

2021 Historian Report

Yavapai County

Master Gardener Association

Master Gardeners are trained volunteers who provide educational information to Cooperative Extension clientele.



Assembled by Lisa Gerber, January 2022



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2021 MGA OFFICERS



LORI DEKKER
PRESIDENT



LAURA MINEER
PRESIDENT-ELECT



JO GLAVES
SECRETARY



SHARON MARMADUKE
TREASURER



JENNIFER MORELAND
PAST PRESIDENT



2021 OFFICERS COMMITTEES

President: Lori Dekker
 President-elect: Laura Mineer
 Secretary: Jo Glaves
 Treasurer: Sharon Marmaduke
 Past President: Jenn Moreland



Committees

<p style="text-align: center;">Membership</p> <p>Chair: Cathy Michener</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pam Bowman • Betty Loos • Barbara Saul <p><u>Mentor Coordinators</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescott: Cindy Pitcher • Verde: Kathleen Green 	<p style="text-align: center;">Program/Education</p> <p><u>Verde</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Speakers: Judy Cowan • Tours / Educational Events: Lisa Gerber, Pam Edwards <p><u>Prescott</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Speakers: Herdis Maclellan, Lori Dekker • Tours / Educational Events: Peggy Stair, Carolyn Shelley, Paula Lund 	<p style="text-align: center;">Social</p> <p><u>Verde</u></p> <p>Chair: Karen O'Donnell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pam Edwards <p><u>Prescott</u></p> <p>Chair: Diane Benjamin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ann Baugh
<p style="text-align: center;">Communications</p> <p>Chair: Lee Atonna Co-chair: Doug Arthur</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracy Wiederaenders (MG FB) • Carolyn Shelley (MG FB) • Pam Dunn (MG FB) • Nora Graf (Newsletter) • Lee Atonna (Connections) • Steve McIntyre (photog PRC) • Linda Guy, Jenn Moreland (Meet a MG) <p>Additional writers, graphic artists welcomed on a project basis!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Volunteer Projects</p> <p>Co-chair: Mary Barnes Co-chair: Scholly Ketcher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Kudlick • Kathy MacCauley • Peter Malmgren • Steve McIntyre 	<p style="text-align: center;">Speakers Bureau</p> <p>Chair: Laurin Pause</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tricia Michelson • Mike Sheedy
<p style="text-align: center;">By-Laws</p> <p>Debbie Allen</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Historian</p> <p>Lisa Gerber</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Scholarship</p> <p>Chair: Steve McIntyre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrick Beatty • Sharon Marmaduke

Yavapai County Master Gardener Association
2021 CALENDAR

Date	Event	Location	Notes
JANUARY			
Jan 1st	Extension office closed		
Jan 9 9:00am	MGA Officer/Committee annual planning meeting	Prescott Extension office	All 2021 officers, committee chairs & committee members should attend
Jan 20 th , 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Prescott plans speaker)	Guest speaker: Michael Byre, Prescott Creeks
Jan 18th	Extension office closed		
FEBRUARY			
Feb 17th 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Verde plans speaker)	Guest speaker: Sally Conrad, Sedona Wellness Center
MARCH			
Mar 17th 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Prescott plans speaker)	Guest speaker: Ellen Bashor, Education Manager for the Prescott Community Nature Center
APRIL			
Apr 21st 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Verde plans speaker)	Guest speaker: Isaac Mpanga, The Role of Commercial Growers on Sustainable Local Food Production and Security in North Central Arizona"
MAY			
May 19th	Guest speaker only	Zoom	Constance Kirker, "Eating Beauty"
May 31st	Extension office closed		
JUNE			
Jun 16th 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Verde plans speaker)	Guest Speaker: Cathy Pendley-Shaw and Hank Vincent, History of Oak Creek Apple Orchard @Slide Rock State Park

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Camp Verde Superior Court Bldg Presentations- Bring thumb drive; if speaker brings laptop, needs to have VGA port

Prescott Extension Ofc Presentations - Bring thumb drive

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2021 CALENDAR

Date	Event	Location	Notes
July			
Jul 5th	Extension office closed		
Jul 14th	Mid-year officer and committee chair meeting	Zoom	All 2021 officers & committee chairs should attend
AUGUST			
Aug 18th 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Prescott plans speaker)	Guest speaker: Jenn Moreland, "Microgreens"
SEPTEMBER			
Sep 6th	Extension office closed		
Postponed to 2022 – date TBD	MGA Recognition Picnic & retirement send-off for Jeff	Prescott – Thumb Butte picnic area	
OCTOBER			
Oct 9th	Virtual-drive-through MG Plant sale	Prescott Ext. Ofc	
Oct 20th	MGA meeting	Zoom (Verde plans speaker)	Guest Speaker: Peter Martin "Bark Beetles"
NOVEMBER			
Nov 11th	Extension office closed		
Nov 12th	Verde River Growers tour	10am	Contact Lisa Gerber by Nov 5th
Nov 17th 6:30pm	MGA meeting	Zoom (Verde plans speaker)	Guest Speaker: Hattie Braun, "Organic Pest Control"
Nov 25 th /26th	Extension office closed		
December	No MGA meeting this month		
Dec 23rd / Jan 1st	Extension office closed		

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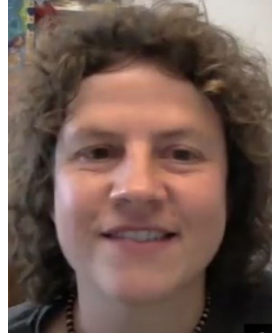
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2021 MASTER GARDENER CLASS



Sarah Amyotte



Cori Burke



Craig Courtemanche



Glenn Davis



Meg Davis



Allannah Del Rei Soliel



Stephen Gagnon



Billie Gleissner



Bethany Gray



Sandy Grepling



Garrett Higo



Dianne Kadonaga



2021 MASTER GARDENER CLASS...continued



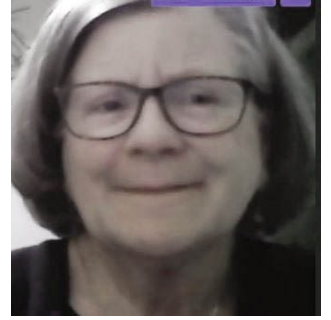
Jaime Kesler



Linda King



Dawn Kraul



Debbie Lopez



Stephen Lovejoy



Lizzy Rainey



Wendy Raver



Becka Sensing



Logan Shellman



Kathy Siemers



Laura Thomas



Julie Trainor



Kathy Watts



Rosemary Zimmerman



Jeff Schalau

YAVAPAI MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM—2021 RESULTS

Category	2021 Results		
	Camp Verde	Prescott	Total
General Information			
# MGs who reported hours in 2021 (Active)			208
Total Volunteer hours			11,729
Total Continuing Ed hours			1747.75
# MGs who completed 2021 MG class via Zoom			27
# MGs certified in 2021 (first 50 hrs)			17
# MGs reaching Emeritus status			11
# MGs Recertified			147
Avg # MGs in attendance at monthly MGA Zoom meetings			49
# MG Class Welcome attendees (Zoom)			Not held
Oct Recognition Picnic Cancelled			
Extension Office Support			
# MGs who staffed MG help desk (incl subs)	9	16	24
# E-mails with MG questions	419	644	1063
# Phone calls handled by MGs	63	262	325
# Site visit made by MGs	0	4	4
# Walk-ins with MG questions	11	168	179
MG Facebook Questions Answered		11	
Total MG Helpdesk Contacts	493	1089	1582
Master Gardener Information Tables			# Clients Served
Prescott Farmers Markets			747
Chino Valley Farmers' Market			101
Farmers Market in Camp Verde			456
Yavapai Fair			271
Total			1575
Plants added to the Yavapai County Native & Naturalized Plant Database			99 species
Speakers Bureau Presentations	# Presentations	Public Served	# YouTube Views
<i>Dates & topics in separate document</i>	60	1276	660

YAVAPAI MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM—2021 RESULTS

Social Media - MG Facebook Page	# Followers	# People Reached - Highest Day	# Horticulture Posts by Editors
	1698	11,826	385
Yavapai Gardening Webpage - # Hits			5751

Projects Completed in 2021

	Date	Coordinators
MG Tomato drive-through Plant Sale for MGs	May 1st	Debbie Allen, Tricia Michelson
City of Sedona landscape project	May to Sept	Rosemary Zimmerman, Committee members: Lesley Alward, Mary Rush, Elizabeth Sexton, Peggy Stair, Lora Gale
Prescott Farmers Markets	May to Oct	Scholly Ketcher, Dick Ryan
Chino Valley Farmers' Market	May to Oct	Scholly Ketcher, Diane Young
Verde Valley Farmers' Market	May to Oct	Sharon Marmaduke
Master Gardener drive-through Plant Sale for MGs	Oct 9th	Cindy Pitcher, Judy Kennedy, Tricia Michelson

On-going Projects

Seed collecting/packaging for give-away
Native and Naturalized Plant Database

Master Gardeners participated on a regular basis at the following:

Veterans Hospital – Prescott (greenhouse and grounds)
Sharlot Hall Museum, Prescott
Heritage Museum, Sedona
Red Rock Ranger Station
Heritage Park Zoo, Prescott
Montezuma Well
Community Nature Center, Prescott - phenology monitoring
Highlands Center for Natrual History, Prescott
Monarch Butterfly Garden, VOC
Grow Food in Your Backyard Mentor Program
Abia Judd Elementary School, Prescott
Prima Vera School, Prescott
Yavapa College Greenhouse

Community Gardens

Prescott Valley Community Garden
Cottonwood Community Garden
Cottonwood Library Community Garden

MASTER GARDENER PROJECTS

	Active, Approved Projects - 2021	Project Dates	MG Chair	Status
1.	School Gardening Education Plans	Feb to Dec 2021	Jo Cahill	6/12/2021 On hold; need substitute leader until Jo is available
2.	AZ Central Highland Gardening Videos	Start March 2021	Steve McIntyre	2/11/21 Compiling short list of topics. Need video presenters and others to produce videos.
3.	Landscape ideas – Agape House for homeless, Prescott	2020 / 2021	Rebecca Serratos	Started Feb 2020
4.	Sedona Visitor Center Landscape	Spring 2021 to 2022	Peter Malmgren	



	Ongoing Activities	The following are the primary MG contacts working on these projects or at these locations. Contact them for instructions if you'd like to volunteer.
	Cooperative Extension Office – Phone Staffing	Camp Verde, Prescott: Mary Barnes
1.	Yavapai Connections Bulletin	Lee Atonna
2.	Supply Management	Prescott: Kathy MacCauley, Camp Verde: Lisa Gerber
3.	Specimen Insects – update/maintain insect boxes	Camp Verde: Faun Vogel, Prescott: Phil McNally
4.	Veterans Administration – Prescott (greenhouse & associated grounds)	Roberta Pelayo will provide direction on becoming a volunteer at the VA.
5.	Sharlot Hall Museum, Prescott	Diane Thornbrugh will provide direction on becoming a Sharlot Hall volunteer; <i>Apr 21 additional volunteers not needed at this time</i>
6.	Heritage Museum, Sedona	Judy Kennedy
7.	Seed collecting and packaging for give-away	Prescott: Peggy Stair, Camp Verde: Lisa Gerber
8.	Naturalized and Native Plant Database	Sue Smith
9.	Red Rock Ranger Station	Judy Kennedy
10.	Heritage Park Zoo, Prescott	Diane Benjamin <i>Feb 21 Garden will be started with Zoo volunteers & have enough</i>

MASTER GARDENER PROJECTS...CONTINUED

	Ongoing Activities...continued	The following are the primary MG contacts working on these projects or at these locations. Contact them for instructions if you'd like to volunteer.
11.	Montezuma Well	Kathleen Green – <i>Apr 21 – have enough volunteers</i>
12.	Phenology monitoring – Community	Doug Winckler
13.	Highlands Center Discovery Gardens	Donna Davis – <i>have enough volunteers as of Oct 29, 2021</i>
14.	Grow Food in Your Backyard Mentor	Paula Putao
15.	Monarch Butterfly Garden- Village of Oak Creek	Mike Wagner
16.	Schools	
17.	Abia Judd Elementary School	After School Program – Marty Boxer
18.	Mile High Middle School, Prescott	Linda Delaney
19.	Prima Vera	Scholly Ketcher
20.	Community Gardens	
21.	Prescott YMCA Community Garden	Steve McIntyre – <i>Feb 21 - Garden not active this year</i>
22.	Cottonwood Community Garden	Marianne Jimenez
23.	Prescott Valley Community Garden	Jack Yahl
24.	Cottonwood Library Community	Rebecca Serratos <i>1/6/2021 – garden is still active</i>



	Projects Completed in 2021	Project Dates	Chairs
1.	Spring MG Tomato Plant Sale (for sale to MGs – order in advance and drive-by/pick-up in Prescott on May 1st)	Feb to May 2021	Debbie Allen, Tricia Michelson
2.	City of Sedona landscape project	May to Sept	Rosemary Zimmerman, Committee members: Lesley Alward, Mary Rush, Elizabeth Sexton, Peggy Stair, Lora Gale
3.	Prescott Farmers Markets	May to Oct	Scholly Ketcher, Dick Ryan
4.	Chino Valley Farmers' Market	May to Oct	Scholly Ketcher, Diane Young
5.	Master Gardener Drive-through Plant Sale	Oct 9th	Cindy Pitcher, Judy Kennedy, Tricia Michelson
6.	Farmers Market in Camp Verde	May to Oct	Sharon Marmaduke

2021 Speakers Bureau Presentations

Group	Topic	Date	Media	Presenter	# Attendees
MG Virtual Presentation	Composting	01/25/2021	Zoom	Jenn Moreland	60
Alta Vista Garden Club	Winter Gardening	01/26/2021	Zoom	Pause	25
Prescott Valley Library	Rain Water Harvesting	01/12/2021	MGSB YouTube		13
Sedona Area Garden Club	Composting	02/15/2021	Zoom	Moreland	23
Prescott Valley Library	Composting	February	MGSB YouTube		27
OLLI at Yavapai College	Container Gardening	02/01/2021	Zoom	Angela Mazella	22
OLLI at Yavapai College	Answers to Garden ?s	02/08/2021	Zoom	Mazella	25
Granville HOA	Growing Edibles	02/23/2021	Zoom	Kathleen Corum	12
MG Virtual Presentation	Roses	02/24/2021	Zoom	Phyllis Giacalone	47
Prescott Valley Library	Roses	March	MGSB YouTube		38
MG Virtual Presentation	Fruit Trees	03/12/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Schalau	63
Sedona Natural Garden Club	Microgreens	03/15/2021	Zoom 10am	Michelson	15
Granville HOA	Growing Edibles Part 2	03/23/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Corum	9
MG Virtual Presentation	Tomatoes	03/30/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Tricia Michelson	59
Prescott Valley Library	Fruit Trees	March	MGSB YouTube		8
Mountain View Garden Club	Summer Vegetable Gardening	07/09/2021	Residence	McIntyre	43
Granville HOA	Growing edibles Part 3	04/20/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Corum	5
Prescott Valley Library	Garden Insects	April	MGSB YouTube		23
Sedona Natural Garden Club	Hydroponics	04/19/2021	Zoom 10am	Michelson	11
MG Virtual Presentation	Native Wildflowers	04/27/2021	zoom 630pm	Loos	48
Prescott Lion's Noon Club	Overview of MGA & Composting	05/05/2021	HOA	Pause	35
MG Virtual Presentation	Summer Vegetable Gardening	05/10/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	McIntyre	8
Rotary Club of Sedona Village	Composting	05/08/2021	Verde Valley	Pause	13
Rotary Club of Sedona Village	Seed Starting	05/08/2021	Verde Valley	Loos	5
Prescott Valley Library	Wildflowers	05/11/2021	MGSB YouTube		23
Sedona Natural Garden Club	Vege Gardening in Sedona	05/17/2021	Zoom 10am	Steve McIntyre	12
MG Virtual Presentation	Growing Table Grapes	05/26/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Rich Peterson	29
Prescott Valley Library	Vegetable Gardening	05/25/2021	MGSB YouTube		26
Mountain View Garden Club	Maintaining your Summer Garden	06/11/2021	PV Residence	Pause	16
Prescott Valley Library	Growing Grapes	06/08/2021	MGSB YouTube		8
Alta Vista Garden Club	Native Wildflowers	06/22/2021	Zoom	Loos	23
MG Virtual Presentation	Pollinators - What Bees are These	06/17/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Kadonaga	19
Prescott Beekeepers Association	What to Grow for Honey Bees	06/17/2021	Prescott Residence	Pause	14

2021 Speakers Bureau Presentations...continued

Group	Topic	Date	Media	Presenter	# Attendees
StoneRidge Garden Club	How to Compost	06/23/2021	PV Residence	Pause & Corcoran	13
Cottonwood Library	Gardens for Humanity Youth Workshop	06/14/2021	Bent River Ranch	Manning	25
Cottonwood Library	Gardens for Humanity Youth Workshop	06/21/2021	Cottonwood Library	Manning	2
Cottonwood Library	Gardens for Humanity Youth Workshop	06/28/2021	Cottonwood Library	Manning	6
Verde Thumbs Garden Club	Creating Worm Blns	05/22/2021	Residence	Ahola	20
MG Virtual Presentation	Grafting	07/01/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Kathleen Corum	18
Mountain View Garden Club	Summer Vegetable Gardening	07/09/2021	Residence	McIntyre	12
Prescott Valley Library	Pollinators - What Bees are These	07/13/2021	MGSB YouTube		8
Alta Vista Garden Club	Beans	07/22/2021	Zoom	Marion Johnston	28
MG Virtual Presentation	Landscaping with Native Plants	07/28/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Alward	47
Prescott Valley Library	Grafting	07/27/2021	MGSB YouTube		10
Mountain View Garden Club	Water Harvesting	08/12/2021	Residence	Pause	16
Prescott Valley Library	Grafting	08/06/2021	MGSB YouTube		10
MG Virtual Presentation	Rain Water Harvesting	08/25/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Jennifer Moreland	20
Prescott Valley Library	Rain Water Harvesting	09/14/2021	MGSB YouTube		14
Sedona Garden CLub	Winter Vegetable Gardening	09/20/2021	Red Rock Community Church	Pause	16
MG Virtual Presentation	Winter Vegetable Gardening	09/28/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Watts	19
StoneRidge Garden Club	Winter Gardening	09/22/2021	PV Residence	Pause	13
Prescott Valley Library	Winter Vegetable Gardening	10/12/2021	MGSB YouTube		32
Antelope Garden Club	Composting	10/01/2021	Community Church Hwy89	Pause	25
Mountain View Garden Club	Winter Vegetable Gardening	10/08/2021	Trinity Lutheran Church	Pause	14
StoneRidge Garden Club	Winter Landscape Maintenance	10/27/2021	PV Residence	Pause	13
MG Virtual Presentation	Permaculture & Eco-Friendly Gardening	10/28/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Kadonaga	32
Prescott Valley Library	Permaculture & Eco-Friendly Gardening	11/09/2021	MGSB YouTube		30
MG Virtual Presentation	Vermicomposting/ The Wonderful World of Worms	11/16/2021	Zoom 6:30pm	Michelson	16
Prescott Valley Library	Vermicomposting	12/14/2021	MGSB YouTube		10

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Prescott Help Desk Volunteers

Sarah Amyotte

Diana Atkins

Karen Austermiller

Mary Barnes

Kathleen Corum

Donna Davis

Martha Frisella

Jo Glaves

Maria Goodman

Marji Kress

Debbie Mayne

Steve McIntyre

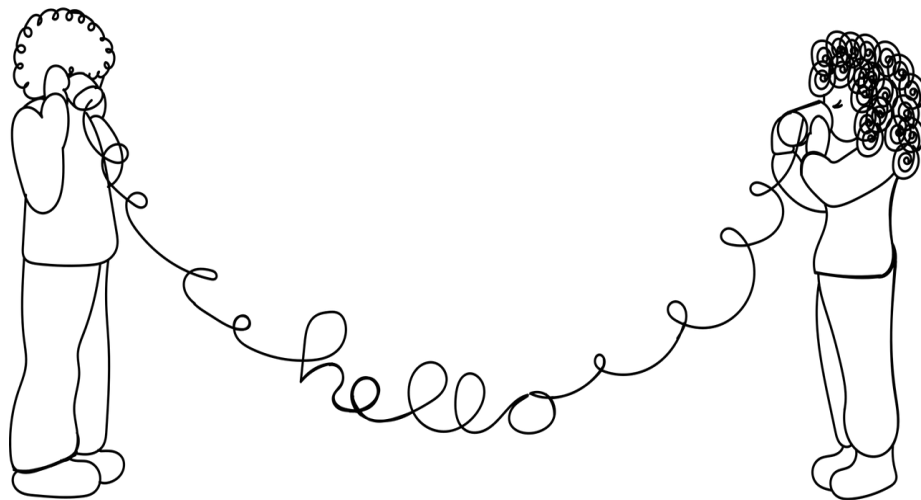
Cindy Pitcher

Mary Thompson

Diane Thornbrugh

Tracy Wiederaenders

Help Desk Support: Ann Baugh, Debbie Allen, Bob Gessner, Phil McNally



Camp Verde Help Desk Volunteers

Judy Cowan

Pam Edwards

Nancy Gottschalk

Lois Johnson

Bill Marmaduke

Steve Moody

Garry Neil

Joan Pierce

Faun Vogel



2021 MASTER GARDENER MILESTONE RECIPIENTS

150 HOURS

Diane Benjamin
Kim Corcoran
Marion Douglas
Mark Emanuele
Kathleen Green
Stephanie Lambert
Paula Lund
Carolyn Shelley
Laura Scignano

250 HOURS

Cathy DeGroot
Linda Guy
Marianne Jimenez
Bill Mains
Laurin Pause
Joe Rubio

500 HOURS

Donna Davis
Tom Ganser
Virginia Mullins
Roberta Pelayo
Susie Percy
Cindy Pitcher
Paul Schnur

1000 HOURS

Kathleen Corum
Tricia Michelson
Elizabeth Sexton

1500 HOURS

Peggy Stair

3000 HOURS

Cindy Tirota

EMERITUS

Hope Fonnet
Nancy Gibson
Lois Janowski
Sandy Lundgren

Bill Marmaduke
Virginia Mullins
Rich Peterson
Paula Rotta

Dick Ryan
Kathy Sisley
Tony Valadez
Faun Vogel

MAY 1 MASTER GARDENER TOMATO PLANT SALE



OCTOBER MASTER GARDENER PLANT SALE



NOVEMBER VERDE RIVER GROWERS TOUR



JEFF SCHALAU RETIREMENT

Long-time Extension personnel, Jeff Schalaus, Extension Director of Yavapai County, retired at the end of July. For over two decades, Jeff was an integral part of Arizona Cooperative Extension - not just in Yavapai, but throughout the entire state and region.

Jeff spent most of his career designing and delivering Education outreach programs in home and commercial horticulture, forestry, range, beginning farmers, and small acreage education. In addition, he spent even more time in developing younger faculty and staff and was often sought as a critical resource and mentor.

Jeff will continue to be engaged with Extension work, even in retirement. For many years, he's written a weekly column for The Daily Courier. His Backyard Gardener column has been a fan favorite in Yavapai and surrounding counties and will be archived so that the much-loved content can continue to be accessed.

Patty Merk, Ph.D., area agent in Maricopa County, is leading Yavapai County as Jeff Schalaus's interim replacement. "I am truly happy for Jeff Schalaus as he embarks on his next chapter in life," said Dr. Edward C. Martin. "We have been great friends over the years and he's made a tremendous impact for Extension. And I'm equally happy that Patty has stepped up to help us fill Jeff's shoes. With her leadership and administrative experience leading large programs, she will add immediate value."

Jeff's last day with Extension was July 31 and Dr. Merk began her interim role on August 1.



REMEMBERING THOSE WE LOST

Jackie Rizzo passed away May 16th from possible lung cancer/ lung difficulties. Jackie took the class in 2007 and usually helped with the Sharlot Hall rose pruning. She also enjoyed giving talks on herbs and helped staff event tables.

