currently Yana has approved the following sites. However *everyone* [must submit a request](#) in a request for approval before working :
 - Humboldt Botanical Garden
 - Hospice House in Eureka
 - Humboldt Bay Wildlife Reserve
 - CR Garden Project - New
 - Anne B Ryan House



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Annual Celebration June 2022

- Celebrate graduation for 2022 class and Awards/Recognition
 - Decided it would be best to do 2 celebrations, one in Del Norte and one in Humboldt
 - June suggested Humboldt Botanical Garden
- January – co-event with MFPs



Volunteer Opportunity Invites

McKinleyville Ace Hardware – ask a Master
Gardener Table

Blue Lake Tribes Community Garden

IPM – Myron

Water Conservation - Myron

Plant Propagation - ????



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Month by Month Plant and Garden Care

Each month for CE we will be drafting a month- by- month plant care schedule

Input from MGS will be compiled and put on our website and emailed monthly to our newsletter recipients.

Make your lists and submit in the survey form which will be provided.

What are you doing or should be doing in your garden?

This Month –

Next Month -



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Treasury Report Thru 5/31/2021

Appropriations:

1/1/2021 Beginning Balance	\$ 1,213.35	
Donations	100.00	
Total Funds Received		\$1,313.35

Program Expenses:

Awards Gold/Platinum Badges		
Supplies	-115.81	
Total Expenditures		<u>-115.81</u>

Cash Fund Balance **\$1,197.54**

Who would like to volunteer to be the treasurer?



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Upcoming Presentations/Demonstrations

Sherida will contact you directly for planning.

Digital Flyers Produced by – Tom



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~~2020,2021~~ 2023 MG Conference

Now Oct 2-Oct 6 2023 Tahoe City, California

For more information:

<https://ucanr.edu/sites/2020MGConference/>

Nestled on the [North Shore](#) of Lake Tahoe, Tahoe City is the crown jewel of the Sierra Nevada and the ideal location for the 2020 UC Master Gardener Conference. The conference is being hosted at [Granlibakken Tahoe](#), a resort built around *connection* - with adventure, land, water and sky with great food, and one another.

Located minutes from Tahoe City the Granlibakken prides itself on preserving the natural environment and providing a space that feels like old Tahoe. Recreational activities (swimming, volleyball, tennis, biking and hiking) are all on conference grounds, and a 1.5 mile private trail leads to North Lake Tahoe.



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UCANR COVID-19 Documents

- Stay updated with current protocols. Find these on our MG website within the Volunteer only pages.
 - [Access directly on website](#) to Volunteer only Pages this requires signing in with your sign-in and password (same as your VMS sign-in and password)

OR BY ACCESSING VMS

- Once in the Volunteer only section, from the left side navigation panel select COVID Updates and Protocols
- Make sure to read COVID-19 Phase 2 Information for UCANR Programs & Volunteers

***Remember, you must receive an approval
for all in-person activities before engagement.***

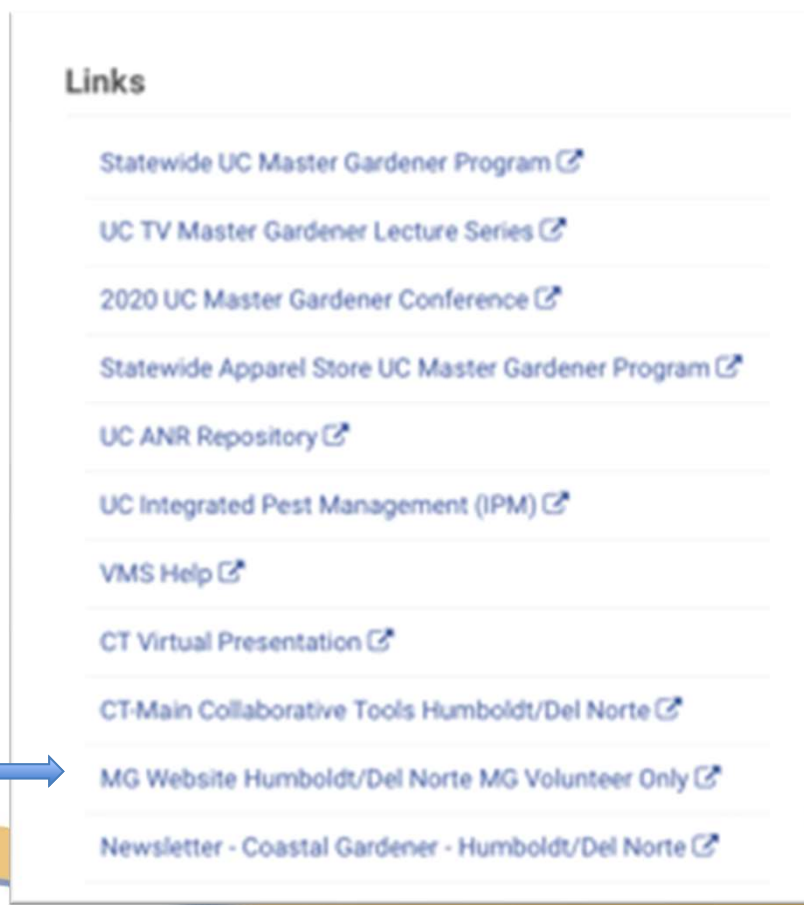
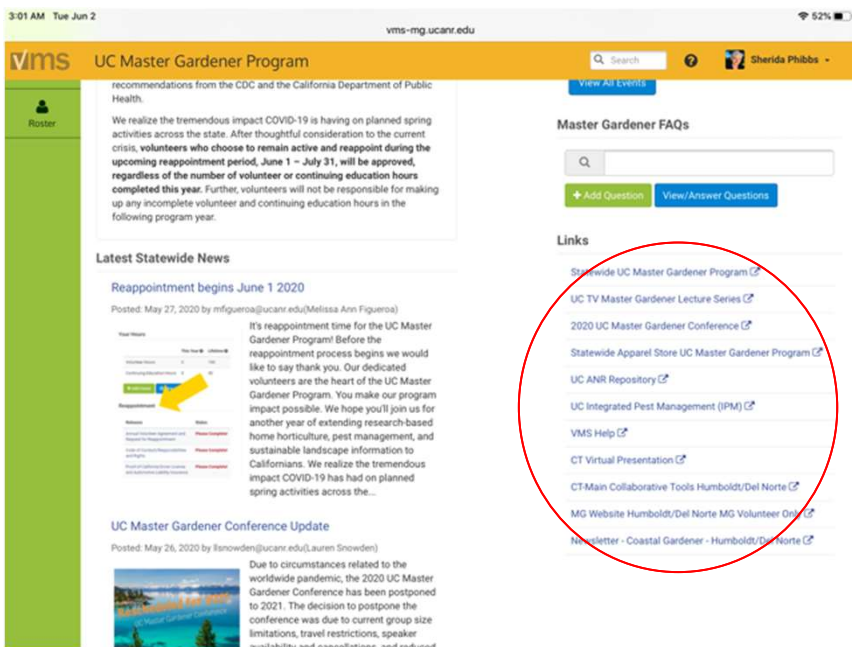


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UCANR COVID-19 Documents

- Access through VMS home page – click on MG Website Humboldt/Del Norte MG Volunteer Only



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Our Online Presence

- UCCE Master Gardeners of Humboldt & Del Norte Website
<https://ucanr.edu/sites/hdnmastergardeners/>
- Facebook www.fb.me/HumboldtMG
- Newsletter The Coastal Gardener - Sign up
<https://ucanr.edu/survey/surveyadmin/surveyLink.cfm>



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2020/21 Program Year Requirements

- **Volunteer Hours – 25 expected**
 - COVID Exception hours count (not to exceed 25 hours)
 - In-person activities – only when preapproved – *may not represent yourself as a MG or log hours if not preapproved*
 - At home activities – many activities qualify – see listing



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Current Volunteer Opportunities

Earn Volunteer Service Hours:

- What do you want to do? Check with Sherida –Let’s see if we can make it happen for you!
- In-person activities – *only after Yana approves the in-person activity*
- Pictures for Facebook sharing – email to Sherida
- Help Desk responding/research
- CE Presentation at our monthly Zoom MG meeting
- Recording How to Videos – Will be posted on our Website and Facebook.
- Record a short PowerPoint Presentation – Your choice of subject – Will be posted on our website
- Help develop Website content
- Newsletter articles – Due 12/18 for January “Winter” edition
- Committees – Let’s form committees –
- Help develop monthly garden chore/maintenance lists for website
- More activities.....