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SAN MIGUEL BASIN UPDATES

SERVING SAN MIGUEL AND WEST MONTROSE COUNTIES



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

Local CSU Extension Programs

2022 SAN MIGUEL BASIN COLORADO MASTER GARDENER

We are taking applications for the **2022/2023 Colorado Master Gardener Program (local volunteer track)**. Although all core classes are all online and you can work on them each week at the time best for you, we will have a few locally-focused and hands-on learning labs (evenings) to supplement the online classes!

- The course runs from January - April, 2023.
- The cost of the program is \$200. There are scholarships for locals and discounts for county and CSU staff for a 50% discount.
- **The Link to register is LIVE, but it will close on October 16th. So don't delay!**

If for some reason you can't register by October 16th, please call us directly at 970-327-4393 or email maryw@sanmiguelcountyco.gov or Yvette.Henson@colostate.edu

Colorado Master Gardeners do their volunteer service with us locally in the San Miguel Basin Extension Office! We love working with our Master Gardeners to put on local programs, work together in our local research gardens, coordinate the SMB Regional seed library, help clients solve their plant problems, etc.

Registration for the non-volunteer track is \$530 and doesn't open until November.

LOCAL SEED SAVING CLASS

When: Saturday, October 22nd @ 9 am - 12 noon

Where: Naturita Public Library, 107 West 1st Street

There is no charge but you can give a donation to our program fund.

We will also have a seed share so bring seeds. If you don't have seeds you can still take seeds.



HERITAGE HARVEST FESTIVAL

PRODUCE SHOW-OCT 8TH

We are excited to once again host a Produce Show at the Heritage Harvest Festival this fall!

Bring your Produce Sat, October 8th, 10-Noon
Nucla Town Park, 165 W. 10th Ave.

Bring your beautiful local produce & flowers to the CSU Extension Table to be in the show!

Produce Show Guidelines on the website:

<https://sanmiguel.extension.colostate.edu/produce-show-guidelines/>

Contact Yvette.henson@colostate.edu or
call 970-708-4786



GRAIN

PROGRAM

IN NORWOOD

**DATE & DETAILS TO
FOLLOW**



NO SEEDLINGS THIS SEASON

CSFS PLANT PROGRAM DISCONTINUED FOR 2023

The Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS) Seedling Tree Nursery is taking critical steps to improve facilities, expand staffing and increase production of quality seedlings. These improvements are essential because the Nursery has experienced significant staff shortages and failing infrastructure in recent years, and this focus on updates will unfortunately require short-term reductions in production at the facility. We hope seedlings will be available for sale in 2024.



Meet Our STAFF



HI, I'M MARY WATSON. I'M THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR OUR SAN MIGUEL BASIN EXTENSION OFFICE. I HAVE WORKED HERE FOR 40+ YEARS NOW AND HAVE SEEN A LOT OF CHANGES. DID YOU KNOW I STARTED OUT WITH AN IBM TYPEWRITER WHEN I GOT THE JOB? MY FIRST BOSS SAID HE HIRED ME BECAUSE HE LIKED THAT I HAD A 4-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE AND THAT I WORKED IN MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF OFFICES.

I'VE SEEN MANY PEOPLE COME AND GO IN OUR LITTLE COMMUNITY, BUT I'VE ALSO SEEN MANY 4-H MEMBERS GROW UP TO RAISE MORE 4-H MEMBERS OR BECOME 4-H LEADERS!! MY HUSBAND, DAVIS, AND I RAISED OUR TWO DAUGHTERS HERE IN NORWOOD AND WE LOVE IT HERE!!

I DO A LARGE VARIETY OF DUTIES IN SUPPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR THE CSU EXTENSION DIRECTOR AND SOMETIMES THE 4-H AGENT. SEVERAL "FUN THINGS" ABOUT MY JOB ARE BEING THE SAN MIGUEL BASIN CSU EXTENSION WEBMASTER, MAKING THE EMAIL BLASTS YVETTE WRITES PRETTY AND SENDING THEM OUT, AND ALSO POSTING ON FACEBOOK. I ALSO LOVE IT WHEN THE 4-H MEMBERS COME IN WITH THEIR PARENTS AND SEE OUR "BIG" OFFICES. ONE LITTLE GIRL ESPECIALLY LIKED YVETTE'S OFFICE. SHE SAID IT WAS "COOL".

I (YVETTE) WANT TO ADD THAT MARY HAS BEEN A DELIGHT TO WORK WITH FOR THE 16 YEARS I HAVE BEEN HERE. I ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE HER POSITIVE ATTITUDE AND THAT WE LAUGH A LOT. I WANT TO SAY A BIG 'THANK YOU' TO HER FOR HER COMMITMENT TO THE LOCAL CSU EXTENSION OFFICE, AND FOR KEEPING ON TOP OF ALL THE 4-H REPORTS, ETC. IN THE ABSENCE OF A 4-H PROFESSIONAL FOR THE LAST YEAR OR SO!



Check out our new Website Address

<https://sanmiguel.extension.colostate.edu/>

Check out our Facebook page

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Colorado State University, the U.S. Dept of Agriculture, and San Miguel and West Montrose Counties cooperating.
All Extension Programs are available to all without discrimination.