



Rhea County Master Gardener Association Newsletter

Jasminum nudiflorum

Common Name: Winter jasmine **Category:** Shrubs **Comment:** Drought tolerant; trailing branches root when they contact soil; can rejuvenate by severe pruning after flowering; this plant is seldom damaged by deer
Height: 3-4 ft. **Foliage:** Opposite, pinnately compound leaves with three leaflets; deep, lustrous emerald green; bright green stems; non-showy fall color **Flower:** Waxy maroon-red buds; 1.5 to 2 in. light yellow flowers in winter to early spring on previous season's growth **Zones:** 6 to 10 **Habit:** Deciduous **Site:** Sun to partial shade; prefers well-drained soil but tolerates a range of conditions including heavy clay and sand **Texture:** Fine **Form:** Broad spreading fountain of arching stems; fine willow stems **Width:** 4-7 ft. **Tags:** deciduous, deer resistant

Greetings to All!

I hope everyone is enjoying this balmy weather in February! Just a few items for consideration that we will need to vote on at our meeting this month.

1. **Concentrate on finishing the MG Building, adding a fence to protect our area from encroachment and addition of the porch.**
2. **Pollinators will be the focus in the six raised beds. The proposal is to concentrate on bees, butterflies and hummingbirds and some of the plants that will attract them to the garden. This will become our educational project for Celebrate the Earth, the Fair, Farm/City Day and Pumpkinfest.**
3. **We have come across a great deal for the rest of our appliances that should only cost us around \$600.00 for a cooktop, dishwasher and microwave with vent hood. This is with the help of one of our new MG Interns.**

Just a reminder that MGA yearly dues of \$12.00 are being collected by Debbie Ward.

Stay well, hug your sweetheart and looking forward to seeing you at the meeting on February 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Pennie Kendrick

President, Rhea County Master Gardener Association