Master Gardener Library Happenings

Whether you need help in answering homeowner questions or would like to learn more for your own personal development, good reference books provide something you just can’t get on the internet…comprehensive and beautifully illustrated information with minimal search time.

“We just acquired two excellent books for the libraries, which are available for immediate Master Gardener use” said Carole Williams, volunteer librarian. While processing the new books, Carole enters pertinent book information into the library accession book, assigns an accession number and affixes a corresponding colored sticker for its topic category to the spine of the book. The books are shelved in one of two sections, Ready Reference or the Main section. Ready Reference consists of books most often used, including picture I.D. flip cards of insects, plants and diseases. The Main section is organized by topic with a corresponding colored sticker.

All these specialized books are located in the Master Gardener reference libraries at each of the St Lucie County offices. All Master Gardeners are welcome to visit the libraries and spend as much time as they’d like with the books in the library, but unfortunately, the books are not available for checking out or taking off site.

For more information about volunteering as an assistant librarian, please contact Carole Williams at 772-879-3771.

New Library Book

Ornamental Palm Horticulture
By Timothy K. Broschat and Alan W. Meerow

Comprehensive in scope and based on research from worldwide sources, Palm Horticulture presents virtually everything ever published about the subject in a concise, readable format, illustrated with 110 color plates and 81 black-and-white photographs. The first complete treatment of palms, the book covers palm biology, palm propagation, environmental influences, mineral nutrition and fertilization, insect and disease pests, container and field production, transplanting, and landscape and interiorscape management.

“The best palm book on the market.”

– Henry Donselman, former State Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida