

# The Monterey Bay Master Gardeners

## What's Happening in the MBMG

### July 2010

**MBMG Meeting  
Jr. Master Gardener Program  
Hotline Calendar**

#### **Monterey Bay Master Gardeners Meeting**

The next meeting of the Monterey Bay Master Gardeners is scheduled Saturday, July 31, from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm. If you haven't already RSVP'd, please let Amy Savage know via email ([amy-savage@sbcglobal.net](mailto:amy-savage@sbcglobal.net)) if you will be attending (carpooling is highly encouraged, as parking is limited).

WHERE: Master Gardener Alicia Molina's home - 130 Strawberry Canyon Road, Watsonville

#### **AGENDA TOPIC: *How Does Your Yard Measure Up?***

This is a review of the 'Train the Trainer' Workshop on Sustainable Landscape Practices, led by the MBMG SLUGS (Sustainable Landscape and Urban Gardening Squad)

10:00 a.m. - **Welcome by Amy Savage and Announcements**

10:30 a.m. - **Introduction of the SLUGS and Purpose by Alicia Molina**

10:45 a.m. - **Breakout Sessions**

Alicia Molina – Soil (including compost/mulch/fertilizers) and Training Adult Learners

Susan Uydess – Invasive Plants and Trees and Encouraging Wildlife Habitats

Joanne Schaper/Karen Bernard – Water Quality and Conservation

DeeDee Osborne – Landscape to Reduce Waste and Permeable Hardscapes

11:45 a.m. - **Q&A/Wrap-up**

12:00 p.m. - **Potluck Lunch & Networking with your MBMG Friends**

Last names L-Z, please bring an appetizer, salad or main dish to share. Last names A-K, please bring fruit or a dessert to share. Also, please bring your own plate, cutlery, napkin and cup. Water and coffee will be provided.

#### **Junior Master Gardener Program**

As previously announced, 4H and MBMG are planning on starting a Jr Master Gardener program in the old Youth Garden. Well, it is happening. We have 4H leaders and MGs signed up along with 10+ kids. We had our 1st meeting at the garden on 6/26. The kids will help maintain the garden as they get their plants ready for the Santa Cruz County Fair.

We also will train them on composting, worm composting, water & pest management, winterizing the garden, making birdhouses etc. as well as other facets of the program. We will need MG's to help lead sessions so volunteer opportunities are plenty.

I think this will be an exciting and rewarding program for MBMG involvement. The Jr Master Gardener program is a nationwide one with a specific curriculum for the kids. I've been to the website and read thru the training manual and I think the program is great for the kids. If you would like to visit the website, go to [www.jmgkids.us](http://www.jmgkids.us)

Paula Anthony from the 2006 class has agreed to help coordinate the program from the MBMG side. If you would like to get involved, please contact Paula or myself. Thanks, Simon.

## HOTLINE Calendar for July 2010

<b>Hotline July (current as of July 1 )</b>				
To sign up for a shift, contact Martye 831-633-6435 or <a href="mailto:martyel@prodigy.net">martyel@prodigy.net</a>				
<b>June 28</b> E Franco, M Franco, F Grate	June 29	<b>June 30</b> Michael Reid	July 1	<b>July 2</b>
<b>July 5</b> CLOSED	July 6	<b>July 7</b> LeAnn Keaton	July 8	<b>July 9</b> Melita Israel
<b>July 12</b> Susan Uydess	July 13	<b>July 14</b> LeAnn Keaton	July 15	<b>July 16</b> Melita Israel
<b>July 19</b> Michael Reid	July 20	<b>July 21</b> LeAnn Keaton	July 22	<b>July 23</b> CLOSED
<b>July 26</b> E Franco, M Franco,	July 27	<b>July 28</b> Michael Reid	July 29	<b>July 30</b> Michael Reid

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