

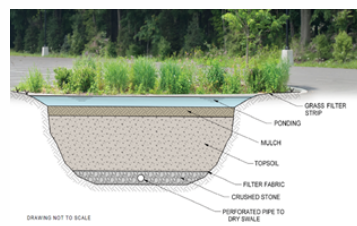


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Fall 2020 Newsletter

With the interest of planting edible gardens and creating an oasis in backyards, there has been an increasing desire to learn about gardening. The UCCE Humboldt/Del Norte Master Garden Program recognized the opportunity to identify ways to offer virtual horticultural presentations, gardening support and help. Partnering with Humboldt State University's L4HSU online summer sessions we launched virtual garden related classes. These free presentations were recorded and are now available on our website allowing you to view on your own schedule and in the convenience of your home. [\(read more\)](#)



Have you invested in Bioretention Cells?

by Myron Kelso UC Master Gardener

Everyone knows the rainwater cycle...ocean water evaporates, clouds form, wind blows clouds inland, rain falls to the ground, seeps in and replenishes the aquifer and excess ultimately returns to the ocean to start the process again.. [\(read more\)](#)



Victory Gardening and Food Preserving for Health

by Sherida Phibbs, UC Master Gardener/Master Food Preserver

How my training as a UC Master Gardener and Master Food Preserver helped me become healthy after a heart attack. Recently there has been an increase of interest and desire to grow and preserve our own produce. [\(read more\)](#)



Help - What is Eating my Rose?

by Sherida Phibbs, UC Master Gardener

"Something is devouring my rose bush! It looks like a tiny caterpillar. I have tried picking them off, but they are so tiny it is hard to see them.. [\(read more\)](#)



Recycle, Renew, Reuse

by Myron Kelso, UCCE Master Gardener

Do you recycle, reuse, or renew? Many homeowners simply use the local refuse company to haul away empty boxes, yard trimmings, and other unwanted. But did you know many of the items tossed into the big green or blue bins can be recycled/reused in your garden? Have you experienced the Covid phenomenon of cardboard arriving on your doorstep en masse? [\(read more\)](#)



When Life Gives You Lemons - Make Pesto?

by Jennifer Bell, UC Master Food Preserver

Lemons taste like summer. I have great memories of picking lemons from my grandmother's tree in Oakland, cutting them in half, sprinkling them with sugar and sucking the juice out. Is your mouth watering yet?

Text [\(read more\)](#)



Symptoms of HLB on leaves and fruit (right).

Citrus Devastating Disease - Huanglongbing

by Myron Kelso, UC Master Gardener

While counties behind the Redwood Curtain have thus far been immune to the effects of Huanglongbing disease, it is important for growers of citrus and related plants to know of this devastating disease. This short primer on the disease is drawn from the University of California Riverside, Agriculture and Natural Resources research facility. This premier facility has over 1600 trees planted to study every aspect of citrus growing. [\(read more\)](#)



Phytophthora Brown Rot of Citrus - Something to look out for this fall and winter

by Sherida Phibbs, UC Master Gardener

Sometimes found on the lower part of the tree, ripe or ripening citrus fruit may develop a light brown appearance with a pungent odor. This is a water-soaked decay called brown rot. Infections are caused by pathogen spores that are water-splashed from the soil during rainstorms. The infections develop during continued wet conditions throughout the fall and winter season. [\(read more\)](#)



Vegetable Gardening is Trending

Books on Vegetable Gardening

by Maria Krennek, UC Master Gardener

This year has been filled with surprises and new challenges. One surprise change that occurred was a bright spot. It was a response to the reality, confusion and concern about food supply and isolation resulting from our staying home, away from jobs, and activities that would normally fill our lives. It seems, people started to garden more. [\(read more\)](#)



Gaultheria pseudonotabilis Jam

by June Walsh, UC Master Food Preserver/Master Gardener

This has been a special year at the Moss Family Temperate Woodland Garden in the Humboldt Botanical Garden. The *Gaultheria pseudonotabilis* bloomed beautifully and bore fruit. *Gaultheria pseudonotabilis* is the Sino-Himalayan relative of our native *Gaultheria shallon* AKA Salal which is a leathery-leaved shrub in the heather family (*Ericaceae*). [\(read more\)](#)



Predators of the Night - Scary Yet Beneficial

by Sherida Phibbs, UC Master Gardener

When I think of Halloween and the decorations displayed, bats always come to my mind. Why, I wonder? Perhaps it is the Vampire bat and the fictional character Dracula the Vampire, both which have the common diet of blood. Thankfully, Vampire bats are not found in the USA and Dracula is fictional. Even with that information, bats in general are still a bit scary to me and to others. [\(read more\)](#)



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