Dane County Master Gardener Plant Sale

Plant Donation Guidelines

If you don't have jumping worms in your yard, please consider hosting a dig or donating plants for the Master Gardener Plant Sale on Sunday, May 17th. We welcome perennials, annuals, vegetables, herbs, raspberry canes, rhubarb, and offshoots of hydrangeas, viburnum, dogwood, lilac and other shrubs, etc. (refer to list of desirable plants). Shade plants are in high demand, except for *Hosta lancifolia* (all green) and *Hosta undulata* 'Variegata'. We cannot sell plants that are aggressive and/or difficult to remove once established (refer to list of plants excluded from sale).

A picture accompanied by a description is critical to selling a plant that is not in bloom at the time of the sale. If we know the cultivar, we can obtain a picture and plant characteristics on-line. Therefore we are not able to accept any unknown cultivars since we don't have photos/descriptions.

All donated plants will need labels identifying the genus/species/variety. For on-site digs, potting and labeling will be done by volunteers or you, the homeowner. You can also drop off donated plants in bulk containers with the plant name identified in each container—please make sure we know you donated them so we know where they came from in case tracking is needed at a later date. Volunteers will pot and label donations on the day they are dropped off.

How to identify if you have Jumping Worms

- Jumping worms do not survive our winters but their microscopic egg cases (cocoons) do survive
 and these will not hatch until the later half of May. So you probably won't see any jumping
 worms in April and early May when you are digging and repotting plants for donation to our
 plant sale unless they are quite small. If you have a suspicious worm you would like ruled out as
 JW, bring a fresh sample to Lisa Johnson (johnson.lisa@countyofdane.com) at the Extension
 Dane County office.
- Mature worms can be identified by their behavior when touched and their clitellum (the band around the body). When touched, they thrash violently, slither in a serpentine fashion like snakes, even jump into the air (hence the name), and they may even shed their tails.
- Jumping worms are darker and smoother than other earthworms in Wisconsin. They are
 relatively easy to identify if you take a look at their clitellum (the band around the body of a
 worm). The clitellum on a jumping worm is milky white to light gray-colored, smooth and it
 completely encircles the body of the worm. In contrast, the clitellum of European earthworms
 does not wrap entirely around the worm and is raised (thicker than the rest of the body).
- Where jumping worms are present, fallen leaves and topsoil are processed by the worms until the soil becomes granular, dry and looks similar to coffee grounds.
- If your mulch is being consumed at a faster rate than normal, you may have jumping worms. They live right underneath the top layer of soil/mulch or under fallen leaves, though they can penetrate deeper into the soil profile.

Plant Sale Dig Protocol for Jumping Worms

- If found, please use the following protocol:
 - o If you suspect you might have jumping worms, we cannot accept your plants
 - o If you find them, report them to the DNR by email at invasive.species@wi.gov; they are tracking the infestations across the state.
- If you have no evidence of jumping worms and want to donate plants for the sale, rinse and spray off all soil from plant roots and wrap the plants in damp newspapers or paper towels and place in a plastic bag or bucket/bin.
- If you prefer, MGVs will come to your yard to help divide plants, wash off roots and pot and label plants. Please contact Karen (kallenstein@charter.net) to arrange for volunteers to come help dig up plants at your house and/or pot your plant donations at the Extension office.
- We are taking the precaution of storing all plant donations on pallets to keep them off the ground at the Teaching Garden, as well.
- All plants will be treated with Early Bird fertilizer (1-2 days before the sale) as an extra precautionary measure. Early Bird is known to be effective in expelling/killing worms.

We are requesting that all donated plants be dropped off at the Dane County Extension office no later than May 14th. Plant sale digs can be scheduled once plants are visible in your garden in May at a day/time convenient to you. Dig team volunteers are required to scrub and sterilize their tools before working at the site, and brush the soles of their shoes to remove soil (to ensure no cocoons are brought into the donor's yard from working volunteers). Shoe covers will also be available to prevent transfer.

If you have seedlings you have grown for the sale, you can drop them off on Saturday, May 16th or make arrangements for care if dropped off prior to that day.

Master Gardener Volunteers: be sure to log your hours spent digging up & potting plants or growing seedlings!

See the lists of desirable and excluded plants below

PLANTS DESIRED FOR PLANT SALE

SHADE PLANTS

Scientific Name Common Name

Actea (Cimifuga) Bugbane

Adiantum pedatum Maidenhair Fern
Ajuga Bugleweed

Anemone sylvestris Snowdrop Anemone

AquilegiaColumbineArisaema triphyllumJack-in-PulpitAruncusGoatsbeard

Asarum canadense Canada Wild ginger
Asarum europaeum European Wild Ginger

Astilbe Astilbe Astrantia major Masterwort

Athyrium nipponicum Japanese Painted Fern

Brunnera Siberian Bugloss

Corydalis Corydalis

Cystopteris bulbiferaBerry Bladder FernDoronicumLeopard's BaneEpimediumBarrenwortHelleborusLenten Rose

Hosta (named varieties only)
Hydrangea arborescens Smooth Hydrangea

Hydrastis canadensis Goldenseal
Jeffersonia diphylla Twinleaf

Lamiastrum galeobdolon Archangel Herman's Pride (this cultivar 'Herman's Pride' ONLY—straight species is invasive)

LamiumDeadnettleLamprocapnos (Dicentra)Bleeding HeartLigulariaLeopard PlantMertensia virginicaVirginia BluebellsPhlox divaricataWild Blue PhloxPolemonium caeruleumJacob's LadderPolygonatumSolomon's Seal

Primula Primrose Pulmonaria Lungwort Sanguinaria canadensis Bloodroot Stylophorum diphyllum Wood Poppy **Thalictrum** Meadow Rue Tiarella Foam Flower **Tricyrtis** Toad Lily Trillium Wood Lily Vinca minor Periwinkle

SUN PERENNIALS & SHRUBS

<u>Scientific Name</u> <u>Common Name</u> *Acanthus spinosus* Bear's Britches

Achillea Yarrow

Agastache Hyssop, Hummingbird Mint

Alchemilla mollis Lady's Mantle
Allium Ornamental Onion

AmsoniaBlue StarArtemesiaWormwoodAsclepias incarnataSwamp MilkweedAsclepias tuberosaButterfly Flower

Athyrium Ferns

Azalea spp. Azalea hybrids

Baptisia (all genera and cultivars)

Boltonia asteroids Bolton's Aster Buddleia **Butterfly Bush** Calamagrostis **Forest Grass** Calamintha Calamint Campanula (not C. rapunculoides) Bellflower Carex Sedge Caryopteris Bluebeard Centaura montana Mountain Bluet Centranthus ruber Jupiter's Beard Cerastium tomentosum Snow in Summer **Turtlehead** Chelone

Chasmanthium latifoliumNorthern Sea OatsChrysanthemumGarden Mum

Clematis Clematis

Coreopsis(all genera and cultivars)Cornus alternifoliaPagoda DogwoodCornus racemosaGray DogwoodDelphiniumDelphiniumDianthusCheddar PinksEchinaceaPurple ConeflowerEchinacea x hybridaConeflower hybrids

Echinops ritro Globe Thistle
Eryngium Sea Holly

Eryngium yuccifoliumRattlesnake MasterEupatoriumJoe Pye WeedEuphorbiaCushion SpurgeFestuca glaucaBlue Fescue

Filipendula rubraQueen of the PrairieGaillardiaBlanket FlowerGalium odoratumSweet Woodruff

Geranium Geranium

SUN PERENNIALS & SHRUBS

<u>Scientific Name</u> <u>Common Name</u> <u>Geum triflorum</u> Prairie Smoke

Hakonechloa macra Japanese Forest Grass cultivars

HeleniumSneezeweedHelianthusSunflowerHeliopsisFalse Sunflower

Hemerocallis
Daylily
Heuchera
Coral Bells
Iris germanica
German Iris
Iris pumila
Dwarf Iris
Iris sibirica
Siberian Iris

Itea virginicaVirginia SweetspireKniphofiaRed Hot PokerLeucanthemumShasta DaisyLiatris spicataGayfeatherLiliumAsiatic LilyLobelia cardinalisCardinal flower

LobeliaLobeliaMalvaHollyhocksMiscanthus sinensisFeather GrassMoliniaMoor GrassMonardaBee BalmNepetaCatmint

Oenothera speciosa White Evening Primrose

Oenothera tetragona Yellow Sundrops

Opuntia Cactus

Paeonia lactiflora Herbaceous Peony

Papaver Poppy Panicum virgatum **Switch Grass** Penstemon digitalis **Beard Tongue** Perovskia atriplicifolia Russian Sage Phlox paniculata Garden Phlox Phlox subulata Moss Phlox Physostegia **Obedient Plant** Ninebark (shrub) **Physocarpus** Platycodon grandiflorus **Balloon Flower** Polygonum Fleece Flower Primula polyantha Primrose

Pulsatilla Pasque Flower

Rosa spp Rose species and hybrids

RudbeckiaBlack-eyed SusanRudbeckia subtomentosaSweet ConeflowerSalviaMeadow Sage

Sanguisorba Burnet

SUN PERENNIALS & SHRUBS

Sorghastrum nutans

Scientific Name Common Name Scabiosa **Pincushion Flower** Schizachryium scoparium Little Bluestem Sedum Stonecrop Sempervivum Hen and chicks Senna hebecarpa Wild Senna Sisyrinchium **Blue-eyed Grass** Solidago (not Canada goldenrod) Goldenrod

Spiraea japonica Japanese Spirea (cultivars only)

Indian Grass

Sporobolus heterolepsisPrairie DropseedStachysLambs EarsSymphyotrichumAster

Sisyrinchium **Blue Eyed Grass** Tanacetum vulgarae Gold Leaf Tansy **Thymus Creeping Thyme** Tradescantia Spiderwort Triteleia laxa Triplet lily Veronia Ironweed Veronica spicata Speedwell Veronicastrum virginicum Culver's Root

PLANTS EXCLUDED FROM SALE

Scientific Name Common Name

Aegopodium podagrariaBishops WeedAgeratum houstonianumFloss Flower

Anemone hupehensis var. japonica hybrida Japanese Anemone

Artemesia absinthium Wormwood

Berberis thunbergiiJapanese BarberryCampanula punctataSpotted BellflowerCampanula rapunculoidesCreeping BellflowerConvallaria majalisLily of the ValleyEuonymus alatusBurning Bush

Fallopia japonicaJapanese Fleece FlowerFilipendula ulmariaQueen of the Meadow

Hemerocallis fulva 'Ditch' Lily

Hosta lancifolia(does not sell well)Hypericum perforatumSt. John's WortLamiastrum galeobdolonYellow ArchangelLeucanthemum vulgareOxeye DaisyLysmachia nummulariaCreeping JennyLythrum salicaria and other Lythrum speciesPurple Loosestrife

Macleaya cordata

Matteuccia struthiopteris

Purple Loosesti
Plume Poppy
Ostrich Fern

Miscanthus sacchariflorusSilver Banner GrassMyosotis scorpioidesForget-me-notPhalaris arundinaceaRibbon GrassPhysalis alkekengiChinese Lantern

Tanecetum vulgare Tansy

Valeriana officinalis Garden Heliotrope